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**D-14**

**BLE Qualifying Pre-Board Examination-2080**

**Class: 8 F.M.: 50**

**Sub: English Time: 2 hrs. P.M.: 18**

***Attempt all the questions.***

1. **Read the poem and do the task that follows.**

Free birds you are students

Flap your wings to fly.

Do continue your expedition

To touch the sky.

Come on dear students

You can reach the destination,

Hindrances may come on the way

Overcome them with determination.

Give a try to achieve your goal

Nothing is easy and nothing is impossible.

Try to recognize the courage within

You have the strength incredible

Time and tide waits for none

Follow it with great care and caution,

You can make your nation a piece of heaven

Being a true patriot keep loving your nation.

1. **Find the words from the above poem that match with the following meanings. (5×1=5)**
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_ care taken to avoid danger
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_ nationalist
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_ to move up and down while flying
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_ difficult to believe; extraordinary
6. \_\_\_\_\_\_ the quality of being determined
7. **Read the following text and do the task that follows.**

**The Magic Mirror**

It was told throughout the kingdom of Granada that the king was ready to marry. He would marry the most worthy girl of the land. First the news was told to the barber, then to the knight watchmen, and then to all the old women who sold fruits and cloth at the market. The king also announced he would give a good sum of money to anyone who found a suitable bride for him.

The night watchmen shouted the news in such a loud voice, that all the young ladies were woken up, hearing the exciting news. The old women constantly reminded the young ladies that the king had decided to marry.

Everyone asked, "How will the king choose a wife?". The barber replied, "I am afraid I will have great trouble finding a worthy lady for the king."

"What you?" they questioned. "What have you got to do with helping the king find a wife?" "I am the only man closest to the king," said the barber. "And, I have a magic mirror. If any dishonest girl looks in my mirror, spots of her dishonesty will appear in her reflection.”

1. **Match the words in column A with their meanings in column B.**

**(5×1=5)**

**Column 'A' Column ‘B’**

a. Worthy i. supernatural power over natural forces

b. Constantly ii. intended to cheat

c. Magic iii. the state of being reflected

d. Dishonest iv. continuously over a period of time

e. Reflection v. having the qualities that deserve the specified action

vi. Never

1. **Read the following text and do the task that follows.**

Games and sports keep one physically and mentally fit. They keep one away from diseases relating to the heart, obesity, mental stress and sleeplessness. They instill a spirit of self-confidence, self-reliance, discipline, justice, fair play and patriotism in the player. Games provide us with recreation and enjoyment. Games keep our body alert, active, youthful and energetic. Games increase the circulation of blood, boost metabolism, burn calories and improve respiration and digestion. Healthy people can work hard cheerfully for a long period of time. They can face problem boldly. They enable people to follow other virtues like discipline, honesty, integrity, loyalty and patriotism.

1. **Answer the following questions. (5×1=5)**
2. What keeps an individual physically and mentally fit?
3. Who can work hard cheerfully for a long period of time?
4. What do games provide people?
5. Write any three virtues that games enable people to follow.
6. Who can face problems boldly?
7. **Read the following letter and do the activities that follow.**

Sinja, Jumla

June 28th, 2023

Dear Keithy,

Thank you so much for your letter. You have asked a lot of questions about my village. I'm not sure whether I will be able to answer all of them or not.

My village is on the bank of a river. It is a small village with nearly 65 families. The houses are made of mud and they are almost hidden by tall trees. The thatched roofs of the houses are always covered with different kinds of creepers, such as gourds, which we eat as vegetables. There is a high school and a post office in the village. On the occasion of Dashain, a big fair is held.

Our English teacher has told us about your city, London, and culture. He says that you are much more developed than we are. You have trains, cars, computers, TVs and you don't plough the field with bullocks. Do you use computers to plough the fields? I have heard that computers can do anything. Is that true?

I have never seen a train and a computer. I have seen a bus though. There is no concrete road to my village. To reach the nearest market we have to walk for two and a half hours and it was there that I saw the bus. I wish I could have those things in my village. I am fine here with my family. Sonu, my little brother, says 'Namaste' to you.

Bye.

Sujan

A. **Find the words that are closest to the following definitions. (5×1=5)**

a. plants that grow along the ground up walls etc.

b. made from straw or reeds

c. large hard-skinned fleshy fruit

d. electronic devices for storing and analyzing data

e. market held regularly in a particular place

**B. Answer these questions. (5×1=5)**

a. When was the letter written?

b. How do you know that Sujan's village is not a developed village?

c. Who says 'Namaste' to whom?

d. What signs of development are there in the village?

e. How many hours does it take to Sujan to reach the nearest market from his village?

**5. Punctuate the following text. (5)**

"the latest tiger population in nepal is nearly three times compared to figures we had in 2009-2010, which is nothing short of historical," remarks dr. chiranjibi P. pokharel the National trust for nature conversation's tiger expert.

1. **Write a readable story with the help of the outline given below. (5)**

Once ……. a boy ……. falls into a bad company …. his mother asks him to leave the company…… doesn’t obey…… thinks of a plan…… gives good apples……... also a rotten one…… set together in a basket……. after someday……. all the apples found rotten…... the boy improves himself. Moral

1. **Write an essay on “The Advantages and Disadvantages of Social Media”. (10)**
2. **Rewrite the following sentences as directed in the brackets.**

**(5×0.5=2.5)**

1. There is a snake over there,………?
2. Let’s not have anything right now. (into affirmative)
3. Ramit got her husband ……..( arrest). (correct for of verb)
4. The teacher said that the students had to study hard. (into direct speech)
5. I was invited in the party. (into active voice)
6. **Choose the best alternatives given in the brackets. (5×0.5=2.5 )**
7. Tom was born in…… (a, an, the) United States.
8. I am fed …. (by, with, of) the same food.
9. Look! The deer ….. (is, are, was) jumping in the field.
10. I want to the grocery……. 9 in order to, however, so that) I could buy some rice.
11. If she invited me, I ……. (attend, will attend, would attend) her wedding.

**“The End”**