

Reg. No. :

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FIRST YEAR HIGHER SECONDARY EXAMINATION, JUNE 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 familiarize yourself with the questions and to plan your answers.
- Read questions carefully before answering.
- Write answer to the specific number of questions as instructed.
- Keep in mind, score and time while answering the questions.
- Electronic devices are not allowed in the Examination Hall.

Questions 1-8. Answer all the questions. Each carries 1 Score.

(8 × 1 = 8)

“The ignited mind of the youth is the most powerful resource on the earth, under the earth and above the earth.”

1. Who said these words ?
2. Which word in the sentence means 'excited' ?
3. What is the most powerful resource mentioned here ?
4. In the poem 'Death the Leveller,' the poet says :

“Death lays his icy hand on kings:”

Identify the figure of speech used in the above line.

5. “We seemed to be helpless in the grip of some all-powerful monster; our limbs were paralysed, our minds deadened.” What is referred to as the ‘all-powerful monster’ ?

6. “Out of Southampton she swung with the stream,

A poem of iron and steel, A sea dream.”

Who is referred to as “A poem of iron and steel” ?

Write any two benefits of ‘walking as an exercise’.

7. _____.

8. _____.

Questions 9-12. Answer any three questions. Each carries 2 Scores.

(3 × 2 = 6)

9. Rewrite the following dialogues in the reported speech.

Maggie : Are you leaving today ?

Mr. Gupta : Yes, Maggie, today is the day of my departure.

Maggie : How long will it take you to reach your country ?

Mr. Gupta : A little more than two weeks.

10. Complete the sentences suitably :

(a) If you work with confidence, _____.

(b) If I had wings, _____.

11. Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate cohesive device from the ones given in brackets :

- (a) Unfortunately, Stephen was ill at the time of the scholarship examination for Westminster. _____, he attended the local Saint Alban's School.
(otherwise / therefore / on the contrary)
- (b) Desktop computers are cheaper and more reliable than laptops; _____, they last longer. (whereas / furthermore / alternatively)

12. What is the message that the poet conveys through the lines given below ?

“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 five questions. Each carries 4 Scores.

(5 × 4 = 20)

13. Prepare a profile of Joseph Rudyard Kipling from the hints given below :

Born : 30 December 1865, Mumbai

Education : United Services College

Short Stories : *Rikki-Tikki-Tavi*, *The Man Who Would Be King*, etc.

Poems : *Mandalay* (1890), *Gunga Din* (1890), *If* (1910).

Fiction : *The Jungle Book* (1894), *Kim* (1901), *The Light That Failed*, etc.

Awards : Nobel Prize in Literature (1907), Audie Award for Audio Drama,
Audie Award for Excellence in Production.

Fields : English Journalist, short-story writer, poet, novelist.

Died : 18 January 1936, London, United Kingdom.

14. His wife ____ (a) ____ (was/were) cutting blackberries in the garden, and Greta was already ____ (b) ____ (slide/sliding) from the chair to help her. Greta would never ____ (c) ____ (has/have) a house of her own. She would live ____ (d) ____ (on/in) a group house with other people like her.
15. You are appointed as a travel guide for a tourist spot in your locality. A group of tourists arrives on the same day and it is your duty to describe the spot in an appealing manner. Write a brief description of the place highlighting its features.
16. Mr. Gupta is about to go back to India. Maggie didn't get leave to say goodbye and to hand over the shillings to Mr. Gupta for buying flowers for Frank's grave. So, she immediately writes an email to Gupta. Prepare the email.
17. Your class is conducting a debate on the topic 'Technology Keeps Our Society Alive'. Prepare four points against the given statement.
18. Write a paragraph on the significance of the title of the poem 'Death the Leveller.'
19. According to Chekhov, "Money, like vodka, can play queer tricks with a man." How far is this statement relevant in the present day world ? Prepare a write-up on the topic.
20. Elaborate the idea in the following lines.
- "Without Thee what is all the morning's wealth ?
Come, blessed barrier between day and day,
Dear mother of fresh thoughts and joyous health !"

Questions 21-28 : Answer any five questions. Each carries 6 Scores.

(5 × 6 = 30)

21. The poem 'If' describes the qualities (or characteristic traits) needed for a person to become a perfect man / personality. Write a review of the poem focusing on the qualities mentioned in it.

22. An eminent scientist is visiting your school in connection with the Science Day celebrations. As the Magazine Editor, you wish to conduct an interview with him to be published in the School Magazine. Prepare at least 6 questions for the interview.

23. Maggie in the story 'The Price of Flowers' is a girl of understanding. Prepare a character sketch of Maggie.

24. At the end of the story 'His First Flight', the young seagull successfully faced the challenges of its life. Have you ever faced challenges in your life ? How did you overcome them ? Narrate any one incident.

25. After reading the essay 'Disasters and Disaster Management in India,' you realize that your area is prone to disasters like floods and earthquakes. You wish to bring the matter to the notice of the authorities, residents and politicians by writing a letter to the Editor of a popular daily. Prepare the letter.

26. Imagine that you were a journalist and you were also on the ship 'Ranaganji'. You witnessed almost all the events that occurred during the Pandemic. Prepare a newspaper report about the crisis that occurred on the ship and how the doctor and Hasan saved the lives of many.
27. The incidents that happened on board of the Titanic have become heroic. Write a paragraph on how the poet presents the heroic deeds of men on board through the poem.
28. Hasan meets the doctor (A.J. Cronin) after several years since their travel on 'Ranaganji'. What would be the likely dialogue between them ? Prepare the dialogue. (write at least 6 exchanges)

Questions 29-31. Answer any two questions. Each carries 8 Scores. (2 × 8 = 16)

29. As part of your school tour programme, you visited some tourist centres in Kerala. Prepare a travel essay based on the tour in not less than **200** words.
30. Imagine that you are a school leader. In connection with the Gandhi Jayanthi celebrations, you are asked to present a speech on the role of Gandhiji in effecting a psychological change in the society.

31. Read the poem given below and write a critical appreciation of it.

Self-Centred World

This world is selfish, it's full of I's,
Too self centred, and full of lies.
People withdrawing, inside their cocoon,
The world on computer, alone in their room.

No physical contact, of human kind,
It's cyberspace melding, of keyboard and mind.
I phone, I chat, I write on iPad,
I isolate with iPod, and still I'm sad.

True love needs contact, with kisses and hugs,
The holding of hands, and excitement of touch.
Tweeting and blogging, and facebooking taps,
Can not compare, with real life apps.

Start with a smile, and a friendly hi,
Engage in a chat, without telling a lie.
Lend a helping hand, with their open heart,
And do unto others, makes a great start.

(by Bill Hoeneveld)
