

HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION

Class - 10th
Subject - English

Time : 3 Hours

Max.Marks- 50

Instructions:- Attempt all the questions.

Que.1. A) Choose the correct alternatives :-

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- i) Why are we all the same ?
 - a) We all look alike
 - b) We are all playing
 - c) We all are human beings.
- ii) The teacher remarked, 'that makes four grandmothers this term : This means Beinkensopp _____.
 - a) had four excuses
 - b) had four grnadmothers
 - c) had been late four times
- iii) The little kite succeeded because of _____.
 - a) his efforts
 - b) the wind
 - c) other kites
- iv) They only look skin-deep, "skin-deep" means.
 - a) very deep
 - b) skin colour
 - c) not very deep
- v) What did the bad guys do ?
 - a) said bad words about us
 - b) played and talked to us
 - c) said that they're our friends

B) Fill in the blanks of the words given in brackets :-

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- 1) He is _____ English boy. (a / an / the)
- 2) Would you like _____ milk ? (Some / any)
- 3) He was talking on the phone _____ I arrived. (When/While)
- 4) Louie is distracted by _____. (noises / cars)
- 5) Everyone _____ not a spendthrift. (is/are)

C) Match the following :-

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- | Column 'A' | Column 'B' |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1) She was wearing | - a) peaceful sky |
| 2) Pay off | - b) give up |
| 3) Tranquil Sky | - c) provoking clothes |
| 4) Sacrifice | - d) make full payment |

Note :- Question No. 2 to 6 are based on the following passage and each question carries one mark.

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below it:-

Another great step, which may have come either before or after the beginning of language, was the utilization of fire. I suppose that at first, fire was chiefly used to keep away wild beasts while our ancestors slept but the warmth must have been found agreeable. Presumably on some occasion a child got scolded for throwing the meat into the fire but when it was taken out it was found to be much better and so the long history of cookery began.

Choose the correct option:- <https://www.cgboardonline.com> 1 x 5 = 5

Que.2. The main idea of the passage is :-

- a) uses of fire b) beginning of language c) cookery

Que.3. Fire was used at first-

- a) for keep away wild animals b) for baking meat
c) for keeping the body warm.

Que.4. Why was the child scolded for ?

Que.5. How did history of cookery begins ?

Que.6. Which words are formed from the given verbs :

- a) Utilize b) Cook

Instruction- Answer the following questions 7 to 10 from the text book. 8

Que.7. Why does not Louie want to go to "Social Skills" or "Speech" ?

Que.8. How did the girl justify her presence in the auditorium ?

Que.9. Why does Kailash Satyarthi awarded the Nobel Prize for peace ?

Que.10. Why is the National Anthem not played in the cinema halls these days ?

Que.11. Write an application to the Secretary, Board of Secondary Education Chhattisgarh, Raipur for duplicate copy of "Marksheet". 4

Or

You are Rakesh/Raksha living at Editor's colony Bilaspur. Your friend Shankar/Shalini, who has passed his/her High School, Board Examination in First Division. Write a letter congratulating him/her on his/her success.

Que.12. Write a paragraph on "Health is Wealth" on the basis of given hints:

Health is a great blessing, A sick man is burden to society. money cannot buy health, Diet, exercise and hygiene ensures good health, Importance of morning walk.

Or

Write a paragraph on "Polythene Bags A Great Nuisance".

Que.13. You are Shalla, Cultural Secretary of your school. Write a notice for school notice board informing the students about "Quize Competition" to be held at your school. 3

Or

Prepare an advertisement for "Skylark Tultion Classes"

Que.14. Read the following poem carefully and answer the questions given below it:-

Whose woods these are I think I know.

His house is in the village, though

He will not see me stopping here,

To watch his wood fill up the snow,

My little horse must think it queer,

To stop without a farmhouse near.

Between the woods and frozen lake.

The darkest evening of the year.

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Choose the correct options :-

- 1) The woodland owner's house is in :-
a) the village b) the forest c) the city
- 2) Here "Queer" means :-
a) odd b) frightened c) interesting
- 3) What does the poet know in this poem ?
- 4) What makes the horse feel queerer. ?

Que.15. Do as directed (any 5) :- 5

- 1) I did not do my work. (Change into affirmative sentence)
- 2) I win the match. (Change into interrogative sentence)
- 3) He tells me a story. (Change the voice)
- 4) The owl is a nocturnal bird.

(Frame a question for the given sentence)

- 5) a) She is intelligent. b) She is hard working.
(Combine the sentences using "not only....but also")
- 6) He goes to school _____ day. (each / every)

Que.16. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it :- 5

"Then I can't stop her from joining the scholars panel. She has come here on her own merit. I will allow her to sit on the panel until you come up with a convincing example" said the king.

People were still doubtfull about girls worthiness, But as the discussion progressed all doubts vanished.

Read the passage

Days passed. The girl took part in several discussions asked many questions and answered many others. Scholars were astonished by her brilliance.

When the final draft of the book was compiled, many hymns which were composed by the girl were included.

Nobody knows for sure what happened to the girl thereafter

Some say, she constructed a book of her own hymns. Some say, she opened an academy for girls. Different people, different stories. But everybody agrees that "the girl who asked why" became the first female scholar. <https://www.cgboardonline.com>

Questions :-

- i) What happened to the girl after the conference ?
- ii) On What basis did the king allow the girl to attend the conference ?
- iii) When were the doubts vanished ?
- iv) Who became the first female scholar ?
- v) Find the noun form of the given words from the passage ?
 - i) Worthy
 - ii) Brilliant

Que.17. Write an essay on any one of the following topics :-

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- 1) Environmental Problem
- 2) Your Hobby
- 3) Blessings of Science
- 4) Cleanliness Mission