**Hemayetpur Laboratory School & College**

**Second Semester Exam -2025**

**Class: Seven**

**English First Paper**

Time: 2 Hours Marks: 70

**Read the following text and answer the questions no. 1 and 2.**

Ashish and Arun are two players. I have known them for a long time. They are both very close to my family. Ashish is from a village. Arun lives in a small town. Ashish plays football. He doesn't play tennis. Arun practises cricket but he loves athletics as well. Arun goes to a local school. He has opportunities to practise in his school compound. Arun practises in his club field. Ashish has one brother. His name is Abir. He is a weight lifter. Arun has no brother. He has a sister. Her name is Apala. She doesn't like cricket. She is a swimmer.

1. **Now choose the correct answer to each question from the alternatives given and write the corresponding number of the answers in your answer script.**  1 × 5 = 5

i. Ashish and Arun are two players. Here 'players' means—

(a) singer (b) composer (c) sportsman (d) witch

ii. I have known them for a long time. What does 'known' mean?

(a) furnish (b) learned (c) recognized (d) close

iii. Which of the following words has a similar meaning of 'close'?

(a) Nearby (b) Near (c) Familiar (d) Far

iv. Arun lives in a small town. What does 'live' mean?

(a) Survive (b) Subsist (c) Exist (d) Reside

v. Arun practices in his club field. What does 'practice' mean?

(a) Perform (b) Imbibe (c) Hoist (d) Attend

2. **Now write answers to the following questions in your scripts.** 2 × 5 = 10

(a) Who are two players according to the text?

(b) How long has the writer been known to them?

(c) How are Ashish and Arun related to the family of the writer?

(d) What is Abir?

(e) Do you think the relationship between the family of the writer and the two players is ostentatious?

Why/Why not?

3. **Read the text again and fill in each gap with a suitable word based on the information of the text.**  1 × 5 = 5

Ashish and Arun are two players. I have (a) — with (b) — of them. Ashish lives in a village while Arun is an (c) —. Their (d) — are also involved in sports. Ashish's brother (e) — weight while Arun's sister is a swimmer.

4. **Read the above text and write down the synonym or antonym of the given words according to the direction.** 1 × 5 = 5

(a) player (synonym), (b) long (antonym), (c) close (synonym), (d) practise (synonym), (e) like (antonym).

**Read the following text carefully and answer the questions 5, 6 and 7:**

Inventor Thomas Alva Edison was born on February 11, 1847, in Milan, Ohio. He was the last of the seven children of Samuel and Nancy Edison. Thomas's father was an exiled political activist from Canada. His mother, an accomplished school teacher, was a major influence in Thomas' early life. An early bout with scarlet fever as well as ear infections left him with hearing difficulties in both ears, a malady that would eventually leave him nearly deft as an adult. Edison would later recount as an adult, with variations on the story, that he lost his hearing due to a train incident where his ears were injured. But others have tended to discount this as the sole cause of his hearing loss. In 1854, the family moved to Port Huron, Michigan, where Edison attended public school for a total of 12 weeks. A hyperactive child, prone to distraction, he was deemed "difficult" by his teacher. His mother quickly pulled him from school and taught him at home. At age 11, he showed a voracious appetite for knowledge, reading books on a wide range of subjects. In this wide-open curriculum Edison developed a process for self-education and learning independently that would serve him throughout his life.

5. **Complete the following table with the information given in the passage:**  1 × 5 = 5

| Who | What | Event/ Activity | Where/Place | When |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Alva Edison | (i) ...... | was born | In Milan | (ii) ...... |
| Thomas's father | (iii) ...... | from Canada |  |  |
| Thomas's family | moved to | (iv) ...... | 1854 |  |
| Alva Edison | (v) ...... | was deemed difficult |  |  |

6. **Read the passage again and write whether the statements are true or false. If false, give the correct answer.** 1 × 5 = 5

(a) Thomas Alva Edison was born in the first half of the nineteenth century in Milan, Ohio.

(b) Thomas's father was a disqualified charity donor from Canada.

(c) In Michigan Edison attended a public school for 3 months only.

(d) Edison was taken as a disturbance by his teachers.

(e) Edison developed a process of learning for general students.

7. **Read the given text again and summarize it.** 10

8. **Rearrange the following sentences in correct order in your answer script. You do not need to reproduce the sentences in your script. Only the corresponding numbers of the sentences need to be written.** 1×5=5

(a) He was quite happy in Brighton.

(b) But the girl's parents in fact treated him like a son.

(c) But soon his mother sent him to London to benefit from the education in the west.

(d) Their two daughters were taken aback with the presence of a 'blakie' in the house.

(e) Though he was full of admiration for English society, he was called back to India.

9. **Write a complete story (Any-1).** 10

1. The lion and the mouse
2. Two friends and the bear

10 . **Write a dialogue between two friends about the bad effects of watching TV.** 10