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**Half-Yearly Examination, 2024-25**

**English**

**Class-11**

[GB/15000]

Time: 3 Hrs. 15 Mins

| M.M.: 100

**Instructions:**

1. The first 15 minutes are allotted for candidates for reading the question-paper.
2. This paper is divided into four sections A, B, C and D.
3. All questions are compulsory.
4. Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

**Section 'A': Reading**

1. Read the Passage given below and then answer the questions that follow:

The life of Shivaji was full of action and achievement. He built on large and brave army and laid the foundations of an organised state. Just by force of his achievement and personality, he shaped the Marathas into a nation. Many of his qualities were rare in that age. He performed not only the old Hindu religious rites, but also practised a broad-minded toleration. A Musalman holy man was as respectable to him as a Brahmin. He would cause no harm to any holy building of Islam. He could punish severely, but he was not by nature either cruel or blood thirsty. Towards women he displayed a gentle treatment. The spiritual lessons which he had learned from his mother were strengthened by his famous Guru Ramdas.

A part from his peculiar genius, he was a notable example of what the old Hindu training could produce.

- (a) What kind of life did Shivaji lead? 3
- (b) What was Shivaji's 'treatment towards Islam". 3
- (c) How did he behave towards women? 3
- (d) What was the role of his Guru Ramdas in his life? 3
- (e) (i) Which word is opposit of 'Famous'? 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>
- (ii) Which word is synonym of 'holy'? 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

### Section 'B': Writing

- 2. Write an article (essay) on any one of the following topics in about 100-150 words: 10
  - (a) Importance of computer.
  - (b) Problem of Traffic Jams.
  - (c) My Aim of Life.
- 3. Write a letter to your friend describing the benefits of Internet. 5

Or

Write an application to the principal of your college for a concessions in fee.

- 4. Write a report on a cultural programme organised for raising funds for the handicapped. 5

Or

Make notes on the given passage and then make summary of the passage with the help of notes.

An exhibition-cum-sale for the items made by the students in their work-experience was organized by our school. The money collected amounted to 50,000/-. Next day a function was held in the school auditorium. Many young artists staged

dances, dramas, mono-acting etc. The function was held to old 'Helpline India' An organization for supporting orphans. The spectators bought tickets to see the function. Parents of the students also attended the function. It was appreciated and praised by one and all. Total money of the sale of tickets and money collected from exhibition-cum-sale was presented to the Director of Helpline India.

### Section 'C': Grammar

5. Answer the following- 2×10=20
- (A) Change any one into indirect speech:
- (i) He said to his friend, "Please lend me your book."
  - (ii) She said, "May God bless you!"
- (B) Combine any one of the following as directed:
- (i) The Weather was fine. We enjoyed the walk.  
(into simple sentence)
  - (ii) He heard the news. He was glad,  
(into complex sentence.)
- (C) Change the following of any one as directed:
- (i) He is too eager for praise. (remove 'too')
  - (ii) Everyone is helping the needy. (into passive voice)
- (D) Correct any one of sentence.
- (i) Myself can do it..
  - (ii) Your knowledge is most perfect.
- (E) Use any one of the given phrasal verbs in your own sentence.
- (i) Carry out
  - (ii) Bring up.
- (F) Use any one of the given Idiom into your own sentence.

- (i) The nick of time. (ii) Kith and kin.
- (G) Give any two of the following Synonym.  
(i) Angel (ii) Busy (iii) Chaste (iv) Dejection.
- (H) Give any two of the following antonyms-  
(i) Jobless (ii) Humane (iii) Initial (iv) Genuine.
- (I) Give any one of the following one words group of words:  
(i) One who runs away from law.  
(ii) A Person who is fond of fishing.
- (J) Use any one of the following pairs of words in your own so- as to bring out the difference, in their meaning clear:  
(i) Does, Doze (ii) Coarse, Course.
6. Translate the following passage into english: 5  
भारतवर्ष में बहुत से आदमी शारीरिक परिश्रम करने में अपना अपमान समझते हैं। परिश्रम के काम से तुरन्त मुख मोड़ लेते हैं। अतः अन्न तथा वस्त्र का प्रश्न बड़ा जटिल हो गया है। ऐसे लोग जाति और उत्तम वंश के झूठे अभिमान में पड़कर धीरे-धीरे अत्यन्त दीन दशा को प्राप्त होते जा रहे हैं। बहुत से ऐसे लोग दूसरे के सहारे जीवन व्यतीत करते हैं, परन्तु परिश्रम से जीविका नहीं चलाना चाहते हैं। शारीरिक परिश्रम नहीं करने से स्वास्थ्य बिगड़ जाता है, जीवन भार स्वरूप हो जाता है तब उनकी आँख खुलती हैं और अफसोस करते हैं।

### Section 'D': Literature

7. Answer any one of the following questions in about 80 words. 7
- (a) What lessons do we learn from such hazardous experience. when we are face to face with death?
- (b) How did the grandmother receive the author when he returned from abroad.

8. Answer any two of the following questions in about 30-40 words each: 4+4=8
- (a) What was the happiest half-hour of the day for the Grandmother?
  - (b) What happened to sue?
  - (c) Why was the body of Tut C.T. scanned?
9. Read the given stanza and answer the questions: 2×3=6
- The Laburnum top is silent, quite still.  
In the afternoon yellow september sun light.  
A few leaves, yellowing all its seeds fallen.  
Till the goldfinch comes, with a twitching chirrup.  
A suddenness a startlement at a branch end.
- 1. Describe the Laburnum tree.
  - 2. What does the month of September signify here?
  - 3. What is the effect of the goldfinch's coming.
10. Write the Central idea of any one poem of the following: 4
- (a) A Photograph
  - (b) The Voice of the Rain
  - (c) The Labuurnum Top.
11. Answer any one of the following questions in about 80 words: 7
- (a) Why did the narrator of the story want to forget the address?
  - (b) Draw a Character-sketch of Mourad.
12. Answer any two of the following questions in about 30-40 words each: 4+4=8
- (a) Who was John Byro? Why did he come to Mourad's

house?

- (b) What did the girl do with the narrator?
- (c) What was Mrs. Pearson's problem?

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