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ANNUAL EXAMINATION 2019 - 20

Class : VI

Marks : 80

Time : 2½ hrs

ENGLISH

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. This paper consists of three sections:

Section A Reading (20 marks)

Section B Writing and Grammar (30 marks)

Section C Literature (30 marks)

2. Attempt all questions.

3. Do not write anything on the question paper.

4. All answers must be correctly numbered as in the question paper.

5. Attempt all questions in each section before going on to the next section.

6. Read each question carefully and follow the instructions.

SECTION A - READING

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

I have talked of the necessity of prayer, and I have dealt with the essence of prayer. We are born to serve our fellowmen, and cannot properly do so unless we are wide awake. There is an external struggle raging in man's breast between the powers of darkness and of light, and he who has not the sheet-anchor of prayer to rely upon, will be a victim to the powers of darkness.

The man of prayer will be at peace with himself and with the whole world: the man who goes about the affairs of the world without a prayerful heart will be miserable and will make the world also miserable. Therefore, apart from its bearing on man's condition after death, prayer has incalculable value for man in this world of living. We, inmates of Sabarmati Ashram who came here in search of truth, and for insistence on truth, professed to believe in the efficacy of prayer, but had never up to now made it a matter of vital concern.

1.1. Answer the following. 8

- a) What kind of struggle is raging in man's heart?
- b) Why, according to the author, are we born?
- c) Why do the inmates come to the ashram?
- d) Who will get peace with himself and the world?

1.2. Find the word from the passage that means the same. 4

- a) A person who is killed or hurt by somebody.
- b) Very unhappy.
- c) The most important quality of something.
- d) Too great to calculate.

2. Read the following stanzas carefully and answer the following questions.

I lay in sorrow, deep depressed...

My grief a proud man heard...

His looks were cold. He gave me gold.

But not a kindly word.

My sorrow passed - I paid him back.

The gold he gave me.
 Then stood erect and spoke my thanks
 And blesses his charity...
 I lay in want, in grief and pain.
 A poor man passed my way.
 He bound my head. He gave me bread.
 He watched me night and day.
 How shall I pay him back again
 For all he did to me?
 Oh! Gold is great. But greater far
 Is heavenly sympathy!

- 2.1. Choose the correct answer.** **4**
- a) One day the poet was in _____.
 (trouble, need of money, need of a friend, depression)
- b) The proud rich man offered the poet _____.
 (sympathy, money, bread, tea)
- c) The poet was in difficulty because _____.
 (he didn't know how to pay the proud rich man back, he didn't know the poor man who served him so much, he wanted to give money to the poor man but he had no money, he didn't know how to pay the poor man back for his service)
- d) The poet realized in the end that _____.
 (the poor man was better than the rich man, sympathy was more valuable than gold, the rich man was better than the poor man, money was the most important thing in the world)
- 2.2. Find opposites of the given words from the brackets.** **2**
 (beauty, joy, ability, bent)
- a) sorrow b) erect
- 2.3. Find one word for the following from the poem.** **2**
- a) Voluntary help for the needy.
- b) Feeling of pity and sorrow for someone else's misfortune.

SECTION B - WRITING AND GRAMMAR

- 3.** You are the principal of your school. Prepare a notice for the school notice board informing students about the school inspection to be held by the District Education Officer. The notice should be of 50 words asking for punctuality, cleanliness and discipline. **8**
- 4.** Education is a boon to humanity. It builds up our confidence. But it is shocking that in our country, a lot of children don't get even basic education. Prepare an article on the topic 'Need of Education for All'. **10**
- 5. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb.** **4**
- a) He _____ to school daily. (go, goes)
- b) You _____ not doing your duties properly. (are, is)
- c) Workers _____ done their work. (has, have)
- d) The cake _____ wonderful. (taste, tastes)
- 6. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the adjectives.** **4**
- a) Iron is _____ than all the other metals. (useful)
- b) India is the _____ democracy in the world. (large)
- c) Prevention is _____ than cure. (good)

- d) Rahul is as _____ as Ajay. (tall)
- 7. Rearrange the following words/ phrases and make meaningful sentences.** **4**
- a) there / people / I / different / met / kinds / of
- b) useful / camel / is / animal / desert / the / most / the / in / the
- c) very / exciting / can / be / new / country / travelling / to / a
- d) everything / will / sense / make / perfect / someday

SECTION C - LITERATURE

- 8. Read the extract and answer the following questions briefly.** **4**
- So that they come out clear and true
And handsomely groomed and fed -
For many of the loveliest things
Have never yet been said.
- a) These lines are taken from the poem _____.
- b) Who is the poet?
- c) What is the poem about?
- d) What are the loveliest things referred to in this stanza?

OR

“I can’t pay you a penny for the wretched beast you sold me. He brought us nothing but ruin”.

- a) Who is the speaker?
- b) What wretched beast is he referring to?
- c) What ruin did it bring?
- d) Why does the speaker say that he can’t pay a penny?
- 9. Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each.** **10**
- a) Why did the author find the old banyan tree exclusively his own?
- b) Sleep has been called a wonder. Why?
- c) What was the purpose of the special days in Miss Beam’s school?
- d) In what way is Pambupatti different from any other village?
- e) Why was the crocodile unwilling to invite his friend home?

- 10. Answer any one of the following questions.** **8**
- “It is necessary to be vigilant and alert in this deceitful world”. Justify this statement with reference to the lesson ‘A Game of Chance’.

OR

In the poem ‘Vocation’, what wishes does the child make? Why does the child want to be a hawker, a gardener or a watchman?

- 11. Answer any one question from the following.** **8**
- Who was Vijay Singh? What was he fond of? How did he befool the ghost?

OR

“Sunshine and fresh air are more important than medicine”. Give your views based on the lesson ‘A Pact with the Sun’.