

HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION 2024-25**Subject : ENGLISH****Class : X****Time : 3:15 Hours****Max. Marks : 70****Instructions :**

- All questions are compulsory.
- First 15 minutes are allotted for the candidate to read the question paper. At the second bell you will start writing your answer.
- This question paper is divided in to two sections 'A' and 'B'. Part-A consists of 20 multiple choice question carrying 1 mark each.
- Read the question - wise instruction and mark your answer on the given OMR sheet. Do not erase, cut or use whitener on the OMR sheet.
- Part B consists of discipline type questions of 50 marks.

Q.1 Read the following passage carefully answer the question that follow.

Prevention is better than cure it is recognised that the only way to get rid of Malaria completely is to get rid of the mosquitoes which cause it. Malaria is associated with damp and marshy land. This is not be because the land is damp but because the standing water is the breeding place of the mosquito, which begins its life as a larva living in water Malaria does not frequently occur there. The only way to destroy mosquitoes is to prevent their breeding in standing water. This can be done by draining all ponds and pool and by keeping them covered in the breeding season with a film of Kerosene oil, which by depriving the larvae of air, kills them

1. What causes Malaria? 1

(a) Mosquitoes .	(b) Marshyland
(c) Instanding water	(d) Dry desert
2. Malaria does not frequently occur. 1

(a) Marshy land	(b) Desert place
(c) Damp Place	(d) Standing water
3. The antonym of the word 'damp'. 1

(a) wet	(b) noist
(c) dry	(d) dark
4. Choose the correct option to answer the following questions. 1

The thieves before the police came.

(a) Ran	(b) had run
(c) have run	(d) would run

5. Light the lamp a match. 1
 (a) with (b) by
 (c) from (d) in
6. Rearrange the following word clusters to make a meaning sentence and choose the right answer. 1
 walk is good health morning for
 (a) Good is health for morning walk.
 (b) Walk is good for morning walk.
 (c) Morning is good for health walk.
 (d) Morning walk is good for health.
7. Which of the following words is Mis-spelled? 1
 (a) Knowledge (b) collage
 (c) Important (d) Impact
8. The Ganga is holiest river of India. 1
 (a) A (b) An
 (c) The (d) In

Writing in a diary is a really strange experience for some one like me. Not because I have never written anything before but also because it seems to me that later on neither I nor anyone else will be interested in the missings of a thirteen year old school girl. Oh well it does not matter. I fell like writing and I have an even greater need to get all kinds of things off my chest.

Complete the sentence by choosing the most suitable option -

9. What is strange experience for Anne Frank to write? 1
 (a) Novel (b) Book
 (c) Diary (d) Ramayan
10. What was the age of Anne Frank? 1
 (a) 11 years (b) 12 years
 (c) 13 years (d) 15 years

Choose the correct option to answer the following questions -

11. How much money was the postmaster able to arrange? 1
 (a) 1000 pesos (b) 100 Pesos
 (c) 70 pesos (d) Not even a single
12. The pilot was going to - 1
 (a) France (b) Japan
 (c) England (d) Countryside
13. Rajvir and Pranjul were going to Assam from - 1
 (a) Ahmedabad (b) Pune
 (c) Mumbai (d) Delhi

Read the given extract choose the correct option to answer the questions following it.

- The way a crow
Shook down on me
The dust of Snow
From a hemlock tree
14. The crow shook down the - 1
(a) Leaves (b) dust of snow
(c) Poet (d) Tree
15. Where was crow sitting? 1
(a) Mango tree (b) Peepal tree
(c) Hemlock Tree (d) Banyan Tree
- Choose the correct option to answer following questions.
16. Tricky is a 1
(a) Cat (b) Parrot
(c) Dog (d) Duck
17. Who is easier to rob? 1
(a) Careless man (b) A greedy man
(c) Trusting man (d) Anil
18. Who is the fowler? 1
(a) Secret agent (b) Sky
(c) Personal investigation (d) Written
19. How old was he? 1
(a) About 40 (b) About 50
(c) About 60 (d) None of these
20. Who is the author of the story 'Foot Prints without feet'? 1
(a) H.G. wells (b) James Harriot
(c) John Keats (d) W.B. Yeats

Part - B

- Q.1 Gandhiji's great aim in life was to help, to improve the condition of the poor and suffering people and to aid people in any way but without force. He was against every sort of evil, no matter of what kind. When he tried to know about the condition of the poor farm workers, the people crowded around him by the hundreds.
- (i) What was the aim of Gandhiji? 2
(ii) Whose condition did he want to improve? 2
(iii) Whom was Gandhiji against? 2
(iv) Find out a word in the passage which means 'Goal'? 1

Writing

- Q.2 Writing a letter to the police commissioner requesting him to restrict the use of loud speaker during examination days. 4

OR

Write an application to your principal requesting him to make arrangements for regular evening games.

Q.3 Write a report on 'A train accident'. 6

OR

Write an article on 'Importance of women's Education'.

Q.4 Rewrite the following sentences by changing in to indirect speech. 2

(a) Hari said to Mohan, "How did you solve the question ? 2

(b) Change the following in to passive voice. 2

Never tease the poor.

(c) Punctuate the following. 2

Mir a said to Shila who are you to speak to me like this.

(d) Translate the following in to English.

राणा प्रताप मेवाड़ के राजा थे । अपने देश की स्वतन्त्रता के लिए उन्होंने अनेक कष्ट उठाए। अकबर की सेना ने उन्हें हल्दीघाटी के युद्ध में हरा दिया । वे जंगलों में रहने लगे किन्तु उन्होंने हार स्वीकार नहीं की । 4

Q.5 Answer the following in about 30-40 word each.

(a) How did rain affect Lencho's life ? 3

OR

Name the aeroplane which was flown by the narration.

(b) What did Mandela think about the oppressor and the Oppressed.

Q.6 Answer any one of the following in about 60 words - 4

(a) The pilot is lost in the storm clouds. How does he arrive safely ?

(b) Give a character sketch of Anne.

Q.7 Who has composed the poem a Tiger in the zoo what does the poet teach us through this poem. 3

OR

Write four lines any poem prescribed in your syllabus.

(Do not copy the lines given in question paper)

Q.8 Write central idea of any one of the following poem (in about 40-50 words) 3

(a) Dust of snow

(b) Fire and Ice

(c) A tiger in the Zoo

Q.9 Answer any one of the following in about 30-40 words - 3

(a) What immediate steps did Mr. Harriot take to save tricki ?

(b) What was Anil's Job ? What did he usually do with the money he earned ? 3

Q.10 Answer any one of the following in about 60 words - 4

(a) Who was Anil Singh ? How did he transform Hari Singh's character ?

(b) Who was Griffin ? How did he take revenge on his landlord ?