Time: 3hrs

Model Test Paper

Session 2023-24

Class VIII (English)

Section - A (Reading Comprehension)

1. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow:

Student life is the most memorable phase of every person's life. It is the stage in which the whole foundation of a person's life is laid upon. The student period in every person's life is such that he doesn't learn only from books. It is the phase when one grows emotionally, philosophically, physically and socially as well. All incidents and implications drawn from those incidents are what is responsible for his nature. Every student obtains the basic education from home and his mother is his first teacher. The manners and small behavioural traits that blossom during growing years is mostly the reflection of what a child is learning at home. Once a student is admitted to school his role models keep changing with time and situations. Friends become an important factor too. The type of company affects a lot during those immature years. Teachers and friends inspire him a lot. Whatever impression those innocent minds draw, the same is reflected back.

i) The foundation of life of any person depends upon his

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a) memorable phase	b) student life	c) person's life	d) books		
ii) Home is the main source of:					
a) basic learning	b) incidents	c) growing years	d) stages		
iii) Who is child's first teacher?					
a) friend	b) relative	c) school teacher	d) mother		
iv) Which trait is the reflection of home learning?					
a) situations	b) manners	c) traits	d) incidents		
v) When do role models of a child change frequently?					
a) when he stays at home		b) when he is admitted to school			
c) when he interacts with parents		d) when he learns at home			

2) Read the poster carefully and answer the questions that follow:

water crisis 783 million people do not have access to clean and safe water worldwide. 1 in 9 people world wide do not have access to safe and clean drinking water. 443 million school days are lost each year due to water-related diseases. 80% of illnesses are linked to poor water and sanitation conditions in developing countries. 319 million people in Sub-Saharan Africa are without access to improved reliable drinking **Over 1/2** water sources of the developing world's primary schools don't have access to water and sanitation facilities

(5X1=5 Marks)

MM: 80

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i) How many people in the world do not have access to clean and safe water?				
a) 783 million b) 738 million c) 873 million d) 378 million				
ii) What does the word 'crisis' mean in the above poster?				
a) a time of great celebrations b) a time of great difficulty and danger				
c) a matter of enjoyment d) a good question to be asked				
iii) 443 milliondays are lost each year due to diseases related to unsafe water.				
a) work b) school c) health d) running				
iv)of diseases are related to the unsafe water and poor sanitation conditions in the underdeveloped				
countries.				
a) 80% b) 90% c) 70% d) 65%				
v) How many primary schools of the developing world do not have access to water and sanitation facilities?				
a) 1/2 b) 1/3 c) 1/4 d) 1/6				
3) Read the conversation and answer the questions that follow. (5X1=5 marks)				
Nidhi : Hi, Dad. I'm in trouble. I have lost my keys and my money. I don't know what to do.				
Father : Oh! Have you called the police?				
Nidhi : No, I haven't.I don't know how to call them.				
Father : You can ask the restaurant manager to call them. He can help you in this.				
Nidhi : Ok, I will do that. I am worried that the people in the restaurant won't believe me. Could you come				
over and help me?				
Father : I am really sorry. I am quite busy in the office. I have my presentation in about ten minutes. I will				
call your mother to be with you.				
Nidhi : Ok, dad. I will wait for her.				
Father : Wait for ten minutes and take care.				
Nidhi : Thank you, dad.				
i) Why is Nidhi in trouble?				
a) because she has called the police b) because she has lost keys and money				
c) because she wants to call restaurant manager d) because her father is busy in office				
ii) Who advised to call the police?				
a) Nidhi b) restaurant manager c) Nidhi's father d) Nidhi's mother				
iii) Why does Nidhi request her father to come for her help?				
a) because she thinks nobody will believe her b) because she is afraid of police				
c) because she has found keys and money d) because she does not know the manager				
iv) Nidhi's father shows his inability to come because				
a) he has important work in office b) he is afraid of police				
c) Nidhi asks him not to come d) he himself is a police officer				
v) Nidhi's father will callto go for Nidhi's help.				
a) police b) manager c) Nidhi's mother d) all of the above				
Section - B (Literature)				
4. Answer any three of the following questions: (3X2=6 Marks)				
(I) Why was the farmer sorrowful? (The Aged Mother)				
(II) What was Ravidas in search of and why? (Saint Ravidas)				
(III) How many sons did the old farmer have? (The Old Sage and the Brothers)				
(IV) How much money did the boy have? (Charge for Love)				
(V) Who accompanied Marco Polo during his visits? (Marco Polo)				
5. Give the meaning of any four of the following words in Punjabi/Hindi: (4X1=4 Marks)				
sermons, barbarous, melodious, victor, recognize, sports, glimpse				

6. Fill in the blanks with suitable words.	(3X1=3 Marks)
 Marco Polo set out on his first voyage at the age of 	<u></u>
(II) Marco Polo visited the holy city of	
(III) Marco Polo was released from the prison in	
7. Make sentences from the following words. (Any four)	(4X1=4 Marks)
driving, oceans, impression, famous, defenders, adventurer, trac	ler
8. Read the following stanza of the poem and answer the question	s that follow. (2X2=4 Marks)
It can end up in oceans, rivers and seas.	
The wind sometimes carries it.	
And it tangles in trees.	
1. Name the poem and its poet.	
2. What does the wind carry?	
3. What gets tangled in trees?	
9. Answer any two of the following questions:	(2X2=4 Marks)
(I) What is hard about going uphill? (Don't Quit)	
(II)The poet doesn't want to part with some books. Where does he k	eep them? (We Who Love Books)
(III) Who are being referred to as 'Defenders of Borders'? (My Dear S	
Section - C	,
(Vocabulary, Grammar, Translation and Com	position)
10. Vocabulary:	(1X6=6 Marks)
(I) Give one word substitution for:	
something that can be heard	
(II) Add the suitable prefix or suffix to the word 'complete'	
(III) Make Noun form of the word 'confuse'.	
(VI) Write the synonym of the following word: large	
(V) Use the following idiom in a meaningful sentence.	
Actions speak louder than words.	
VI) Give the antonym of 'broad'.	
11. Do as directed:	12 marks
(I) Change the given Affirmative sentence into Exclamatory sentence	
It is a very wonderful opportunity.	
II) Which part of speech the underlined word belongs to.She is wear	ing a red shirt.
III) Fill in the blank with suitable Determiner.	
It educates both blind and the helpers.	
IV) Underline the helping verb and encircle the main verb in the give	n sentence.
They have participated in the race.	
V) State whether the verb in the given sentence is Transitive or Intra	nsitive.
The car needs a new battery.	
VI) Fill in the blank with suitable degree of Adjective given in the bra	cket
Kiran is (ambitious) than her brother.	
VII) Fill in the blank with suitable non-finite form of the verb.	
He will be able (swim) very soon.	

VIII)Change the following words into adverbs:				
fair, strong				
IX) Select the correct form of verb from the bracket to fill in the blank.				
Oil and water(does not/do not) mix.				
X) Fill in the blank with the correct form of Present Continuous or Present Simple tense	<u>د</u>			
The Ganges (flow) into the Bay of Bengal.				
XI) Change the Voice.				
The boys do not watch television.				
XII) State the type of sentence:				
What is your name?				
12. Letter writing:	(6 Marks)			
Write a letter to your friend telling him why it is important to stop using single -use pla				
or				
Write an application to your Principal asking for exemption from examination.				
13. Write a paragraph on 'An Indian Farmer' using the hints given below:	(4 Marks)			
India land of villages agriculture major profession agriculture is lifeline of Ind	dian economy			
keeps the Indian economy prospering the citizens with food grows food	d grains,			
vegetables and fruits grows cotton works from morning to evening provides				
employment 40% of Indian farmers requires a lot of labour difficult t	task requires discipline			
and patience grows crops for our country crop is his wealth im	portant place in			
society a day worth backbone of India very useful member of the	e society			
or				
Write a story on the topic : Destiny of a Donkey				
14. Notice Writing:	(3Marks)			
You have found a purse lying in one of the school grounds. Write a notice asking the or	wner of the purse to			
contact you.				
or				
Newspaper Headlines:				
Explain the following headlines in 10-15 words each.				
a) Cyclone Hits Odisha. Hundreds of People were Killed.				
b) Government Fills 300 Posts of Teachers				
15. Translate any two of the following sentences into Punjabi/Hindi.	(2X1=2 Marks)			
I) Please turn the page.				
II) Has she learnt the lesson?				
III) What were you doing yesterday?				
16. Translate any two of the following sentences into English.	(2X1=2 Marks)			
।) ਤੁਸੀਂ ਕਿੱਥੇ ਰਹਿੰਦੇ ਹੋ? आप कहाँ रहते हों ?				
II) वुज्ञा ठा धिलाने। कूड़ा मत बिखराओ।				
॥।) ਵਿਦਿਆਰਥੀ ਪੜ੍ਹ ਰਹੇ ਹੋਣਗੇ। छात्र पढ़ रहे होंगे।				
17. Marks for Good Handwriting.	(5 Marks)			
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