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| **HY/ENAK/1123/A 26-OCT-2023** | | | | |
| **HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION (2023-24)** | | | | |
| **Subject: ENGLISH(CORE)- ANSWER KEY**  **Grade: XI** | | | Max. Marks:80Time: 3 Hrs | |
|  |  | **SECTION- A** | |  |
|  |  | **Reading: 18 Marks** | |  |
|  | **I** | **Read the following passage carefully:** | | 10 M |
|  | 1 | (a) waiting for the right thought to emerge. | | 1 |
|  | 2 | (d) informative | | 1 |
|  | 3 | (c) knowledge of news and current affairs. | | 1 |
|  | 4 | (c) well-respected cartoonist. | | 1 |
|  | 5. | “(a) Don’t assume that you will become a cartoonist. | | 1 |
|  | 6 | Most established cartoonists are of the view that no institute can teach you to make a cartoon. | | 1 |
|  | 7 | scan | | 1 |
|  | 8 | (b) So, You Want to be a Cartoonist | | 1 |
|  | 9 | (a) Hard work, training and good sense of humour | | 1 |
|  | 10 | Anyone can pick up the craft or learn to sketch and draw in institutes, but no one can teach anyone how to make a good cartoon. | | 1 |
|  | **II** | Read the following passage carefully: | | 8M |
|  | 1 | c.There are many causes that lead to malnutrition | | 1 |
|  | 2. | a. childhood malnutrition in India | | 1 |
|  | 3. | b. ensure optimal growth and function | | 1 |
|  | 4. | d. Low birth weight | | 1 |
|  | 5 | It refers to the coexistence of undernutrition and overnutrition in a population. | | 1 |
|  | 6 | d. India is not one among the many countries where child undernutrition is severe | | 1 |
|  | 7 | Poor nutrition in the first 1000 days of a child’s life can also lead to stunted growth, which is associated with impaired cognitive ability and reduced school and work performance | | 1 |
|  | 8 | b. root cause or reason of something | | 1 |
|  | **III** | **NOTE MAKING- 5 MARKS**  **SUMMARY-3 MARKS** | |  |
|  |  | **SECTION-B**  **GRAMMAR (ANY 7 OUT OF THE GIVEN 8)** | |  |
|  | **IV** |  | |  |
|  | 1. | Has not been eating | | 1 |
|  | 2 | Rode | | 1 |
|  | 3 | have been teaching | | 1 |
|  | 4 | haven’t heard | | 1 |
|  | 5 | The forests provide cover for our forces during battles. | | 1 |
|  | 6 | Until I told him, he had no idea that I had won a medal. | | 1 |
|  | 7 | The popularity of junk food has led to the opening of eating joints around every corner. | | 1 |
|  | 8 | A borrowed book must be treated with a certain considerate formality. | | 1 |
|  | **V** | **WRITING** | |  |
|  | **A** | **Attempt any one of the following:** | | 4M |
|  |  | (4 Marks: Format: 1 / Content: 2 / Expression: 2) | |  |
|  | **B.** | **Attempt any one of the following**: | | 4M |
|  |  | (4 Marks: Format: 1 / Content: 2 / Expression: 2) | |  |
|  | **C.** | **Attempt any one of the following:** | | 8M |
|  |  | Marks:8 Format: 1 / Content: 3 / Expression: 2/Presentation2) | |  |
|  |  | **Section C**  **Literature** | |  |
|  | **VI** | **Reference to the Context** | |  |
|  | **A** | Attempt any one of the following: | |  |
|  |  | 1. c. Marcus Nattan | | 3M |
|  |  | 1. a. Poet’s lost childhood | | 1 |
|  |  | 1. b. Hell and Heaven | | 1 |
|  |  | **OR** | |  |
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|  | **B** | 1. b Noise created by the activities of the  goldfinch and her young ones. | | 1 |
|  |  | 2. c Bird’s face became her identity and symbol of recognition. | | 1 |
|  |  | 3 a. Simile | | 1 |
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|  | **VII** | Attempt any one of the following: | | 3M |
|  | **A** |  | |  |
|  |  | 1.c Amenhotep IV | | 1 |
|  |  | 2 a. garlands of olives, lotus petals, and cornflowers | | 1 |
|  |  | 3. d. focusing less on treasure and more on the fascinating details of life and mysteries of death | | 1 |
|  |  | **OR** | |  |
|  | **B** |  | |  |
|  |  | 1. c. the Indus, the Ganges, the Sutlej, and the Brahmaputra | | 1 |
|  |  | 1. d. because he was writing an academic paper on Kailash Kora | | 1 |
|  |  | 1. d. where the plains became more stony | |  |
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|  | **VIII** | Attempt any one of the following: | | 4M |
|  | **A** |  | |  |
|  |  | 1. c 1,4 | | 1 |
|  |  | 2.a She saw familiar things but in unfamiliar surroundings | | 1 |
|  |  | 3 b. The harness is often heavy and unmanageable than the load. | | 1 |
|  |  | 4 d. Green knitted cardigan | | 1 |
|  |  | **OR** | |  |
|  | **B** |  | |  |
|  |  | 1. a i) is false but (ii) is true | | 1 |
|  |  | 1. c Both (A) and (B) | | 1 |
|  |  | 3 a. In a state of confusion and disorder | | 1 |
|  |  | 4 d unappreciative | | 1 |
|  | **IX** |  | |  |
|  |  | Attempt any **two** of the following: | | 6M |
|  | 1 | Tut’s mummy was put in the scorching desert sun by Carter in order to soften the resins which had fixed the body to the coffin. When this failed, he cut the body into pieces to bring it out of the coffin. | | 3 |
|  | **2** | The Laburnum treetop is all quiet and alone in the forest. But it suddenly comes to life with the arrival of a goldfinch. It starts up as some engine. This noise last for a short time only. As the mother bird flies away, the tree relapses into silence again. | |  |
|  | **3** | According to the poet, the process of growing up involved many things. First of all, it begins with the stage when one can differentiate between reality and imaginary things. The second stage is reached when one can differentiate between what adult preach and what they do. He can see through their hypocrisy. Lastly, independent thinking is the sign of mature man. He is not influenced or directed by others as he was in his childhood. | | 3 |
|  | **4** | The author was not much impressed by the village Hor, with no vegetation so to say md with lot of dust, dirt, rubbish and rocks . He found it rather grim and miserable place with lots of garbage accumulated in many years. He spent the first night in state of sleeplessness due to his attack of cold and heaviness in chest. As he lay down, his sinuses filled and his chest was odd. So he stayed awake all night. | |  |
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|  | **X** | **Attempt any one of the following in 40-50 words:** | | 4M |
|  | **1** | When life returned to normalcy after the war, the narrator decided to visit her old possessions at Number 46, Marconi Street. But once she arrived, the items lost their value, first because they were arranged in an unappealing manner. Second, and more importantly, the items were linked to relationships that no longer existed. So the narrator felt justified in leaving them behind. | |  |
|  |  | **OR** | |  |
|  | **2.** | Mrs Fitzgerald advises Mrs Pearson not to go soft on the members of her family again. She should not start explaining or apologizing. She should give them a look or a rough tone of voice now and then to suggest that she might be tough with them if she wanted to be so. | |  |
|  | **XI** | **Attempt any one of the following in 120-150 words:** | | 6M |
|  | **1.** | In modem times the means of archaeological investigation have changed considerably. Now archaeology is focusing less on treasure and more on the fascinating details of life and intriguing mysteries of death. Another change is that with the advancement of technology it now uses more sophisticated tools, including medical technology.  For instance, in 1968 an anatomy professor X-rayed the mummy of Tut and found that beneath the resin that cakes his chest, his breast-bone and front ribs were missing. Today diagnostic imaging can be done with computed tomography or CT. By it hundreds of X-rays in cross section are put together like slices of bread to create a three-dimensional virtual body. That is why the mummy of King Tut was CT scanned. | |  |
|  |  | **OR** | |  |
|  | **2.** | Nick Middleton, the narrator had to journey through the difficult terrain to reach Mount Kailash. The path was totally snow covered, the snow was so steep that they could not go around it. They somehow went over it. The danger was that they could slip. They flung handfuls of dirt and covered the snow completely with soil.  The narrator and Daniel got off the vehicle to lighten the load while Tsetan drove the vehicle over the snow. Due to low atmospheric pressure, he got a headache. The fuel of vehicle also expanded due to the low pressure, which would prove perilous for them. In Darchen, the narrator also suffered from blocked sinuses that resulted in extreme cold and breathing problems. The town Hor was shabby, dirty and very depressing. Overall, the journey of the author was adventurous. | |  |
|  | **XII** | **Attempt any one of the following in 120-150 words:** | | 6M |
|  | **1.** | Mrs. Annie Pearson is submissive, soft-spoken, and concerned, as she is treated more like a slave than a mother or wife. Mrs Fitzgerald is well-versed in many arts, assertive and firm in her beliefs, and knows how to get people to behave properly. Annie does not want to hurt people, but Mrs Fitzgerald is willing to go to any length to discipline them, even if it means hurting their feelings. | |  |
|  |  | **OR** | |  |
|  | **2.** | Yes, John Byro knew who his horse was. When he met the boys while walking with his stolen horse, he asked its name and examined its teeth. He assumed it was the twin of his stolen horse. He stated that he trusted their family’s honesty and that he had no intention of making a scene or calling them thieves.  Despite the fact that he recognised his horse, he told them that he would not suspect them of stealing a horse. John Byro did not blame the boys and did not file a formal complaint about the theft of his horse. He only mentioned their family’s honor. This had the desired effect on the children, and the horse was returned.. | |  |

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