

GREENLAWNS SCHOOL, WORLI
TERMINAL EXAMINATION – 2024
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Std: VII
Date: 04/10/2024

Marks: 80
Time: 2 hrs

NOTE: 1. All four sections are compulsory.
2. Number your questions correctly.
3. All the sections must be attempted on the answer booklet.

SECTION I – COMPOSITION

Q.1] Write a composition of about 200-250 words on any **ONE** of the following. You must use at least **five** words from the given word-bank. Do not change the tense or form of the words given in the word-bank. (20)

(a) You have been stranded on a deserted island with a group of friends. You have limited resources. Write a narrative essay, highlighting the circumstances that brought you to the island, your efforts to survive and the ways in which you made attempts to reach home.

Word bank: marooned – rescue mission – paradise – archipelago – horizon – survival – caves – flares – secluded – wandered off

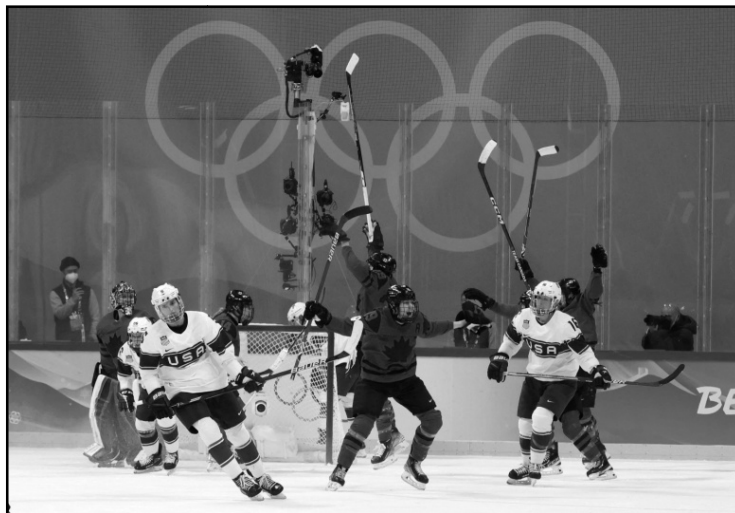
(b) You were on a vacation to your hometown when you decided to go for a walk one evening. You came across a lighthouse that has been shut for several years. You decide to investigate the lighthouse to learn about its history. Write an essay, describing the remarkable discoveries you make during your time spent at the lighthouse.

Word bank: abandoned – dilapidated – beacon of light – staircase – seafarers – maintenance – serene – towering – cliff – vast

(c) Complete the following story with the help of the given outline. Give a suitable title to your story.

ten year old boy – worked at a food stall – poor parents – an engineer sees his plight – sponsors his education – boy grows up – police officer – dedicates his life – cause of education – poverty-stricken children.

(d) Study the picture given below. Write a story about what the picture suggests to you. There must be a clear connection between the picture and the composition.



SECTION II – LETTER

- Q II] Select any **ONE** of the following: (10)
- (a) Your mother informed you that your aunt has recently recovered from dengue. Write a letter to your aunt, enquiring about her health. Your letter must also mention advice that your aunt must follow in order to prevent a relapse. Your letter must also mention ways in which people must protect themselves from dengue.
 - (b) You and your family have to travel out of town urgently and you are unable to take your pet with you on your journey. Write a letter, requesting your friend to look after your pet while you are away. Your letter must also mention the schedule that your pet follows and the precautions your friend needs to take while you are away.

SECTION III – COMPREHENSION

- Q III] Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (20)

Antonie van Leeuwenhoek, considered the ‘Father of Microbiology’, did not set out to discover the unknown world of microorganisms when he first saw them under his microscope. Leeuwenhoek was not a scientist and he was quite an unlikely person to make an important scientific discovery. Born in Holland, in 1632, to a family of traders, Leeuwenhoek neither had wealth nor a college education. However, he ended up making some of the most path-breaking discoveries in Biology.

Having lost his father at a young age, Leeuwenhoek left school at sixteen to become an apprentice at a trader's store in Amsterdam. He returned to his hometown after five years and set up his own shop. While running the store, he found he had a lot of free time on his hands. Blessed with extraordinary skill, diligence and curiosity, Leeuwenhoek used his time to study the things around him. He learned to make simple microscopes.

At this time, scientists like Robert Hooke were already using compound microscopes that contained multiple lenses to make important discoveries like that of the living cell. The early compound microscopes magnified objects. Leeuwenhoek's skilful grinding of lenses, his patience and the use of proper lighting made his simple microscopes so efficient they magnified objects more than two hundred times! According to Robert Hooke, Leeuwenhoek's simple microscopes gave better images than Hooke's compound microscopes.

Leeuwenhoek focused his microscope on anything that could be placed under it – the sting of a bee, the legs of an insect and even his own skin. He not only took great care to describe them accurately but also hired an artist to draw the tiny organisms that he was observing and describing. In 1675, he collected some rainwater in a new porcelain dish, which had never been used before. He found no living creatures at all in it.

Leeuwenhoek then collected some rainwater in a new earthen pot and left it uncovered for a few days. On observing a drop of this water under his simple microscope, he found the 'microorganisms' again. He had been wondering if they had fallen from the sky with the rain, but this observation resolved his doubts. Leeuwenhoek was meticulous in his experiments and inquisitive about the world around him. However, he found that most people around him found it difficult to believe his words.

He wrote to Robert Hooke, "I suffer many contradictions and often hear it said that I do but tell fairy tales about the microorganisms." Hooke was instrumental in establishing Leeuwenhoek's credibility with regard to his research on the existence of microorganisms. Hooke was finally able to see the 'little animals' through his own microscope and showed it to several scientists. Leeuwenhoek

continued to look through his microscopes and discover other wonders around him till his death in 1723.

- 1) Mention four specimens that were placed under Leeuwenhoek's microscope. (2)
- 2) How did Leeuwenhoek spend his leisure time? (2)
- 3) In what way could Leeuwenhoek's circumstances prevent him from being a scientist? (3)
- 4) How did Hooke help Leeuwenhoek as a scientist? (2)
- 5) Highlight the factors that made Leeuwenhoek's microscope more appealing. (3)
- 6) Mention two ways in which you would have helped Leeuwenhoek, if you were a scientist. (2)
- 7) Do you think Leeuwenhoek deserves the title 'Father of Microbiology'? Justify your answer with two reasons. (2)
- 8) For each word given below, choose the correct meaning (as used in the passage) from the options provided: (2)
 - i) unknown –
 - a) unfit
 - b) unpack
 - c) unreal
 - d) undiscovered
 - ii) contradictions –
 - a) agreements
 - b) disagreements
 - c) help
 - d) suggestions
- 9) For each word given below, choose the correct antonym (as used in the passage) from the options provided: (2)
 - i) diligence –
 - a) laziness
 - b) curiosity
 - c) skill
 - d) ability
 - ii) believe –
 - a) understand
 - b) tell
 - c) wonder
 - d) doubt

SECTION IV – GRAMMAR (30 Marks)

Q IV] Choose the correct abstract noun for the following: (2)

- 1) empty –
 - a) emptied
 - b) emptiness
 - c) emptying
 - d) emptiment

- 2) endure –
 - a) endurable
 - b) enduring
 - c) endured
 - d) endurance

Q V] State whether the underlined verbs are transitive or intransitive: (2)

- 1) The shop appears to be shut.
- 2) Ms. Bhalla will preside over the meeting.

Q VI] Complete the itinerary to Ranthambore National Park with the correct auxiliary verb or modal. Do not copy the itinerary in your answer booklet. (2)

Day 1:

11.30 a.m. – Travellers 1) _____ arrive at Sawai Madhopur Railway Station and transfer to Tiger Trail Resort

1.30 p.m. – Lunch will be served

3.00 p.m. – Travellers 2) _____ assemble in the lobby

3.30 p.m. – Visit Ranthambore Fort (ends at sunset)

7.00 p.m. – Travellers will return to the hotel

8.00 p.m. – Dinner will be served at the hotel with folk music and dance

Q VII] identify the non-finite verbs. (2)

- 1) The football team was exhausted after a tough match.
 - a) Infinitive
 - b) Participle
 - c) Gerund

- 2) It is great fun to go ice-skating during the winter season.
 - a) Infinitive
 - b) Participle
 - c) Gerund

Q VIII] Fill in the blanks with the correct tense of the verbs given in the brackets.
Do not copy the paragraph. (3)

Vishal has been a good artist since he was a child. As a child, he drew on walls, curtains, shoes, mirrors or any other surface he could find. He even went for art classes every evening after school. One day, when he
1) _____ (draw) in class, a famous artist, who was his teacher's friend, saw his work and told him that he would have a successful career as an artist. Vishal 2) _____ (study) Art for the past two years. Vishal He wants to be an illustrator for children's books. By March next year, Vishal 3) _____ (apply) for a scholarship into a digital arts programme in London.

Q IX] A] Identify the underlined words. (4)

1) Sunil cooks and bakes very well. He made this doughnut himself.

- a) Indefinite Pronoun
- b) Reflexive Pronoun
- c) Possessive Adjective
- d) Adjective of Quality

2) "Are those your journals?" the teacher said to Holly.

- a) Demonstrative Pronoun
- b) Personal Pronoun
- c) Interrogative Adjective
- d) Demonstrative Adjective

3) The musician who composed the song deserves an award.

- a) Relative Pronoun
- b) Possessive Pronoun
- c) Interrogative Pronoun
- d) Interrogative Adjective

4) Ambreen finished the whole pie as soon as she returned from work.

- a) Indefinite Pronoun
- b) Adjective of Number
- c) Possessive Adjective
- d) Adjective of Quantity

Q IX] B] Rewrite the sentence by arranging the adjectives in the correct order. (1)

1) The museum showcased an ancient Egyptian impressive artefact collection for the tourists.

Q IX] C] Fill in the blanks with the correct degree of comparison. (2)

1) The old, bronze clock is the _____ item in the antique shop.
(charming)

2) The delicate wings of the dragonfly were _____ than the butterflies' wings. (intricate)

Q X] Identify the underlined adverbs. (2)

- 1) The Mexican food was too spicy for John.
 - a) Adverb of Frequency
 - b) Adverb of Manner
 - c) Adverb of Degree
 - d) Adverb of Time

- 2) Maya and her sister were scolded so severely that they started crying.
 - a) Adverb of Manner
 - b) Adverb of Place
 - c) Adverb of Frequency
 - d) Adverb of Time

Q XI] A] Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions. (2)

- A fox jumped 1) _____ the hedge. A rabbit jumped into the burrow just
2) _____ time to escape the attack of the fox.
- a) above, on
 - b) through, at
 - c) within, before
 - d) over, in

Q XI] B] Make sentences of your own using the following phrasal verbs. Your sentences must consist of eight to ten words. (3)

- 1) count on –
- 2) look out –
- 3) wear off –

Q XII] Join the sentences with the conjunctions given in the brackets. (3)

- 1) Tisha shared her lunch with her friends. She was extremely hungry. (although)
- 2) Nihal has joined the school band. Ralph has joined the school band (both...and)
- 3) Daniel took the scenic route home. The sunset was too radiant to miss. (for)

Q XIII] Write a paragraph consisting of four sentences on 'Your Favourite Book'. The paragraph must involve the following punctuation marks: (2)

- 1) Inverted Commas
- 2) Capital Letters
- 3) Semicolon
- 4) Fullstops

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