

Quarterly exam.2024-25
Class-12th
Subject -English

Time 3.00 Hours |

12th B2

MM-80

Instructions:-

All questions are compulsory.

Marks are indicated in front of each questions.

section-A (reading)

Q.1 read the following passage and answer the questions is on the basis of comprehension of the passage.

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Life is a struggle."we live in deeds and not in years."if we rest, we rust. If we work, we shine like jewels. Adventures are the essence of life but action also entails contemplation. Proper action needs the proper initiative. Napoleon took the wrong initiative and brought the downfall of France.proper action is always taken by wise persons. The wise persons always foreshadow the hardships of executing a policy. They become passive when they forecast that their efforts are at stake. All great leaders and diplomats take the step keeping in view their reputation.

We should strike when the iron is hot. Some persons take the steps haphazardly with the result that the laws the opportunity and thus they are treated like fools. Angels are wise people and are very particular about their actions. It has been the aim of all philosophers to understand the world. After understanding, they move very gradually and not like fools who plunge into the situation without contemplation. Mr. Ayub Khan under Bhutto's influence plunged into war with Indian inflicting destruction to humanity. Our Ex- Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri gauged the situation. He responded to the challenge of Pakistan and won the battle. fools always meddle with the situation without bringing about any change but wise persons penetrate the matter and take the appropriate action.

Questions

:(A) According to the writer -

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| 1. Napoleon acted wisely | 2. Adventures are not the essence of life |
| 3. We may shine like metals | ✓ 4. Leaders and diplomats act keeping in |
| view their reputation. | |

(B) Some people are treated as fools because

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| ✓ 1.they act haphazardly | 2. They act like philosophers |
| 3. Thiy strike when the iron is hot | 4. all of these |

(C) The aim of the philosopher is-

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| 1. To act like angels | 2. To act like a saint |
| 3. To act like a poet | ✓ 4. To understand the world |

(D) The passage implies that -

Or

Write a letter to the postmaster of Head Post Office to complain against the postman of your area. Lokesh tripathi, residing at new colony, Jabalpur.

Q.5. write a paragraph in about 120 words on any 'one' of the following topics:

1. The role of computers in everyday life.
2. The importance of trees.
3. The value of games.
4. My ideal teacher

Or

You are Randhir Hindustan Times who Witnessed a fire accident in Central Market Bhopal .using the information in the output, given below along with your own details, write a report in about 200 words on' A Devastating Fire 'for your newspaper.

1. Central market-A sensitive zone godowns, shops and stores
2. Plastic goods,
3. Short circuit,
4. Whole area engulfed by flames, people pouring water buckets,
5. Fire brigade reached late.

Section -C (Grammar)

Q. 6. fill in the blanks -(any five).

5x1=5

1. hereach home before sunset. (Must, should, ought to)
2. The food was..... very good nor very bad. (Either, neither, both,)
3. I..... a film yesterday. (See, seen, saw)
4. Did you buy..... sugar from the soap? (Any/some)
5. Dinesh prefers milktea. (Tea)
6. He is so old that henot walk. (Can/could)

Q.7. Do as directed -(any five).

5x1=5

1. The boy is my cousin. The boy is wearing a red shirt. (Rewrite the pair of sentence using 'who')
2. If you do not work hard, you will not success. (Rewrite using 'unless' in place of 'if')
3. He is poor. He cannot pay his fees. (Rewrite the sentence using 'so- that')
4. I know him. (Change the voice)
5. I do my work. (change into negative)
6. As soon as he saw the police, he ran away. (Rewrite the sentence using 'No sooner..than')

Q.8. read the following extract carefully and answer the questions given below :

5x1=5

I started for school very late that morning and was in great dread of a scolding, specially because M. Hamel had said that he would question us on participles, and I did not know the first word about them. For a Moment I thought of running away and spending the day out of doors. It was so warm, so bright !The birds were chirping at the edge of the woods:and in the open field back of the sawmill the Prussian soldiers were drilling. It was all much more tempting than the rule for participles, but I had the strength to resist, and hurried off to school.

Questions:

1. What does the word 'dread 'mean?
(a) Fear. (b) apprehensive (C)Awe. (d) all of these
2. Who is ' I ' in the above extract.
(a)M.Hamel. (b)Franz (C) Watcher. (d)Peddler
3. According to the narrator, how was the day. ?
(a) Warm and bright. (b) Cold and dark

- (c) Sunny. (d) Rainy
4. I started for school.....
 (a) Early in the morning. (b) Very late that morning
 (C) Late afternoon. (d) in the afternoon
5. The birds were chirping at the.....of the woods.
 (a) Branch. (b) stem (C) Edge. (d) corner

Q.9. Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow.

3×1=3

- (a) Driving from my parent's home to Cochin last Friday morning, I saw my mother, besides me, doze, open-mouthed, her face ashen like that of a corpse and realized with pain that she was as old as she looked but soon put that thought away.

Questions:

- (i) The poetess is coming from-
 (a) Cochin. (b) her parent's home (C) Airport. (d) Delhi
- (ii) Give the opposite of the word 'soon'.
 (a) Early. (b) hurry (e) Late. (d) quick.
- (iii) Name the poet -
 (a) Kamla Das. (b) Pablo Neruda (c) John Keats. (d) Robert Frost

(B) Read the extract carefully and answer the questions given below:

4×1=4

Six hundred and fifty million years ago, a giant amalgamated southern supercontinent-Gondwana -did indeed exist, Centred roughly around the present day Antarctica. Things were quite different then: human hadn't arrived on the global scene, and the climate was much warmer, hosting a huge variety of flora and fauna. For 500 million years Gondwana thrived; but around the time when the dinosaurs were wiped out and the age of the mammals got under way, the landmass was forced to separate into countries, shaping the globe much as we know it today.

Questions:

1: For how long did Gondwana thrive?

- (a) 600 million years. (b) 400 million years
 (c) 500 million years. (d) 200 million years

2. What does the phrase verb 'wiped out' mean?

- (a) Disappeared. (b) Survived (c) Appeared. (C) Live on

3. How was climate of Gondwana different from today's world?

- (a) It was hotter. (b) it was warmer
 (C) It was colder. (d) it was moderate

4. Flora and fauna refers to -

- (a) Flowers, birds. (b) animals, roses
 (c) Wood, forest. (d) plants and animals

Q.10. Answer the following questions in about 30 words (any five).

5×2=10

- (i) What had been put up on the bulletin board?

- (ii) What makes the city of Firozabad famous ?
- (iii) Why was Douglas determine to get over his fear of water ?
- (iv) What was Franz expected to be prepared with for school that day?
- (V) What is the 'Misadventure' that William Douglas speaks about?
- (Vi) Why was the crofter so talkative and friendly with the peddler?

Q.11. Answer the following questions in about 30 words(any three).

2×3=6

- (i) What will counting up to twelve and keeping still help us achieve ?
- (ii) Why has the mother been compared to the 'late winter's moon'?
- (iii) What is the 'sadness' that the poet refers to in the poem?
- (iy) What is the kind of pain and ache that the poet feels ?

Q.12. Answer the following questions in about 30 words (any two).

2×2=4

- (i) Who is the tiger king? why does he get that name ?
- (ii) What does the third level refer to ?
- (iii) Who was Dr. Sadao ? Where was his house ?

Q.13. Answer the following questions in about 75 words (any two).

3×2=6

- (i) is Saheb happy working at the tea stall explain ? Explain.
- (ii) How did Douglas make sure that he conquered the old terror?
- (iii) What made the peddler think that he had indeed fallen into a rattrap ?

Q.14. Answer the following question in about 75 words

3×1=3

Write the central idea of the poem 'keeping Quiet'.

Or

Why are the young trees described as 'sprinting'?

Q.15. Answer the following question in about 75 words.

3×1=3

What did the royal infant grow up to be. ?

Or

Do you think that the third level was a medium of escape for Charley? why?