

High School Exam., June - 2018

411

Subject: ENGLISH (GENERAL)

Time: 03 Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

Instructions:-

- (i) ***All the questions are compulsory.***
- (ii) ***Marks for each question are indicated against it.***

SECTION – ‘A’
READING

Q.1 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it:

Abraham Lincoln was the son of a poor man. Thomas Lincoln, his father, was not able to give him proper education, however Abraham Lincoln studied by the fire light till midnight. He used coal as a pencil and flat pieces of wood as a paper. He also did help his father in the field. Once he borrowed a book called “The Life of George Washington” from a neighbour. This book proved a turning point in his life. He made up his mind to rise so high in life as to become the president of his country like George Washington. He became stronger day by day and achieved in the end. In 1861, the people elected him as the president of United States.

Questions :-

- (i) Who was the father of Abraham Lincoln? (1)
- (ii) When was Abraham Lincoln elected the president of United States? (1)
- (iii) The opposite of ‘son’ is _____. (1)
- (iv) ‘The Life of George Washington’ proved a turning point in Abraham Lincoln’s life. (True / False) (1)
- (v) In _____ the people elected him as the president. (1)
 - (i) 1851
 - (ii) 1860
 - (iii) 1861
 - (iv) 1862

Q.2 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it:

Pollution is one of the greatest hazards, that we face in this day and age. We are surrounded by so much pollution that in a normal breathing itself we face a great risk to our lives. Pollution results in the death of millions of people. It is the cause of many diseases. The worst form of pollution that affects us the most is air pollution. Smoke from industries, factories, vehicles and even cigarettes is a major source of air pollution. If pollution is not controlled it will result in untold diseases and death.

Questions :-

- (i) Write major sources of air pollution. (1)
- (ii) Which is one of the greatest hazards for our lives? (1)
- (iii) 'Hazard' means (1)
 - (i) danger
 - (ii) happiness
 - (iii) name of a game
 - (iv) a disease
- (iv) If pollution is controlled, it will result in untold diseases and death. (True / False) (1)
- (v) We are _____ by so much pollution. (1)

Q.3 Read the following passage carefully and answer the following questions given below it:

Ujjain is a very old city. It was at one time the capital of King Vikramaditya. He was a great and wise king. Many good and great men lived at his court and served him. The poet Kalidas was one of them. Vikramaditya was not only a famous king but also a very wise judge. He could decide even the most difficult cases so wisely that everybody was satisfied with his judgement. Nobody who did wrong or went against law could escape punishment at his hands. Thieves and robbers shook with fear in his kingdom, and honest men were happy in his kingdom.

Questions :-

- (i) _____ was the capital of King Vikramaditya. (1)
- (ii) The opposite of 'old' is _____. (1)
- (iii) One who rules is called a : (1)
 - (i) King
 - (ii) Judge
 - (iii) Officer
- (iv) Name the poet from the passage. (1)
- (v) What did Vikramaditya do with wrong doers? (1)

SECTION – ‘B’

WRITING

- Q.4 You are Vandna, studying in Govt. Higher Secondary Girls School Dewas. Write an application to your principal to grant you three days leave as you are sick. **(6)**

OR

You are Monika, residing in Room No.1, Girls Hostel, Main Road, Sehore. Write a letter to your father to send ₹ 500/- to you for your board examination fees.

- Q.5 Read the passage carefully and do as instructed in (a) and (b) below the passage:

Today we are living in an age of changing fashions. Everyday we see a change in the fashion of clothes and hair style. Cinema is the home of new fashions. Young boys and girls borrow fashion free from there. They copy the fashions of their favourite film stars. They want to excel one another in fashion. But only a few boys and girls can afford to adopt these fashions. They make fun of those who put on out of date dresses. As a result even those students whose parents cannot afford costly dresses are tempted to be fashionable sometimes. They borrow money and things from their rich friends whenever they have to attend some party. It often leads to quarrel.

Questions :-

- (a) On the basis of your reading of the above passage, make notes on it and supply a suitable title. **(4)**
- (b) Write a summary of the passage. **(3)**

Q.6 Write an essay in 200 words on any one of the following topics:- (7)

- (i) My Hobby
- (ii) Any Great Leader you like most
- (iii) My School
- (iv) Any Festival of Our Country
- (v) Wonders of Science

OR

Write an article on the topic 'SAVE WATER' by using the ideas given below:–

- (i) Collect rain water on roof top.
- (ii) Store rain water in underground tanks.
- (iii) Turn off taps while brushing teeth.
- (iv) Do not over use bore – well.
- (v) Wash vehicles with water in bucket.
- (vi) Try to reuse water after washing utensils etc.

SECTION – 'C'

GRAMMAR

Q.7 (A) Fill in the blanks by using the correct form of the verbs given (5)
in the brackets (any five) :

- (i) This is a very light box. You _____ lift it. (can / could)
- (ii) _____ is a good exercise. (Swim / Swimming)
- (iii) I used to _____ cricket in my childhood.(play / playing)
- (iv) The sun _____ in the east. (rise / rises)
- (v) My father _____ taught in this school. (has / have)
- (vi) The students are _____ football now.(playing / singing)

(B) Choose the correct words from the brackets and fill in the blanks (any five) :

- (i) My father is _____ engineer. (a / an / the)
- (ii) He is poor _____ not greedy. (and / or/ but)
- (iii) There is _____ water in the bottle. (some / any)
- (iv) _____ I come in sir? (May / Can)
- (v) Distribute the sweets _____ the students.
(between / among)
- (vi) He has been waiting for the train _____ morning.
(for / since)

Q.8 Do as directed (any five)- (5)

- (i) a student / you / are/ ?
(Rearrange the words to make a meaningful sentence)
- (ii) Anjali is reading a book. (Change into negative)
- (iii) Ravi has a book.(Change into past indefinite tense)
- (iv) He is too poor to pay his fees. (Rewrite the sentence using
“so that”).
- (v) Unless you work hard, you will not succeed. (Rewrite the
sentence using ‘If’ in place of ‘Unless’)
- (vi) Mohan and Sohan is friend (Correct the sentence)

Q.9 Translate any five sentences into English- (5)

- (i) वह क्रिकेट खेल रहा है।
- (ii) क्या तुम अंग्रेजी बोल सकते हो?
- (iii) ईमानदारी सबसे अच्छी नीति है।
- (iv) वर्षा हो रही है।
- (v) मेरे पास दो किताबें हैं।
- (vi) आपकी उम्र कितनी है?

SECTION – ‘D’

TEXT BOOKS

- Q.10 Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions given below it-

Mamta had been studying in a small school in the nearby town till then, as her parents could not afford to send her to any one of the public schools in the city. It was only because of the scholarship she had won from a trust that it had been possible for her to join this reputed convent school. Being away from home, in a hostel, she yearned for some friends, but till now most of the girls had refused to accept a small town girl as their friend. Most of the girls in the school came from rich families. They treated her as an unwelcome guest who was too low in status by their standards.

Questions:–

- (a) The extract has been taken from _____ **(1)**
(i) The Tribute
(ii) One Step Ahead
(iii) The New Player in the Team.
- (b) Mamta had been studying in a _____ . **(1)**
(i) big school (ii) convent school
(iii) small school
- (c) In hostel, Mamta yearned some _____. **(1)**
(i) books (ii) friends
(iii) teachers
- (d) Why did the girls in the school avoid Mamta's company? **(2)**

Q.11 Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions given below it :

Once more the brave boy made up his mind. He would not be a cripple. He would walk. But unfortunately from the waist, he had no motor ability. His thin legs just dangled there, all but life less. Ultimately he was released from the hospital. Everyday his mother would massage his little legs, but there was no feeling, no control, nothing. Yet his determinations, that he would walk, was as strong as ever.

Questions:-

- (a) The word in the passage similar in meaning to 'rubbing' is – **(1)**
- (i) dangle
 - (ii) massage
 - (iii) cripple.
- (b) The opposite if 'Little' is ____ **(1)**
- (i) big
 - (ii) limited
 - (iii) tiny
- (c) What had caused the disability to the boy? **(1)**
- (i) he got burnt
 - (ii) he got cut
 - (iii) he got minor injury
- (d) How did the mother help the boy to overcome his disability? **(2)**

Q.12 (a) Why did Dr. Kalam go to Shivanand Ashram? (3)

OR

Which quality of Mahatma Gandhi is described by Pt. Nehru?

(b) What did the British do with the bodies of the three revolutionaries? (3)

OR

What were the qualities of Subuddhi and Kubuddhi?

Q.13 Give a character – sketch of Maharana Pratap. (4)

OR

Why did Pratap Singh call Bhama Shah the 'Saviour of Mewar'?

Q.14 Read the extract carefully and answer the questions given below it-

"The hand of peace is frank and warm,
And soft as ring dove's wing,
And he who quells an angry thought
Is greater than a king."

Questions:-

(a) The extract has been taken from the poem _____. (1)

- (i) Children
- (ii) Wind
- (iii) Anger

(b) Dove is a _____. (1)

- (i) bird
- (ii) animal
- (iii) children

(c) Quell means. (1)

- (i) hungry
- (ii) suppress
- (iii) angry

Q.15 What should we pray for, to God? (3)

OR

What happens when the poet looks at the children playing?

Q.16 Answer any two of the following in 20 words each- (4)

- (a) What does the poet want to know about the wind?
- (b) What does the poet say about the memories of the dead people?
- (c) Who should be our teacher according to the poet?

Q.17 Answer any three of the following questions in 30 words each- (9)

- (a) In what places does malaria not occur? Why?
- (b) What was the problem of the Soldier?
- (c) What was Napoleon's motto?
- (d) Why did Gandhiji travel in third class?

Q.18 Answer any three of the following questions in 30 words each- (6)

- (a) What does the Red Cross Society do?
- (b) Where did the Mughals plant the magnificent avenues of Chinar?
- (c) What hardship do children face at home?
