

**Half Yearly Examination-2021**

**Time : 2.30 Hrs.**

**Class : 10th**

**M.M. : 70**

**Sub. : English**

- Note :**
1. All question are compulsory.
  2. Marks are indicated against each questions.
  3. Read the question very careyfully bfore you start answering them-

**Section-A (Reading)**

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questiongs set there on.

The house - the only one in the entire valley-sat on the crest of a low hill from his hight, one could see the river and the field of ripecorn dotted with the flowers that always promised a good harvest. The only thing the earth needed, was a downpooor or atleast a shover. Through out the morning Lencho - who knew his fields intimately had done nothing els but seen the sky towards the north east.

- (a) Write the name of the lesson from which the passage has been selected. Who is its author? (2)
- (b) Which house is referred to in these lines? (2)
- (c) Where was the house situated? (2)
- (d) What could you see from the house? (2)
- (e) What do the words entire and crest mean? (2)

**Section-B (Writing)**

2. Write a letter to your friend, inviting him to attend your sister's marriage. (4)

**OR**

Write an application to the principal of your college requesting him to issue your T.C.

3. Write an essay about your favourite leader. (6)

**OR**

Write an essay on 'Diwali'

**Section-C (Grammar and translation)**

4. (a) Frame a correct sentence by reordering the words given below:

Innings by an th match wor India. (1)

- (b) Change the following sentence in to passive voice:  
He knows me well.

(2)

(c) Re-write the following sentence by changing into indirect speech:

He said, toms "Any you waiting frmy father today?"

(d) Fill in the blank by using correct form of the verbn's 'come'  
I shall go home, when he \_\_\_\_\_.

(e) Change the following sentence into interrogative sentence  
"H has gon to school."

5. (a) Choose the correct article from the ones given against the sentence to fill in the blank: (1)

The hunted killed.....deer. (an, the, a)

(b) Rewrite the following sentence, using the correct degree of comparision of the adjective given in bracket. (1)

Mt. Everest is the \_\_\_\_\_ peak in the world.

(c) Complete the following sentence : (1)

"Honesty is the \_\_\_\_\_.

(d) Complete the spellings of the following words. (1)

(i) B\_\_tw\_\_en (ii) Le\_\_er

(e) Punctuate the following, using capital letters. (1)

She said to her mother please give me one thousand rupees as I want to buy some books.

6. Translate the following into english. (5)

हम सब भारत के रहने वाले हैं और भारत हमारी मातृ भूमि है। हिन्दू, मुस्लिम सिक्ख, इसाई सब भारत माता के बच्चे हैं। हम अपनी मातृ भूमि से पार करते हैं। हमें याद रखना चाहिए कि मातृभूमि की रक्षा के लिए असंरक लोगों में अपना बलिदान दिया है।

#### Section-D

7. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it.

I get along pretty well with all my teachers. There are nine of them, seven men and two women Mr. Keesing, the old fogey who teaches maths, was annoyed nith me for ages because I talked somneh. After several warming, he assigned me extra home work, An essay on the subject, 'Achatte box' what can you write about it? I'dworry about that letter. I decided, I jotted down the title in my notebook, tucked it in my bagand tried to keep

(a) How many male and female teacher were there in the school?

(3)

- (b) How was Mr. Keesing? What did he teach? (2)
8. Answer one of the following questions in about 60 words. (4)
- (a) Give a character sketch of Lencho or Nelson Mandela
9. Answer two of the following questions in about 25 words each:
- (a) How did Mandela's hunger for freedom change his life? (2)
- (b) Why did Lencho write a letter to God? (2)
- (c) Who was Anne? Why did she begin to write a diary? (2)
10. Match the words of List-A with their meanings given below it (3)
- |     | List-A    | List-B                    |
|-----|-----------|---------------------------|
| (a) | Predicted | One who loves his country |
| (b) | Patriot   | Seller                    |
| (c) | Vendor    | Fore told                 |
11. Give the central idea of one of the following poems. (2)
- (a) Fire and Ice (b) The trees
- OR
12. Write four lines from one of the poems given in your text book. (2)
- Read the following lines of poetry and answer the questions given below it. <https://www.upboardonline.com>
- There is a languid, emerald sea**  
**Where the sole inhabitant is me**  
**a mermaid, drifting blissfully.**
- (a) What has the colour of sea been compared to? (2)
- (b) Who was the sole inhabitant of the calm sea? (2)
13. Answer two of the following questions in about 25 words each.
- (a) Why is Mrs Pumphrey worried about Tricki? (2)
- (b) What does she do to help him? Is she wise in this? (2)
- (c) How does he treat the dog? (2)
14. Answer one of the following questions in about 60 words : (4)
- Write a character sketch of Mrs. Pumphrey.
- OR
- Write 60 words about the character of Tricki.
15. Point out the true and false statement in the following:
- (a) Mrs Pumphrey was a poor lady. (1)
- (b) Tricki was a very very dog. (1)
16. (a) Who was Tricki? (1)
- (i) A cat (ii) A monkey (iii) A dog (iv) A rabbit
- (b) What was Tricki's actual problem? (1)
- (i) Fever (ii) Malaria (iii) Malnutrition
- (iv) Vomiting because of excess food. (1)