

Yearly Examination - 2021-2022

Subject - English

Time : 3 Hours

Class - XIth

M.M. : 90

Note- Read the questions very carefully before you answer them.

Section-A (Reading)

1. Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow :

A poor woman once came to the Buddha to ask him whether he could give her any medicine to resotre her dead child to life. The holy man, touched by the greatest sorrow of the woman told her that there was only one medicine which could revive her son. He bade her bring him a handful of mustard seed from a house where death had never entered. The sorrowing mother went from door to door seeking the mustard seed, but at every door she met with sad replies. One said, "I have lost my husband" Another said, "our youngest child died last year." She returned with a heavy heart to the teacher who told her tenderly that she must not think much of her own grief, since sorrow and death are common to all.

- (a) Why did the poor woman go to the Buddha ? 2
- (b) What did the holy man tell her ? 2
- (c) What were the 'sad replies' that people told her ? 2
- (d) Give the synonym of the word 'Revive' from the passage. 2
- (e) Give the antonym of the word 'Happiness' from the passage. 2

Section-B (Writing)

2. Prepare a report in about 60 words on the topic 'conservation of water' 5

Or

Give a summary of the following passage.

Self respect and respect from other begin with a simple physical condition : personal cleanliness of body, and cleanliness and neatness of clothes. Gandhiji was always insistent on personal cleanliness and neatness, and clean orderly surroundings. The soldier is required to be clean and neat with himself, to polish his boots and shine his buttons and keep his

uniform well brushed to create self respect in him and respect for him among those who see him. We must follow the soldiers in this regard. For we will kind ourselves severely criticised by our opponents.

3. Write a detailed essay on anyone of following topics. 10
- (a) Life in an Indian village.
 - (b) Problem of Pollution
 - (c) Miracles of Science.
4. Write a letter to the Editor of a news-paper about frequent breakdown of electricity in your locality. 5

Or

Write a letter to the District Magistrate about the nuisance caused by the use of loudspeakers during the examination days.

Section-C (Grammar)

5. (a) Change anyone of the following sentences into Indirect speech : 02
- (i) Kavita said to Amar, "Lend me your pen please."
 - (ii) He said, "Congratulation ! You have got a great success."
- (b) Combine anyone of the following sentences into compound sentence : 02
- (i) Work hard. You will fail.
 - (ii) He was guilty. he was punished.
- (c) Transform anyone of the following sentences as directed. 2
- (i) Very few games are as popular as cricket. (Superlative)
 - (ii) I have to complete my work. (Passive)
- (d) Correct any two of the following sentences : 2
- (i) Listen what I say.
 - (ii) He is ill from fever.
 - (iii) Some cattles are in the field.
 - (iv) I, you and she are part.
6. (a) The synonym of the word 'Admire' is : 2
- (i) curse
 - (ii) praise
 - (iii) blame.
- (b) The antonym of the word 'Patriot' is : 2
- (i) notorious
 - (ii) traitor
 - (iii) alien

- (c) Ram is the to his father's property. 2
 (i) hair ✓(ii) heir (iii) hare
- (d) The study of plants : 2
 (i) Biology ✓(ii) Botany (iii) Zoology
- (e) 'A lion's share' means : 2
 (i) short portion ✓(ii) great portion (iii) middle portion

7. In the line 'life is like a dream' the figure of speech is : 2
 (i) metaphor ✓(ii) simile (iii) Hyperbol

Define the figure of speech - personification or oxymoron.

8. Translate into English : 6

ज्योतिषी एक किसान का बेटा था। एक दिन उसने अपने मित्र का खून कर दिया और उसकी लाश को एक कुएँ में फेंक दिया। फिर उसने अपना गाँव छोड़ दिया। वह दूर एक शहर में जाकर बस गया। उसने ज्योतिष का धंध अपना लिया। धीरे-धीरे उसने इस क्षेत्र में कार्फा अनुभव प्राप्त कर लिया। उसे मनुष्य के स्वभाव का अद्वितीय ज्ञान था। पलक झपकते ही वह अपने ग्राहक का भविष्य बता देता था।

Section - D (Literature)

9. Answer anyone of the following questions. 6

- (a) What was the routine of the grandmother with her grandson ?
 ✓(b) Explain the losing of forests and its reason.

10. Answer any two of the following questions. 6

- ✓(a) How was sue injured ?
 ✓(b) Who was Howard carter ?
 (c) What concept is known as 'Shanshui' ?

11. Read the stanza and answer the questions that follow it. 6

The whole tree trembles and thrills.

It is the engine of her family.

She stokes it full, then flirts out to a branch-end.

Showing her borred face-identity mask.

- ✓(a) Why does the whole tree tremble and thrill ?
 ✓(b) What is the bird to her family ?
 ✓(c) Write the name of the poem and the poet of the above stanza.

12. Give the central Idea of anyone of the following poems : 4

(a) The voice of the Rain

(b) Childhood.

13. Answer any one of the following questions : 6

(a) Draw a character sketch of Ranga.

(b) What was Einstein's plan to get rid of school ? How did it execute ?

14. Answer any two of the following questions. 6

(a) Who was mrs. Fitzgerald ?

(b) What did Elsa tell to Einstein ?

(c) Who met at the address on narrator's second visit ?