

GREENLAWNS SCHOOL, WORLI
FINAL EXAMINATION – 2024
ENGLISH LITERATURE

Std: VII
Date: 15/02/2024

Marks: 80
Time: 2 hrs

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

SECTION A

Question 1

Choose the correct answers to the questions from the given options. (12)

- 1) Which athlete held the inter-school record for the 800 metres in Delhi?
 - a) the narrator
 - b) Anu
 - c) Suvira
 - d) Deepti

- 2) Highlight the narrator's observation about Suvira's shoes.
 - a) They were old and tattered spikes.
 - b) The spikes were rounded.
 - c) Suvira was wearing blue spikes.
 - d) They were brand new spikes.

- 3) Name the author of the story 'Uncle Podger Leaves for Work'.
 - a) Ruskin Bond
 - b) Jerome K. Jerome
 - c) Paro Anand
 - d) Munshi Premchand

- 4) What did Uncle Podger's son say to confuse him when he was on time for work?
 - a) the train was going to arrive early
 - b) all the clocks have stopped working
 - c) the train was cancelled
 - d) all the clocks were five minutes slow

- 5) How did Binya lose her favourite umbrella?
 - a) Her friend borrowed it and never returned it.
 - b) It broke during the storm.
 - c) The wind blew it away while she was asleep.
 - d) She left it at the tea shop.

- 6) Where did Binya find her umbrella at the end of the lesson?
 - a) tea shop on the Tehri road
 - b) the nettle clump
 - c) the cherry tree
 - d) the cliff-face

- 7) Highlight the wish that the palm tree had.
- to fly like a bird
 - to dance in the wind
 - to grow more fronds
 - to love Mother Earth
- 8) Identify the poetic device in the sentence 'The palm tree stands on one leg'.
- Personification
 - Simile
 - Onomatopoeia
 - Alliteration
- 9) What do you understand by the term 'mind's eye'?
- a person's imagination
 - a person's conscience
 - a person's longing
 - a person's desire
- 10) Identify the poetic device in the sentence 'To places our teacher taught me to love '.
- Simile
 - Alliteration
 - Onomatopoeia
 - Repetition
- 11) Who was selected to fast in order to prevent the strike by the Congress?
- Seth Bhondoo Mal
 - Motey Ram Shastri
 - Rai Harnandan Sahib
 - Raja Lalchand
- 12) How did Ram Pyari feel on receiving the keys of the store?
- anger
 - pride
 - disappointment
 - happiness

SECTION B – PROSE

Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow:

Q11] *'Come on, come on,' I coaxed my cold limbs as I did another round of quick springs. I had so much to prove and so much to achieve.*

- Why was it important for the narrator to honour her parents' expectations? (3)
- What did the narrator realise as Suvira caught up with her during the race? (2)
- Describe the reaction of the lead athletes as they neared the finish line. (3)
- Do you think Suvira accepted the narrator's win in a positive way? Justify your answer with reference to the story. (2)

Q III] *'They did not run well, they did not run fast; but they were earnest and they did their best.'*

- 1) How did the men in Ealing gain an audience as they ran to the station? (2)
- 2) Which item would Uncle Podger lose after breakfast? How would his family know that he had lost something? (2)
- 3) Do you think Uncle Podger's family played tricks on him intentionally? Support your answer with evidence from the lesson. (2)

Q IV] *'Whenever Binya went out – whether it was to graze the cows, or fetch water from the spring, or carry milk to the little tea shop on the Tehri road – she took the umbrella with her.'*

- 1) How did Binya attract the attention of the villagers on the Tehri road? (2)
- 2) In what way was the sight from the cliff-face a frightening one? (2)
- 3) Highlight the manner in which Binya showed her agility as she climbed down the cliff-face. (2)
- 4) Do you think Binya was fearless? Give two reasons to support your answer. (2)

SECTION C – POETRY

Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow:

Q V] *'At length his wish
He starts to spread
Around his head
In big, round fronds.'*

- 1) What is the palm tree doing in the above extract? (2)
- 2) In what way is the tree dominant in the vicinity where it is planted? (2)
- 3) Comment on the realisation that the tree has at the end of the poem. (3)
- 4) What message does the poet wish to convey by the tree's desires? (2)
- 5) Was it appropriate for the tree to have an unrealistic desire? Mention one alternate desire the tree could have had. (1)

Q VI] *'Our teacher told us one day he would leave.'*

- 1) According to the above reference, where did the teacher wish to go? (3)
- 2) In what way were the teacher's surroundings different from his dreams? (3)
- 3) How did the teacher's dream remain unfulfilled? (3)
- 4) What impact did the teacher have on the poet's life? (3)
- 5) Highlight the comparison that the poet makes when he refers to the ocean. (2)
- 6) Mention one place you dream of visiting. Your answer must also reflect why this location has attracted your attention. (2)

SECTION D – RAPID READER

Q VII] Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct option. (4)

(officials, policemen, peacefully, bullied, connoisseurs, praised)

- 1) I need _____ to appreciate my worth. There is no lack of merit in this world.

- 2) Shivdas received a pension and spent his retirement _____ in the company of his friends.
- 3) The entire village _____ Ram Pyari, for she managed her household well.
- 4) The pandit was surrounded by _____ appointed by the government to guard him.

Q VIII] Who said the following words and to whom:

(Your answer must be written in a complete sentence.)

(4)

- 1) "You'll find yourself without a paisa!"
- 2) "You people are the leaders of society."
- 3) "You will never have money in hand to spend."
- 4) "You look good enough to be displayed."

Q IX] Give one word answers for the following sentences:

(4)

- 1) Two food items that Ram Pyari found in the store –
- 2) The animal Motey Ram claimed to see in the dark –
- 3) The city the Viceroy was visiting –

Q X] Answer the following in one sentence only.

(6)

- 1) How did Ram Pyari ensure that her family was well-fed and healthy?
- 2) List any two sweet dishes the Pandit asked his wife to arrange for.
- 3) What sacrifice did Ram Pyari make to finance her household?
- 4) Highlight Ram Pyari's thoughts about her life as she rested in the courtyard.
- 5) Why did the vendor leave his basket in the care of the Pandit?
- 6) What request did the Congress spokesman make before the traders?

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