

Greenlawns High School
English Language
Final Examination

Std: VII A, B ,C
Marks: 80

Duration: 2 hrs.
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Section A
Composition

[Please note: write on ANY ONE topic only. At Least use FIVE words from the word bank provided.]

Q.1 Write an interesting composition of 200 to 250 words on any one of the following: (20)

- a. Write a narrative essay on an incident where you were praised or rewarded for something you did not deserve. Focus on the inner conflict and the choice you ultimately made.

Word Bank: illusion, resolve, instinct, confusion, consciousness, empathy, reward, courage, nervous, credit, perception, unbelievable, ideology.

- b. Write a narrative essay on 'A small incident that taught me a big lesson.'

Word Bank: ordinary, realisation, mistake, lesson, patience, honesty, change, growth, understanding, experience, value, gratitude.

- c. Story with an outline:

Preparing for an exam: overconfidence, little preparation, the exam paper seems difficult, panic during the test, poor performance, and regret later, understanding the value of planning and hard work.

- d. Story with an outline:

a little boy - coming home walking from school - on an extremely rainy day - notices the river next to his town very close to the danger level - tries to warn the people - nobody listens - it rains heavily during the night - river floods the town.

Section B
Letter Writing

Q. Write an informal letter on ANY ONE of the following topics: (10)

- a. Write a letter to your cousin explaining why you decided to change a habit or attitude.
- b. Write a letter to your friend sharing how a book, movie, or person influenced your thinking.

Section C
Comprehension

Q. Read the following passage carefully and answer the following questions given below: (20)

Many years ago, in a small town, there lived a young orphan boy named Howard. He had no family, no home, and no certainty of where his next meal would come from. To survive, he went from door to door every day selling newspapers. The work was tiring, and the earnings were barely enough to keep him alive, but he had bigger plans. Howard did not want to waste his playing or strolling in streets like the other orphan boys, but instead he wanted to work tirelessly and make the most of each minute and earn maximum to be able to afford his education. He surely had dreams of becoming a very big doctor, not to earn a big chunk of money but to help the diseased who, with treatment, would be able to survive, unlike his parents.

One cold afternoon, Howard felt unusually weak. He had not eaten since morning, and his legs trembled as he walked. His stomach growled loudly, and his head felt light. He knew he needed food, but he had no money. With great hesitation and embarrassment, he decided that at the next house, he would ask for some food. Summoning all his courage, Howard rang the bell of a large house. A gentle-looking woman opened the door. The moment Howard saw her kind eyes; his courage failed him. Instead of asking for food, he nervously asked, "Could I please have a glass of water?"

The woman noticed the boy's pale face and trembling hands. Without asking any questions, she smiled and brought him a large glass of warm milk instead. Howard

drank it slowly, feeling warmth spread through his body. Strength returned to his limbs, and hope returned to his heart.

“How much do I owe you?” Howard asked softly.

“You owe me nothing,” the woman replied kindly. “My mother taught me never to charge for kindness.”

Howard thanked her and left, but he never forgot her face, her words, or that glass of warm milk. From that day onwards, he worked harder than ever. He studied with determination, faced hardships bravely, and eventually became a successful and respected doctor.

Many years later, the same woman fell seriously ill. She was diagnosed with a rare disease and was admitted to a city hospital for surgery. The treatment was long and expensive, and she worried deeply about how she would ever pay the hospital bills. When the doctor in charge reviewed her case file, he noticed her name and hometown. A sudden memory flashed in his mind a weak orphan boy, a kind woman, and a glass of warm milk. The doctor was none other than Howard. Howard performed the surgery with utmost care and ensured that the woman received the best possible treatment. When she recovered, she anxiously asked the nurse about the hospital bill.

The nurse handed her an envelope.

With trembling hands, the woman opened it. Inside, she found a note that read: “Paid in full with one glass of warm milk.”

Tears filled her eyes as she realised that kindness, when given freely, always finds its way back.

1. How did Howard earn his living as a child? (1)
2. Describe how did Howard feel on one cold afternoon. (2)
3. What did Howard originally plan to ask for at the woman’s house? What did he ask instead? (2)
4. Which profession did Howard choose? Why? (2)
5. Why was the woman worried when she was admitted to the hospital? (2)
6. Describe the life of other orphans. (2)
7. What message does the story convey about kindness and gratitude? Explain in your own words. (2)
8. Give an appropriate title to the story. (1)
9. Give one word meaning for the following: (3)
 - a. confidence or validity-
 - b. making an effort to produce-
 - c. identified-

10. Make meaningful sentences of your own using the following words: (3)
- a. survive-
 - b. courage-
 - c. tremble

SECTION D
GRAMMAR

Q.1 Chose any one answer from the following: (10)

A. 'To be head and shoulders above', means:

- 1. to be much better than others
- 2. to harass someone
- 3. to make someone very angry

B. 'Pay through the nose', means:

- 1. to not pay any heed
- 2. to pay in kindness
- 3. to pay a very high price

C. Fill in the appropriate correlative conjunction: I do not know

_____ to wear a dress _____ a skirt.

- 1. whether...or
- 2. both...and
- 3. neither nor

D. Fill in the appropriate subordinating conjunction: I stayed at home

_____ it was snowing.

- 1. and
- 2. because
- 3. but

E. Fill in the appropriate subordinating conjunction: She will go out to play

_____ she completes her homework.

- 1. when
- 2. or
- 3. yet

F. Fill in the appropriate subordinating conjunction: _____ he was tired, he completed his assignment.

1. so
2. although
3. and

G. Fill in the blanks with an appropriate article: We visited _____ Taj Mahal during our trip.

1. a
2. an
3. the

H. Identify the Noun phrase: The little brown puppy slept on the sofa.

1. little brown
2. slept on
3. the little brown puppy.

I. Identify whether the sentence is Simple, Compound or Complex sentence: The festival of Holi is celebrated in different forms all across India.

1. Simple sentence
2. Compound sentence
3. Complex sentence

J. Identify the correct Passive form of the sentence: "The teacher praised the student."

1. The student praised the teacher
2. The student was praised by the teacher
3. The student is praising the teacher.

Q.2 Give an Idiom for the following :

(3)

1. to make someone very scared:
2. to be very close together:
3. to keep quiet about something:

Q.3 Give an explanation or meaning of the following Proverbs: (3)

1. Absence makes the heart grow fonder-
2. Beauty is only skin deep-
3. Blood is thicker than water-

Q.4 Fill in the blanks with appropriate Coordinating Conjunction: (2)

1. I wore a mask _____ there was too much pollution in the air.
2. She neither came for the match _____ for the after party.
3. Kindly pick one, Pizza _____ Pasta?
4. He had extremely high fever _____ he attended school.

Q.5 Rewrite the sentences replacing the underlined Adjectives with Adjective phrases, and underline it. (3)

1. Neena is a popular actress.
2. Mr. Tagore is a Bengali writer.
3. He is bought a beautiful dress.

Q.6 Identify whether the following sentences are Simple, Compound or Complex.

1. I wanted to play, but it started to pour.
2. She waited while the teacher explained the lesson.
3. They are drinking water.

Q.7 Change the following sentences from Active to Passive Voice. (3)

1. My teacher loves my work.
2. The team is rescuing an injured lion.
3. Neha had climbed the hill.

Q.8 Change the following sentences from Passive to Active Voice. (3)

1. The pizza would have been eaten by them before we reach home.
2. The courier had been received by John.
3. For the stray dogs some milk is put out in a bowl by my grandmother.