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**HALF YEARLY EXAM (2023-24)**  
**SUBJECT – English**  
**CLASS - VII**

**TIME: 2Hrs. 30 Mins.**

**M.M.: 60 marks**

**General Instructions:**

The question paper comprises four sections A, B, C and D. There are 12 question in the question paper. All questions are compulsory.

**Section A**

Q1. Read the passage and answer the questions. : (5)

Newspapers are our good friends. Life without Newspapers is a waste. Newspapers bring us news and views from all corners of the world. Any incident or occurrence of importance that takes place as reported by the newspapers. The word “NEWS” is interpreted as North, East, West and South. It means that the newspaper provides us with information and news regarding various subjects from all directions. Newspapers also give us articles on all kinds of topics such as political, social, economic monetary, business, commerce, sports, education, health etc. Newspapers publish advertisements that attract the attention of the customers.

They also contain book reviews of literary, historical and other books by the scholars. Newspapers are of different types. Some newspapers are published daily. They are called “Dailies”. We must cultivate the habit of reading newspapers to know what is happening around the globe. The one who reads newspapers and interprets editorial pages can only be master in current affairs and general knowledge. Reading newspapers helps you to find out what news is and how it is written. The one who dreams of being a journalist should not spare a day without reading the newspaper. They should be aware about the editorial and be well versed with vocabulary. We will get to know news from all the countries if we read newspapers regularly. If we are reading the newspapers seriously, it will also help to shine in competitive examinations.

Q1. What kind of articles are published in newspapers?

- a) Educational and health related
- b) Political, social, sports and games related
- c) Economic monetary, business, commerce related
- d) All the above

Q2. What are the benefits of reading an editorial page?

- a) One can become a businessman
- b) One can become a poet
- c) One can get mastery in current affairs
- d) One can pass the elite exam

Q3. Newspapers publish advertisements attract:

- a) Attention of foreigners
- b) Attention of tourists
- c) Attention of customers
- d) Attention of air hostess

Q4. How do newspapers help the students?

- a) He can get knowledge of current affairs
- b) He can shine in competitive examinations

- c) He can enhance his vocabulary
- d) All the above

Q2. Who is a journalist?

- a) Daily news reader
- b) Press reporter
- c) Book reviewer
- d) Script editor

**Q2. Read the following stanza and answer the questions that follows:** (5)

Our ancestors had great difficulty in getting books. Now, our difficulty is what to read. There are books and books but our hours of reading are very few. Therefore, choice becomes essential. We should be very careful about what we read. There are books which poison our lives by suggesting evils. We should keep them at arm's length.

We should read only those books which have stood the test of time. Such books are our great classics like the Ramayana and the Gita. They contain the wisdom of our sages and saints. They have appealed mankind from generation to generation. Reading of such books has ennobling influence on our mind and character. It gives us spiritual enjoyment. These books give us instruction with entertainment. They represent our ancient culture. They set before us high ideals to follow. They are our best friends, best guides and the best treasure.

Q1. We should be selective because

- (a) There is a great number of books available to us
- (b) There is scarcity of books
- (c) There are only bad books in the market
- (d) None of the above.

Q2. We should avoid those books which

- (a) Cost high price
- (b) Come in paperback
- (c) corrupt our lives by suggesting evils
- (d) Come in more than one volume.

Q3. The books which have stood the test of time are called....

- (a) Great books
- (b) rare books
- (c) biographies
- (d) classics

Q4. What is/are special quality/qualities of Classics?

- (a) They affect our mind in a good way
- (b) They teach us something great and also entertain us.
- (c) They help us in our spiritual growth
- (d) All the above.

Q5. An expression in the passage which means 'good effect' is

- (a) Spiritual enjoyment
- (b) Ennobling influence
- (c) high ideals
- (d) Very careful.

### Section B

Q3. Fill in the blanks by choosing the suitable option: (6)

- a) He \_\_\_\_ (as well as/both)his brother are intelligent.
- b) The weather was fine \_\_\_\_ (or/and) the sea was calm.
- c) Mother hasn't\_\_\_\_\_(either /yet) came from the market.
- d) I live quite near the market \_\_\_\_ (or/whether) my friend lives very far.
- e) My ice cream cone went \_\_\_\_ (hiss/splat) onto the sidewalk.
- f) The \_\_\_\_\_ (quack/hoot) of the owl told him someone was coming.

Q4. A. Complete the following sentences using suitable modal verbs: - (5)

- a) \_\_\_\_\_ you come with me to the market?
- b) \_\_\_\_\_ I come in?
- c) \_\_\_\_\_ be what you wished for open it.
- d) \_\_\_\_\_ I submit all the documents today?

B. Circle the conjunctions: -

- a) Neither Mohan nor Shruti can speak Spanish.
- b) Work hard or you will fail the exam.

C. Identify the figure of speech: -

- a) Jatin is a fish when he swims.
- b) The hostess was as sweet as a pie.

D. Complete each sentence with correct verb:-

- a) Here \_\_\_\_\_ (is/are) Car keys.
- b) The Puppy \_\_\_\_\_ (drink/drinks) a lot of water.

Q5. Identify transitive and intransitive verb : (3)

- a) I ate a sandwich for breakfast. Transitive verb
- b) I like all of Lata Mangeshkar's songs.
- c) New Delhi is the capital of India.

Q6. Complete these analogies: - (3)

- a) Birds: fly: fish: \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Tree: leaf: flower: \_\_\_\_\_
- c) Rock: heavy: feather: \_\_\_\_\_

Q7. Write five lines about the picture given below: (3)



### Section - C

Q8. Answer these questions with reference to the context: (4)

- I. A home town, long left behind,  
In a country almost foreign now.
  - a) Who is the speaker?
  - b) Why was the place foreign now?
- II. No one gets away after insulting a princess of the Timuriya dynasty.
  - a) Name the speaker.
  - b) What was insulting to the speaker?

Q9. Answer the questions briefly: (12)

- a) Why did Romi as Teju to beat the milk cans?
- b) How did grackle bully attractive birds?
- c) What was surrounded by clogged canals and angles of alleys?
- d) Name two authors whose book Dylan had read and absorbed.
- e) What did Bindi want to do on her holiday?
- f) Why was Romi in a hurry to get back home?

Q10. Give the meaning for: (any four). (4)

- a) Scorched

- b) Damp
- c) Decades
- d) Deemed
- e) Bullies
- f) Fling

### **Section D**

- Q11. Write an article on 'Health is wealth' or 'G20 summit'. (5)
- Q12. You are Sudeep. You paid a visit to an old age home. Record your experience in the form of diary entry. (5)