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CLASS: VIII

SUBJECT: ENGLISH

General Instructions:-

- 1) *All questions are compulsory.*
- 2) *Write the question number against each answer.*
- 3) *The question paper is divided into 4 section*
Section A- Reading
Section B- Writing
Section C- Grammar
Section D- Literature

READING (SECTION – A)

Q1. Read the following passage carefully.

THE ALMIGHTY AS PRE-EMPTION

It has been an age – old tactic to use fear to protect the treasure of temples.”The fear of God was an element used so that nobody would dare appropriate the wealth of the temple. This was unbroken for thousands of years and is perhaps the reason why the money was never swindled in the case of this temple,” noted historian M.G.S Narayanan contends. Myths like the serpent guarding the vault are also universal, he adds. “This is a usual ploy. When the pyramids were being opened in Egypt, the western investigators encountered similar legends.”

Records of the temple’s treasure, or matilakam, have always existed. These records, written on palm leaves, have all been opened and Diwan Peshkar Ulloor S. Parameshwara Iyer, the special officer to the Sree Padmanabhaswamy temple, had selected 271 from the thousands of records and published them as the Pradhanapetta Matilakam Rekhakal (important Matilakam records) in 1941. Every donation made by merchants, officials, rajas and the reason for the donation, like the Prayaschitta (act of atonement), was recorded. “One good thing the Travancore did from the general administration. The money from taxes never went into the temple and vice –versa,” says Narayanan.

The reason the treasure still exists because invaders never ventured this far south. Though there were a few incursions from the Chola Kings, the Sree Padmanabhaswamy temple stayed untouched. Haider Ali and his son Tipu Sultan never invade Travancore, their armies only breaching north Kerla up to Thiruvanchikulam.

Answer the following questions by choosing the correct option given below.

1. Nobody dared use the wealth of the temple because of

- a) the fear of being caught by the police (b) the fear of being ruined
c) the fear of God’s wrath (d) none of the above

2. One can find records of the temple’s treasure written on

- a) thin papers (b) peepal leaves (c) bark of the birch tree (d) palm leaves

3. Donations were generally made by

- a) rajas (b) merchants (c) officials (d) all of the above

4. The treasure of the temple still exist because

- a) it is situated in far south (b) it was never invaded
c) only(b) (d) both (a)n(b)

5. Parameshwara Iyer had selected _____ number of records and published.

- a) 371 (b)271 (c) 417 (d) 217

6. Pradhanapetta Matilakam Rekhakal was published in

- a) 1914 (b) 1934 (c) 1941 (d) none of the above

7. Complete the statement.

Myths like _____ .

8. State true or False.

Haider Ali and his son Tipu Sultan never invaded Travancore.

Q2. Read the following passage carefully.

Sisters and Brothers of America!

It fills my herat with joy unspeakable to rise in response to the warm and cordial welcome which you have given us.I thank you in the name of the most ancient order of the monks in the world; I thank you in the name of the mother of religions, and I thank you in the name of millions and millions of Hindu people of all classes and sects.

My thanks, also, to some of the speakers on this platform who, referring to the delegates from the Orient, have told you that these men from far – off nations may well claim the honour of bearing to different lands the idea of toleration. I am proud to belong to a religion which has taught the world both tolerance and universal acceptance. We believe not only in universal toleration, but we accept all religions true. I am proud to belong to a nation which has sheltered the persecuted and the refugees of all the religions and all nation of the earth. I am proud to tell you that we have gathered in our bosom the purest remnant of the Israelites, who came to Southern India and took refuge with us in the very year in which their holy temple was shattered to pieces by Roman tyranny.I am proud to belong to the religion which has sheltered and still fostering the remnant of the grand Zoroastrian nation. I will quote to you, brethren, a few lines from a hymn which I remember to have repeated from my earliest boyhood, which is every day repeated by millions of human beings: “As the different streams having their sources in different paths which men take through different tendencies, various though they appear, crooked or straight, all lead to thee.”

The present convention, which is one of the most august assemblies ever held, is in itself a vindication, a declaration to the world of the wonderful doctrine preached in the Gita: Whosoever comes to Me, through whatsoever form, I reach him, all men are struggling through paths which in the end lead to Me.

Source : Addresses at the parliament of Religions, Chicago, September 11,189

Answer the following questions.

1. How did Swami Vivekananda thank the people of America?
2. What support did India give to the Israelites?
- 3.What feature of the Hindu religion made Vivekananda so proud?
4. Vivekananda is proud to belong to India. Why?
5. Find a word from the above passage which is **synonym** of ‘leftover’. (para -2)
6. Choose a word from the given options which means the **same as ‘Heratful’**. (para - 1)
a) joy (b) cordial (c) warm (d) none of the above
7. Find a word from the above passage which is **antonym** of ‘declining’. (para - 2)
8. Choose a word from the given options which is **antonym** of ‘remnant’ (para -2)
a) leftover (b)residue (c) remainder (d) exhausted

WRITING AND GRAMMAR (SECTION – B)
WRITING

Q3. Accidents are caused almost everyday by stray bulls in the city. Write an **e- mail** to the Municipal Commissioner complaining about the danger posed by them. You are Preeti / Prem, living at 24, Vikas Enclave, Delhi. Don not exceed 150 words.

Q4. The faces of women have completely changed. They have excelled in all walks of life. They are now not confined to four walls. Women have come into the mainstream of society. Taking into account all the points mentioned above, write an **article** in favour of the topic “**Changing Faces of Women.**”

Q5. You are a very keen newspaper reader. You came across the following headlines.

10 August, 2011 – children in Delhi refuse to buy crackers made in factories employing children.

21 September, 2011 – cases of lung cancer detected in glass factory employing children.

Write your own views about the exploitation of child labour in a **letter to the editor of The Hindustan Times.**

Q6. You have just read a play “Villa for Sale”. You have learnt that some cunning people thrive by cheating others. Write a **letter to your sister** Karuna to beware of such type of people. Karuna stays in a hostel at Dehradun.

Q7. Write the **biographical sketch of M.F Hussain** on the basis of given information.

Birth – September 17, 1915 in Pandharpur, Maharashtra

Schooling – From Indore

Career – Starting by painting cinema hoardings

- First solo exhibition in Zurich
- Made his first film “Through the Eyes of a Painter” – won a Golden Bear
- Made two Hindi movies “Gaja Gamini” and “Meenaxi: Tale of Three Cities”
- Always in controversies – charged with hurting sentiments of people – his nude portraits of Hindu god and goddess

Recognition – highest paid painter in India

Award – Padma Shree in 1966

Death - 9 June 2011, Heart Attack

Q8. Write a story based on the following outlines and assign a suitable title to it.

The magician – took a large ball of rope – tied one end to a sack – tossed the other end into the Air – rope did not fall – kept going up – lower end taut – magician’s helper – small boy – Climbed up with knife – stabbed the boy – thrown down – body covered with a sheet – Magician chanted words – removed sheet- boy alive and smiling.

Q9. While playing cricket in the evening, one of your shots broke the window pane of your neighbor that resulted in a sort of quarrel. Finally, the matter was resolved by the intervention of an elderly woman of the locality. Express the events and your feelings in the form of a **diary entry**. (word limit : 150 words)

Q10.Principal, Sunrise Global School, Agra requires a receptionist for her school. Draft a suitable **advertisement** in about 50 words to be published in the classified columns of a national newspaper giving all the necessary details of qualification and experience required for the said job.

Q11. You are Amit /Amrita, Head boy/girl of your school.Your school isorganizing a tour to Mubai and Goa during the Autumn Break. Write a **notice** in not more than 50 words giving detailed information to the students and inviting them for joining it.

Q12.Publically we proclaim that dowry is an evil. Privately we want our sons to fetch good dowries. Right from our school days we should be taught that demanding and even giving dowry is not only illegal but immoral too. Draw a **poster** highlighting dowry as a curse.

Q 13.The table below shows a survey on what people generally do when they are angry. Interpret the data in the table carefully and write a summary in about 50 to 60 words.

Expressions For Anger

56% of the people said that they shout
41% of people said that they meditate
17% of the people said that they blame others
23% of the people said that they fight
24% of the people said that they keep quiet

GRAMMAR

Q14.Re – arrange the following words / phrases to make meaningful sentences.

- 1.has its flag / each and every / world / country / the /of
- 2.has / India / a national flag / too / which / a great history / has / attached to it
- 3.struggle for freedom / national flag / our / reminds us / our / of
- 4.ropeways / it / one of the / of / advanced / India / is
- 5.controlled by / both / it / and / electronically / mechanically / is
- 6.used to carry / a single time / it / 12 persons / is / in

Q15.Change the following into Indirect speech.

- 1.The teacher said to Rohit, “ Why have you not done your work?”
- 2.He said to me, “Where have you been all these days?”
3. The teacher said to me, “Work hard.”
4. My mother said to me, “Have you completed your work?”
5. The teacher said to the students, “ The earth revolves around the sun.”
6. The old lady said to the children, “Do not touch the ceiling”

Q16.Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions.

1. Sita was married _____ Ram.
2. Everyday my grandmother goes to the temple to pray _____ God.
- 4.We should not laugh _____ anyone.
- 5.The man died _____ malaria.
- 6.My cousin sister lives _____ us.

Q17. Fill in the blanks with correct modals.

1. She _____ not buy a flat for want of money.
2. The students _____ leave for Agra tomorrow.
3. _____ you peel this banana for me?
4. I _____ to ride a bicycle in my youth.
5. You _____ serve your aged grandparents.
6. One _____ not drink and drive.

Q18. Change the following into passive voice.

1. My mother told me the story of a king.
2. The people gave a warm welcome to the Prime Minister.
3. Kindly open the door.
4. Who has taught you mathematics.
5. The teacher had already finished the lesson.
6. Her brother gave her a beautiful gift.

Q19. Combine the following sentences by using suitable conjunctions.

1. He is a policeman. He is a poet.
2. Run fast. You will miss the first period.
3. The team lost the match. The team was weak.
4. I am old. I cannot walk fast.
5. He does not speak English. He does not speak Hindi.
6. We are not going out. It is raining.

Q20. Fill in the blanks by choosing correct determiners.

1. Aruna bought _____ white saree. (some / a / few)
2. She spends so _____ time playing badminton that she has no time for anything else. (many / much / some)
3. Thank you for _____ card and _____ lovely gift. (the, a / a, the / a, a)
4. There weren't _____ people at _____ match. (some, any / many, the / all, any)
5. Have you finished _____ glass of milk shake? (a / the / some)
6. The Nile in Egypt is _____ longest river in Africa. (an / a / the)

Q21. Fill in the blanks with the right tense forms of the verbs.

1. That book _____ interesting.
2. _____ water _____ food was available there.
3. He and I _____ present in the meeting.
4. Statistics _____ much like Mathematics.
5. The barber's scissors _____ sharp.
6. A crowd of people _____ shouting slogans.

Q22. Rewrite the following sentences by making changes as directed in the brackets.

1. He writes a letter. (present continuous)
2. Radha danced beautifully. (simple present)
3. Boys are making a loud sound. (past continuous)
4. The naughty child throws the ball. (present perfect)
5. I do my work sincerely. (past perfect)
6. They rode a horse. (simple future)

Q23. Complete the sentences with the correct question tags.

1. The car isn't in the garage, _____ ?
2. Mr. Mc Guinness is from Ireland, _____ ?

3. You are John, _____?
4. She went to the library yesterday, _____ ?
5. Cars pollute the environment, _____ ?
6. The trip is very expensive, _____ ?

Q24. Use appropriate punctuation marks in the following sentences.

1. mother had to go into hospital she had heart problems
2. it is fine idea let us hope that it is going to work
3. we will be arriving on Monday morning at least I think so
4. a textbook can be a wall between teacher and class
5. the girls father sat in a corner
6. some people work best in the morning others do better in the evening

Q25. Fill in the blanks with suitable conditionals.

1. Trees die if it _____ (not rain)
2. If you _____ (go) out with your friends tonight, I _____ (watch) the football match on TV.
3. If he _____ (try) harder, he _____ (reach) his goals.
4. She _____ (come) to our party if she _____ (not/be) on holiday.
5. I will miss the school bus if I _____ (not/ get up) on time.

LITERATURE (SECTION - C)

Q26. Answer the following questions.

1. Give examples from the text to prove that the author did not try to hide his identity?
2. What is the significance of bare feet in the context of the chapter?
3. How was little Chhabili different from the girls of her age?
4. What did Ma explain to the kids?
5. What dreadful suspicion filled Hamlet's mind?
6. Why did Hamlet feel that he must see the ghost?

Q27. Read the extract and answer questions that follows:

**“The fair maid came out and said, “I will hire you with a smile.”
Her smile paled and melted into tears, and she went back alone into the dark.”**

1. Who is ‘she’ in the given lines?
2. Why does she go back alone in the dark?
3. Name the poem and the poet.

Q28. Read the extract and answer questions that follows:

“ Yes, first one! – the bravest of the brave!”

1. Who said these words and to whom?
2. Where and when did the speaker say this?
3. Who was ‘the bravest of the brave’?

Q29. Write the character sketch of Claudius in your own words.

OR

‘He did not know how right he was.’ What significance do these words have in the story?