

GREENLAWNS HIGH SCHOOL
FINAL EXAMINATION-2022-2023

STD: VII

MARKS: 80

SUBJECT: ENGLISH I

TIME: 1 Hour 30 min

Instructions: The answers to all the questions to be written on the Answer booklet provided. All the questions are compulsory.

SECTION I- COMPOSITION

Q. Write an interesting composition on any one of the following topics. You must at least use five words provided in the word bank. [20]

1. One evening, while walking along a lonely road, you see a five year old child sitting on a footpath and crying bitterly. After enquiring, you become aware that the child is lost and cannot find his/her way. Narrate your experience and highlight the measures you took to ensure that the child returned home safely.
Word Bank: horrified-wandered- misplaced-weeping – consoled – darken – constables-starving- contacted – guardian – tears of joy – expressed gratitude

2. Write about the time you were stranded at the railway station due to delay. Narrate your experience, how you spent the time, things you did/ observed and so on...
Word Bank: nauseating- dreadful- overwhelming-horrible- boredom- overbearing- gullible- disturbing

3. Write an interesting story beginning with-
I was alone at home and the door bell rang. I opened the door and.....

SECTION II – INFORMAL LETTER WRITING [10]

1. Your aunt is returning from the United States. She wishes to bring you a present of your choice. Write a letter telling her what you want, giving reasons.

OR

2. Write a letter to your cousin telling him/her about your Educational trip arranged by your school, narrating the most enriching experience of your trip.

SECTION III - UNSEEN COMPREHENSION

Q. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: [20]

Grandfather bought Toto from a tonga driver for the sum of five rupees. The tonga driver used to keep the little red monkey tied to a feeding trough, and the monkey looked so out of place there that Grandfather decided he would add her to his private zoo. Toto was a pretty monkey. Her bright eyes sparkled with mischief beneath deep-set eyebrows, and her teeth were a pearly-white but her hands looked dried up. Her fingers were quick and wicked and her tail added to her good looks. Grandfather believed a tail would add to anyone's good looks, and it also served as a third hand. Toto could use it to hang from a branch; and the tail was capable of scooping up any delicacy that might be out of reach of her hands. Grandmother always fussed when Grandfather brought home some new bird or animal. Hence, it was decided that Toto's presence should be kept a secret from her until she was in a particularly good mood.

Grandfather and I put Toto away in a little closet opening into my bedroom wall, where she was tied securely to a peg fastened into the wall.

A great treat for Toto during cold winter evenings was the large bowl of warm water given to her by Grandmother for her bath. One day, Toto nearly succeeded in burning herself alive. A large kitchen kettle had been left on the fire to boil for tea. Toto decided to remove the lid and finding the water just warm enough for a bath, she got in, with her head sticking out from the open kettle. This was just fine for a while, until the water began to boil. Toto then raised herself a little; but, finding it cold outside, sat down again. She continued hopping up and down for some time, until Grandmother arrived and hauled her, half-boiled, out of the kettle.

One day, at lunch time, when we entered the room, we found Toto stuffing herself with rice. My Grandmother screamed and Toto threw a plate at her. One of my aunts rushed forward and received a glass of water in the face. When Grandfather arrived, Toto picked up the dish and made her exit through a window. We found her in the branches of the jackfruit tree, the dish still in her arms. After she finished eating, she threw the dish down from the tree, and chattered with delight when it broke into a hundred pieces. Obviously, Toto was not the sort of pet we could keep for long, so Grandfather found the tonga driver, and sold Toto back to him for only three rupees.

Questions:

1) Why did Grandfather decide to buy Toto? Who sold Toto to the grandfather? How much did he pay for her?

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- 2) Describe Toto's physical appearance as explained by the narrator. 3
- 3) According to the narrator, what was the advantage of Toto's 'third hand'? 2
- 4) How did the Grandfather and the narrator conceal Toto's existence from the Grandmother? 1
- 5) In what way was Toto kept warm on cold winter evenings? 1
- 6) How did Toto react when she saw the narrator's Grandmother and aunt? 2
- 7) Why do you think, Grandfather decided to sell Toto? 1
- 9) Find words from the passage that mean the same as the following: 3
- i. a long narrow container from which farm animals eat or drink-
- ii. to be worried or excited about small things-
- iii. to pull someone or something with a lot of effort –
- 10) Find words from the passage that mean the opposite of the following: 2
- i. public-
- ii. revelation-
- 11) make meaningful sentence using the word- 1
- sparkled-
- 12) Which pet do you like the most? Why? 1

SECTION IV- GRAMMAR

[30]

Q I. Complete the following sentences with the abstract noun forms of the words given in the bracket. (2)

1. We all admired Vikas' _____ to perform the acrobatic feats. (able)
2. We spent most of our _____ in Mussoorie. (child)
3. They need to test the _____ of the metals. (pure)
4. This swimming pool has a _____ ten feet. (deep)

Q II. Unscramble the words given in the bracket and fill in the blanks with Collective nouns. (2)

1. The police arrested the _____ of thieves. (agng)
2. A _____ of cars was displayed in the showroom. (left)
3. The ship has a _____ of fifty sailors. (recw)
4. The _____ of soldiers showed their bravery during the war. (egrmitne)

Q III. Fill in the blanks with suitable Pronouns as directed in the bracket. (4)

1. Those papers are _____ (Possessive Pronoun)
2. _____ performed the show? (Interrogative Pronoun)
3. She is the teacher _____ I admire the most. (Relative Pronoun)
4. _____ are the flowers I love. (Demonstrative Pronoun)
5. _____ came to collect the money. (Indefinite Pronoun)
6. _____ are pleased with his performance. (Personal Pronoun)
7. We can celebrate here _____ without any disturbance. (Reflexive Pronoun)
8. _____ is your favourite character in the movie? (Interrogative Pronoun)

Q IV. Complete the following sentences with suitable degree of comparison using the words provided in the bracket. (3)

1. This lesson is _____ than that one. (easy)
2. My mother made _____ Pasta for lunch. (delicious)
3. Mohan looks _____ than before. (slim)
4. I am the _____ member in the group. (quiet)
5. Shakespeare is the _____ dramatist in the world. (great)
6. The puppy is _____ than the kitten. (naughty)

Q V. Pick out the adjectives in the given sentences and state its kind. (4)

1. The child lost his penknife.
2. There are countless stars in the sky.
3. Which planet is the largest?
4. Those babies are fast asleep.

Q VI. State the kinds of Adverbs for the underlined word in the following sentences. (5)

1. The children are sitting quietly in class.
2. How long will we live here?
3. Due to floods, there was water everywhere.
4. Punit readily agreed to do the work.
5. I shall visit the dentist tomorrow.

Q VII. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions

(4)

1. Riya has no excuse _____ not coming to the party.
2. The sister was deprived _____ her share of the property.
3. We must refrain _____ telling lies.
4. Share these chocolates _____ your cousins.
5. They arrived _____ the railway station very early.
6. The dog jumped _____ the fence.
7. The plan will remain secret _____ you and me.
8. Kian looked _____ the glasses at the toys in the shop.

Q VIII. Change the following sentences from direct to indirect speech.

(6)

1. I said, 'We have won the match.'
 2. Karim said, 'I had an important meeting yesterday.'
 3. The teacher said, 'Honesty is the best policy.'
 4. Rohan said, 'I will return your book tomorrow.'
 5. Aryan said, 'I'm busy now.'
 6. Reema said, 'I have to go to the temple today.'
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