



Reg. No. :

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IMPROVEMENT / SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION, OCTOBER 2022

Part – I

Time : 2½ Hours

ENGLISH

Cool-off time : 15 Minutes

Maximum : 80 Scores

General Instructions to Candidates :

- There is a 'Cool-off time' of 15 minutes in addition to the writing time.
- Use the 'Cool-off time' to get familiar with questions and to plan your answers.
- Read questions carefully before answering.
- Write answer to the specific number of questions as instructed.
- Electronic devices are not allowed in the Examination Hall.

Questions 1-8. Read the passages and answer the questions below. Each carries 1 score.

(8 × 1 = 8)

“Get off the backs of these peasants and workers”, he told us, “all of you who live by their exploitation, get rid of the system that produces this poverty and misery, political freedom took a new shape then and acquired a new content. The essence of his teaching was fearlessness and truth, and action allied to these, always keeping the welfare of the masses in view.

1. “Get off the backs of these peasants and workers”, he told us.

‘He’ in the passage refers to _____.



2. When did political freedom take a new shape ?
3. What was the essence of his teaching ?
4. Pick out the meaning of the phrase 'get rid of'.
(a) accept (b) discard (c) think

I stood upon the hills, when heaven's wide arch

Was glorious with the sun's returning march,

And woods were brightened, and soft gales

Went forth to kiss the sun-clad vales.

The clouds were far beneath me; bathed in light,

They gathered midway round the wooded height,

And, in their fading glory, shone

Like hosts in battle overthrown.

5. Identify the poem.
6. Identify the figure of speech in
"Like hosts in battle overthrown."
7. Where did the poet stand ?
8. What does 'sun's returning march' refer to ?

Questions 9-12. Answer any 3. Each carries 2 scores.

(3 × 2 = 6)

9. Report the conversation :

“Maggie,” Gupta said, “I shall use this shilling to buy flowers and put them on your brother’s grave.”

10. Fill in the blanks suitably :

“If you _____ (a) _____, you will succeed.” His words really ignited the boy’s mind and he says, “If I had not attended the meeting, I _____ (b) _____.”

11. Choose the correct answer from those given in brackets :

(But, Moreover, Although)

_____ (a) _____ Hawking joined University college, his father’s college, he was lonely and bored. _____ (b) _____ halfway through his second year, he began enjoying Oxford.

12. What is the message conveyed through the following lines ?

If thou art worn and hard beset

With sorrows that thou wouldst forget,

If thou wouldst read a lesson, that will keep

Thy heart from fainting and thy soul from sleep,

Go to the woods and hills ! No tears

Dim the sweet look that Nature wears.

Questions 13-20. Answer any 5. Each carries 4 scores.

(5 × 4 = 20)

13. Prepare the profile of William Wordsworth using the given hints :

William Wordsworth

English Romantic Poet

Born : 7th April 1770, Cockermouth, United Kingdom

Parents : John Wordsworth, Ann Cookson Wordsworth

Works : The Prelude

Lyrical Ballads (1798) – in collaboration with Coleridge

Ode on Intimations of Immortality

The Solitary Reaper

Daffodils

Awards : An Honourary Doctorate in Civil Law

(University of Dirham – 1838, University of Oxford - 1839)

Died : 23 April 1850, Rydal Mount and Gardens, UK.

14. Comment on the significance of the title ‘Death the Leveller’.

15. You are living in a world of technology where you have to download various academic and non-academic files. Write 4 points relating to the various do’s and don’ts of downloading.

16. Inspired by H.W. Longfellow's 'Sunrise on the Hills', you visited a place of beauty in your locality. Narrate your experience.
17. You are the Secretary of the Science Club of your school and you were inspired by the inaugural lecture of Stephen Hawking in Cockcroft Lecture room. So you thought of writing an email to your friend about the life and achievements of Stephen Hawking. Write the email.
18. Your school is conducting a debate on the topic 'Hardwork is the secret of greatness'. You are a participant. Write four points either agreeing with or disagreeing with the topic.
19. Edit the passage.

After my address, hundreds of hands was raised to asking questions. Due to the limited availability in time, I selected twelve students on random to ask questions.

20. "Then captain Smith, her commander brave,

Thought not one moment, his own life to save"

These lines are about Captain Smith during the sinking of the Titanic. Do you think that Captain Smith was an ideal Captain ? What are the different traits of character that you expect from an ideal Captain ?

Questions 21-28 : Answer any 5. Each carries 6 scores.

(5 × 6 = 30)

21. You are the reporter of a television channel and you got a chance to be at Namuana during the Turtle Calling. How would you report the event ? Prepare a live TV report.

22. “What use is money, Doctor Sahib, to one who has all he needs ? I am well enough the way I am.” This is the attitude of Hasan, the Serang of ‘Ranaganji’. Sketch the character of Hasan.

23. You happened to meet Mr. Gupta. As the Editor of the School Magazine, you got a chance to interview him. Prepare a questionnaire and the likely responses. (at least six exchanges)

24. You were one of the participants of the Sasthrayaan Programme. After the programme you met your classmates, to whom you narrate your experience. Narrate the details of the Sasthrayaan Programme.

25. You got inspired by Gandhiji after reading the extract ‘And then Gandhi came’. So you decide to write a letter to the Editor of a prominent daily to spare a column everyday to publish ‘The Relevance of Gandhian Ideals in Present day India’. Draft the letter.

26. What is the central theme of Rudyard Kipling's poem 'If' ?
27. After reaching safely in Calcutta, Ms. Jope Smith happened to know the service of Hasan during the voyage. She felt ashamed of herself and met Hasan to apologise. Prepare the likely dialogue between Hasan and Ms. Jope Smith.
28. Write a newspaper report of Le – Horla's take off.

Questions 29-31. Answer any 2. Each carries 8 scores.

(2 × 8 = 16)

29. To be successful, we have to be courageous and confident. We have learnt from the lessons 'His, First Flight' and 'I Will Fly' that nothing can be gained without confidence. Prepare a speech on the topic 'confidence and courage make you Unique' to be delivered in the School Assembly. (Seagull / village boy – lack of confidence – afraid – dream – self reliant – success).
30. "People are becoming more and more vulnerable to disasters of all types.", says Anjana Majumdar. As you have experienced or heard of various disasters such as flood, Covid-19 pandemic, war etc, do you agree with this statement ? Prepare an article on the 'Impact of disaster and ways to reduce its effects' to be published in a newspaper.

31. Write a critical appreciation of the poem given below :

On the Tombs in Westminster Abbey

Francis Beaumont

MORTALITY, behold and fear !

What a change of flesh is here !

Think how many royal bones

Sleep within this heap of stones :

Here they lie had realms and lands,

Who now want strength to stir their hands :

Where from their pulpits seal'd with dust

They preach, 'In greatness is no trust.'

Here 's an acre sown indeed

With the richest, royall'st seed

That the earth did e'er suck in

Since the first man died for sin :

Here the bones of birth have cried –

'Though gods they were, as men they died.'

Here are sands, ignoble things,

Dropt from the ruin'd sides of kings ;

Here 's a world of pomp and state,

Buried in dust, once dead by fate.

(behold = see or observe, Realm – a kingdom, Pulpit – a raised platform,

Ignoble – of humble origin or social status)