

AADARSH HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL GAUD

DIST- JANJGIR CHAMPA

HALF YEARLY- EXAM 2019-20

TIME - 3 HOURS

CLASS - 11TH

SUBJECT - ENGLISH

MARKS - 80

Q. 1. Read the following poem carefully and answer the questions given below : 5
(section-A)

Break, Break, Break.

On the cold grey stones, O Sea!

And I would that my tongue could utter

4. *The thoughts that arise in me.*

O well for the fisherman's boy

That he shouts with his sister at play!

O well for the sailor's lad

8. *That he sings in his boat on the bay!*

And the stately ships go on

To their heaven under the hill;

But O for the touch of a vanished hand.

12. *And the sound of a voice that is still!*

Break, break, break.

At the foot of the Crage, O Sea!

But the tender grace of a day that is dead

16. *Will never come back to me.*

Questions :

Choose the correct alternatives :

1. The poem Break, Break, Break is :

(a) a sonnet

(b) a ballad

(c) an epic

(d) an elegy.

2. The poet is lost in thoughts of :

(a) his enemy

(b) his brother

(c) his dead friend

(d) a boatman.

3. The poet is unable to express his thoughts because :

(a) He is extremely sad

(b) He is too excited

(c) He is overjoyed

(d) He is jealous.

4. The poet's wishes to touch and hear his friend cannot be fulfilled because :

(a) He is standing on the sea-shore

(b) His friend has died

(c) He is watching the fisherman

(d) routine activities have disturbed him.

5. The poet yearns for :
- (a) the joy of the sailor's lad
 - (b) a journey on the stately ships
 - (c) the excitement of the fisherman's boy
 - (d) the charm, beauty and softness of the days with his dead friend.
6. The word 'stately' in line "I means !".
- (a) Officially
 - (b) Part of the country
 - (c) Impressive/Majestic
 - (d) Slow and formal.

Q.2 reading the passage carefully answer 15

Playing the Mind Game

1. The Mastermind quiz is billed as a "battle of minds". This battle is fought in two halves. In the first, each of four participants faces a barrage of questions, for two minutes, on any topic of his or her choice. In the second round, the questions are on general knowledge. There are two points for each correct answer and zero for wrong answers and passes. In the event of a tie, the person who has passed fewer questions wins.
2. Questions can be bizarre, but they are answered none the less. "It absolutely amazes you that these guys know so much. In KBC, it used to be, that this guy knows so little," says Basu after the show. Siddhartha Basu was the director of Kaun Banega Crorepati (KBC). <http://www.cgboardonline.com>
3. This year's Mastermind final was won by Kamanand Janardhana, a 22 years old software engineer from Pune. Janardhana had Agatha Christie's 'Tommy and Tupence' novels as his specialist topic. He even knew that Tommy used asafoetida to create a stink in his room.
4. There are, of course, all sorts of quizzers. The diary-toting, Manorama yearbook, wielding variety will typically prepare for a contest by 'studying'. He knows that the best questions, the ones that get the 'wah-wahs', are always repeated. He is a solid quizzer, because he knows the obvious.
5. There is the other kind, like Janardhana, who claim they do nothing extra to prepare for quizzers. They read the papers and magazines, watch T.V. and become quizzers because they enjoy the test of recall.
6. It was a test the nation took when KBC fever was at its height. But long before KBC, there were quiz societies across the country, in places from Guwahati to Gandhinagar. Kolkata was the hub of the game, quizzing in India began here in 1967. Even now, the majority of quizzers are from Kolkata. Of the four 2002 Mastermind finalists, two were from that city.
7. Quizzing is big in school and college festivals. It's the 'literary' highlight of all fests. There are even professional quizzers, who, like mercenaries, play for money and the thrill of the game. They represent various organisations at different times.

8. Most quizzers grow out of active quizzing after college. Some the really hardcore devotees of the game keep at it. "I don't get tired of quizzing," says Pinaki Prasad Roy, a Mastermind finalist. "I get excited." Roy is a 46-years old finance professional from Kolkata, and has been a quizzer for three decades.
9. Curiosity is the most essential quality for a quizzer. A fantastic memory and instant recall help. And for Mastermind at least, the choice of specialist subject is critical. In this year's event, Janardhana took an unassailable lead in the specialist round itself.

Questions :

1. Why is the mastermind quiz called a battle of mind ?
2. Why do the participants in the quiz seem mastermind ?
3. Why did Ramanand Janardhan win ?
4. Why did the studious quizzers are called 'Solid quizzer' ?
5. What is the most essential quality for a quizzer ?
6. What is the meaning of the word 'mercenaries'.
7. Who are called solid quizzers ? Why ?
8. How is Kolkata associated with quizzing game ?

(section - B)

Q. 3 You are the cultural secretary of your school. Write an attractive notice giving information about the selection of two participants from your school to take part in the inter-school debate competition. 4

Q. 4 About polluted water supply :

You are Rajendra Sharma living at 69/C, Samta Colony Raipur. Write a letter to the Editor of a Newspaper about the bad condition of water supply in your locality. 6

Q. 5 An Application for Fee Concession : 10

You are Sumit, studying in X 'B' in Chandra-shekhar School, Pitham Pura, New Delhi. Write an application to the Principal of your school requesting him to grant you full fee concession.

Q. 6 Fill in the blanks with a, an, or the : 6

1. The sun sets in west.
2. He is M. A. in English.
3. My mother reads Ramayan.
4. The farmer bought cow and ox.
5. Ganga is a sacred river.
6. My uncle is University professor.

Q. 7 Do as directed 10

1. I do Not go there (Change in affirmative sentence)
2. They broke in jar (Change in present simple tense)
3. Raju is selling the bogles (Change in negative sentence)
4. We read this massage (Change the voice)
5. Ram killed him (Change the voice)
6. He is buying potato (change the voice)

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7. He said I am busy (change the narration)
8. She says to me I went to market
(change the narration)
9. He said to me I am going to bilaspur
10. 1 the box is very heavy
2. Nobody lift it . Combine the sentence
with so That

(Section-C)

Answer the following questions:

- (A) what two character traits of Murad are hinted out by the narrator in the initial part of the story? 2
- (B) what traits of goroghlaion are highlighted in the story.? 2
- (C) How did Mrs. Dorling react when the narrator said Mrs S,s daughter.2
- (D) How did the old lady satisfy herself about Ranga. 2
- (E) why does the narrator refer to the **black hole** of calcutta.3
- (F) why did Einstein say "**I can't** see any point in learning dates.? 3
- (G) What made Einstein unhappy at school.? 3
- (H) what advice did Mrs. Fitzgerald give to Annie.? 3
- (I) what kind of a personality does Mrs. Fitzgerald have.? 3
- (J) who was Dr.Andrew? Where was he working? 3

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