

Half Yearly Examination, 2023

Sub: English

Class: X

Full marks: 90

Time: 3 hours

1. Choose the correct answers from the given alternatives. 1x20=20

a. Who read the letter sent by Lencho?

☒ I. The postmaster

III. One of the farmer

II. His wife

IV. The God

b. Nelson Mandela defines the meaning of courage as-

☒ I. Triumph over fear

III. Triumph over selfish

II. Triumph over love

IV. None of the above

c. Why did Lencho need money?

I. To buy a Tractor

II. To buy a Car

III. To buy a Book

☒ IV. To save his family from danger

d. Lencho compares the rain drops with-

☒ I. Coins

III. Silver

II. Gold

IV. None of the above

e. What is a country's greatest wealth?

I. It's minerals

III. It's technology

☒ II. It's people

IV. It's festivals

f. Which party did Mandela join?

I. Indian National Congress

II. National African party

☒ III. African National Congress

IV. He didn't join any party

g. Which crop was growing on Lencho's field

☒ I. Corn

III. Rice

II. Wheat

IV. Barley

h. Who passes near the water hole?

☒ I. Plump deer

III. Plump cow

II. Plump Buffalo

IV. None of the above

- i. How does the eyes of the tiger look?
 I. Sad III. Dark
 H. Brilliant IV. Bright
- j. The field look as it was covered with-
 I. Snow III. Locusts
 H. Salt IV. Water
- k. Who is the poet of the poem "A Tiger in the zoo"?
 I. P. B. Shelly III. Shakespeare
 II. John keats
- l. What was it that nation needed to be liberated from?
 I. Deprivation III. Gender discrimination
 II. Poverty IV. All of the above
- m. In which state of India coorg is situated?
 I. Karnataka III. Kerala
 II. Goa IV. Tamil nadu
- n. What does the poet ask Amanda not to do her nails?
 I. Wash it III. Hurt it
 H. Bite it IV. None of the above
- o. What is the other name of coorg?
 I. Kodagu III. Kerala
 II. Kodai IV. Karnataka
- p. What is the meaning of the word 'Slouching'?
 I. Bend III. Lie down
 H. Sit in a lazy way IV. Bend backwards
- q. Coorg is the district of Karnataka?
 I. Richest III. Oldest
 H. Smallest IV. Poorest
- r. When was the inauguration day?
 I. 10th May III. 11th May
 II. 22nd May IV. 15th May
- s. Who wrote the prose piece 'A letter to God'?
 I. G. L. Fuentes III. John keats
 II. Robert Frost IV. Chetan Bhagat
- t. What has been personified in the poem?
 I. Zoo H. Tiger
 II. Prison IV. All of the above

2. Write very short answers to the following questions. $1 \times 10 = 10$
- What is coorg home to?
 - What did Lencho hope for?
 - Where did the ceremony take place?
 - Who was Zenani?
 - What did Mandela want as a student?
 - How has Max got in?
 - In which floor of the French hotel did Ausable stay?
 - What is the meaning of the word inevitably?
 - Who was following Ausable in the corridor of the hotel?
 - Who was sworn in as the first deputy president of South Africa?

3. Fill in the blank with the correct determiners. $1 \times 6 = 6$

- Did you see..... person at the dinner?
(much, many, little)
- Rahul does not have..... money. (many, any, few)
- I have..... one rupee note. (a, the, an)
- My friend is..... MA in English. (a, an, the)
- This story is interesting. (very, many, some)
- Shakespeare wrote..... Plays. (many, little, much)

4. Use the correct tense form of the verbs given in the bracket. (any five)

- We (know) each other for five years. $1 \times 5 = 5$
- It (rain) cats and dogs since morning.
- I (have) my dinner an hour ago.
- When I reached home my mother (work) in the kitchen.
- I (go) to apply for the post.
- The show always (begin) at 6 p.m.

5. Answer the following questions. (any five) $2 \times 5 = 10$

- How did the rain change? What had happened to Lencho's field?
- Who or what did Lencho have faith in? What did he do?
- What are the sports that coorg offers to tourists?
- What "twin obligations" does Mandela mention?
- How did Mandela's hunger for freedom change his life?
- Which are the months of seasonal joy in coorg and why?

6. Fill in the blanks with the right alternatives. 1x4 = 4

- a. Today the..... Of Shillong is pleasant. (weather, climate)
- b. The..... in my shop is not good today. (sell, sale)
- c. He will lose marks for his..... handwriting. (eligible, illegible)
- d. A man of..... is respected by all. (principle, principal)

7. Choose the correct meaning of the underlined words from the given bracket. 1x2 = 2

- a. He should be lurking in shadow. (dark, bright, hidden)
- b. I pattern soft dust with my hushed bare feet. (noisily, quiet, sunny)

8. Choose the rhyming words from the box. 1x2 = 2

Hunch, claws

Munch, grudge, laws, clause

9. Say whether the following sentence are true or false. 1x2=2

- a. The tiger hears the last voice at night.
- b. Amanda likes to have snacks.

10. Answer the following questions 1x6=6

- a. Which Amanda? <https://www.assamboard.com>
- b. What does Amanda like to bite?
- c. Who lives in a languid emerald sea?
- d. What animal is going to prey?
- e. Who is terrorised by the tiger?
- f. Where does the tiger stare with his eyes?

11. Answer any two from the following. 2x4=8

- a. How is Ausable different from other secret agent?

Or

How does Ausable manage to make Max believe that there is a balcony attached to his room.

- b. What kind of man was Horace Danby? Why does he steal every year?

Or

Who is speaking to Horace who is the real culprit?

12. Translate the following sentence.

1x5=5

- a) তেওঁলোক তাত জন্মৰ পৰাই আছে।
- b) ৰাজীৱৰ দেউতাকে আমাক বিজ্ঞান পঢ়ায়।
- c) ভাৰতবৰ্ষ এখন কৃষিপ্রধান দেশ।
- d) মাজুলী সত্ৰীয়া সংস্কৃতিৰ প্ৰাণকেন্দ্ৰ।
- e) গোপীনাথ বৰদলৈ স্বাধীন অসমৰ প্ৰথম মুখ্যমন্ত্ৰী।

13. Write a letter to the editor of your local English newspaper about frequent power cut in your locality.

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Or

Write a letter to your friend inviting him or her to your house to Celebrate bihu together.

14. Write the substance for the following.

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It is easy to acquire bad habit, such as eating too much food or eating too many sweets or drinking too much fluid of any kind or smoking. The more we do a thing, the more we tend to like doing it and if we don't continue to do it, we feel unhappy. This is called the force of habit and the force of habit should be fought against. Things which may be very good when only done from time to time, tend to become harmful when only done too often, too much. This applies even to such good things as work or rest. Some people form a habit of working too much and others of idling too much. The wise man always remembers that this is true about himself and checks if he has any bad habit. He says to himself, "I am now becoming idle" or "I smoke too much", and then he adds, "I will get myself out of this bad habits at once".

Or

Write a story in about 150 words using the outline given below and add a title to it.

A hungry fox... See a crow with
a piece of meat..... Wishes to have that
piece of meat..... Praises the crow..... ask
the crow to sing.the crow sings..... the
piece falls down..... the fox picks it up and walks away.

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