COMMON FIRST MID TERM TEST - 2023

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Standard XII

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ENGLISH

Time : 1.30 hrs Section - A *Marks : 50*

(A). Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words of the following:

1. Nicola was glaring at his young brother in ***vexation***. **2 x 1 = 2**
   a) annoyance b) calm c) vaccum d) annex
2. _____ that they only drink it in order to be warmed and ***stimulated***.
   a) discouraged b) motivated c) passive d) admired

(B). Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words of the following:

3. They brought her here, ***persuaded*** us _____. **2 x 1 = 2**
   a) dissuaded b) requested c) guided d) forced
4. One does not feel wise, braver or more ***optimistic***.
   a) opportunistic b) cheerful c) realistic d) pessimistic

(C) Choose the correct answer for the following questions. **6 x 1 = 6**

5. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word ***active***.
   a) dis b) il c) un d) in
6. Form a new word by adding a suitable suffix to the root word ***manage***.
   a) tive b) ment c) able d) ion
7. Choose the trisyllabic word from the given options.
   a) worker b) autograph c) individual d) swim
8. Choose the correct expansion of ***HDTV***.
   a) High Definition Television b) Heavy Dielectric Television
   c) Heavy Duty Television d) Highly Decentralized Television
9. Fill in the blanks with a suitable preposition.
   The school reopens _____ Wednesday.
   a) in b) at c) on d) by
10. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb given in brackets.
    I think Suresh _____ for Thiruvallur next morning. (leave)

Section - B

II. Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any two of the following:

11. "All through the summer at ease we lay **2 x 2 = 4**
    And daily from the turret wall"
    a) Who does 'we' refer to?
    b) How did the soldiers spend the summer days?
12. "There was a little private gate
    A little wicked wicket gate"
    a) What do you mean by a "Wicked wicket gate"?
    b) What is the figure of speech employed in the second line.
13. "Like a huge Python, winding round and round
    The rugged trunk, indented deep with scars"
    a) What is compared to Python?
    b) Identify the figure of speech.

III. Do as directed. **1 x 2 = 2**

14. Change the Direct speech into Indirect speech.
    Vijaya said to Priya, "I am going to the railway station"

Section - C

Explain the following with reference to the context. (anyone) 1 x 3 = 3

15. How can this shameful tale be told

(OR)

Dear is the Casuarina to my soul.

Answer any two of the following questions. 2 x 3 = 6

16. What were the various jobs undertaken by the little boys?
17. What is the second golden rule in the preparation of tea?
18. How did the narrator help the boys on Sunday?

Answer the following. 5 x 5 = 25

19. ***Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.***
    a) Write a character sketch of Nicola and Jacopo.

(OR)

    b) Summarise George Orwell's distinctive ideas in "A Nice cup of Tea"

20. a) Human greed led to the Mighty fall of the citadel. Explain.

(OR)

    b) Describe the reminisences of the poet when she sees a Casuarina Tree.

21. ***Develop the following hints:***
    a) Ivan Dmitrich Aksionov - young merchant - lived Viladimir - wife and children - trip - Nizhny fare - wife - bad dream - not to start - local police - arrested - charged for murder - sent - mines of Siberia - grew old - frequently prayed God - respected - gentle behaviour - Makar Semyonich found out the truth - Makar admitted - Askionov forgave - died in peace.

(OR)

    b) Pi - in Pacific - on life boat - Richard parker - on board - no food, water, sleep - three days - search - thrist over powered fear - found - came back live - Parker helped - survived - left Parker - reunited with his family.

22. ***Make notes of the following passage.***

Water, the Elixir of life and air are important for life to continue on Earth. Trees have a major role in preserving the necessary elements, water and air. Trees provide a foundation to life. By photosynthesis they produce food for men and animals, at the same time produce oxygen in the process. Trees support life by providing habitat to bees, birds and squirrels. Tree planting creates economic opportunities. Trees have medicinal values too. Tree planting is the imperative need today to make the Earth liveable for future generations.

23. a) Write a letter to the headmaster of your school requesting him to help you obtain duplicate marksheet of class XII, which you lost while travelling.

(OR)

    b) ***Fill in the blanks with appropriate answers.***
    i) Her parents _____ in Coimbatore for two weeks from today. (be) (use the verb in correct form)
    ii) My sister _____ dance so well, when she was in school. (use a semi-modal)
    iii) If I were you, I _____ not behave like that. (use a suitable modal verb)
    iv) Generally, the _____ persons are seen in _____ areas. (Industrial / industrious)

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