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Special Hero

When I was a baby,
you would hold me in your arms.
I felt the love and tenderness,
keeping me safe from harm.
I would look up into your eyes,
and all the love I would see.
How did I get so lucky,
you were the dad chosen for me.
There is something special
about a father's love.
Seems it was sent to me
from someplace up above.
Our love is everlasting,
I just wanted you to know.
That you're my special hero
and I wanted to tell you so.

- *Christina M Kerschen*

Making Life Worth While

Every soul that touches yours -
Be it the slightest contact -
Get there from some good;
Some little grace; one kindly thought;
One aspiration yet unfelt;
One bit of courage
For the darkening sky;
One gleam of faith
To brave the thickening ills of life;
One glimpse of brighter skies -
To make this life worthwhile
And heaven a surer heritage.

- *George Eliot*

Memoriter

A Thing of Beauty

A thing of beauty is a joy forever
 Its loveliness increases, it will never
 Pass into nothingness; but will keep
 A bower quiet for us, and a sleep
 Full of sweet dreams, and health and quiet breathing
 Therefore, on every morrow, are we wreathing
 A flowery band to bind us to the earth,
 Some shape of beauty moves away the pall
 From our dark spirits. Such the sun, the moon,
 Trees old, and young, sprouting a shady boon
 For simple sheep; and such are daffodils
 With the green world they live in: and clear rills
 That for themselves a cooling covert make
 'Gainst the hot season; the mid forest brake,
 Rich with a sprinkling of fair musk-rose blooms;
 An endless fountain of immortal drink,
 Pouring unto us from the heaven's brink

- *John Keats*

Lessons in Life

Having a friend is like planting a flower
 Show love and kindness it one day will bloom
 Let's be aware as we walk on this planet
 Even the tiniest creature needs room.
 Lessons in life aren't always so simple
 Nothing you're given will ever come free
 Even the smallest of gifts deserves "thank you"
 I respect you and you respect
 I think of you and you think of me.
 Remember everyone here is important
 When you're forgotten it makes you feel sad
 Know that you matter and you make a difference
 Let no one shame you or make you feel bad.
 Lessons in life aren't always so simple
 Nothing you are given will ever come free
 Even the smallest of gifts deserves "thank you"
 I respect you and you respect
 I think of you and you think of me.

- *Bridgette Bryant & Daniel Ho*

The Nose-Jewel

C. Rajagopalachari

WARM UP

What are the life lessons that you can learn from the birds? Match the birds with the characters given in the box and fill in the blanks.

Arise and awake, Beautiful, Unity, Focused, Melodious, Time conscious		
Qualities of birds	Life lessons I can learn from the birds	
	<u>Time conscious</u>	<u>Be on time to school</u>
	<u>Arise and awake</u>	<u>Get up early in the morning</u>
	<u>unity</u>	<u>United we stand, divided we fall</u>
	<u>Beautiful</u>	<u>Be gentle and gracious while approaching others</u>
	<u>Focused</u>	<u>Concentrate on what should be done</u>
	<u>Melodious</u>	<u>Be happy and make others happy</u>

SUMMARY

Chakravarti Rajagopalachari (1878-1972) informally called Rajaji, was an Indian politician, independence activist, lawyer, writer, historian and statesman. He wrote this short story 'The Nose-Jewel' to express that greediness would lead us to a life of sufferings.

Ramayya and his wife lived in a nice tiled house. He was not very rich but he took care of his family well. Two sparrows built a nest in a nice spot in the roof of Ramayya's house and the mother-bird laid her eggs in it. The male sparrow asked the she sparrow why the lady of the house was always quarreling with her husband. The she sparrow told him to mind his business and not to get involved in others' problems.

Somewhere in a heap lay a diamond nose-jewel. The male bird picked it up and came to the nest with the shining stud in his beak. When he showed it to his wife she said that she could not do anything with the stud and it would be better if he could find some food. The bird dropped the diamond stud on the floor and went out in search of little worms for the young ones. Ramayya's wife was happy to find it when she was sweeping the floor. When Ramayya saw that he asked his wife how she had got the stud. She said that it was on their floor. Ramayya told her that they should give to the magistrate otherwise police would come to their house and it would disgrace them.

Meenakshi Ammal's house was nearby and there was a talk about the loss of the stud. Her daughter kept it in the bathroom and forgot about it. The servant Kuppai must have swept it away. They suspected the servant lady. The police came to her house and searched for it but they could not find anything. Ramayya's heart was beating fast. His wife put the stud away in her box. Soon she developed severe fever and was in bed.

The he sparrow told his wife that it was a nice fun to see the lady in bed with fever. She was in panic that the stud might be found out. The she bird said that he had only brought the stud and the problem started from there. He said that he did not ask the lady to keep the stud with her. It happened because of the greediness of the human beings.

GLOSSARY

- | | |
|--------------------|--|
| self-centred (adj) | - concerned with the self |
| disdain (n) | - feeling of contempt or scorn |
| muck-heap (n) | - heap |
| grub (n) | - food |
| magistrate (n) | - a judicial officer with limited authority to administer and enforce the law. |
| disgrace (n) | - the state of being dishonored, or covered with shame |
| ignorant (adj) | - unaware |
| consoled (v) | - comforted (someone) in the time of grief, disappointment |
| suspected (v) | - believed to be a cause or at fault |
| flutter (v) | - to flap or wave quickly but irregularly |
| confined (v) | - restricted, kept in a limited space or area |
| panic (adj) | - frightened |
| cruel (adj) | - merciless or heartless |
| gravely (adv) | - in a grave or serious manner |

Meanings

spot	-	place	ignorant	-	uninformed
concern	-	affect	rage	-	anger
stud	-	jewel	whispering	-	murmuring
dropped	-	let fall	suspected	-	questionable
in search of	-	to find out	severe	-	great
delight	-	happiness	scared	-	afraid
disgrace	-	dishonour	panic	-	fear

Opposites

disdain	×	respect	console	×	irritate
noticed	×	unnoticed	whispering	×	shouting
dropped	×	picked up	severe	×	mild
angrily	×	calmly	confined	×	extended
delight	×	sadness	panic	×	calmness
careless	×	careful	cruel	×	kind
ignorant	×	knowledgeable	greedy	×	satisfied

Read and Understand**A) Choose the correct synonyms for the italicized words.**1. Nice fun *indeed*

- a) infact b) doubtedly c) fine

Ans: a2. The poor woman is in a *panic*.

- a) fear b) grid c) crash

Ans: a3. The mother *consoled* her little girl.

- a) pretended b) comforted c) left

Ans: b4. You are always *self-centred*.

- a) egostic b) generous c) heroic

Ans: a5. What is the secret you are *whispering*?

- a) rumour b) murmur c) louder

Ans: b**ADDITIONAL****Choose the best synonyms of the underlined word.**1. Two sparrows built a nest in a nice spot in the roof of Ramayya's house.

- a) spit b) split c) spun d) place

2. "You are always self-centred," said the male sparrow.

- a) selfish b) selfless c) interesting d) common

3. The female sparrow said with disdain, "Let me see what help you can do for him."

- a) respect b) contempt c) shouting d) slowly

4. Please do not talk about what does not concern us.
a) extend b) concrete c) affect d) believe
5. Somewhere in the muck-heap lay a diamond nose-jewel.
a) heap b) muck c) cluster d) lonely
6. The male bird picked it up and came to the nest with the shining stud in his beak.
a) stone b) floor c) water d) jewel
7. Find some grub; the young ones are hungry.
a) books b) food c) shop d) soap
8. The bird dropped the diamond stud on the floor.
a) kept b) let fall c) let go d) let jump
9. The bird went out in search of little worms for the young ones.
a) in total b) to put up c) to find out d) to see it
10. She picked it up with delight and wore it.
a) happiness b) sadness c) interest d) power
11. If tomorrow the police should come and search our house, it will be disgrace to us?"
a) disdain b) disappear c) disturbed d) dishonour
12. She is very careless and ignorant."
a) informed b) uninformed c) disinterested d) knowledgeable
13. The mother, Meenakshi Ammal, consoled her little girl.
a) informed b) pulled c) comforted d) asked
14. He would go into a rage if he knew that you had lost the diamond nose-stud.
a) happiness b) calmness c) anger d) silence
15. "What is the secret you are whispering?" asked Ramanatham.
a) shouting b) murmuring c) requesting d) making
16. The maid-servant Kuppayi was suspected by everyone to have stolen it.
a) ignored b) accepted c) informed d) questionable
17. She soon developed a severe fever and was confined to her bed.
a) great b) mild c) painful d) painless
18. She soon developed a severe fever and was confined to her bed.
a) extended b) opened c) pushed d) restricted
19. The lady of this house is scared and is down with fever.
a) happy b) sad c) afraid d) slow
20. The poor woman is in a panic.
a) pain b) fear c) sad d) interest
21. And a good thing too," said the cruel male sparrow.
a) merciless b) kind c) merciful d) small

22. The male bird answered gravely, "Did I tell her to steal the thing?"

- a) simply b) slowly c) interestingly d) seriously

Answers	1. d	2. a	3. b	4. c	5. a	6. d	7. b	8. b	9. c	10. a	11. d
	12. b	13. c	14. c	15. b	16. d	17. a	18. d	19. c	20. b	21. a	22. d

B) Find the antonym for the following words.

- | | | |
|-------------|---|---------|
| 1. Delight | × | sorrow |
| 2. Disgrace | × | honour |
| 3. Careless | × | careful |
| 4. Secret | × | public |
| 5. Confine | × | free |

ADDITIONAL

Choose the best antonym of the underlined word

- The female sparrow said with disdain, "Let me see what help you can do for him."
a) cruelty b) respect c) contempt d) scorn
- Ramayya's wife noticed the jewel as she was sweeping the floor.
a) innoticed b) disnoticed c) unnoticed d) impossible
- The bird dropped the diamond stud on the floor.
a) picked b) let fall c) shouted d) flew
- Ramayya questioned her angrily, "How did you get this diamond-stud?"
a) hopefully b) happily c) sadly d) calmly
- She picked it up with delight and wore it.
a) pleasure b) sadness c) happiness d) honour
- She is very careless and ignorant."
a) careful b) care home c) career d) happy
- She is very careless and ignorant."
a) uninformed b) sad c) knowledgeable d) slow
- The mother, Meenakshi Ammal, consoled her little girl.
a) irritated b) informed c) closed d) comfortable
- "What is the secret you are whispering?" asked Ramanatham.
a) murmuring b) shouting c) laughing d) crying
- She soon developed a severe fever and was confined to her bed.
a) big b) great c) little d) mild
- She soon developed a severe fever and was confined to her bed.
a) restricted b) located c) extended d) limited
- The poor woman is in a panic.
a) calmness b) agitated c) fear d) humble

13. And a good thing too," said the cruel male sparrow.
a) merciless b) kind c) humble d) disinterested
14. This is bound to happen when human are being greedy.
a) harsh b) slow c) interested d) satisfied

Answers	1. b	2. c	3. a	4. d	5. b	6. a	7. c	8. a	9. b	10. d
	11. c	12. a	13. b	14. d						

C) Fill in the blanks.

- The sparrows built their nests in the roof.
- The diamond jewel was lying in the muck-heap.
- The diamond jewel belonged to Meenakshi Ammal's daughter.
- Kuppai was the servant maid of Meenakshi Ammal.
- Ramayya and his wife lived with the fear of disgrace.

D) Say the following statements are True or False.

- Two sparrows built a nest on a tree top. False
- Kuppai swept out the diamond jewel. True
- Ramayya gave the diamond jewel to the magistrate. False
- Ramayya's wife put the stud away in her box. True
- The Police searched Ramayya's home. False

E) Answer the following questions

- Where did the sparrows build the nest?**
The sparrows built the nest in a nice spot in the roof.
- Why did the bird drop the diamond stud?**
The she bird told him that she could not do anything with the stud. It asked him to find food for them. So he dropped the diamond stud.
- What were the words of Meenakshi Ammal to her daughter?**
Meenakshi Ammal told her daughter that they could search for the stud. She asked her not to tell her father who might get angry if he came to know about it.
- Who was suspected of stealing the diamond nose stud?**
Kuppai, the servant lady was suspected of stealing the diamond nose stud.
- What did Ramayya's wife do with the stud?**
Ramayya's wife hid the stud in her box.
- What happened to Ramayya's wife at the end?**
Out of fear she became sick and she was in bed.

F) Answer the following in about 100 words.

- Why did the sparrow throw the nose jewel into Ramayya's house?**

Two sparrows built a nest in a nice spot in the roof of Ramayya's house and the mother-bird laid her eggs in it. Somewhere in a heap lay a diamond nose-

jewel. The male bird picked it up and came to the nest with the shining stud in his beak. When he showed it to his wife she said that she could not do anything with the stud and it would be better if he could find some food. The bird dropped the diamond stud on the floor and went out in search of little worms for the young ones.

2. Explain how Ramayya's wife reacted when she saw the nose jewel.

Somewhere in a heap lay a diamond nose-jewel. The male bird picked it up and came to the nest which was in the roof of Ramayya. When he showed it to his wife she said that she could not do anything with the stud and it would be better if he could find some food. The bird dropped the diamond stud on the floor and went out in search of little worms for the young ones. Ramayya's wife noticed the jewel as she was sweeping the floor. She picked it up with delight and wore it. Ramayya questioned her angrily, how she had got that diamond-stud. She said that she had found it lying there the previous day and she took it. She wanted to keep it for herself.

VOCABULARY

Homophone

Homophones are words with same pronunciation but different meanings, origins, or spelling.

For example:

new	–	knew	knight	–	night
hole	–	whole	see	–	sea

a. Pick out the correct homophone.

- I am not allowed to drink soda. (aloud, allowed)
- The wind blew the leaves. (blue, blew)
- I will meet my friend. (meat, meet)
- He will play the role in the second play. (role, roll)
- I have seen the movie already. (scene, seen)

b. Choose the correct homophone.

- Every morning my father likes to look at the _____ on the grass.
a) due b) dew **Ans: b**
- Chennai is the _____ of Tamilnadu.
a) capitol b) capital **Ans: b**
- I was very _____ last weekend because my friends went to the village without informing me.
a) bored b) board **Ans: a**

4. The cat caught the _____ of a mouse.

- a) scent b) cent

Ans: a

5. The _____ rises in the east.

- a) son b) sun

Ans: b

Abbreviations and Acronyms

Expand the following:

ECG	Electro Cardiogram
ILO	International Labour Organisation
SCERT	State Council of Education Research and Training
IIT	Indian Institute of Technology
ISRO	Indian Space Research Organisation
FIR	First Information Report
UNESCO	United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation
UNICEF	United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
AIDS	Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome
ADHD	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
UFO	Unidentified Flying Object
FAQ	Frequently Asked Questions

LISTENING

c) Listen to the passage carefully and choose the right answer.

1. Why do birds sing?

- a) To locate one another b) To warn other birds
c) To find a mate d) All of the above

Ans: d

2. Birds perch very high so that _____.

- a) other birds can hear them b) other birds can see them
c) they can hide there d) Both A and B are correct

Ans: d

3. The health of a bird can be determined _____.

- a) by the length of its song b) by the complexity of its song
c) by the volume of its song d) both A and B are correct

Ans: d

4. Shorter bird vocalizations are _____.

- a) territorial songs b) mating songs
c) warnings d) none of the above

Ans: c

5. Young birds perfect their songs by _____.

- a) natural instinct b) listening and interaction
c) practice d) both B and C are correct

Ans: b

6. Fitness is _____.
 a) health b) danger c) a song d) a warning. **Ans: a**
7. How do variations in the basic song help the birds?
 a) recognize other members b) Maintain health
 c) Increase the length of their song d) Communicate with one another. **Ans: a**

WRITING

write a complaining letter on any one of the topics given below.

- a) **To the Police commissioner about the noise caused by the loud speaker in a music shop near your school.**

G. Gopal,
 22. Amman Street,
 Namakal.

June 10, 2020

To
 The Police Commissioner,
 Namakal District.

Respected Sir,

Subject: Noise caused by the loud speaker regarding.

I am a student of NPR Matriculation Higher Secondary School. There is a music shop near our school. Almost every day they play cinema songs to attract people to come to their shop. It is played so loudly that it reaches our classroom. We are very much disturbed by the noise. We have already brought this problem to the shop owner but have not got any positive result. So now we are bringing this problem to you. I request you to take some step to stop this loud speaker problem.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
G. Gopal.

- b) **To the Postmaster General on non – receipt of book parcel.**

T. Sunder,
 27, Gandhi Road,
 Erode – 3.

July 22, 2020

To
The Postmaster General,
Chennai – 600 001.

Respected Sir,

Subject: non – receipt of book parcel regarding.

I would like to bring to your notice my problem of not receiving a parcel. My brother sent a book parcel on 27 June, 2020. But I have not received the parcel yet. The receipt no. is PT234672 dated June 27, 2020. It was booked in Anna Nager post office. I request you to take steps to find out the parcel and send it to me.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
Sunder

c) **To the Transport Manager, TNSTC on non-stopping of buses near your school bus stop.**

P. Shiela,
34, Indira Nager,
Kallakurichy – 7.

August 27, 2020

To
The Transport Manager,
TNSTC,
Kallakucuchy.

Respected Sir,

Subject: non-stopping of busses near our school bus stop regarding.

I am a student of Indira Higher Secondary School. Our school is situated very close to the bus stop. Many busses are passing our school area from many villages. Most of our students are coming from various small villages and they have only the public transport to travel to school. But most of the time the busses do not stop at the school bus stop. We have told the conductors and the drivers many times but they do not accept our request. Because of this problem our school students face a lot of difficulties. This problem will be solved if the busses stop at our bus stop. Please do the needful to stop the busses at our school bus stop.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully,
Shiela

Write a letter on any one of the topics given below.

a) Write a letter to your father asking permission to go on an educational tour.

MMN Matriculation Higher Secondary School,
Villupuram – 2

September 18, 2020

Dear father,

I am doing well here. I hope the same with you, mother and my little sister. Now we are preparing for the first term examination which will get over on October 5. After that we have 5 days holidays. During this holiday our school has decided to go on an educational tour. We have to give our name to the class teacher on or before 30 September. We are going to Bangalore and Mysore and it costs Rs. 2500/- I believe that you would not mind sending me to the tour. Please send the money and a willing letter before October 2. I am doing well in my studies.

Yours lovingly,
Gita

b) Write a letter to your friend about your summer holidays.

23, Kumaran Street
Tharasanpatty
Ayothiappattanam
Salem

June 10, 2021

Dear Sam,

Hope you are fine with a fit and healthy life. With this letter I want to share my joy in my grandparents' village. During summer vacation I made it to the village of my grandparents. My cousins and I went to the fields to enjoy strolling in the greenery. We climbed the trees and plucked the fruits and, when we swam in the village pond we had a different kind of fun. Village was fully different from the city. Free from pollution, Free from dust, Free from traffic. I wish you were also there. I am waiting to know about your vacation.

Your loving friend

David

- c) **Write a letter to your sister advising her to take part in cultural programme in school annual day celebration.**

15, West Street
Amman Colony
Athankottai
Dindigal

My dear Sukan,

I am doing well and I hope the same with you. I am sure you are doing well in your studies. School days are the wonderful days in our life time. Enjoy every bit of it. I heard that your school is going to celebrate the annual day soon. You may get a lot of chances to show your talents. I know you have a lot of talents in cultural activities. So participate in cultural programmes. You will do very well and you will get the appreciation of others. All the best.

Yours lovingly,
Nithya.

GRAMMAR

- a. **Pick out the words from the list and put them appropriately in the table.**

David, Madurai, parrot, happiness, book, thought, green, tiger, Trichy, computer, Narayanan, fan, sister, Kalam, woman, pencil, Bharathi, problem, brother, Mumbai, swan, elephant, Vijay, solution, success, school, convent.

Person	Place	Thing	Animal	Ideas/feelings
David	Madurai	book	parrot	happiness
Narayanan	Trichy	computer	tiger	thought
Sister	School	fan	swan	success
Kalam	convent	pencil	elephant	problem
woman				solution
Bharathi				
brother				
Mumbai				
Vijay				

- b. **Read the following paragraph and pick out the different types of nouns and put them in the table.**

Hobby is an activity that we enjoy doing in our free time. It keeps us busy in our

leisure time. People choose their hobby on the basis of their interests and personality. Do you know what Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's hobby was?

Proper Noun	Common Noun	Collective Noun	Abstract Noun
Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam	hobby	people	activity time, time interest personality

c. Fill in the blanks with the suitable collective noun.

Choir, shower, bowl, flock, cup, pair, swarm, bunch, herd, bottle

1. a herd of cows
2. a flock of birds
3. a choir of singers
4. a bottle of milk
5. a cup of tea
6. a swarm of ants
7. a bunch of grapes
8. a bowl of rice
9. a pair of shoes
10. a shower of rain

Pronoun

a. Change the underlined words with correct pronoun.

(they, he, her, him, it, she)

1. I saw Mr. Balu this morning and gave Mr. Balu my homework. – he
2. Muthu likes computer games, but he doesn't play computer games very often. – them
3. My aunt lives in Trichy but, my aunt often comes to visit my family. – she
4. Neil Armstrong was born in 1930. Neil Armstrong landed on the moon in 1969. – He
5. He helped the old lady. He gave the old lady food. – her

b. Change the possessive adjective into possessive pronoun.

1. This is my pen. This pen is mine
2. Shenbah missed her purse. The purse missed by Shenbah is hers.
3. Her speech is nice. The nice speech is hers.
4. My book is new. The new book is mine.
5. My bike is costly. The costly bike is mine.

List out the transitive and intransitive verbs in following words.

come, buy, teach, learn, arrive, sing, run, draw, jump, write.

Transitive Verb	Intransitive Verb
buy	come
teach	arrive
learn	run
sing	jump
draw	
write	

*Special Hero

Christina M Kerschen

WARM UP

What are the sacrifices made by your father for your family.



My father works hard even on Sundays



He loses sleep and is awake during my ill-health



He saves money by not spending on luxuries



He avoids medical expenditure for himself but spends for our health care.



He borrows money for our comfort and works overtime to return the money.

SUMMARY

This poem 'Special Hero' was written by Christina M. Kerschen to express her love and affection for her father. When she was a baby her father held her hand to lead her. By the time she felt love and tenderness of her father to keep her safe. She used to look into his eyes and she could see his love for her. She was lucky to have him as her

father. There is something special about her father's love. That must have been sent to her from heaven. She wanted her father to know that their love was everlasting. She wanted to tell her father that he was her special hero.

GLOSSARY

tenderness (n)	–	gentleness and kindness
everlasting (adj)	–	lasting forever or a very long time
special(adj)	–	different from what is usual

B) Find a line from the poem to match the statements given below and write it in the blank.

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|--|--|
| 1. He always saves me from harm | <u>keeping me safe from harm.</u> |
| 2. I am so lucky to get you | <u>you were the dad chosen for me.</u> |
| 3. The affection between us has no end | <u>Our love is everlasting.</u> |

C) Answer the following questions.

- Who is the speaker?**
The poet is the speaker.
- Who is the special hero mentioned in the poem?**
Father is the special hero mentioned in the poem..
- How did the child feel when it was held by its dad?**
The child felt safe when it was held by its dad.

*Seems it was sent to me
From someplace up above.*

- What do the above lines mean?**
It seems that the poet's father was sent to her from heaven'
- What did the child want to tell its dad?**
The child wants to tell her dad that he is her special hero.

D) Work in pairs and answer the questions below.

- "There is something special about a father's love".*

Identify the alliteration in the given lines.

something – special

- Pick out the rhyming words from the poem.**

arms – tenderness – eyes

see – me

love – above

know – hero – so

ADDITIONAL

Read the following lines and answer the question:

1. *When I was a baby
you would hold me in your arms*

a) What was the stage of the poet?

The poet was a baby.

b) Who was holding her?

Her father was holding her.

2. *I would look up into your eyes,
and all the love I would see.*

a) What did the poet look into?

The poet looked into her father's eyes.

b) What would she see?

She would see the love of her father.

3. *How did I get so lucky,
you were the dad chosen for me.*

a) What did the poet get?

The poet got lucky.

b) Why was she so lucky?

She was so lucky to get her father.

4. *That you're my special hero
and I wanted to tell you so.*

a) What did the poet want to tell her father?

The poet wanted to tell her father that he was her special hero.

b) Pick out the rhyming words.

hero – so

WRITING

E. Write a paragraph on the father's love as described in the poem.

This poem 'Special Hero' was written by Christina M. Kerschen to express her love and affection for her father. When she was a baby her father held her hand to lead her. By the time she felt love and tenderness of her father to keep her safe. She used to look into his eyes and she could see his love for her. She was lucky to have him as her father. There is something special about her father's love. That must have been sent

to her from heaven. She wanted her father to know that their love was everlasting. She wanted to tell her father that he was her special hero.

The Woman on Platform 8

1

Ruskin Bond

SUMMARY

'The Woman on Platform 8' by Ruskin Bond is a story about love and affection that transcends all barriers of kinship. It is narrated in the first person by a schoolboy named Arun. All the events are seen from his point of view. The story revolves around Arun's encounter with a stranger - a mysterious woman.

The narrator of the story, Arun, is a 12 year old boy studying in a boarding school. One day he was waiting all alone for his train on platform 8 of Ambala station. It was his second year at boarding school. He was going back to school after vacation. His parents thought that he was old enough to travel alone. His train was to come at midnight. He had come much earlier for his train. It was a long wait. So he passed his time in watching whatever went on at the platform. Then he was tired and sat down on his suitcase.

Just then, he heard a woman's soft voice behind him. She was a woman of over 30 with a pale face and dark kind eyes. She was dressed in a white sari. She wore no jewels but had a dignity about her. She asked him if he was alone. He told her that he was alone and his train would come around midnight. She was very gentle and soft in her questions about him. She invited him to go with her to the refreshment room and have something to eat. Arun felt like refusing her offer out of shyness and suspicion, but he could not do so as he was impressed by her kind manner. Asking a coolie to keep a watch on his suitcase, she took Arun by the hand and led him to the dining room.

She ordered tea and samosas and jalebies. The narrator was happy and started taking interest in her. Then he became friendly with the kind woman. She listened to what he said about himself. She did not ask the narrator much. But she seemed to be happy in watching him eat and talk. While returning from the refreshment room, they saw a boy jumping across a rail track beside which an engine was coming. The woman was frightened and pained. She calmed down only when the boy reached the other side. Then both came to the place where Arun's suitcase was placed.

Arun saw Satish, his class mate with his mother. Satish introduced him to his mother. She was a large and stern looking woman with spectacles. She took the other woman to be Arun's mother. Arun did not say so, but the woman herself said that she was Arun's mother.

Satish's mother did a lot of talking after that. She was full of complaints regarding a boy travelling alone. She was also suspicious of strangers hanging around. Arun felt happy when the woman said that Arun could travel alone. Satish's mother advised

Arun to be careful about strangers while travelling alone. Arun looked at the strange woman who had given him tea and snacks and said that he liked strangers. Satish's mother was shocked at being contradicted. As she repeated her warning Arun looked angrily at her and moved closer to the strange woman.

When the train came, Satish and Arun got into a compartment. Satish's mother gave him some fruits, a chocolate, and a cricket bat. She was again full of advice and asked them to be careful about strangers. She asked them not to lean their heads out of the windows and avoid eating rubbish on the way. Arun began to hate her for her hard and stern ways.

Arun bade good bye to the stranger. The other woman was standing there quietly. She did not say any word. Arun at last kissed her cheeks. When the train moved slowly out of the station, Satish bade good bye to his mother. Arun also did the same. He addressed the woman as 'mother'. He continued gazing at her until she was lost in the crowd.

GLOSSARY

inferno (n)	–	region that resembles hell
heaving (v)	–	to raise or lift with force
dismally (adv)	–	cheerless
serenity (n)	–	reverence
encounter (v)	–	brief meeting
clutched (v)	–	grasped (something) tightly
imposing (adj)	–	grand and impressive in appearance
embarrassed (v)	–	felt awkward, self-conscious, or ashamed
nuisance (n)	–	causing inconvenience or annoyance
staggered (v)	–	walked or moved unsteadily, as if about to fall
wagging (v)	–	move rapidly to and fro
resentfully (adv)	–	feeling or expressing bitterness or indignation at having been treated unfairly
grinning (v)	–	smiling broadly
squatting (v)	–	crouch or sit with one's knees bent and one's heels close to or touching the back of one's thighs
hustling (v)	–	push roughly; jostle
shrieked (v)	–	uttered a high-pitched piercing sound
mowed (v)	–	moved slowly into the crowded station
patronizing (adj)	–	treat in a way that is apparently kind
obviously (adv)	–	in a way that is easily perceived or understood; clearly
jolted (v)	–	moved with sudden jerk

A. Choose the best answer.

1. Satish's mother handed to her son _____.
 a) bag of pencil b) bag of vegetables
 c) big box of chocolates d) cricket ball

Ans: c

2. The train would come at _____.
a) one o' clock b) twelve o' clock c) two o' clock d) eleven o' clock **Ans: b**
3. The strange lady gave _____ to Arun.
a) coffee and vadai b) tea and bajji
c) tea and samosas d) black tea and cake **Ans: c**
4. Arun was sitting on platform _____.
a) no. 7 b) no. 8 c) no. 4 d) no. 3 **Ans: b**
5. Satish and Arun were _____ years old boys.
a) 12 b) 11 c) 13 d) 10 **Ans: a**

ADDITIONAL

6. The strange lady wore _____ sari.
a) red b) white c) green d) black **Ans. b**
7. The name of Arun's friend was _____.
a) Satish b) Kumar c) Suresh d) Sunder **Ans. a**
8. Sathish said that they had a new _____ that year.
a) correspondent b) secretary
c) class teacher d) headmaster **Ans. d**
9. Sathish's mother was a large _____ woman.
a) decent b) tall c) imposing d) perfect **Ans. c**
10. Sathish's mother thought that Arun's family was _____.
a) poor b) decent c) rich d) large **Ans. a**

Answers	6. b	7. a	8. d	9. c	10. a
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B. Match the following.

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|-------------------|---|------------------|
| 1. woman in white | — | mother of Satish |
| 2. train | — | boy of same age |
| 3. bowler | — | dressed simply |
| 4. Satish | — | waves of stream |
| 5. spectacles | — | Arun |

Answer

dressed simply
waves of stream
Arun
boy of same age
mother of Satish

C. Identify the character.

- | | | |
|-------------------------------|---|------------------|
| 1. I am glad to know that. | — | Arun |
| 2. Are you all alone, my son? | — | The strange lady |
| 3. Yes, I am going to school. | — | Arun |
| 4. He is one of my friends. | — | Satish |
| 5. Goodbye mother. | — | Arun |

D. Answer the following questions.**1. Where was Arun sitting?**

Arun was sitting on platform 8 in the railway station.

2. What was the expected arrival time of the train?

The expected arrival time of the train was midnight 12 o' clock.

3. What were the sight Arun had seen on the platform?

Arun saw the quiet platform, arrival of train and the crowd coming out of the train.

4. What did the vendors sell?

The vendors sold curds, lemon, sweet meat and newspaper.

5. How did the woman appear?

She was a woman of over 30 with pale face and dark kind eyes. She was dressed in a white sari. She wore no jewels but had a dignity about her.

6. Where was Arun travelling to?

Arun was travelling to his boarding school.

7. What did the woman buy for him?

The woman bought tea, samosas and jellabies for Arun.

8. What was the advise of Sathish's mother?

Sathish's mother advised Arun not to believe the strangers.

9. What were Arun's last words?

"Goodbye mother" were the last words of Arun.

10. What was the reaction of the woman at the end?

The woman was looking at Arun, as the train moved away. She, a pale sweet woman in white stood there on the busy platform.

STEP TO SUCCESS

Sentence Rearrangement

- Miss Sullivan arrived at the Keller home when Helen was seven.
- The deaf and blind Helen learned to communicate verbally.
- But, eventually, Miss Sullivan's effort was rewarded.
- Before Helen Keller was two years old, she lost her sight and her hearing.
- Miss Sullivan worked closely with Helen, her new student.
- At times the teacher became frustrated.

- DEFACB
- DAEFCB
- ACFDEB
- CFDABE
- FDACEB

Ans: 2. DAEFCB

ADDITIONAL PARAGRAPHS

1. How did Arun spend his time with the strange woman till he met Sathish?

The narrator of the story, Arun, is a 12 year old boy studying in a boarding

school. One day he was waiting all alone for his train on platform 8 of Ambala station. His train was to come at midnight. He had come much earlier for his train. He heard a woman's soft voice behind him. She was a woman of over 30 with pale face and dark kind eyes. She was dressed in a white sari. She wore no jewels but had a dignity about her. She asked him if he was alone. He told her that he was alone. She invited him to go with her to the refreshment room. She ordered tea and samosas and jalebies. Then he became friendly with the kind woman. While returning from the refreshment room, they saw a boy jumping across a rail track beside which an engine was coming. The woman was frightened and pained. She calmed down only when the boy reached the other side.

2. Describe the situation after Arun met Satish.

When Arun came back to platform 8 with the kind strange woman he saw his school mate Satish and his mother. She was a large and stern looking woman with spectacles. She took the other woman to be Arun's mother. Arun did not say so, but the woman herself said that she was Arun's mother. Satish's mother did a lot of talking after that. She was full of complaints regarding a boy travelling alone. She was also suspicious of strangers hanging around. Satish's mother advised Arun to be careful about strangers while travelling alone. When the train came, Satish and Arun got into a compartment. Satish's mother gave him some fruits, a chocolate, and a cricket bat. She was again full of advice and asked them to be careful about strangers. Arun bade good bye to the stranger. The other woman was standing there quietly. Arun at last kissed her cheeks. When the train moved Arun said 'Goodbye mother'.

CONNECTING TO SELF

Think you are in the following situation and write what would you do and why.



Will you ignore/take and give to its owner/ take and keep it yourself.

I will take and give the purse to its owner. Because the money in the purse is his. I should not keep what does not belong to me.



Will you ignore/go and help him/
stand watching him feeling shy to help

I will go and help him. Because the old man is suffering and I want to make him feel a bit comfortable. We should help our fellow-beings.



Will you ignore/try to stop them
fighting / be afraid and go away from
there.

I will stop them fighting because violence is not a solution to a problem. Violence begets violence.

UNIT TEST - 1

ENGLISH

Class: 8

Marks: 20

SECTION - A

I A. Choose the correct synonym for the underlined word. 2×1=2

- The poor woman is in a panic.
a) joy b) doubt c) sorrow d) fright
- The female sparrow said with disdain.
a) delight b) contempt c) dislike d) pain

B. Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word. 2×1=2

- ...it will be disgrace to us.
a) disappointment b) dignity
c) honour d) shame
- The male bird answered gravely.
a) light-heartedly b) seriously
c) proudly d) gratefully

C. Answer any two of the following questions in one or two sentences 2×2=4

- Why did the bird drop the diamond stud?
- What were the words of Meenakshi Ammal to her daughter?
- What did Ramayya's wife do with the stud?

SECTION - B

II Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions given below. 2

- I would look up into your eyes
and all the love I would see
How did I get so lucky.
You were the dad chosen for me.*
a) What made the child feel lucky?
b) What did the child observe looking up into the dad's eyes?

SECTION - C

III Choose the best option to fill in the blank: 2×1=2

- The strange lady took the narrator into _____.
a) the station dining room b) the hotel
c) the platform 8 d) the station master
- The narrator was smarting under the patronising tone of _____

- a) Arun
c) Satish's mother
- b) The strange lady
d) Satish

IV A. Pick out the correct homophone:

2×1=2

- Ravi wanted to _____ his car (sell, cell)
- He will play the _____ in the second play. (roll, role)

B.

3×1=3

- The expansion of LAN is _____
a) Local Area Number
c) Local Area Network
- The expansion of GST is _____
a) Goods and Service Transport
c) Goods and Social Truck
- Fill in the blank with a suitable collective pronoun.
a _____ of rice

SECTION - D

V. A. change the possessive adjective into possessive pronoun.

2×1=2

- My bicycle is new.
- Rita missed her bag.

B. Spot the error and write the corrected sentence.

1×1=1

The manager can't cope up with the pressure.

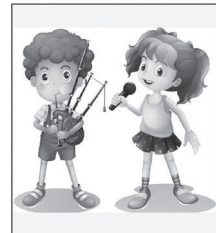
Answer Key

- | | |
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| I | A) 1. d 2. b
B) 1. c 2. a |
| II | a) The child felt happy because of his dad chosen for him.
b) The child observed love in the eyes of his dad. |
| III | 1. a 2. c |
| IV | A. 1. sell 2. role
B. 1. c 2. b 3. a bowl of rice |
| V | A. 1. The new bicycle is mine.
2. The bag missed was Rita's.
B. The manager can't cope with the pressure. |

Hobby Turns into a Successful Career

WARM UP

Look at the pictures. Discuss in pairs and share your answers with your friends.



1. What is the girl doing?
The girl is painting a picture
2. What is the man doing?
The man is frying the rice with vegetables.
3. Will you like doing it? Why?
Yes, I will. Because it helps me prepare tasty food.
4. Do you like gardening? Why?
Yes, I do. It gives me pleasure and makes me energetic.
5. What are the benefits of listening to music?
Our disturbed mind becomes calm. We are inspired. We are entertained.

Section I

SUMMARY

A boy named Mani was studying in a school in his village. He was not good at reading and writing. His grandfather wanted to help him. He read bedtime stories to him. Slowly he started to read by himself. Later he started to write his own stories. The following essay is written by Mani.

We do hobbies in our leisure time. Different people have different hobbies. Some of the popular hobbies are gardening, photography, book reading, swimming, collecting stamps, playing video games. Hobbies help people learn new things, relax after a day

of tiring work and to energise their body and mind. Mani's hobby was writing.

Many people might think that writing was tough. But it was not the case with Mani. Writing is like painting our voice. He wrote poems, stories and about his own feelings. His mind relaxed when he poured his thoughts as words. When he wrote he imagined a magical world where man could fly and birds could talk. Sometimes he entertained the children with his stories. He enjoyed the happy face of the children when they heard the stories. Writing made his mind go beyond little things of the world. It made him more passionate about his life.

Writing helped him to do well in his school. In the beginning he could not put things accurately in writing. But his experience made him a good writer. Now he tried to look out for new things and he wanted to write fiction.

"Writing is easy. All you have to do is cross out the wrong words." - **Mark Twain**

GLOSSARY

unique (adj)	-	distinctive / uncommon
exhaust (v)	-	tire out
energises (v)	-	give energy
passionate (adj)	-	intense/ heartfelt
accurately (adv)	-	exactly
fiction (n)	-	imaginative writing
spare (adj)	-	extra

Meanings

relax	-	rest
tough	-	hard
immerse	-	involve
beneficial	-	useful
beyond	-	farther
moment	-	minute

Opposites

gradually	×	suddenly
relax	×	exited
tough	×	easy
beneficial	×	harmful
broader	×	narrower
accurately	×	erroneously

Read and Understand

A. Say true or false.

1. Mani's hobby is playing cricket. - False
2. Hobbies are unique to people. - True

3. People have hobbies only to pass time. - False

B. Choose the correct answer.

1. Mani imagined a world with _____.
 a) music and musicians b) building and sculptures
 c) magic and magicians
Ans: c)
2. When Mani started writing things, he was unable to _____.
 a) describe them accurately b) describe them fluently
 c) describe them imaginatively
Ans: a)
3. Mani feels writing is like _____.
 a) painting the voice b) engraving the voice
 c) designing the voice
Ans: a)

ADDITIONAL :

Choose the best synonym of the underlined word

1. Hobbies are the activities that we do in our spare time.
 a) busy b) limited c) own d) extra
2. Hobbies are unique to people.
 a) uncommon b) common c) uniform d) divided
3. Hobbies help people learn new things, relax after a day of tiring work.
 a) busy b) reveal c) rest d) proper
4. Hobbies help to energise their body and mind.
 a) weaken b) strengthen c) lengthen d) shorten
5. Most people don't want to exhaust themselves in their spare time.
 a) tire in b) tire at c) tire out d) tire up
6. Many feel that writing is tough.
 a) hard b) easy c) sigh d) good
7. Writing helps me completely immerse myself into that world!
 a) outreach b) involve c) impress d) explain
8. Although writing is just a hobby for me, yet it is very beneficial.
 a) important b) impossible c) effect d) useful
9. It opens my mind to think beyond the little things with a broader mind.
 a) between b) among c) inside d) farther
10. It makes me more passionate about my life.
 a) fever b) possible c) intense d) light
11. It makes me learn new things and enjoy every moment of my life.

- a) minute b) man c) poor d) rich

12. I was unable to describe them accurately.

- a) strongly b) exactly c) possible d) weakly

13. I spend time on learning how to write in different forms like fiction and non-fiction.

- a) figure b) picture c) history d) novel

Answers	1. d	2. a	3. c	4. b	5. c	6. a	7. b	8. d	9. d	10. c
	11. a	12. b	13. d							

Choose the best antonym of the underlined word

1. Gradually, he started reading on his own.

- a) slowly b) humbly c) suddenly d) simply

2. Hobbies help people learn new things, relax after a day of tiring work.

- a) calm b) laze c) repose d) excited

3. Many feel that writing is tough.

- a) difficulty b) easy c) hard d) hardly

4. Although writing is just a hobby for me, yet it is very beneficial.

- a) harmful b) useful c) favourable d) constructive

5. It opens my mind to think beyond the little things with a broader mind.

- a) bigger b) smaller c) wider d) narrower

6. I was unable to describe them accurately.

- a) erroneously b) exactly c) precisely d) flawlessly

Answers	1. c	2. d	3. b	4. a	5. d	6. a
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Section II

SUMMARY

Ajay Kumar Garg, a talented young artist lives in Jaipur. When he was three years old he suffered an injury which made him deaf. His parents took him to several hospital but no one could cure him. Once his father bought him a set of paint to play. Ajay was happy to paint all over the place. His father realised that he was talented in painting. When Ajay was five years old his paintings impressed Shri Sua Lal, a court artist of Rajasthan.

After completing his education he became an apprentice to Asha Devi. She taught him the old and dying technique of 'Traditional Indian Miniature Painting'. Soon he became a successful artist in the miniature style. He uses a magnifying glass to paint Indian culture. He paints image on a grain of rice. He exhibited his paintings and sold them. He showed his paintings throughout India, the United States and the United Kingdom. In 2004 he got national award from Indian President Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam.

Ajay takes active part in the welfare of the hearing impaired people. He has been the executive member of the 'Deaf and Dumb' association of Rajasthan. He also gives free training to hearing impaired children in Jaipur as well as children in an orphanage in Gandhi Nagar, Jaipur. One of Ajay's current goals is to revitalise the dying art of traditional miniature Indian paintings. Ajay's life shows us that we can turn our hobby or passion into a successful career, if we are ready to learn and develop our skills.

GLOSSARY

impairment (n)	-	disability
miniature (adj)	-	very small of its kind
accomplished (adj)	-	fulfilled
magnifying (adj)	-	enhancing
exhibited (v)	-	show or reveal
revitalise (v)	-	re-energise

Meanings

talented	-	gifted
injury	-	wound
cure	-	heal
realised	-	understood
impressed	-	fascinated
apprentice	-	trainee
depict	-	describe

Opposites

permanently	×	temporarily
apprentice	×	veteran
accomplished	×	failure
magnifying	×	lessening
display	×	hide
welfare	×	discontent

Read and Understand

A. Write true or false.

- | | | |
|---|---|------|
| 1. Ajay Garg is an artist. | - | True |
| 2. Asha Devi taught Ajay the miniature painting. | - | True |
| 3. Ajay displayed 150 paintings. | - | True |
| 4. Ajay was awarded by the Indian president Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam. | - | True |

B. Answer the following questions.

1. What was Ajay gifted with?

Ajay was gifted with paint set.

2. How was he honoured?

Ajay was honoured with an award given by Indian President Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.

3. What is Ajay's current goal?

Ajay's current goal is to give life to the dying art of traditional miniature Indian paintings.

4. Does Ajay's hobby become a successful career? How?

Yes, Ajay's hobby becomes a successful career. He could sell his paintings and earn money. Once he displayed 150 paintings and sold 140 paintings.

ADDITIONAL**Choose the best synonym of the underlined word**

- Ajay Kumar Garg, is a very talented young artist.
a) useful b) useless c) gifted d) intended
- His childhood was going on well, until he suffered an injury at the age of three.
a) sickness b) injustice c) possible d) wound
- His parents tried several hospitals to cure his impairment, but it didn't cure him.
a) disability b) ability c) thoughtful d) thoughtless
- His parents tried several hospitals to cure his impairment, but it didn't cure him.
a) sick b) heal c) weaken d) strengthen
- Ajay's father realised that Ajay was talented in painting.
a) said b) informed c) understood d) jumped
- Shri Sua Lal saw his painting and was very impressed with his work.
a) fascinated b) called c) suggested d) ordered
- He became an apprentice of Asha Devi.
a) veteran b) trainee c) teacher d) helper
- Soon he became an accomplished artist in the miniature style.
a) failure b) impossible c) fulfilled d) one
- He uses a magnifying glass and a single-haired brush.
a) good b) perfect c) own d) enlarging
- He uses a magnifying glass and a single-haired brush for miniature paintings that depict Indian culture.
a) hide b) describe c) naturalise d) impress
- Ajay exhibited his work and sold 144 out of the 150 paintings displayed.
a) showed b) hid c) threw d) kept
- One of Ajay's current goals is to revitalise the dying art of traditional miniature Indian paintings.

	a) impress	b) inform	c) install	d) reenergise						
Answers	1. c	2. d	3. a	4. b	5. c	6. a	7. b	8. c	9. d	10. b
	11. a	12. d								

Choose the best antonym of the underlined word

- Ajay was treated, but that treatment left him permanently deaf.
a) always b) suddenly c) temporarily d) slowly
- He became an apprentice of Asha Devi.
a) trainee b) veteran c) student d) worker
- Soon he became an accomplished artist in the miniature style.
a) successful b) proficient c) adept d) failure
- He uses a magnifying glass and a single-haired brush.
a) increasing b) explaining c) lessening d) enhancing
- Ajay exhibited his work and sold 144 out of the 150 paintings displayed.
a) hidden b) showed c) arranged d) sold
- Ajay is also very actively involved in the welfare of people with hearing impairment in India.
a) discontent b) benefit c) advantage d) success

Answers	1. c	2. b	3. d	4. c	5. a	6. a
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Section III

SUMMARY

The hard working people work hard to achieve their dreams. Ilavazhahi is a daughter of Mr. Irudayaraj who was a district champion in carom. He introduced carom to his daughter when she was very young. At the age of five she played a match against her father and won. It gave her confidence and she became a champion in carom. Her victories included the Asia Cup, South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation Cup and the world championship. Her father is a fish-cart driver. He has to look after his wife and three daughters. Their house is too small to give room for all the family members. She has won many trophies and her house does not have space to keep them all. So after filing the house with her trophies, the remaining trophies are given to her neighbours and relatives. She does not find sponsors though she has been playing for 14 years.

Ilavazhagi is a member of the Thiruvallur District Carrom Association and also represented India at the Carrom World Championships, Asian Championships.

Achievements:

- 5th World Carrom Champion, 2008 in France.
- Women's singles title at the 38th Senior National Carrom Championships in Visakhapatnam, 2009.
- Women's singles title in the 37th National Carrom Championship in Chennai,

2008.

4. 13th SAARC Carrom Championship women's doubles with Rashmi Kumari in 2009.
5. The two time SAARC Carrom Championship women's singles title in 2009.
6. World Cup winner in 2006 and the next was the 2010 championship in the US where she secured the first place in singles and doubles.

She holds 260 medals, out of which 106 are gold, 17 are silver & 12 are bronze medals won in national competitions. She has won 111 gold, 9 silver and 5 bronze medals in international tournaments.

GLOSSARY

accommodates (n)	-	sufficient space for
trophies (n)	-	a decorative cup given as a token of victory
shattered (v)	-	break , damage or destroyed

Meanings

chase	-	follow
amidst	-	in the middle of
odds	-	inequalities
determined	-	decided
achieve	-	attain
confidence	-	self assurance

Opposites

encourage	×	discourage
confidence	×	doubt
victories	×	failures

Read and Understand

A. Fill in the blanks.

1. Mani's grandfather noticed it and helped him by reading bed time stories.
2. Ajay mastered the techniques of miniature painting.
3. Ilavazhagi won her first match against her father.

B. Choose correct synonyms for the italic word.

1. Writing is a *unique* hobby
 a) common b) beneficial c) uncommon d) separate **Ans: c)**
2. Ajay started to paint *happily*.
 a) depressed b) joyfully c) unhappily d) sadly **Ans: b)**
3. Miniature paintings *depict* Indian culture.
 a) warp b) portray c) twist d) falsify **Ans: b)**

ADDITIONAL

Choose the best synonym of the underlined word

- The hard working and the passionate people, always chase their dream and live it.
a) follow b) stop c) pause d) introduce
- Ilavazhagi is one among the many to achieve her dream amidst all odds.
a) in the end of b) in the side of
c) in the middle of d) sideways
- Ilavazhagi is one among the many to achieve her dream amidst all odds.
a) good b) people c) time d) inequalities
- His dream shattered, since his family did not encourage and support him.
a) achieved b) destroyed c) began d) started
- He was determined to achieve his dream through his daughter.
a) decided b) accepted c) informed d) wavering
- He was determined to achieve his dream through his daughter.
a) lose b) throw c) attain d) keep
- They lived in a small one-room apartment which is not enough to accommodate the family.
a) shelter b) reject c) block d) hinder

Answers

1. a 2. c 3. d 4. b 5. a 6. c 7. a

C. Choose correct antonyms for the italic word.

- Ajay *suffered* an injury.
a) sorrow b) endure c) hurt d) mourn **Ans: b)**
- Ajay *mastered* the techniques of painting.
a) skilled b) proficient c) unskilled d) experienced **Ans: c)**
- Ilavazhagi *won* world championship in 2008.
a) win b) succeed c) lost d) well-skilled **Ans: c)**

ADDITIONAL

Choose the best antonym of the underlined word

- His dream shattered, since his family did not encourage and support him.
a) support b) discourage c) uncourage d) incourage
- She won that match, which gave her confidence.
a) assurance b) support c) doubt d) importance

3. Her victories included the Asia Cup and the world championship.
 a) failures b) success c) winning d) support

Answers

1. b

2. c

3. a

D. Answer the following questions in one or two sentences.

1. What happened to Ajay at the age of three?

At the age of three an injury made him deaf.

2. What did Asha Devi teach Ajay?

Asha Devi taught him the dying technique of 'Traditional Indian Miniature Painting'.

3. Why is writing beneficial according to Mani?

It is very beneficial because it opens his mind to think beyond the little things with a broader mind.

E. Answer the following questions in 100 words.

1. How did Ajay's father find his son's talent?

Ajay Kumar Garg, a talented young artist lives in Jaipur. When he was three year old he suffered an injury which made him deaf. His parents took him to several hospitals but no one could cure him. Once his father bought him a set of paint to play. Ajay started to paint happily. He was happy to paint all over the place. He painted on the walls, floors etc. He looked happy, while using the paint set that was gifted to him. His father realised that he was talented in painting. When Ajay was five years old his paintings impressed Shri Sua Lal, a court artist of Rajasthan.

2. Write a note on Ilavazhagi.

Ilavazhahi is a daughter of Mr. Irudayaraj who was a district champion in carom. He introduced carom to his daughter when she was very young. At the age of five she played a match against her father and won. It gave her confidence and she became a champion in carom. Her victories included the Asia Cup, South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation Cup and the world championship. Her father is a fish-cart driver. He has to look after his wife and three daughters. Their house is too small to give room for all the family members. She has won many trophies and her house does not have space to keep them all. So after filing the house with her trophies, the remaining trophies are given to her neighbours and relatives. She does not find sponsors though she has been playing for 14 years.

VOCABULARY

Singular and Plural

Write the plural form of the given words

Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural
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1	food	food	6	commander-in-chief	commanders – in – chief
2	radius	radii	7	thesis	theses
3	governor – general	governors – general	8	forum	fora, forums
4	syllabus	syllabi	9	cattle	cattle
5	datum	data	10	genius	genii, geniuses

Compound words

A) Match the following compound words and write them:

First word	Second word	New word
match	mark	match box
air	cut	airport
blood	port	blood bank
Pop	machine	Popcorn
sky	bank	skyblue
hair	blue	haircut
book	corn	bookmark
sewing	box	chewing gum

B) Choose the best answer to make a compound word

- Which can be placed after 'soft'?
a) play b) ware c) run d) cycle **Ans: b)**
- Which can be placed before 'light'?
a) try b) sun c) house d) cat **Ans: b)**
- Which can be placed after 'safe'?
a) chair b) guard c) shop d) van **Ans: b)**
- Which can be placed after 'blue'?
a) cane b) print c) see d) land **Ans: b)**
- Which can be placed after 'water'?
a) food b) stick c) fall d) out **Ans: c)**

LISTENING

Questions on passage

- What is Philately?**
Stamp collection is philately.
- What is Numismatics?**

Coin collection is Numismatics.

3. Do you know where the rarest and the most beautiful shells are found?

The rarest, the most valuable, and the most beautiful shells are found in the Indo-Pacific, Caribbean, and Mediterranean regions.

4. Painting can help unleash your creative side. How?

Painting can help unleash our creative side. Painting allows us to tap into the thoughts, desires, and feelings in your head and translate them into something beautiful.

5. What is your friend's hobby? How does it differ from yours? Discuss and write.

My friend's hobby is web-browsing in the internet. My hobby is painting. Painting relaxes our mind and helps focus better. It opens our imaginative power and we could find new world and enjoy it. Web-browsing helps us collect information about the latest medical invention, the new technology for phones and news about our society and country. It is an amazing hobby where we can learn about things that are thousands of kilometres away with just a few clicks! We can also share all the wonderful information with our friends.

SPEAKING

Role-play the conversation in the class.

Manoj : Hi Priya! How are you?

Priya : I am fine, and what about you?

Manoj : I am fine too. What are you doing in this early morning?

Priya : I am taking care of my garden.

Manoj : Oh! What a beautiful garden it is !

Priya : It is beautiful as I work every day in it.

Manoj : Who helps you in your work?

Priya : Myself have done this. It is my hobby and I have cultivated vegetables.

Manoj : Oh! that's nice. How long have you been doing this?

Priya : I have been doing this for five years.

Manoj : Oh, that's wonderful. Do you have enough water for your garden?

Priya : Now I have but in summer I find it difficult to water my plants.

By the time I change to drip irrigation. You see the pipes here. They are

for it.

Manoj : Are you doing everything yourself?

Priya : Mostly I do. Sometimes I get help from experts.

WRITING

Hints Developing

Develop the following hints:

- Tortoise - hare - forest - tortoise walking- seen by a hare- hare laughs - tortoise speed - tortoise sad - bet - race - tortoise moving- slow speed -hare moves - fast - sleeps- tortoise - reaches winning point - first - wins the bet.**

Hare and Tortoise

A tortoise and a hare were living in a forest. One day the hare saw the tortoise walking very slowly and it laughed at the way the tortoise was talking. The tortoise was sad to be ridiculed by the hare. Then the hare called the tortoise for a race. As usual the tortoise was moving slowly while the hare was running fast. It was sure that the tortoise would take much time to reach the place where it was. So it wanted to take rest but unfortunately it slept. The Tortoise moved slowly but steadily without any pause. It reached the winning place first and won the bet.

'Slow and steady wins the race'

- Akbar - Birbal - courtiers jealous of Birbal - ask Akbar - test Birbal wiseness - Courtier puts a question - How many crows in Agra - Birbal asks for a week - everyday sitting on the terrace - looking at the crows- after a week - courtier asks - Birbal says 156757 crows - asks the courtier to check- Akbar laughs.**

Birbal and crows

Birbal was one of the courtiers of Akbar. Other courtiers were jealous of Birbal because he was very close to King Akbar. They wanted to somehow put Birbal to shame. So they asked Akbar to test the wisdom of Birbal. Akbar accepted. One of the courtiers asked Birbal to tell the court how many crows there were in Agra. Birbal asked for one week to answer the question. He sat on the terrace looking at the crows every day. After a week the courtiers asked Birbal to answer the question. He said that 156757 crows were in Agra. He asked the courtiers to check it if they wanted. Akbar laughed.

- A wood cutter - cutting wood - dropped his axe in the pond - started weeping - angel appeared - asked what the matter was - brought a golden axe - from the pond - wood cutter did not accept - brought a silver axe - not accepted - brought an iron axe - accepted - pleased with the honesty - offered all the axes to him.**

Honest Wood Cutter

A wood cutter was cutting wood in a forest. There was a pond near that place. The axe fell into the pond. He started weeping because he had only one axe to do his work. By the time an angel appeared before him. The angel asked him why he was crying. He told the angel that his axe fell into the river. It brought a golden axe from the pond and gave it to him. He did not accept it saying that it was not his axe. Then the angel brought a silver axe. The wood cutter did not accept that also. Then the angel brought an iron axe and the woodcutter was happy to accept it. The angel was pleased with his honesty and gave all the axes to him.

GRAMMAR

Degrees of Comparison

a. Fill in the blanks

Positive	Comparative	superlative
tall	<u>taller</u>	<u>tallest</u>
<u>smart</u>	smarter	<u>smartest</u>
<u>long</u>	<u>larger</u>	largest
big	<u>bigger</u>	<u>biggest</u>
<u>late</u>	later/latter	<u>last</u>

Let's compare two things.

1. Which is faster? A train or a plane?

A plane is faster than a train.

2. Which is cheaper? Gold or Silver?

Silver is cheaper than gold

3. Which is larger? City or village?

City is larger than village

4. Which is bigger? A sea or an ocean?

An ocean is bigger than a sea

5. Which is taller? A giraffe or a camel?

A giraffe is taller than a camel.

Let's compare three things.

A donkey - a horse - an elephant (strong)

A donkey is strong.

A horse is stronger than a donkey.

An elephant is the strongest.

1. **Town – city – village (quiet)**
City is quiet.
Town is quieter than city.
Village is the quietest.
2. **Istanbul – Moscow - London (populated)**
London is populated.
Moscow is more populated than London.
Istanbul is the most populated.
3. **Windy weather – warm weather – rainy weather (good)**
Rainy weather is good.
Windy weather is better than rainy weather.
Warm weather is the best.
4. **Ocean - river - lake (deep)**
River is deep.
Lake is deeper than river.
Ocean is the deepest.
5. **The USA – Russia – Spain (large)**
Spain is large.
The USA is larger than Spain.
Russia is the largest.
6. **The Mahanadi – The Cauvery – The Ganga (long)**
The Cauvery is long.
The Mahanadi is longer than the Cauvery.
The Ganga is the longest.
7. **Chennai – Hyderabad – Bangaluru (modern)**
Chennai is modern.
Hyderabad is more modern than Chennai.
Bangalore is the most modern.
8. **Giraffe – Horse – goat (tall)**
Goat is tall.
Horse is taller than goat.
Giraffe is the tallest.
9. **Elephant - Cat - Dog (strong)**
Cat is strong.
Dog is stronger than cat.
Elephant is the strongest.
10. **Maharashtra – Tamilnadu – Rajasthan (hot)**
Maharashtra is hot.
Tamilnadu is hotter than Maharashtra.
Rajasthan is the hottest.

POEM

2

My Hobby: Reading

– Arunachalan Chandrasekaran

WARM UP

- **What are your leisure time activities?**
Reading books, playing carom and listening to music are my leisure time activities.
- **Why do you do them?**
I do them for relaxation and pleasure.
- **Do you read books?**
Yes, I read books.
- **What types of books do you read?**
I read short stories, biographies and science fiction.

SUMMARY

Arunachalan Chandrasekaran writes about his hobby in the poem 'My Hobby: Reading'. He says that his hobby is reading and it helps him to increase his thought process. Because of his imagination it takes him to near and far off places. It keeps his rational door open so he could reach anywhere with his imagination. It teaches him to fly without wings. If all the children have the habit of reading they can construct a dynamic society. Then all can succeed in life.

GLOSSARY

breeding	-	procreation
rational	-	intelligence
ajar	-	slightly open
cackle	-	informal laugh
constructing	-	establish / create
vigorous	-	powerful

1. Comprehension questions.

1. What is the hobby of the poet?

Reading is the poet's hobby.

2. What does 'ajar' mean?

'Ajar' means slightly open.

3. Can the poet fly without wings?

Yes, the poet can fly without wings using his imagination.

4. What can children do to society if they read?

Children can create a dynamic society.

5. What is the theme of the poem?

The theme of the poem is children should develop the habit of reading.

2. On the basis of your understanding of the poem, tick the most suitable option to complete the statements.

Reading	a) wastes my time. b) helps me think deeply about every thing. c) keeps me busy. d) ☒ helps me in thought breeding.
My hobby	a) arguing in the court. b) ☒ working in hospitals. c) taking me far and near. d) selling goods in a wholesale market.
Reading	a) ☒ helps me to weep and cry. b) lets me fly without wings. c) works in fields to produce food. d) helps me asleep quickly.
Reading	a) ☒ blesses the children who read. b) helps the children to construct society. c) blesses the teachers who teach. d) blesses the farmers who produce food.

3. Complete the table given below in order to understand the poem better.

The poet mentions uses of reading	The lines in the poem describe the uses	The rhymes used in the lines	Meaning of the line
Thought breeding	It helps me in thought breeding	reading, breeding	The reading hobby helps the poet to procreate thoughts
Opens rational doors	It keeps my rational door ajar	far – ajar	It makes him use his imagination
Fly without wings	It teaches me to cackle and cry without wing it lets me fly	cry – fly	His imagination takes him far and wide.

Constructing society	If all the children could read in constructing a vigorous society Then we shall succeed	read – succeed	If all the children have the habit of reading they can construct a dynamic society.
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a. Rhyming words

A Tiny Little Plant

Deep in the heart of a little seed,
Lay buried so, so deep,
A tiny little plant fast asleep.
Out came the bright Sunshine,
Down crept its light,
Into the seed, too bright.
A little plant woke up to see,
How bright the world might be.

Answer the following:

- List the rhyming words in the first three lines.
deep – asleep; light – bright; see – be
- Which word in the poem rhymes with 'light'?
light – bright

Answer the following:

- Rhyme Scheme:**
 - Identify the rhyme scheme of the given short poem.
My dog likes bones,
He eats them up,
He's very sweet,
He's just a pup.
Ans: a b c b
 - Complete this poem on your own with a abab rhyme scheme.
Peas porridge hot,
Peas porridge cold,
Tried hard and got
Don't leave but hold

ADDITIONAL

Read the following lines and answer the questions that follow.

1. *My hobby is reading
It helps me
In thought breeding.*

a) What is talked about in these lines?

The hobby of reading is talked about in these lines.

b) Pick out the rhyming words.

reading – breeding

2. *It takes me to places
Near and far,
It keeps my rational
Doors ajar.*

a) What does take the poet near and far?

The reading hobby takes the poet near and far.

b) What is the meaning of 'ajar'?

'Ajar' means half open

c) Pick out the rhyming words.

far – ajar

SUPPLEMENTARY

Jim Corbett, A Hunter Turned Naturalist

Ruskin Bond

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SUMMARY

Edward James Corbett is popularly known as Jim Corbett. He was a wild life photographer, hunter, tracker and naturalist. He killed a number of man-eating tigers and leopards in India. He did not kill wild animal for pleasure. He killed only those animals which were man-eaters. According to him the tigers become man-eaters when they become old or are injured. They eat humans because they cannot hunt animals.

His first, man eating tiger hunt was, The Champawat Tiger. It was a Bengal tigress responsible for nearly 436 deaths in Nepal and the Kumaon area of India. The tigress attack was in Nepal. Nepal army could not kill it but they drove it to India. She continued her killing in Kumaon. He hunted only in daylight. People stopped going into the forest to collect fire wood, fruit or root. The British government asked Jim Corbett to help the villagers. He agreed to hunt down the man-eater.

He camped in Kumaon and tried to kill the man-eater. When it killed a 16 year old girl he followed the blood stain but could not get him. Then he planned a bait with three hundred people. This time he was successful in killing the man-eater of Kumaon. A postmortem on the tigress showed the upper and lower canine teeth on the right side of her mouth were broken, the upper one in half, the lower one right down to the bone. Because of this injury the tigress became man-eater.

Jim Corbett was always against game hunting. He advocated that deforestation and human encroachment were the main cause of the mischief of wild animals. He went on lecturing tours to educate the people about their natural heritage and the need to conserve forests and their wildlife. He promoted the "Association for the Preservation of Game" and the "All-India Conference for the Preservation of Wildlife." He played a key role in establishing, India's first national park in the Kumaon Hills, the Hailey National Park, in Uttarakhand, India. It was initially named after, Lord Malcolm Hailey. Jim Corbett died on 19 April 1955. The park was renamed in 1957 as, The Jim Corbett National Park.

GLOSSARY

hesitate (v)	–	pause before saying or doing something
fatalities (n)	–	an occurrence of death by accident
restricted (v)	–	limited extend
pursuit (n)	–	search
encroachment (n)	–	to advance beyond usual limits

preservation (n) – protection

A. Fill in the blanks.

1. Jim Corbett died on 19 April 1955.
2. Corbett shot wild animals in his cine film camera.
3. The Champawat Tiger was the first man eater shot by Corbett.
4. Corbett shot the tigress dead, near the Chataar Bridge.

B. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below.

Jim Corbett played a key role in establishing, India's first national park in the Kumaon Hills, the Hailey National Park, in Uttarakhand, India. It was initially named after, Lord Malcolm Hailey. Jim Corbett died on 19 April 1955. The park was renamed in 1957 as, The Jim Corbett National Park. It was named after him to honour his role in establishing this protected area in 1930s.

1. **Who played a key role in establishing the national park?**
Jim Corbett played a key role in establishing the national park.
2. **Why was the park named Hailey National Park?**
Hailey was a British peer and administrator officer. So the park was named after him.
3. **When was it renamed as Jim Corbett National Park?**
It was renamed as Jim Corbett in 1957.

C. Answer the following in one or two words.

4. **What was the birth name of Jim Corbett?**
Edward James Corbett was the birth name of Jim Corbett.
5. **What was the name of Corbett's dog?**
Robin was the name of Corbett's dog.
6. **How many kills did the Champawat Tiger record?**
Champawat Tiger recorded 436 deaths.
7. **Who was the last kill of the Champawat Tiger?**
A 16-year-old girl was the last kill of the Champawat Tiger.
8. **When did Jim Corbett die?**
Jim Corbett died on 19 April, 1955.

D. Answer the following in 100 words.

9. According to Corbett, why does a tiger turn into a man eater?

Edward James Corbett is popularly known as Jim Corbett. He was a wild life photographer, hunter, tracker and naturalist. He killed number of man-eating tigers and leopards in India. He did not kill wild animal for pleasure. He killed only those animals which were man-eaters. According to him the tigers become man-eaters when they become old or are injured. They eat humans because they

cannot hunt animals. After killing the man-eater of Kumaon a postmortem was done and it was found out that the upper and lower canine teeth on the right side of her mouth were broken, the upper one in half, the lower one right down to the bone. Because of this injury the tigress became man-eater.

10. How was the Champawat Tiger killed?

The man-eater continued her killing in Kumaon. He hunted only in daylight. People stopped going into the forest to collect fire wood, fruit or root. The British government asked Jim Corbett to help the villagers. He agreed to hunt down the man-eater. He camped in Kumaon and tried to kill the man-eater. When it killed a 16 year old girl he followed the blood stain but could not get him. Then he planned a bait with three hundred people. This time he was successful in killing the man-eater of Kumaon.

11. What were the findings of the postmortem?

The British government asked Jim Corbett to help the villagers. He agreed to hunt down the man-eater. He camped in Kumaon and tried to kill the man-eater. When it killed a 16 year old girl he followed the blood stain but could not get him. Then he planned a bait with three hundred people. This time he was successful in killing the man-eater of Kumaon. A postmortem on the tigress showed the upper and lower canine teeth on the right side of her mouth were broken, the upper one in half, the lower one right down to the bone. Because of this injury the tigress became man-eater.

ADDITIONAL

I Choose the best option to fill in the blank.

- Jim Corbett was a _____.
a) doctor b) manager c) hunter d) farmer
- Corbett hunted only _____.
a) man-eaters b) tigers c) lions d) leopards
- The first hunt of Corbett was a _____.
a) leopard b) cheetah c) lion d) tigress
- In India the man-eater continued its killing in the district of _____.
a) Champa b) Kumaon c) Bengal d) Agerthala
- Corbett could follow the tigress because it left a _____ after killing a 16 year old girl.
a) bone b) foot mark c) trail of blood d) tooth
- Corbett killed the tigress near the _____ bridge.
a) Chataar b) Kumaon c) Chalwet d) Bengal
- A _____ was erected to mark the death of the man eater.
a) stone board b) building c) cement board d) bridge

8. The Bengal tigress became a man-eater because its _____ was broken.
a) leg b) tail c) mouth d) tooth
9. According to Corbett _____ and human encroachment were the reason for the mischief of wild animals.
a) deforestation b) erecting buildings
c) game hunting d) draught
10. In memory of Jim Corbett a _____ was named after him.
a) building b) park c) bridge d) town

Answers	1. c	2. a	3. d	4. a	5. c	6. a	7. c	8. d	9. a	10. b
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Identify the character / speaker

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| 1. A British wild life photographer, hunter tracker and naturalist | - Jim Corbett |
| 2. Not against the law of nature but against the laws of human | - Jim Corbett |
| 3. Responsible for 436 deaths | - Bengal tigress, the man-eater |
| 4. Drove her across the border into India | - Nepal Army |
| 5. Requested Corbett to help the villagers | - The British government |



STEP TO SUCCESS

Analogy – verbal reasoning questions.

There is certain relation between two given words, find the relation to find the missing word.

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|--|----------------|
| 1. Reading : Knowledge , Work : ? | |
| a) Experience b) Engagement c) Experiment d) Employment | Ans: a) |
| 2. Cricket : Bat , Hockey : ? | |
| a) Field b) Stick c) Player d) Ball | Ans: b) |
| 3. Dog : Rabies , Mosquito : ? | |
| a) Plague b) Death c) Malaria d) Sting | Ans: c) |
| 4. Man : Biography , Nation : ? | |
| a) Leader b) People c) Geography d) History | Ans: d) |
| 5. Bread : Bakery , Brick : ? | |
| a) Mint b) Kiln c) Furnace d) Mine | Ans: b) |
| 6. Doctor : Diagnosis, Judge : ? | |
| a) Court b) Punishment c) Lawyer d) Judgement | Ans: d) |

CONNECTING TO SELF

Try to know whether your hobby makes things easy.

Hobby (Thing that you want to make it easy like reading, writing, playing, singing, dancing etc.)	Days	Time that you spend in a day (Like 1 hour, 2 hour)	Your feeling (Like happy, interesting, boring)	Status (Easy / Difficult)
Reading	Day 1	1 Hour	boring	difficult
	Day 2	1.30 Hour	boring	difficult
	Day 3	2 Hour	interesting	comfortable
	Day 4	2 Hour	amusing	easy
	Day 5	2.30 Hour	eager	entertaining
	Day 6	3.00 Hour	curious	entertaining
	Day 7	3.00 Hour	enlightened	informative

UNIT TEST - 2

ENGLISH

Class: 8

Marks: 20

SECTION - A

I A. Choose the correct synonym for the underlined word. 2×1=2

1. It makes me more passionate about my life.
a) serious b) worried c) happy d) intense
2. Soon he became an accomplished artist.
a) fulfilled b) honourable c) famous d) rich

B. Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word. 2×1=2

1. Gradually, he started writing his own stories.
a) slowly b) quickly c) suddenly d) badly
2. The confidence led her to win.
a) hopefulness b) hopelessness c) optimism d) belief

C. Answer any two of the following questions in one or two sentences2×2=4

1. What did Asha Devi teach Ajay?
2. Why is writing beneficial according to Mani?
3. Does Ajay's hobby become a successful career? How?

SECTION - B

II Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions given below. 2

1. *It teaches me
To cackle and cry
Without wings
It lets me fly.*

- a) What does 'it' refer to here?
- b) How can the poet fly without wings?

SECTION - C

III Choose the best option to fill in the blank: 2×1=2

1. Though Jim Corbett was an expert hunter, he admired _____.
a) man-eaters b) tigers c) wild life d) India
2. According to Jim Corbett, _____ and human encroachment were responsible for the mischief of wild animals.
a) deforestation b) human greed c) lack of rain d) hunting

IV4×1=4

1. The plural of 'crisis' is _____
a) crises b) crisis c) crises
2. The plural of 'runner-up' is _____
a) runner-ups b) runners-up c) runners-ups
3. Which can be placed after 'safe'?
a) chair b) guard c) shop d) van
4. Which can be placed after 'book'?
a) author b) mark c) read d) wisdom

SECTION - D

V. A. Identify the adjective and say what kind of adjective it is. 2×1=2

1. There has not been sufficient rain this year.
2. That boy spoke the truth.

B. 2×1=2

1. Write a sentence in superlative degree using the following hints.
Chennai – Hyderabad – Bengaluru (modern)
2. Find the missing word.

Man: Biography, Nation: ?

- a) Leader b) People c) Geography d) History

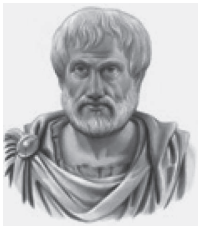
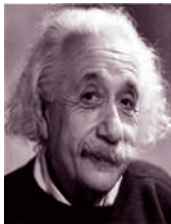
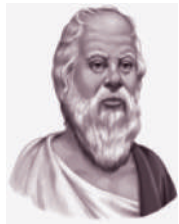
Answer Key

I	A) 1. d 2. a B) 1. c 2. b
II	a) 'Reading' b) By imaging
III	1. c 2. a
IV	1. c 2. b 3. b 4. b
V	A. 1. Sufficient – Adjective of quantity 2. That – demonstrative adjective B. 1. Chennai is the most modern city. 2. History

Sir Issac Newton - The Ingenious Scientist

WARM UP

In pairs, identify the great thinkers of the world and write the names from the box.

Buddha, C.V. Raman, Plato, Einstein ,Vivekananda, Aristotle, A. P. J Abdul Kalam, Socrates.			
			
Aristotle	Swami Vivekananda	A.P.J Abdul Kalam	Buddha
			
Plato	Einstein	C.V. Raman	Socrates

SECTION - I

SUMMARY

This essay 'Sir Isaac Newton – The Ingenious Scientist' has been an excerpt from Nathaniel Hawthorn's 'True Stories from History and Biography'. Isaac Newton was born on the Christmas day in the year 1642 at Woolsthorpe in England. When Isaac's father died, his mother married a clergyman and left Isaac with his grandmother. She sent him to school. He showed a lot of interest in mechanical works. He had a set of tools made by him and with those tools he made few curious things.

His grandmother was proud to say that one day he would become an important workman. He made a clock which could work on dropping of water. Besides that he made a sun dial. Some of her friends advised her to apprentice him to a clockmaker.

Isaac possessed the quality to get knowledge with simple methods. He found out the strength of the wind by jumping against the wind.

There was a windmill near his grandmother's house. He used to visit the windmill and learned how it worked. With the knowledge he made a small windmill which could work and make the grains into powder.

GLOSSARY

ingenuity (n)	-	the ability to invent things / creativity
contrived (v)	-	created / invented
apprentice (v)	-	works for someone to learn skills
acquiring (v)	-	getting knowledge or skill
pried (v)	-	investigated
hopper (n)	-	funnel shaped bin for feeding grains

Meanings

beheld	-	saw
destined	-	meant
mystery	-	secret
reside	-	stay
aid	-	help
curious	-	rare
vast	-	huge
manufactured	-	made
weary	-	tired
capital	-	excellent
tossing	-	flinging, throwing
confessed	-	admitted
dwelt	-	lived
frequently	-	regularly
thither (old usage)	-	there
sufficient	-	enough
converted	-	changed

Opposites

mystery	×	known
kind	×	cruel
possessed	×	lacked
ingenuity	×	ignorance
curious	×	common
manufactured	×	destroyed
acquiring	×	losing

frequently	×	rarely
sufficient	×	insufficient

Read and Understand**A. Fill in the blanks.**

1. Issac Newton was born at Woolstrophe.
2. Grand mother was advised to apprentice him to a clock maker.
3. Isaac made a clock, by the dropping of water.
4. The sun-dial made by Isaac is still in existence at Woolstrophe.
5. Isaac constructed a model of the windmill.

B. Choose the correct synonyms for the italicized words.

1. Isaac was chiefly *remarkable* for his ingenuity.
a. common b. notable c. neglected d. unknown **Ans: b)**
2. He will make a *capital* workman.
a. wealth b. excellent c. profitable d. head **Ans: d)**
3. Nobody could tell what the sunshine was *composed* of.
a. made b. known c. full d. felt **Ans: a)**
4. He cared little for earthly *fame* and honors.
a. disrespect b. attraction c. proud d. popularity **Ans: d)**

ADDITIONAL**Choose the best synonym of the underlined word**

1. She beheld her new-born babe.
a) told b) saw c) spoke d) listened
2. He was destined to explain many matters
a) meant b) wanted c) jumped d) informed
3. He was destined to explain many matters which had been a mystery.
a) story b) fiction c) experience d) secret
4. Mrs. Newton went to reside at North Witham.
a) go b) stay c) leave d) see
5. In his early years, Isaac was chiefly remarkable for his ingenuity in all mechanical occupations.
a) creativity b) information c) experience d) tolerance
6. With the aid of these, Isaac contrived to make many curious articles.
a) booked b) went c) pained d) created
7. With the aid of these, Isaac contrived to make many curious articles.
a) pain b) help c) importance d) secret

8. With the aid of these, Isaac contrived to make many curious articles.
a) common b) wonderful c) rare d) useful
9. The neighbours looked with vast admiration at the things which Isaac manufactured.
a) huge b) tiny c) important d) strong
10. The neighbours looked with vast admiration at the things which Isaac manufactured.
a) showed b) attached c) made d) lost
11. And his old grandmother was never weary of talking about him.
a) won b) tired c) interested d) lost
12. A ship sails across the face of the clock, and is seen tossing up and down on the waves.
a) throwing b) jumping c) swimming d) running
13. It must be confessed that there are few boys, or men either to tell what o'clock it is.
a) controlled b) uncontrolled c) admitted d) rejected
14. on the corner of the house where Isaac dwelt.
a) left b) went c) saw d) lived
15. Isaac possessed a wonderful faculty of acquiring knowledge by the simplest means.
a) gaining b) rejecting c) destroying d) showing
16. Isaac was in the habit of going thither frequently.
a) slowly b) fast c) regularly d) soon
17. Isaac was in the habit of going thither frequently.
a) here b) nowhere c) there d) where
18. While the mill was at rest, he pried into its internal machinery.
a) investigated b) booked c) read d) clapped
19. ... was sufficient to set the sails in motion.
a) important b) legal c) moral d) enough
20. They would soon be converted into snow-white flour.
a) heard b) changed c) seen d) played

Answers	1. b	2. a	3. d	4. b	5. a	6. d	7. b	8. c	9. a	10. c
	11. b	12. a	13. c	14. d	15. a	16. d	17. c	18. a	19. d	20. b

Choose the best antonym of the underlined word.

1. He was destined to explain many matters which had been a mystery.
a) secret b) information c) warning d) known
2. Old grandmother was very kind to him.
a) cruel b) benign c) kith d) reading

3. With the aid of these, Isaac contrived to make many curious articles.
a) importance b) rare c) common d) working
4. The neighbors looked with vast admiration at the things which Isaac manufactured.
a) made b) destroyed c) gifted d) unknown
5. Isaac possessed a wonderful faculty of acquiring knowledge by the simplest means.
a) gaining b) accepting c) telling d) losing
6. Isaac was in the habit of going thither frequently.
a) rarely b) always c) commonly d) slowly
7. was sufficient to set the sails in motion.
a) enough b) insufficient c) enjoyed d) delight

Answers

1. d

2. a

3. c

4. b

5. d

6. a

7. b

SECTION - II**SUMMARY**

Isaac's friends were delighted to see the windmill. He kept a small rat as the miller. When Isaac grew older his mind had bigger ideas to fulfill in the world. He had to do more important things than manufacturing toys. He spent most of the time gazing at the stars and wondered whether they were worlds like our world. He thought about their distance and what force kept them there.

When Isaac was fourteen his mother lost her second husband. So she took him to her place to look after her farming. But she showed interest in gathering knowledge. So she sent him to school, after he was sent to Cambridge University. He was the first one to find out the nature of light and the composition of sunlight. From the falling of an apple he found out the force of gravitation. He found out the laws by which the planets were guided. He used to spend night after night gazing at the heavenly bodies through his telescope.

Newton lived to be a very old man, renowned thinker and was made a Member of Parliament, and received the honor of knighthood from the king. He said that what he learnt was only small part compared to the vastness of knowledge available in the world. He said "I seem to myself like a child, playing on the sea-shore, and picking up here and there a curious shell or a pretty pebble, while the boundless ocean of Truth lies undiscovered before me." In 1727, when he was 85 he died.

GLOSSARY

enchanted (v)	-	delighted
miniature (adj)	-	very small model
curiosity (n)	-	eagerness
accustomed (v)	-	something familiar with

gazing (v)	-	looking steadily and intently
ceased (v)	-	stopped

Meanings

enchanted	-	delighted, charmed
pretty	-	beautiful
deficiency	-	shortage
probable	-	likely, possible
reverential	-	respectful
assist	-	support
gazing	-	looking
composed	-	made
ceased	-	stopped
endowed	-	gifted

ADDITIONAL**Choose the best synonym of the underlined word**

- Isaac's playmates were enchanted with his new windmill.
a) delighted b) informed c) made d) changed
- They thought that nothing so pretty had ever been seen in the whole world.
a) ugly b) witty c) beautiful d) close
- He set himself to consider how the deficiency should be supplied.
a) sufficiently b) slowly c) place d) shortage
- At night, I think it probable, he looked up with reverential curiosity to the stars.
a) acceptable b) possible c) intention d) knowledge
- At night, I think it probable, he looked up with reverential curiosity to the stars.
a) respectful b) possible c) probable d) searching
- Isaac's mother wished her son to assist her in managing the farm at Woolsthorpe.
a) go b) see c) support d) find
- Isaac was accustomed to spend night after night in a lofty tower-----
a) informed b) familiar c) noticed d) looked
- Isaac was gazing at the heavenly bodies through a telescope.
a) asking b) reading c) writing d) looking
- or rather he ceased to live on earth.
a) stopped b) continued c) opened d) seen
- Other great astronomers, besides Newton have been endowed with mechanical genius.
a) left b) gifted c) entered d) wounded

Answers

1. a

2. c

3. d

4. b

5. a

6. c

7. b

8. d

9. a

10. b

Opposites

enchanted	×	repelled
pretty	×	ugly
deficiency	×	sufficiency
probable	×	unlikely
ceased	×	continued

Read and Understand

A. Choose the correct antonym for the italicized word

- His Grandmother was very *kind* to him.
a. affectionate b. loving c. disrespectful d. cruel **Ans: d)**
- The boy seemed to have a *taste* for mathematics.
a. delicious b. sweet c. dislike d. against **Ans: c)**
- Isaac *possessed* a wonderful faculty of acquiring knowledge.
a. owned b. controlled c. lacks d. have **Ans: c)**
- He was observed to be *usually* busy with his tools.
a. common b. rarely c. unwantedly d. usually **Ans: b)**

Choose the best antonym of the underlined word.

- Isaac's playmates were enchanted with his new windmill.
a) attracted b) charmed c) delighted d) repelled
- They thought that nothing so pretty had ever been seen in the whole world.
a) ugly b) beautiful c) wonderful d) attractive
- At night, I think it probable, he looked up with reverential curiosity to the stars.
a) likely b) possible c) unlikely d) feasible
- ... or rather he ceased to live on earth.
a) stopped b) continued c) accepted d) refused

Answers

1. d

2. a

3. c

4. b

B. Answer the following questions in a sentence or two.

- Who was taking care of Newton after his father's death?**
Newton's grandmother was taking care of him after his father's death.
- What did Isaac manufacture at his young age?**
Isaac manufactured a clock which could run on dropping of water.
- How did the young boy find the strength of the wind?**
The young Isaac jumped against the wind to find out the strength of the wind.

4. Why were his friends attracted by the windmill?

Isaac's friends were attracted by the windmill because they thought that nothing so pretty, and so wonderful, had ever been seen in the whole world.

5. How was Newton honoured by the king?

Newton was made a Member of Parliament, and received the honor of knighthood from the king.

C. Answer the following in about 100 words.**1. Why did Newton's friends advise his grand mother to apprentice him to a clockmaker?**

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2. How did Newton learn about the way a windmill operated?

This essay 'Sir Isaac Newton – The Ingenious Scientist' has been an excerpt from Nathaniel Hawthorn's 'True Stories from History and Biography'. Not far from his grandmother's residence there was a windmill, which operated on a new plan. Isaac was in the habit of going there frequently, and would spend whole hours in examining its various parts. While the mill was at rest, he investigated its internal machinery. When its broad sails were set in motion by the wind, he watched the process by which the mill-stones were made to revolve, and crush the grain that was put into the hopper.

3. Mention some of his inventions.

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VOCABULARY

Prefix and Suffix

Prefix

Exercise

a. Underline the prefix in each word in the boxes

<u>un</u> lock	<u>re</u> write	<u>dis</u> like	<u>un</u> safe	<u>re</u> mix	<u>re</u> locate
<u>dis</u> trust	<u>un</u> true	<u>un</u> hook	<u>un</u> lucky	<u>dis</u> own	<u>dis</u> close

Suffix

b. Pick a suitable prefix and suffix from the given box and complete the following words.

able, ful, ly, sub, ion, un, tri, re, im, mis

<u>mis</u> call	comfort <u>able</u>
<u>sub</u> category	<u>mis</u> understand
<u>im</u> proper	success <u>ful</u>
equal <u>ly</u>	<u>tri</u> colour
construct <u>ion</u>	new <u>ly</u>

Syllabification

a. Syllabify the following words

- education – ed-u-ca-tion
- school – school
- college – col-lege
- English – Eng-lish
- opportunity – op-por-tu-ni-ty
- friend – friend
- teacher – tea-cher
- simultaneously – si-mul-ta-ne-ous-ly
- laboratory – lab-o-ra-to-ry
- beneficiary – ben-e-fi-ci-ar-y

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LISTENING

Listen to the passage carefully and write the answer.

Questions :**1. Name the scientist.**

Sir Alexander Fleming.

2. What did he discover?

He discovered penicillin.

3. Who approached the scientist?

Two journalists approached the scientist.

4. What was the question asked by the journalist?

The question asked by the journalist was what the scientist was thinking then.

5. When did they meet the scientist?

They met the scientist when he was about to take breakfast.

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SPEAKING

Take a few minutes and make hints of the picture. Arrange your thoughts. Using the points you write, deliver a small speech focusing the issue picturised here. Give an interesting and informative speech. Your speech should include the cause and the solution.



Pollution

I. Air pollution

- a. from the factories
- b. from vehicles

II. Water pollution

- a. from the companies' sewage water
- b. from the plastic things thrown into the river.

In the modern society we have pollution everywhere. Mainly we have air pollution and water pollution. Because of these pollution we cannot breathe healthy air and we cannot drink pure water. This affects our health beyond our knowledge. It is painful to realise that man is responsible for this. Because of his greediness he spoils nature. If nature is spoilt we are the one to reap the consequences. Trees will be without leaves for sometimes and then all the trees will die. Man cannot live without nature. So he should realise his mistake and this is the right time. For him to correct himself. Whatever he does, he should think that it should not affect nature. Pure nature, pure life for men.

WRITING

- H) Write a character sketch of any character from a fiction that has made an impact on you.

Oliver Twist

As the child hero of a melodramatic novel of social protest written by Charles Dickens, Oliver Twist is meant to appeal more to our sentiments than to our literary sensibilities. On many levels, Oliver is not a believable character, because although he is raised in corrupt surroundings, his purity and virtue are absolute. Throughout the novel, Dickens uses Oliver's character to challenge the Victorian idea that paupers and criminals are already evil at birth, arguing instead that a corrupt environment is the source of vice. At the same time, Oliver's incorruptibility undermines some of Dickens's assertions. Oliver is shocked and horrified when he sees the Artful Dodger and Charley Bates pick a stranger's pocket and again when he is forced to participate in a burglary. Oliver's moral scruples about the sanctity of property seem inborn in him, just as Dickens's opponents thought that corruption is inborn in poor people. Furthermore, other pauper children use rough Cockney slang, but Oliver, oddly enough, speaks in proper King's English. His grammatical fastidiousness is also inexplicable, as Oliver presumably is not well-educated. Even when he is abused and manipulated, Oliver does not become angry or indignant. When Sikes and Crackit force him to assist in a robbery, Oliver merely begs to be allowed to "run away and die in the fields." Oliver does not present a complex picture of a person torn between good and evil—instead, he is goodness incarnate.

GRAMMAR

Prepositions

a) Fill in the blanks by using correct preposition.

1. We go to school on Mondays, but not on Sunday
2. Christmas falls on 25th December.
3. Buy me a present for my birthday.
4. Families often argue at Christmas time.
5. I work faster at night.
6. Her shift finished at 7 p.m.

Modal Verbs

Exercise

I. Use polite request when we seek help from others.

a) Fill in the blanks using would you or could you.

1. Could you please close the door?
2. Could you please open the window?
3. Would you mind going to the back bench?
4. Would you please bring some water for me?

b) Use the phrases could you or would you in the following situations with your friend.

1. Ask the policeman for directions.
Could you please direct me to the bus stand?
2. You need to borrow your friend's bike.
Would you please lend your bike to me?
3. You would need to exchange the book purchased.
Would you please exchange the book?
4. You want to open your classroom window
Could you please open the classroom window?

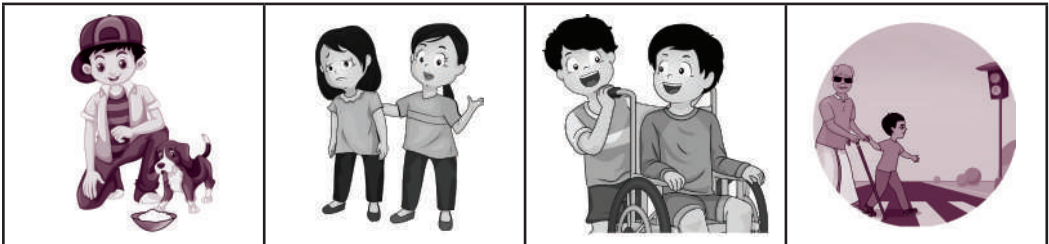
*Making Life Worth While

3

- George Eliot

WARM UP

Observe the pictures and write the moral values. Share your experience.



- We should take of animals like cats, dogs etc. We should give them food and show love and tenderness.
- It is advisable to not tease or make unpleasant comments on others. We should be empathetic.
- Helping the differently-abled people is our bounden duty. They are our fellow-beings. We should treat them as our brothers.
- We should help the visually challenged people cross the road or get into the bus. We should be sympathetic towards them. Last Sunday, on the way to the market, I saw a puppy. It looked dull. I bought a biscuit packet. I gave the biscuits to the small dog. It hungrily ate them. I felt happy about it.

SUMMARY

George Eliot is the poet of the poem 'Making life Worthwhile'. George Eliot, was an English novelist, poet, journalist, translator, and one of the leading writers of the Victorian era. The poet advises us to gather the good qualities such as grace, kindness, aspiration and inspiration, courage, faith from the people we meet. We should learn the good from every person who comes to our contact even if it is a slightest contact. We may get from them some little charm, one kind thought, a hope or an ambition to achieve a desire or wish. It may help us to enter with courage the unknown world. It may give us a faith to face the evils and obstacles of life. A quick look at the brighter side of life will make our life valuable. Then heaven would be our inherited property.

GLOSSARY

grace (n)	-	elegance; charm.
aspiration (n)	-	a hope or ambition of achieving something, desire, wish.
courage (n)	-	bravery, valour.
gleam (n)	-	shine brightly.
glimpse (n)	-	glance, quick look.
worthwhile (adj)	-	valuable, purposeful.
heritage (n)	-	inheritance.

Read and Understand

1. Comprehension questions.

1. What should we learn from every soul?

We should learn the good qualities such as grace, kindness, aspiration and inspiration, courage, faith from the people we meet.

2. What qualities will help us to brave the thickening ills of life?

Our faith will help us to brave the thickening ills of life.

3. Why should we make this life worthwhile?

We should make this life worthwhile to enjoy a successful life.

4. What does the poet assure if we make our life worthwhile?

The poet assures us if we make our life worthwhile heaven would be our property.

2. Fill in the blanks.

- We should have a **kindly thought** in life.
- A **bit of courage** is needed for the darkening sky.
- One must have a **glimpse** of brighter skies to make the life worthwhile.

ADDITIONAL

Read the following lines and answer the questions given below.

- Be it the slightest contact -
Get there from some good;
Some little grace; one kindly thought;*

a) From where do we get some good?

We get some good from our contacts even if it is the slightest contact

b) Pick out the rhyming words from these lines.

contact – thought

2. *One bit of courage
For the darkening sky;
One gleam of faith
To brave the thickening ills of life;*

a) What do we need to enter the unknown life?

We need a bit of courage to enter the unknown life

b) How do we face the bad effects of life?

We face the bad effects of life with a ray of faith.

SUPPLEMENTARY

3

The Three Questions

Leo Tolstoy

SUMMARY

There was a king who had three questions in his mind. He wanted to get the answer for those three questions. The questions were – what was the right time for every action? Who were the most necessary people? How might he know what the most important thing to do was? He made an announcement to the public that the person who gave fitting answers to those questions would be rewarded.

Many people came forward to answer those questions. They gave different answers. Some said that to know the right time for every action, one must draw up in advance a table of days, months, and years, and must live strictly according to it. One should always attend to all that was going on, and then do what was most needful. The king should have a council of wise men who would help him to fix the proper time for everything. Some said the people whom the king most needed were his councilors; others, the priests; others, the doctors; while some said the warriors were the most necessary. To the third question, as to what was the most important occupation, some replied that the most important thing was science. Others said it was skill in warfare; and others, again, that it was religious worship. The king was not convinced with the answers.

He decided to consult a hermit who lived in the wood. As he did never leave his place the king decided to go to him. He left his bodyguards little away and went alone to the hermit. When the king went, the hermit was digging the ground. The king told him his three questions and asked for answers. The hermit without answering the questions went on digging. The king took the spade from him and dug the ground for the hermit. Then the king reminded the hermit about the questions. By the time a man was running with bleeding stomach. The king bandaged him and he was carried inside the hermit's hut. The king was tired and slept there.

When he woke up it took sometimes for him to realise where he was. He saw the strange man lying on the bed gazing at him. The man asked the king to forgive him. He opened his identity to the king. He said that he belonged to his enemy king and he waited in the wood to kill the king. As the king did not return to his palace he came here to kill him. On the way he was attacked by the bodyguards who recognised him. He was very much touched by the kindness of the king who had dressed his wound and he was responsible for his life now. He asked the king to forgive him and offered his service to him.

The king went to the hermit who was sowing the seeds. He asked him answers for his questions. The hermit said that he got the answers already. The hermit told the king that if he had not pitied him and had not dug the pit he would have returned to his palace. If so, he would have been killed by the bearded man. So the most important time was when he was digging the beds; and the hermit was the most important man; and to do him good was his most important business. When that man ran to them, the most important time was when he was attending to him, for if he had not bound up his wounds he would have died without having made peace with him. So he was the most important man, and what he did for him was his most important business. The most important time was the only time when he had any power. The most necessary person was the one with whom he was. The most important affair was to do that person good, because for that purpose alone was man sent into this world.

GLOSSARY

proclaimed (v)	-	announced officially
absorbed (v)	-	took in or soaked up
renowned (v)	-	famous, eminent, distinguished, prominent
affairs (n)	-	event, incident

Read and Understand

A. Choose the correct answer from the options given below

1. The king wanted to know the answers for _____ questions.

- a) three b) five c) nine

Ans: a)

2. The hermit lived in a _____.

- a) cottage b) palace c) wood

Ans: c)

3. _____ widely renowned for his wisdom.

- a) hermit b) messengers c) warriors

Ans: a)

B. Fill in the blanks

- The answer for the first question was to have a **time table** to fix the proper time for everything.
- Wise men** were referred to know the right time for every action.
- The king decided to consult a **hermit**.

C. Who said these words?

- "They all answered his questions differently".
The King.
- How can I learn to do the right thing at the right time?
The King.
- "Now rest awhile – and let me work a bit"?
The hermit.

D. Answer the following questions.**1. What were the king's questions?**

- How could one learn to do the right thing at the right time?
- Who were the people one most need, and to whom should one therefore, pay more attention than to the rest?
- What were the most important things to do?"

2. Was the king satisfied with the answers? Why?

The king was not satisfied with the answers because he got different answers.

3. Why was the king advised to go to the magicians?

The king was advised to go to the magicians to know the right time to do everything.

4. Whose advice did the people say would be important to the king in answer to the second question?

Some said the people the king most needed were his councilors; others, the priests; others, the doctors; while some said the warriors were the most necessary.

SECTION II**GLOSSARY**

moaning (v)	-	sob, cry
unfasten (v)	-	undo, disconnect, untie, disjoin
revived (v)	-	restored to life or consciousness
crouched (v)	-	bent, stopped (down)
threshold (n)	-	doorstep, entrance
seized (v)	-	snatched, grabbed, held of suddenly and forcibly
ambush (n)	-	surprise attack, trap, entrap, pounce on

Read and Understand**A. Write 'True or False' for the following statement.**

- | | |
|--|-------|
| 1. The bearded man was an enemy of the king. | True |
| 2. The king and the hermit refused to help the wounded man. | False |
| 3. The wounded man asked for the king's forgiveness. | True |
| 4. The king promised to restore the property of the bearded man. | True |

B. Match the words in column 'A' with their meanings in column 'B'.

Column 'A'		Column 'B'	Answers
Physician	-	bring back	medical practitioner
Restore	-	surprise attack	bring back

Repent	-	medical practitioner	regret
Ambush	-	regret	surprise attack

C. Answers the following questions.

1. Who came running out of the wood? What happened to him?

A bearded stranger came running out of the wood. He was wounded in the stomach and was bleeding.

2. How did the king and the hermit restore the life of a wounded man?

The king bandaged the wounded man and gave him fresh water to drink. Then he was carried to the hermit's hut to take rest.

3. Why did the king sleep through the night?

The king was very tired because of the hard work he had done the previous day.

4. What were the changes in the behaviour of the wounded man at the end?

The wounded man asked forgiveness from the king whom he wanted to kill. He offered to be the slave of the king.

D. Answer the following in 100 words.

1. What were the answers to the three questions? What is the message of the hermit?

The king went to the hermit who was sowing the seeds. He asked him answers for his questions. The hermit said that he got the answers already. The hermit told the king that if he had not pitied him and had not dug the pit he would have returned to his palace. If so, he would have been killed by the bearded man. So the most important time was when he was digging the beds; and the hermit was the most important man; and to do him good was his most important business. The most important affair was to do that person good.

2. Why did the bearded man ask for the king's forgiveness? What did the king do to show his forgiveness?

The king told him his three questions to the hermit and asked for answers. By the time a man was running with bleeding stomach. The king bandaged him and he was carried inside the hermit's hut. The king was tired and slept there. He saw the strange man lying on the bed gazing at him. The man asked the king to forgive him. He opened his identity to the king. He said that he belonged to his enemy king and he waited in the wood to kill the king. As the king did not return to his palace he came here to kill him. On the say he was attacked by the bodyguards who recognised him. He was very much touched by the kindness of the king who had dressed his wound and he was responsible for his life now. He asked the king to forgive him and offered his service to him.

ADDITIONAL**Choose the best option and fill the blanks.**

- The king informed the _____ about his three questions.
a) courtiers b) villagers c) friends d) kingdom
- The king decided to meet a _____ to get the answers for his questions.
a) hermit b) friend c) teacher d) courtier
- When the king saw the hermit, he was _____.
a) building a hut b) digging the ground
c) cutting down a tree d) painting his hut
- The king offered to _____ for the hermit.
a) dig the ground b) give money c) carry water d) carry wood
- The bearded man was running with a bleeding _____.
a) nose b) eye c) stomach d) leg
- The bearded man asked the king to _____ him.
a) offer b) talk to c) listen to d) forgive
- The bearded man wanted to _____ the king.
a) award b) kill c) carry d) tell
- The king got the answers for his questions from the _____.
a) hermit b) councilor c) teacher d) courtier

Answers

1. d	2. a	3. b	4. a	5. c	6. d	7. b	8. b
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Identify the character or speaker

- The man pressed his hand against his stomach. - the bearded man
- "I do not know you and have nothing to forgive for you." - the king
- "I am the enemy of yours who swore to revenge himself for you." - the bearded man
- "I will serve you as the most faithful slave." - the bearded man
- Promised to restore his property - the king
- "You have already been answered." - the hermit
- "If you had not pitied my weakness yesterday that man would have attacked you." - the hermit

**STEP TO SUCCESS**

Read the English folk tale given below and fill up the blank spaces with suitable words.

There were once three tortoises – a father, a mother and a baby. On one fine morning during spring, they decided that they would like to go for a picnic. They picked the place where they would go: a nice wood at some distance, and they began to put their things together. They got tins of cheese, vegetable, meat and fruits. They were ready for the picnic. They set out carrying their baskets after eighteen months they sat down for rest. They enjoyed the picnic very much.

that, and, and, on, after, where

UNIT TEST - 3

ENGLISH

Class: 8

Marks: 20

SECTION - A

I A. Choose the correct synonym for the underlined word. $2 \times 1 = 2$

- Isaac contrived to make many curious articles.
a) planned b) created c) displayed d) bought
- ...or rather he ceased to live on earth.
a) desired b) disliked c) stopped d) preferred

B. Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word. $2 \times 1 = 2$

- ...it must be confessed that there are few boys....
a) denied b) agreed c) said d) disagreed
- While his spirit animated a mortal body.
a) continuous b) temporary c) deathless d) physical

C. Answer any two of the following questions in one or two sentences $2 \times 2 = 4$

- Why did some of Newtons' friends advise his grandmother to apprentice him to a clock-maker?
- How did young Newton find the strength of the wind?
- How was Newton honoured by the king?

SECTION - B

II Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions given below. 2

- One glimpse of brighter skies
To make this life worthwhile
And heaven a surer heritage*

- What must one have from the sky to make this life worthwhile?
- Give the meaning 'glimpse'.

SECTION - C

III Choose the best option to fill in the blank: $2 \times 1 = 2$

- Some said the people the king most needed were _____.
a) his councilors b) his friends c) his ministers d) his relatives
- There is only one time that is important _____.
a) yesterday b) today c) tomorrow d) now

IV

2×1=2

- Add a suitable prefix to the word given by choosing the best option '___balance'
a) un b) im c) il d) dis
- Add a suitable suffix to the word by choosing the best option 'depend___'
a) ance b) ly c) ence d) less
- Syllabify the following words. 2×1=2
a) qualification b) immediate

SECTION - D

V. A. Fill in the blanks by choosing correct prepositions.

2×1=2

- We have breakfast _____ the morning.
a) by b) at c) on d) in
- I was born _____ the outbreak of COVID-19.
a) in b) with c) after d) on

B. Fill in the blanks by choosing correct modal verbs.

2×1=2

- I am extremely tired. I _____ not walk fast.
a) may b) might c) would d) can
- _____ You please switch on the fan?
a) shall b) could c) can d) may

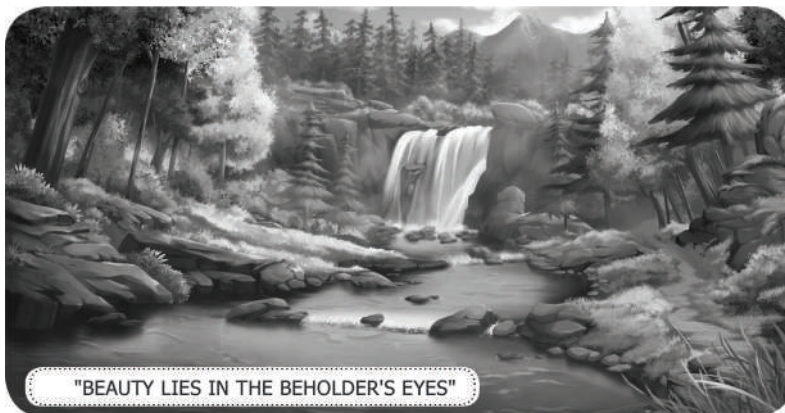
Answer Key

I	A) 1. b 2. c B) 1. a 2. c
II	a) a glimpse of brighter skies b) look
III	1. a 2. d
IV	A. 1. b 2. c 3. a) qua-li-fi-ca-tion b) im-me-di-ate
V	A. 1. d 2. c B. 1. d 2. b

My Reminiscence

– Rabindranath Tagore

WARM UP



"BEAUTY LIES IN THE BEHOLDER'S EYES"

- Read the quote and observe the picture.
- Complete this graphic organiser.
- Remember to use suitable adjectives.



SUMMARY

Rabindranath Tagore in this lesson 'My Reminiscence' recollects his old memory. These Reminiscences were written and published by the Author in his fiftieth year, shortly before he started on a trip to Europe and America for his failing health in 1912. He stayed in his brother's house. The house was near the river the Ganges at Chandernagore. He remembered the exciting days and nights he had spent with the river. But now many changes had come over the place. The river side houses had been changed into mills which gave out smoke.

Life had changed a lot. Even the mental rest was reduced. But those days he spent happily. He spent some rainy afternoons singing excitedly Vaishana songs. He would travel in a boat in other afternoons accompanied by his brother who played the violin for his songs. They would come back when the moon rose over the trees. Then they would sit on the terrace facing the river. By that time the river was very silent in the moon light.

The house was known as 'Moran's Garden'. The steps from the river led to the verandah of the house. The rooms in the houses were not arranged in the same level; some rooms were reached only with the help of some stairs. The sitting room had some pictures. One of them showed two persons swinging on a swing hanging from a branch. In another picture a broad flight of steps leading into some castle-like palace, up and down which men and women in festive dress were going and coming. The topmost room of the house was in a round tower with windows opening to every side. He used this room for writing poetry. From this room only the top of the trees and the open sky could be seen.

GLOSSARY

ineffable (adj)	-	beyond expression too great to be expressed
languid (adj)	-	moving slowly
plaintive (adj)	-	sounding sad
ministrations (n)	-	the act of helping or caring
wrought (v)	-	caused
clustering (v)	-	forming a group
belching (v)	-	to let air come up
veritable (adj)	-	more exciting
garb (n)	-	clothes

Meanings

reminiscence	-	recollection, memories
outset	-	starting
indeed	-	certainly
clustering	-	grouping

rear	-	back
glare	-	shine
siesta	-	rest, sleep
sacred	-	holy
frenzy	-	wildness
varying	-	changing
fringe	-	border
glimmered	-	shone
dense	-	thick, dark
foliage	-	vegetation
checkered	-	uneven
festive	-	cheerful
garb	-	dress
revelry	-	merriment

Opposites

ineffable	×	commonplace
languid	×	vigorous
plaintive	×	happy
modern	×	ancient
sacred	×	profane, unholy
frenzy	×	calm
reduced	×	increased
festive	×	mournful
checkered	×	even
revelry	×	mourning

ADDITIONAL

Choose the best synonym of the underlined word.

- I returned home from the outset of my second voyage to England.
a) failure b) success c) starting d) gift
- Again those ineffable days and nights, languid with joy
a) indescribable b) impossible c) insatiable d) intangible
- Again those ineffable days and nights, languid with joy
a) busily b) fast c) immovable d) leisurely
- sad with longing, attuned to the plaintive babbling of the river
a) happy b) sad c) closely d) slowly
- Here it felt indeed like home.
a) certainly b) doubtful c) immediately d) sweetly

6. In these I recognised the ministrations of a Mother.
a) caring b) face c) picture d) involvement
7. That was not so very long ago, and yet time has wrought many changes.
a) taken b) spoilt c) informed d) caused
8. Our little riverside nests, clustering under their surrounding greenery, have been replaced by mills.
a) scattering b) getting c) grouping d) spoiling
9. In the midday glare of modern life even our hours of mental siesta have been narrowed down to the lowest limit.
a) spice b) shine c) work d) tired
10. In the midday glare of modern life even our hours of mental siesta have been narrowed down to the lowest limit
a) wake b) woke c) sleep d) fight
11. so many dedicated lotus blossoms floating down the sacred stream.
a) holy b) profane c) unholy d) important
12. Some rainy afternoons I spent in a veritable frenzy, singing away old Vaishnava songs to my own tunes.
a) calm b) important c) slow d) exciting
13. Some rainy afternoons I spent in a veritable frenzy, singing away old Vaishnava songs to my own tunes.
a) happiness b) wildness c) sadness d) calmness
14. We went on varying the mode of our music with the declining day.
a) changing b) unchanging c) striking d) playing
15. The moon on the east rise over the fringe of trees.
a) bark b) root c) border d) leaves
16. The moonlight glimmered over the smooth flowing stream.
a) comprehended b) shone
c) disappeared d) intended
17. One of the pictures was of a swing hanging from a branch half-hidden in dense foliage.
a) thin b) slight c) proper d) thick
18. One of the pictures was of a swing hanging from a branch half-hidden in dense foliage,
a) vegetation b) city c) town d) houses
19. In the checkered light and shade of this bower, two persons were swinging;
a) even b) uneven c) bright d) dim

20. Men and women in festive garb were going and coming.
a) lights b) moments c) dress d) decoration
21. Men and women in festive garb were going and coming.
a) sad b) near c) handful d) cheerful
22. Some far-away long-forgotten revelry seemed to be expressing itself in silent words of light;
a) merriment b) plaintive c) tragic d) strong

	1. c	2. a	3. d	4. b	5. a	6. a	7. d	8. c	9. b	10. c
Answers	11. a	12. d	13. b	14. a	15. c	16. b	17. d	18. a	19. b	20. c
	21. d	22. a								

Choose the best antonym of the underlined word.

1. Again those ineffable days and nights, languid with joy
a) indescribable b) commonplace c) controllable d) solid
2. Again those ineffable days and nights, languid with joy
a) vigorous b) lazy c) leisure d) slow
3. sad with longing, attuned to the plaintive babbling of the river
a) sad b) decorated c) attractive d) happy
4. In the midday glare of modern life
a) recent b) new c) ancient d) proper
5. so many dedicated lotus blossoms floating down sacred stream.
a) holy b) unholy c) known d) unknown
6. Some rainy afternoons I spent in a veritable frenzy, singing away old Vaishnava songs to my own tunes.
a) calm b) wildness c) agitated d) angry
7. The fringe of trees on the bank was reduced to a deep shadow.
a) condensed b) bargained c) upset d) increased
8. Men and women in festive garb were going and coming.
a) cheerful b) mournful c) wonderful d) loveable
9. In the checkered light and shade of this bower, two persons were swinging;
a) uneven b) slight c) even d) great
10. Some far-away long-forgotten revelry seemed to be expressing itself in silent words of light;
a) mourning b) merriment c) partying d) enjoyment

Answers	1. b	2. a	3. d	4. c	5. b	6. a	7. d	8. b	9. c	10. a
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Read and Understand**A. Fill in the blanks.**

1. The author speaks about the river _____. **Ans: Ganges**
2. The author's brother's name is _____. **Ans: Jyotirindra**
3. The _____ glimmered over the smooth flowing stream. **Ans: moonlight**
4. The beauty of Bengal and the Ganges served as _____ and _____ to the author. **Ans: food, drink**

B. Answer the following in one or two sentences.**1. Quote the expressions from the text when the author sees the Ganges again.**

"Again those ineffable days and nights, languid with joy, sad with longing, attuned to the plaintive babbling of the river along the cool shade of its wooded banks."

2. In what ways have the river and its bank changed?

The little riverside houses, clustering under their surrounding greenery, have been replaced by mills which now, dragon-like, everywhere rear their hissing heads, giving forth black smoke.

3. How were the rooms arranged in his house?

The rooms in the houses were not arranged in the same level; some rooms were reached only with the help of some stairs.

C. Answer the following in a paragraph.**1. How does the author spend his afternoon ? Explain.**

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2. Describe how the river looks when he rows back.

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river the Ganges at Chandermogre. Beginning with the Puravi he went on varying the mode of their music with the declining day, he saw, on reaching the Behaga, the western sky close the doors of its factory of golden toys, and the moon on the east rise over the edge of trees.

3. Draw the images in the box after reading the text carefully.



VOCABULARY

Clipped Words

a. Find out the clipped words for the following.

1. aeroplane - plane
2. microphone - phone
3. exhibition - exhibit
4. kilogram - kilo
5. cafeteria - cafe

b. Find and use the clipped words in your own sentence.

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|--------------------|----------------|--|
| 1. photograph | - <u>photo</u> | I took many <u>photos</u> when I went to Ooty. |
| 2. gymnasium | - <u>gym</u> | He regularly goes to <u>gym</u> |
| 3. luncheon | - <u>lunch</u> | We went to a hotel to have <u>lunch</u> |
| 4. advertisement | - <u>ad</u> | She wants to act in an <u>ad</u> |
| 5. zoological park | - <u>zoo</u> | We visited a <u>zoo</u> yesterday. |

Blends**a. Find out the blended words for the following.**

1. international + police - interpol
2. helicopter + pad - helipad
3. motor + hotel - motel
4. education + satellite - edusate
5. electronic + commerce - e-commerce

b. Use the blended words in your own sentence.

1. electrocute - Unfortunately she was electrocuted because of her carelessness
2. spanglish - As she is Spain she speaks spanglish.
3. moped - He goes to school in his moped.
4. brunch - As they did not have time to have breakfast they had brunch on the way
5. smog - On the way to Simla we enjoyed the smog.

IDIOMS**Match with the meanings for the following Idioms.**

1. a piece of cake - Moving very slowly
2. on cloud nine - easy
3. perfect ten - Blissfully happy
4. at a snail's pace - someone who is cherished above all others
5. apple of my eye - completely perfect

Answer:

1. a piece of cake - easy
2. on cloud nine - blissfully happy
3. perfect ten - completely perfect
4. at a snail's pace - moving very slowly
5. apple of my eye - someone who is cherished above all others

Fill in the blanks with the meanings for the following Idioms.

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|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 1. take five | <u>take a short break</u> | 6. a couch potato | <u>idler</u> |
| 2. pieces of eight | <u>in coins</u> | 7. the lion's share | <u>the biggest part</u> |
| 3. black and blue | <u>beaten heavily</u> | 8. in black and white | <u>seeing things in absolute extremes</u> |
| 4. wild goose chase | <u>unsuccessful chase</u> | 9. drop the ball | <u>not taking responsibilities seriously</u> |
| 5. seventh heaven | <u>very happy</u> | 10. cat's meow | <u>self-satisfied person</u> |

LISTENING

Listen to the Passage carefully and answers the following Questions:-

1. The Nobel Committee has been called a conservative body because

- (a) it is conservative in the choice of subjects.
- (b) its members believe in conservative ideology.
- (c) its members are old fashioned.
- (d) it awards prizes only to those people who adopt a conservative approach.

Ans: a)

2. In the beginning, the Nobel Committee ignored the great advances in theoretical physics because

- (a) they were different from other branches of physics.
- (b) they were concerned with the theory and did not suggest its application.
- (c) the Committee felt that the discovery and invention in the field did not contribute to the benefit of mankind.
- (d) they proved to be merchants of death and hence dangerous to mankind.

Ans: c)

3. The noble prize would not be given to

- (a) a diplomat who negotiated a peace settlement
- (b) a doctor who discovered a vaccine
- (c) a composer who composed a symphony
- (d) an author who wrote a novel

Ans: c)

4. Alfred Nobel left his colossal fortune to the cause of progress in human knowledge because he

- (a) was 'Europe's richest vagabond'
- (b) were a chemist, engineer and an aspiring poet
- (c) felt guilty for having invented highly destructive things
- (d) felt guilty for having earned so much money

Ans: c)

WRITING

Exercise:

1. Your school is going to organize an inter-school dance competition. Write a notice for your school notice board inviting all the interested students.

AKN HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL

Thanjaur

NOTICE

September 12, 2020

INTER-SCHOOL DANCE COMPETITION

Our school is hosting the Inter-School Dance Competition for classes 6 to 12 on October, 14 at school auditorium. All the students talented in dance may appear for the audition to be conducted in the presence of famous dancers on October, 5 at 9 a.m..

For further details, contact the undersigned.

Shiela,
Secretary (Cultural in-charge).

2. You are Santhosh, Secretary, Housing board, Officer's colony, Thiruvapur. Water supply will be suspended for ten hours (10 a.m to 8 p.m) on 5th of October for cleaning of the water tank. Write a notice in about 50 words advising the residents to store water for a day.

HOUSING BOARD OFFICER'S COLONY

Thirucapur

NOTICE

October 3, 2020

SUSPENSION OF WATER SUPPLY

This is to inform all the residents of our Colony that water supply will be suspended for ten hours (10 am to 8pm) on October 5th for cleaning of the water tank. Your inconvenience is regretted.

Santhosh,
Secretary.

3. You are the head girl/boy of a Govt. High School. Your school is soon going to publish the annual magazine next month. Write a notice for the notice board of your school inviting students to submit write-ups.

GOVERNMENT HIGH SCHOOL

Kumbakonam

NOTICE

January 10, 2021

WRITE-UPS FOR ANNUAL MAGAZINE

Our school management has decided to publish our school annual magazine next month ie. February. So this is the time for you to contribute your articles, poems, tit-bits, drawing etc. to be published in our magazine. You are requested to submit your write-ups and drawings on or before January 31, 2021.

Sunder,
(Head Boy)

Grammar

Conjunctions / Connectors

- a. Underline the conjunctions in the following sentences.

- Revathy and Rohini are friends.
- If you say so, I will believe it.
- Shekar is intelligent but careless.
- The bus was overcrowded so Arun avoided travelling in it.
- Though Vinay is poor, he does not steal.

- b. Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with suitable conjunctions from the box:

If, after, unless, until, and, till, although, so, because, but

- I returned home _____ the bus had started.
- I respect him _____ he is very strict.
- Sudharshan will succeed _____ he works hard.
- Aravinth _____ Arun are classmates from their childhood.
- You can't have your fruits _____ you take your food.

Answers

- | | | | | |
|------------|-------------|-------|--------|----------|
| 1. because | 2. although | 3. if | 4. and | 5. until |
|------------|-------------|-------|--------|----------|

c. Choose the correct conjunctions from the options given in the brackets:

1. Everyone likes him _____ he is very helpful. (because/for)
2. _____ it was cloudy, we decided to take an umbrella. (so/as)
3. Rathi found her watch _____ she had left it. (wherever/where)
4. I don't know _____ I can afford to buy a new dress or not. (whether/why)
5. _____ he was ill, he went to the doctor. (as/though)

Answers

1. because	2. as	3. where	4. whether
5. though			

Sentence Pattern**Exercise:****a. Choose the right pattern.****1. The wall collapsed.**

- A. SV B. SVO C. SVIODO

Ans: A**2. During the war, many people lost their homes.**

- A. SVO B. SVIODO C. ASVO

Ans: C**3. I promised the children a trip to the zoo.**

- A. SVO B. SVDOIO C. SVIODO

Ans: C**4. In 1998, Frank moved to London.**

- A. ASVA B. ASVO C. SVIODO

Ans: A**5. Pooja hired a bicycle.**

- A. SV B. SVO C. SVA

Ans: B**b. Write two sentences for each pattern.**

1.	SV	The birds flew. <u>The boy jumped.</u>
2.	SVO	He bought a pen. <u>She wrote a letter.</u>
3.	SVC	Chandru became the captain. <u>Gita was my teacher.</u>
4.	SVA	The birds flew over the trees. <u>The boy jumped into the well.</u>

5.	SVOC	They made him the captain. <u>Parents named him Jim.</u>
6.	SVIDO	She gave me the pen. <u>My uncle sent my mother a parcel.</u>
7.	ASV	Yesterday the birds flew. <u>In summer the war broke out.</u>
8.	SVAA	He jumped into the pond to find out the lost ring. <u>The birds flew here and there to find food.</u>

*A Thing of Beauty

– John Keats

WARM UP

1. Do you admire the beauty of nature, animals, people, places or things?
Discuss with your partner.

Yes, I admire the beauty of nature. Admiring nature gives us pleasure. It relieves us of pulls and pressures. It makes our mind calm. It keeps us refreshed physically as well as mentally. It generates pleasant thoughts in us. It increases our creative powers.

SUMMARY

'A Thing of Beauty' is a poem taken from the poem titled - "Endymion - a poetic romance" written by the famous poet John Keats. The poet says that a beautiful thing is a source of endless joy. It has eternal beauty which never fades away. A beautiful thing is like a shady shelter which gives us a sleep full of sweet dreams, good health and relaxation.

The poet says that beauty stays forever. It never fades away. Rather, it increases with the passing time. The perception of the poet regarding beauty is that it never goes off with the passing time, rather it beautifies more and more. For the poet, beauty is like a beautiful shady tree under whose shade all the creatures can sleep peacefully and enjoy good health.

The poet says that every day, it is the beauty which fills us with the spirit to live. It is the beauty which builds the desire in us to live through sad moments around us. It is the beauty which is created by god helps us to remove the sadness from our hearts.

Here the poet describes the beautiful things which are present on earth. These are the sun, the moon, trees, flowers (daffodils) and the rivers. Poet says that all these things are like a blessing bestowed on all the creatures by earth. He further describes that the trees provide us with their shade, flowers with their beauty and rivers with their coolness during the hot summers. All of these are the beauties of nature which are like a boon for us.

The poet further carries on with the description of the more beautiful things present on earth, such as the beautiful musk roses which have such a nice fragrance. They are like a nectar given by god to us and these beauties which are immortal give us a reason to live on this earth despite having so many sorrows in our life.

GLOSSARY

bower (n)	-	shelter under the shade of trees
wreathing (v)	-	cover, surround, encircle something
pall (n)	-	covering
rills (n)	-	clear stream
sprinkling (v)	-	falling in fine drops

A. Read the poem aloud twice.

B. Choose the correct answers.

1. According to the poet, a thing of beauty is _____

- | | |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| a. a joy forever | b. a pain forever |
| c. a suffering forever | d. neglected |

Ans: a)

2. Beautiful things never "pass into nothingness " means that they _____

- | | |
|--------------------|--|
| a. never increases | b. create unpleasantness between friends |
| c. never fade away | d. always bring unhappiness |

Ans: c)

3. "Will keep a bower quiet for us" means _____

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| a. Will give us peace and calm | b. will stop unpleasant sound |
| c. make our beds fit to sleep | d. reduces noise |

Ans: a)

4. Of all the unhealthy means _____

- | | | | |
|---------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| a. pain | b. neglect | c. suffering | d. ill-health |
|---------|------------|--------------|---------------|

Ans: c)

5. The sun, moon, trees, old and young are the things that _____

- | | |
|-------------------|--|
| a. depress us | b. remove the pall of gloom from our lives |
| c. makes us laugh | d. gives us oxygen |

Ans: b)

C. Answer the following.

1. How is a thing of beauty joy forever?

The poet says that a beautiful thing is a source of endless joy. It has eternal beauty which never fades away. A beautiful thing is like a shady shelter which gives us a sleep full of sweet dreams, good health and relaxation.

2. Why do we suffer?

We suffer because the world is full of sad moments and cruel people.

3. According to the poet, mention the evil things we possess.

Despair, cruel people, unhealthy and dark things are mentioned by the poet as evil things.

ADDITIONAL

Read the following lines and answer the questions that follow.

1. *A thing of beauty is a joy forever:
Its loveliness increases; it will never
Pass into nothingness;*

a) How is a thing of beauty a joy for ever?

A thing of beauty increases in loveliness and it will never become nothing.

b) Pick out the rhyming words.

forever – never

2. *Full of sweet dreams, and health, and quiet breathing.
Therefore, on every morrow, are we wreathing
A flowery band to bind us to the earth,*

a) Why do we weave a flowering band?

We weave a flowery band to attach to the earth.

b) Pick out the rhyming words.

breathing – wreathing

c) Pick out the words in alliteration.

band – bind

3. *Some shape of beauty moves away the pall
From our dark spirits. Such the sun, the moon,
Trees old and young, sprouting a shady boon*

a) What removes the darkness from the dark spirits?

Some beautiful shape of a thing of beauty removes the darkness from the dark spirits.

b) Pick out the rhyming words.

moon – boon

SUPPLEMENTARY

4

Crossing the River

Manoj Das

SUMMARY

A celebrated pundit had many disciples and admirers. One such person was the landlord of the area and he lived on the other side of the river. The landlord arranged a lady to give milk to the pundit. She was Moti who had to cross the river in a ferry to reach the pundit's house. She had a lot of respect for the pundit. She was very regular in bringing milk to the pundit. She felt that it was a great honour for her to work for the great man.

The pundit was a very powerful speaker. Whenever he gave a talk hundreds of people attended the meeting. Moti would also stand behind the crowd. She used to wonder at the deep knowledge of the pundit. One day the pundit asked Moti whether it was possible for her to bring milk one hour before the sun rise for a month. He had to perform some rituals. She immediately accepted. But the first day she was late and she told the pundit that the boat man was late because the river was in flood. The pundit jokingly said that she could cross the river without the boatman if she prayed to Lord Vishnu.

The Pundit completed one month and thanked Moti for bringing milk in time for the rituals. He asked her about the boat man and asked her to thank him on his behalf. Moti said that she did not have any need for the boat man to cross the river. She used the secret the pundit had told her. She used the name of Vishnu and crossed the river which was only up to her ankle. The pundit was surprised to know that.

When she went back the pundit followed her without her knowledge. She saw her praying and stepping into the river. He saw her crossing the river walking. This demonstrated the miracle of faith. The story also draws a contrast between scholarship and innocence. The knowledge which scholarship secures remains a mere theory but the knowledge that works through one's complete faith in God is practical.

GLOSSARY

prostrated (v)	-	falling flat on the ground as a mark of respect
eloquent (adj)	-	fluent; expressive
discourse (n)	-	discussion; spoken communication
spellbound (v)	-	fascinating; captivating
resolved (v)	-	firmly determined to do something.

ritual (n)	-	a religious or solemn ceremony.
enthusiastically (adv)	-	interest, eager enjoyment.
apologetically (adv)	-	shows regretful acknowledgment.
spate (n)	-	rush, run, flood
jocularly (adv)	-	humorous, funny
pious (adj)	-	spiritual, devoutly religious; dedicated.
guffaw (n)	-	a loud and hearty laugh.
naivety (n)	-	lack of experience; innocence
dawn (n)	-	day break, early morning.
intrigued (v)	-	arouse the curiosity of, fascinate, attract.
obeisance (n)	-	respect, reverence, honour.

Read and Understand

A. Match the following.

A	B	Answers
1. ritual	- spell bound	vow
2. pundit	- to cross the river easily	eloquent discourse
3. Moti	- eloquent discourse	faithful
4. ferry	- faithful	passenger boat
5. audience	- vow	spell bound
6. secret	- passenger boat	to cross the river easily

B. Fill in the blanks.

- Pundit have many disciples and admirers.
- Moti is a poor milkmaid.
- The milkmaid discharged her duties regularly.
- Moti feels it as a privilege to serve the great pundit.
- The pundit was an eloquent speaker.
- Moti assured to give the milk at the dawn enthusiastically.

C. Answer the following.

- What was the pundit's discourse about?**
The pundit's discourse was about God and truth.
- Why did Moti, the milkmaid, feel happy?**
The milkmaid was happy for contributing to the physical wellbeing of the pundit.
- What was the resolution of Moti?**
Moti's resolution was that even if the landlord failed to pay her for the milk she would not fail in her duty of supplying milk to the pundit.

4. Give reason for the pundit to ask for the milk at dawn.

The pundit had to perform some rituals in the early morning so he asked for the milk at dawn.

5. Why did Moti come late on the first day of the ritual?

The first day Moti was late because the boat man was late due to the flood.

6. Mention an incident that shows the naivety of Moti.

Moti believed what Pundit said. He said that with the help of Vishnu one could cross the river without a boat.

7. How did the milkmaid cross the river?

Moti prayed to Lord Vishnu and then crossed the river walking with ease.

8. What was the secret shared by Pundit to milkmaid?

The secret shared by pundit to milkmaid was that people could cross even the ocean of life by uttering the name of Vishnu.

9. How did the pundit appreciate the milkmaid? Who else did he convey his thanks for?

The pundit appreciated the milkmaid for bringing the milk at dawn and blessed her. He thanked the boatman also.

10. Why did the pundit faint at the end of the story?

Pundit saw Moti praying to Vishnu and crossing the river walking with ease so he fainted.

D. Identify the speaker.

1. "But I apply the secret?" - Moti
2. "Tell the boatman how pleased I am with him." - Pundit.

ADDITIONAL :

3. "What a great privilege it is to serve a great pundit!" - Moti
4. "Only who is very near to God and Truth can command such wisdom!" - Moti
5. "Can you bring the milk before sunrise for only a month?" - Pundit
6. "I was present on the bank of the river long before sunrise." - Moti
7. "You could not cross the river without the boat man, eh?" - Pundit
8. "Well sir, nobody had told me that!" - Moti
9. "I must say that you have served me very well." - Pundit
10. "Why, I did not need any boat!" - Moti

Choose the best option and fill the blanks.

1. Moti was a _____.
a) farmer b) milkmaid c) teacher d) clerk
2. Milkmaid was arranged to supply milk to the pundit by the _____.
a) king b) manager c) officer d) landlord
3. Moti thought it was her _____ to work for the pundit.
a) privilege b) strength c) weakness d) right
4. Pundit was a famous _____.
a) doctor b) teacher c) speaker d) lawyer
5. Moti was happy to contribute to the _____ of the pundit.
a) mental health b) physical health c) welfare d) success
6. Pundit asked Moti to bring milk an hour before the sun rise for _____.
a) one month b) one week c) two month d) one day
7. Moti was late for the first day because of her _____.
a) cow b) mother c) donkey d) boat man
8. The pundit said one could cross the ocean of life uttering the name of _____.
a) Ganapathy b) Murugan c) Vishnu d) Kali
9. For one month Moti crossed the river by _____.
a) uttering a prayer b) requesting the boat man
c) asking the pundit d) swimming across
10. Pundit followed Moti tiptoe to find out _____.
a) her house b) how she got the milk
c) how she crossed the river d) the boat man

Answers

1. b 2. d 3. a 4. c 5. b 6. a 7. d 8. c 9. a 10. c

ADDITIONAL PARAGRAPHS**Write a paragraph of 100 words each.****1. How did Moti come into the service of the pundit?**

A celebrated pundit had many disciples and admirers. One such person was the landlord of the area and he lived on the other side of the river. The landlord arranged a lady to give milk to the pundit. She was Moti who had to cross the river in a ferry to reach the pundit's house. She had a lot of respect for the pundit. She was very regular in bringing milk to the pundit. She felt that it was a great honour for her to work for the great man. The pundit was a very powerful speaker. Whenever he gave a talk hundreds of people attended the meeting. One day the pundit asked Moti whether it was possible for her to bring milk one hour before the sun rise for a month. He had to perform some rituals. She immediately accepted.

2. How did the author show innocence and faith is more powerful than knowledge?

A celebrated pundit had many disciples and admirers. One such person was the landlord of the area and he lived on the other side of the river. The landlord arranged a lady to give milk to the pundit. One day the pundit asked Moti whether it was possible for her to bring milk one hour before the sun rise for a month. He had to perform some rituals. She immediately accepted. But the first day she was late and she told the pundit that the boat man was late because the river was in flood. The pundit jokingly said that she could cross the river without the boatman if she prayed to Lord Vishnu. She totally believed because of her innocence. She prayed to Vishnu and crossed the river walking with ease. The pundit could believe it only when he saw it. Thus it is proved that her innocence and faith is more powerful than the knowledge of the pundit.

STEP TO SUCCESS

A. Select correct options to fill in the blanks.

1. As I _____ in the rain for the bus to arrive, it appeared as _____ it would not arrive, _____ it took all my patience.

a. weighted, though, so b. wetted, if, so c. waited, though, till

Ans: b)

B. Select option that correctly forms the 2nd pair similar to the 1st.

1. Bread : Yeast : : Curd : ?

a) Germs b) Bacteria c) Fungi d) Virus

Ans: b)

2. Fungi : Fungus : : Species : ?

a) Specey b) Specy c) Specie d) Species

Ans: d)

3. Throw : Worth : : Tide : ?

a) Water b) Ocean c) Edit d) Sea

Ans: a)

4. Lion : Forest : : Otter : ?

a) Cage b) Water c) The Alps d) Burrow

Ans: b)

**CONNECTING TO SELF**

Avoid littering in ponds and water resources.



Using detergents and cleaners that are not environment friendly.



Throwing chemicals or liquids.



save the rain water.



I never dispose of fish or animal entrails in or around fresh water resources.



Dumping sudsy water into fresh water resources.



Put tick (✓) for do's and cross (×) for don'ts.

UNIT TEST - 4

ENGLISH

Class: 8

Marks: 20

SECTION - A

I A. Choose the correct synonym for the underlined word. 2×1=2

- Some rainy afternoons I spent in a veritable frenzy...
a) different b) exciting c) serious d) happy
-hydra-headed unrest has invaded every department of life.
a) fight b) defeat c) attack d) arrest

B. Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word. 2×1=2

- By then a silvery peace rested on both land and water.
a) calm b) agitation c) rest d) ugliness
- ...the moonlight glimmered over the smooth flowing stream.
a) tough b) difficult c) rough d) easy

C. Answer any two of the following questions in one or two sentences 2×2=4

- Quote the expressions from the text when the author sees the Ganges again.
- In what ways have the river and its banks changed?
- How were the rooms arranged in Tagore's house?

SECTION - B

II Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions given below. 2

- Therefore, on every morrow, are we wreathing
A flowery band to bind us to the earth
Some shape of beauty moves away the pall
From out dark spirits.*

- What drives out the covering from our dark spirits?
- Pick out the alliterated words.

SECTION - C

III Choose the best option to fill in the blank: 2×1=2

- The Pundit was a/an _____ speaker.
a) political b) eloquent c) inspiring d) humourous
- Moti walked across the river by uttering the name of _____.
a) the pundit b) the boatman c) Vishnu d) Shiva

IV

5×1=5

- The clipped word for 'microphone' is _____
a) phone b) micro c) micron d) mike
- The clipped word for 'automobile' is _____
a) mobile b) mob c) auto d) automob
- The blended word for 'news+broadcast' is _____
a) news b) newsbroad c) cast d) newscast
- The blended word for 'Spanish+English' is _____
a) Spanenglish b) Spanglish c) Spanish d) Spanglish
- The meaning of the idiom, 'bigcheese' is _____
a) an important person b) a serious problem
c) a huge part d) something eatable

SECTION - D

V A. Fill in the blank with a suitable conjunction:

2×1=2

- Sita found her book _____ she had left it.
a) wherever b) where c) what d) when
- The alarm woke me up _____ it wasn't very loud.
a) because b) as c) though d) while

B. Choose the right sentence pattern:

1×1=1

- The teacher showed us interesting pictures.
a) SVOC b) SVOA c) SVDOIO d) SVIODO

Answer Key

I	A) 1. b 2. c B) 1. b 2. c
II	a) Some shape of beauty b) band bind; some shape
III	1. b 2. c
IV	1. d 2. c 3. d 4. b 5. a
V	A. 1. b 2. c B. 1. d

Being Safe

WARM UP



Which is a safe place to cross?



What do you know about safety?

1. Where is a safe place to cross?

Zebra-crossing.

2. What do you know about safety?

'Safety' refers to following traffic rules and regulations faithfully.

SUMMARY

Section I

Prasanth lives in Truchirapally with his parents. In summer he usually visits his grandparents who live in Nagathi, a river island in Thanjaur district. His grandfather was a retired central government employee. When Prasanth's friends hear about his visit they come to grandpa's house to take him out to play. Grandpa is little worried and gives instructions for their safety. It is written in the form of a conversation.

Peter told grandpa that their teacher had taught them the rules of the road and they strictly followed them. Jaffer said that they should walk on the right side against the traffic. Mani said while crossing the road they should wait for the traffic to be clear and look right, left and then right before crossing the road. Gandhi said that they should walk one behind the other in a line not in a group.

Section II

By the time Prasanth arrived there and Mani said that they wanted to play under the neem tree. Grandpa asked them to be careful as the sun was very hot. Mani said that his mother had told him not to roam in the sun between 10 am to 3 pm as the sun is very hot at that time. Grandpa advised them to play outside for their physical activities. Now and then they should go indoor or to shady places. Prasanth felt exhausted and the grandpa said that it was because of the heat and it might lead to sun stroke. He asked them to inform elders if they felt giddy or sickening. To play outside they should be street smart.

Section III

Ravi asked grandpa to tell them about the safety measures to practice at home. Grandpa said that they should keep the things in their own place after the use. Grandpa had a good mobile phone. He said that mobile phones are useful but it should be used with care. Children should use it only in the presence of elders. While using internet they should be cyber safe. They should not post their personal information and photos. Poisonous items and medicines should be kept away from children. Pills and syrups should be kept in their original containers. The left over pills should be counted to avoid misuse. Dangerous automotive and gardening products should be kept under lock. Devi said that every house should have a first aid kit with proper instructions. The children thanked grandpa and left for their houses.

GLOSSARY

bifurcates (v)	-	divide into two separate parts
amuses (v)	-	to make someone laugh or smile
vacation (v)	-	holiday
merges (v)	-	join together

Meanings

mighty	-	strong
hanging out	-	spending time doing nothing, idling
amuse	-	entertain
concerned	-	worried
roam	-	wander
measures	-	actions
respective	-	own, particular

Opposites

bifurcates	×	joins
mighty	×	weak
concerned	×	calm
strictly	×	leniently
physical	×	mental
exhausted	×	strengthened

fast	×	slow
presence	×	absence
personal	×	common
poisonous	×	wholesome

A. State whether the following statements are true or false.

1. Prasanth had gone to bring coffee to his friends. [False]
2. Grandpa was so angry seeing Prasanth's friends. [False]
3. Prasanth's friend came on by walk. [True]
4. Teacher had taught about the rules of road safety. [True]

Section II

GLOSSARY

scorching (v)	-	extremely hot
sunscreen (n)	-	a cream or lotion rubbed on the skin to protect it from the sun
exhausted(v)	-	feeling tired
sunstroke (n)	-	unconscious or heatstroke brought about by excessive exposure to the sun
giddy (adj)	-	having a sensation of falling down
nauseated (adj)	-	sickening, stomach-turning
street smart (adj)	-	the knowledge to be with difficulties and dangers

A. Fill in the blanks.

1. They had come to play under the shade of big Neem tree.
2. We should put on sun screen to avoid sun burn.
3. Sun stroke is a more serious health related illness.
4. Mani's mother had instructed him not to roam in the sun light between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.
5. Street smart means knowledge about how to be safe in the street.

Section III

GLOSSARY

fertilizer (n)	-	chemical or natural substance added to land to increase its fertility.
antifreeze (n)	-	a liquid that can be added to water to lower the freezing point.
hazardous (adj)	-	risky; dangerous
emergency (n)	-	often dangerous situation requiring immediate action.

Read and Understand

A. Choose the best answer.

- Grandpa got a call from _____.
a) his son b) wife c) his old friend **Ans: c)**
- Medicine should be kept in _____.
a) fridge b) kitchen table c) locked cabinet **Ans: c)**
- _____ automotive and gardening products should be secured.
a) gardening products b) hazardous
c) medicine **Ans: b)**
- We should have _____ in our home itself to give medical treatment.
a) a first aid kit b) an injection c) the hospital **Ans: a)**
- Some house _____ and _____ are poisonous.
a) used food and plants b) plants and dog
c) plants and used button cell batteries **Ans: c)**

B. Choose the correct synonyms for the *Italic* word.

- Dixie was feeling very *exhausted*.
a) joy b) wounded c) tired d) rejoiced **Ans: c)**
- The neem tree was a big *antique* in his garden.
a) modern b) ancient c) updated d) out dated **Ans: b)**
- Praveen got sun *stroke*.
a) fever b) nerves c) unconscious d) tired **Ans: a)**
- Heat exhaustion *prevails*.
a) widespread b) not visible c) exposive d) hidden **Ans: a)**

ADDITIONAL

Choose the best synonym of the underlined word

- The river water, bifurcates into two and merges again and forms this village.
a) merges b) divides c) flows d) overflows
- The river water, bifurcates into two and merges again and forms this village.
a) joins b) divides c) takes d) sees
- The village is ever green with mighty trees and beautiful landscapes.
a) weak b) tall c) short d) strong
- He always spends his vacation here, hanging out with his grandfather and his friends.
a) busying b) talking c) revealing d) idling

5. His knowledge always amuses him.
a) cries b) jumps c) entertains d) goes
6. Grandfather is very concerned.
a) happy b) worried c) sad d) tried
7. You need to be very careful as the Sun is scorching.
a) very hot b) very cool d) very dry d) very big
8. My mother has instructed me not to roam in sunlight between 10 A.M. and 3 P.M. as it is very hot.
a) stay b) wander c) treat d) talk
9. I'm feeling exhausted.
a) fresh b) strengthened c) tired d) weak
10. have head ache, feeling giddy or nauseated.
a) dizzy b) strong c) happy d) sad
11.have head ache, feeling giddy or nauseated.
a) strong b) small c) well d) sickening
12. Could you please tell us the safety measures to practice at home?
a) weighs b) machine c) actions d) places
13. We should learn to put things back in their respective places after using them.
a) own b) near c) away d) touch
14. Hazardous automotive and gardening products should be secured and kept locked.
a) pleased b) heard c) seen d) risky

Answers	1. b	2. a	3. d	4. d	5. c	6. b	7. a	8. b	9. c	10. a
	11. d	12. c	13. a	14. d						

C. Choose the correct antonyms for the *Italic* word.

1. Karan visited his *ancestral* village.
a) offspring b) family c) house d) relative **Ans: d)**
2. We should use our mobile *safely*.
a) unsafely b) securely c) protect d) save **Ans: a)**
3. Medicine should be *stored*.
a) consumed b) deleted c) preserved d) registered **Ans: a)**
4. The neem tree provided *shelter* to many birds.
a) residence b) unprotection c) home d) security **Ans: b)**
5. It is a *latest* mobile.
a) updated b) outdated c) new d) modern **Ans: b)**

ADDITIONAL

Choose the best antonym of underlined word

- The river water, bifurcates into two and merges again and forms this village.
a) divides b) joins c) pushes d) pulls
- The village is ever green with mighty trees and beautiful landscapes.
a) tall b) short c) strong d) weak
- Grandfather is very concerned.
a) worried b) happy c) calm d) booked
- We always follow them strictly.
a) leniently b) severely c) sternly d) firmly
- But, you also need more physical activities.
a) strong b) praising c) mental d) logical
- I'm feeling exhausted.
a) tired b) strengthened c) lessened d) shortened
- The body cannot cool itself fast enough.
a) slow b) prove c) ease d) yield
- You should use it in the presence of adults.
a) front of b) with c) away d) absence
- Make yourself cyber safe by not posting your personal information.
a) lonely b) quickly c) common d) strong
- poisonous items to be kept away from the children in our homes.
a) wholesome b) risky c) dangerous d) killing

Answers

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| 1. b | 2. d | 3. c | 4. a | 5. c | 6. b | 7. a | 8. d | 9. c | 10. a |
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D. Answer the following in one or two sentences.

1. What is STREET SMART?

Street smart is knowledge of difficulties and dangers of being in the street.

2. Which should be used with adults' supervision?

Mobile should be used with adult supervision.

3. What according to grandpa is the most serious illness?

According to Grandpa sun stroke is the most serious illness.

4. What is must in every house hold?

First aid box is a must in every house hold.

E. Answer the following questions in 100 words.**1. How can you make yourself cyber safe?**

Prasanth lives in Truchirapally with his parents. In summer he usually visits his grandparents who live in Nagathi, a river island in Thanjaur district. His grandfather was a retired central government employee. When Prasanth's friends hear about his visit they come to grandpa's house to take him out to play. Grandpa is little worried and gives instructions for their safety. He gives advice to the children about road safety, how to be careful in houses and the use of mobiles and internet. While using internet we should be cyber safe. For this we should not post our personal information and photos, vacation plans in social media.

2. What are the safety measures to be followed for sunstroke?

Prasanth lives in Truchirapally with his parents. In summer he usually visits his grandparents who live in Nagathi, a river island in Thanjaur district. His grandfather was a retired central government employee. When Prasanth's friends hear about his visit they come to grandpa's house to take him out to play. Grandpa is little worried and gives instructions for their safety. If we stand in the sun light for a long time we will get sun stroke. While playing we should now and then go indoors and shady places. If we get exhausted and giddy we should inform the elders immediately.

3. Write about road safety rules.

Prasanth lives in Truchirapally with his parents. In summer he usually visits his grandparents who live in Nagathi, a river island in Thanjaur district. When Prasanth's friends hear about his visit they come to grandpa's house to take him out to play. Grandpa is little worried and gives instructions for their safety. Jaffer said that they should walk on the right side against the traffic. Mani said while crossing the road they should wait for the traffic to be clear and look right, left and then right before crossing the road. Jaffer said that they should walk on the right side against the traffic. Mani said while crossing the road they should wait for the traffic to be clear and look right, left and then right before crossing the road.

**VOCABULARY****Homonyms****a. Write a sentence of your own for each homonyms.**

S.No	Homonyms	Meaning	Example
1.	a. bright	very smart or intelligent	Andrew was a bright boy.
	b. bright	filled with light	When I entered the room it was very bright .

2.	a.	express	something done fast	As we are using the express way we are going fast.
	b.	express	convey	The manager expressed his concern about the project.
3.	a.	kind	type	I saw a new kind of fish in the market.
	b.	kind	caring	My grandmother was a kind person.
4.	a.	well	in good health	My grandpas is keeping well in his old age.
	b.	well	water resource	There was a well in my house those days.

Phrasal verb

a. Write the meaning for the phrasal verbs.

- look into - investigate
- give up - stop making an effort
- put off - postpone
- get on - move
- take off - remove, aircraft becoming airborne, depart suddenly

b. Use the following phrasal verbs in your own sentence.

- put up with** - It is difficult to put up with the nagging neighbour.
- keep on** - My teacher asked me to keep on doing the class work.
- look after** - Grandmother looked after the child well.
- take over** - He has decided to take over the business because his father is old.
- go through** - He went through a difficult time when he lost his job.

LISTENING

Listen to the teacher and answer the questions.

1. The target audience for this speech is

- teachers
- the public
- primary school students
- secondary school students

Ans: d)

2. Why was the speaker invited to speak on road safety ?

- It was "Road Safety Week".
- He is an expert in this field.
- He had received many accident reports.
- There had been many accidents near the school.

Ans: a)

3. Road users can show that they are considerate on the road by
 a) hogging the road
 b) driving cautiously
 c) neglecting traffic rules and road ethics
 d) flashing their headlights at oncoming cars **Ans: b)**
4. When the speaker says, 'However, if you still feel generous and would like to donate your money to us, then speed by all means', he is being
 a) rude b) hopeful c) fatherly d) sarcastic **Ans: d)**
5. The speaker is most probably a
 a) police officer
 b) career guidance teacher
 c) member of the Red Crescent Society
 d) spokesman for the Road Transport Department **Ans: a)**
6. What do you understand by common sense should prevail at all times?
 a) Learn traffic rules by heart.
 b) Follow the actions of other motorists.
 c) Think wisely before making any decisions.
 d) When in doubt, pull over to the side of the road and seek help. **Ans: c)**

WRITING

Arrange the picture in order by writing the numbers 1,2,3 and 4 in the given boxes and write this familiar story in about 100 words.

Make use of the words given below.

thirsty, village, pitcher, disappointment, pebbles, water level





One hot day, a thirsty crow was reaching a village. It was looking for water here and there. It saw a pitcher. It thought it would have water and it flew to the pitcher. It saw that the pitcher had some water but it was in the bottom. It could not reach the water. It was very disappointed. It was thinking what to do to drink that water. It saw some pebbles close by. It got the idea. It picked up the pebbles one by one and dropped it inside the pitcher. The water level was coming up slowly. Finally it reached the brim of the pitcher. The crow drank the water and flew away happily.

GRAMMAR

TENSE – TIME

B) Fill in the blanks with appropriate form of the verbs given in the brackets.

- When the burglars broke into the house, everybody had (have) sound sleep.
- The milk spilt (spill) over as she went to see the crowd passing by with loud slogans.
- If Karthik does not make (not + make) any mistake, he will be rewarded.
- They were watching TV when they heard (hear) a loud bang at the door.
- The bus had left (leave) the stop before we could catch it.
- Arya has been playing (play) the same song for last three days. It has become boring now.
- Manju calls (call) after we reach home.
- The show will have completed (complete) its one thousand episodes by next month.
- Don't worry, we will be reaching (reach) the airport in time.
- Prasanna has fallen (fall) sick after eating some snacks at the street side shop.

C) Tick the correct option to complete the sentences.

- The climate of the city _____ mild and pleasant most of the time.
a) is remaining b) remains c) was remaining d) is remained **Ans: b**
- One day he _____ into a hotel in Ooty, a beautiful city in Tamilnadu.
a) booking b) was booking c) booked d) had booked **Ans: c**

3. You will certainly _____ rewards for what you are doing.
a) get b) had got c) was getting d) be getting **Ans: a**
4. Do you _____ the day we moved the piano upstairs?
a) remember b) remembered
c) are remembering d) had remembered **Ans: a**
5. The rain completely _____ our day.
a) spoilt b) is spoiling c) is spoilt d) was spoilt **Ans: a**
6. Akbar _____ the king at the age of fifteen after the sudden death of his father.
a) was becoming b) had become c) became d) become **Ans: c**
7. The criminal _____ the place before the police could reach.
a) was escaping b) had escaped c) is escaping d) will escape **Ans: b**
8. They _____ all the arrangements before the guest's arrival.
a) will have made b) will be made
c) had been making d) were making **Ans: a**
9. Sabithra _____ her job by tomorrow evening.
a) will be completing b) will complete
c) will have completed d) will have been completing **Ans: c**
10. Harshini _____ her mother in making rangoli in the yard for last one hour.
a) is helping b) has helped
c) has been helping d) helps **Ans: c**

D) Identify the errors in the sentences given below and rewrite them.

- I have met him yesterday.
I met him yesterday.
- I am watching TV since morning.
I have been watching TV since morning.
- She is seeming sad.
She seems sad.
- She watched TV when her husband came.
She was watching TV when her husband came.
- He is having a cellular phone.
He has a cellular phone.
- I heard him to speak on several subjects.
I have heard him to speak on several subjects.
- Ten candidates have passed one failed.
Ten candidates passed and one failed.
- He succeeded because he works hard.
He succeeded because he worked hard.

9. How long are you working in this office?
How long have you been working in this office ?
10. I shall wait for you till you will finish your work.
I shall wait for you till you finish your work.
11. When I reached the station, the train already left.
When I reached the station, the train had already left.
12. She or he have done well.
She or he has done well.
13. One of the boys are missing.
One of the boys is missing.
14. None is genuine.
None is genuine.
15. She is waiting for you for 3 hours.
She has been waiting for you for 3 hours.

Conditional sentences with 'If'

1. Complete the Conditional Sentences. Decide whether to use Type I, II or III.

1. If I had time, I would go (go) shopping with you.
2. If you speak (speak) English, you will get along with them perfectly.
3. If they had gone for a walk, they would have turned (turn) the lights off.
4. If she comes (come) to see us, we will go to the zoo.
5. I would have told you, if I had seen (see) him.

2. Choose the best answer.

1. I will come if I _____ time.
a) have b) had c) will have **Ans: a)**
2. If he is late, we _____ without him.
a) would start b) would have started
c. will start **Ans: c)**
3. If you _____ me, I would tell you.
a) will ask b) asked c) had asked **Ans: b)**
4. Will it be all right if I _____ a friend tonight?
a) had brought b) bring c) brought **Ans: b)**
5. If you _____ to learn a musical instrument, you have to practice.
a) wants b) wanted c) want **Ans: c)**

3. Match the following.

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|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. If they worked hard | – she will come to our party. |
| 2. If I invite Shalini | – I would have bought these shoes. |
| 3. If I had got enough money | – they would win. |

Answer:

1. If they worked hard – they would win
2. If I invite Shalini – she will come to our party.
3. If I had got enough money – I would have bought these shoes.

4. Fill in the blanks with correct verb forms.

1. If you _____ out with your friends tonight, I _____ the football match on TV.

- a) go, would watch b) go, will watch
c) go, have watched

Ans: b)

2. If he _____ harder, he _____ his goals.

- a) tries, would reach b) tried, will reach
c) tried, would reach

Ans: c)

3. If we _____ to the radio, we _____ the news.

- a) listen, would hear b) had listen, will hear
c) listen, will hear

Ans: c)

Fire Work Night

– Enid Blyton

WARM UP

How does noise pollution affect people, animals and birds?



Old Age Home

Noise pollution makes old people nervous. It causes tension and pressure. Their peace of mind is greatly disturbed. It leads to loss of sleep.



Animals

Noise pollution frightens the animals. It drives them away from their habitat. Some animals become furious. They may turn violent. Some animals may cause destruction among themselves.



Birds

Noise pollution creates scare among the birds. They are driven away from their nests. They are frightened enough to go near water sources.

SUMMARY

Enid Blyton in her poem 'Fire Work Night' writes about a dog which is afraid of the fire work noise. It heard the big sound of the fireworks – maybe big or small. But

it was afraid of the noise. It did not know what to do and how to escape from this fearful noise. It was outside the house so it went to the door and called the mistress and master of the house to let it go inside. It wanted to go before the next cracker was burst. Because of fear the dog's tail was down and its ears were flat. It was trembling outside the house. It asked the mistress and master whether she loved it or not. Unless the dog was permitted to go inside it would die out of fear.

The mistress asked the children if the dog could be allowed to come inside the house. They must have given their permission so the door was opened. It ran inside there and felt safe. Out of gratefulness it started licking the hands of the mistress. It went behind the sofa and decided to stay there till the noise of fireworks was over. Then it would go to its kennel and guard the people throughout the night because the people of the house understood its fear.

GLOSSARY

bang (n)	- a sudden loud, sharp noise
yelp (v)	- a short, sharp cry, especially of pain or alarm
trembling (v)	- to shake slightly/ short movements, as from fear
rushing (v)	- moving with urgent haste / fast
couch(n)	- a type of high bed/ sofa
crouch (v)	- adopt a position where the knees are bent and upper body is brought forward and down
kennel (n)	- a small shelter for a dog
fright (n)	- a sudden intense feeling of fear

a. Answer the following questions.

1. Why was the dog frightened?

The dog was frightened because of the noise of the crackers.

2. Whom did the dog ask for help?

He asked the mistress and master of the house for help.

3. What did the dog do when the door is opened?

The dog ran inside the house when the door was opened.

4. Where did the dog hide himself?

The dog hid behind the sofa.

5. Where will the dog go when the firework stops?

When the firework stops the dog will go to its kennel

b. Literary appreciation

1. *Mistress, Master, hear me yelp,
I'm out-of-doors, I want your help.
Let me in-oh, LET ME IN
Before those fireworks begin*

Write the rhyme scheme of the above poetic lines.

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2. *To shoot again I can't bear that;
My tail is down, my ears are flat,
I'm trembling here outside the door,
Oh, don't you love me anymore?*

Pick out the rhyming words from the above poetic lines.

that - flat; door - anymore

Rhyming words

Match the rhyming words from the poem.

Hark	—	do
Too	—	fright
Yelp	—	dark
Grand	—	crouch
Couch	—	help
Night	—	hand

Ans:

Hark	—	dark
Too	—	do
Yelp	—	help
Grand	—	hand
Couch	—	crouch
Night	—	fright

Figure of speech

a. Personification

Exercise:

- What is being personified in the sentence- 'The full moon peeped through partial clouds'?**
Full moon is being personified.
- Which of the following is an example of personification?**
 - The chocolates smelled like delicious cake.
 - The chocolates smell delicious.
 - The delicious smell of chocolates invited me to eat them.
 - I dreamt of delicious chocolates.

Ans: c)

3. Personification is_____.

- a) giving human attributes to human beings.
- b) comparing unrelated things.
- c) giving human attributes to non-human objects.
- d) talking the negative aspects of a person.

Ans: c)**ADDITIONAL****Read the following lines and answer the questions that follow.**

1. *Mistress, master hear me yelp
I'm out-of-doors, I want your help*

a) Whose help is asked for?

The help of the mistress and the master is asked for.

b) Pick out the rhyming words.

yelp – help

2. *Let me in-oh, LET ME IN
Before those fireworks begin*

a) When does the dog want to go inside?

The dog wants to go inside before the firework begins.

b) Pick out the words in alliteration.

before – begin

3. *And guard you safely all the night
Because you understood my fright.*

a) Why is the dog ready to guard them safely?

The dog is ready to guard them safely because they understood the fear of the dog.

SUMMARY

Anne Sewell wrote the book 'Black Beauty'. In the book she takes about the horses and its instincts to save others. This is an excerpt from Black Beauty. It is written as if the horse is thinking to itself. One morning in autumn the master had to go on a long journey. John the rider attached the horse to the cart. The weather was windy and it was about to rain. It was a smooth ride till they reached a toll gate at the entrance of a low bridge. The man at the toll gate said that the river was rising fast and they would have a bad night. But the ride was very smooth and it did not matter much for them.

When they reached the town the master went out for his business. It took a long time for him to return. So they started only in the afternoon. The master told John that he had never been in such a bad storm. They went through a wood and the branches of trees were moving up and down. Suddenly an oak tree was uprooted and fell across the road. The horse was frightened and stood trembling. John came out and calmed it. They decided to go back to take another route which would take them to the bridge.

They went at a good speed and reached the bridge. When the horse kept the first step on the bridge it felt something wrong. So it stopped and refused to move though the master whipped it. John jumped out of the cart and came to the horse. He tried to lead it keeping the bridle in his hand. By the time the man at the toll gate on the other side was shouting that the bridge was broken and they could not cross the river. Now they realised why the horse refused to move and appreciated the horse's instinct.

Slowly the wind calmed down and it was getting dark. The horse was moving smoothly on the wet road. The horse heard the master telling John that God had given brain to the man but He had given special knowledge to animals. When they reached master's house it was late night and the mistress was relieved to see them all safe. The master told his wife that the horse was wiser than them so they escaped from drowning at the wooden bridge. The horse was fed well and went to sleep happily.

GLOSSARY

harnessed (v)

- tied the horse to a cart using strips of leather and metal fittings.

tollgate (n)

- a gate across a road or bridge at which travellers must stop and pay

- sturdy (adj) - strong
- groan (n) - deep sound
- bridle (n) - a set of leather straps tied around the neck of a horse to control it
- instinct (n) - an innate typically fixed pattern of behavior in animals
In response to certain stimuli
- a dead stop (n) - complete and sudden stop

Read and Understand

A. Comprehension

1. Choose the best option

- The season mentioned in the story is _____.
a) spring b) autumn c) summer d) winter **Ans: b)**
- In one low part of the road the _____ was halfway up to black beauty's knees.
a) the river b) dust c) water d) leaves **Ans: c)**
- The bridge was broken in the _____.
a) front b) rear c) middle d) up **Ans: c)**
- The instinct in _____ had often saved the lives of men.
a) girls b) animals c) birds d) boys **Ans: b)**
- Black Beauty dared not move even to the sharp snap of the _____.
a) stick b) thread c) whip d) kick **Ans: c)**

ADDITIONAL

- People were not afraid of the bridge because of the _____.
a) strength of the bridge b) size of the bridge
c) sturdy rails d) toll gates
- The man at the gate said that the river was _____.
a) rising fast b) safe c) dried up d) closed
- After the master's business they could start only _____.
a) at night b) in the evening
c) in the morning d) in the afternoon
- Black Beauty stopped and was trembling because _____.
a) a pit was dug on the road b) an oak tree fell on the way
c) there was a crack in the wheel d) his leg was caught in the mud
- John gave Black Beauty a good _____ and a bed.
a) supper b) pat c) saddle d) drink

Answers

6. c

7. a

8. d

9. b

10. a

Identify the character / speaker

- | | |
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| 1. Liked to pull as it was very light. | – Black Beauty |
| 2. The river was rising high. | – The man at the toll gate |
| 3. The cart was so good and master drove gently. | – Black Beauty |
| 4. "I wish we were out of wood." | – master |
| 5. "I hope no branches fall down on us." | – John |
| 6. "That was close! What shall we do now." | – master |
| 7. "We can't drive over the big tree." | – John |
| 8. I felt that something was wrong. | – Black Beauty |
| 9. "If you come any further you'll be in the river!" | – The man at the toll gate |
| 10. "Oh! I have been so worried about you." | – mistress |

2. Match the following

Man at the toll gate	–	had many stories to tell.
Bridge	–	wise.
John	–	have special knowledge
Black beauty	–	flashing a torch.
Animals	–	sturdy rail

Ans:

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| Man at the toll gate | – | flashing a torch. |
| Bridge | – | sturdy rail |
| John | – | had many stories to tell. |
| Black beauty | – | wise. |
| Animals | – | have special knowledge |

3. Fill in the blanks.

- Just then, the man at the toll gate on the other side ran out, flashing a torch.
- Even when John tried to lean him forward Beauty did not move.
- We were saved because Beauty had known that something was wrong with the bridge.
- Suddenly an oak tree came crashing down and fell right in front of us.
- He told that the bridge had just broken due to the flood.
- As we went through the wood, the branches of the trees were swaying and making a terrible sudden rushing sound.
- A little later, when we reached the bridge Beauty came to a stop.
- When we started back from the town, it was late in the afternoon The wind was much stronger.
- John said we must go back to the crossways and find another way to the wooden bridge.

10. Oh! What a good supper he gave me that night. And then a really thick bed of straw.

bed of straw, bridge, crossways, supper, toll gate, oak, flood, lean, flashing, wrong, the branches, stronger afternoon, sudden stop, terrible

4. Based on your understanding of the story write the answers for the following questions in a sentence or two.

1. Did Black Beauty like to pull the cart?

Yes, Black Beauty liked to pull the cart.

2. How was the weather?

The weather was windy and it was about to rain.

3. Describe the bridge.

The bridge a low wooden bridge. The bridge went across just level of the river. There were good sturdy rails on both sides.

4. What was the alternate plan suggested by John to reach the wooden bridge?

John suggested going to crossways to reach the wooden bridge.

5. Why was Black Beauty reluctant to cross the bridge?

Black Beauty was reluctant to cross the bridge because it felt something wrong in the bridge.

5. Write the answers for the following questions in 100 words.

1. What did the man at the toll gate on the other side tell them?

Anne Sewell wrote the book 'Black Beauty'. In the book she takes about the horses and its instincts to save others. This is an excerpt from Black Beauty. It is written as if the horse is thinking to itself. One morning in autumn the master had to go on a long journey. John the rider attached the horse to the cart. The weather was windy and it was about to rain. It was a smooth ride till they reached a toll gate at the entrance of a low bridge. The man at the toll gate said that the river was rising fast and they would have a bad night.

2. Was Black Beauty afraid to cross the bridge?

Anne Sewell wrote the book 'Black Beauty'. In the book she takes about the horses and its instincts to save others. This is an excerpt from Black Beauty. It is written as if the horse is thinking to itself. One morning in autumn the master had to go on a long journey. John the rider attached the horse to the cart. When they were returning to their house the weather was very bad and it was raining. When they reached the bridge, Black Beauty felt something wrong in the bridge. So it refused to cross the bridge. It was not afraid to cross the bridge. Then the man at the toll gate informed them that the bridge was broken in the middle.

3. What did John think about human's attitude on animals?

Anne Sewell wrote the book 'Black Beauty'. In the book she takes about the horses and its instincts to save others. This is an excerpt from Black Beauty. It is written as if the horse is thinking to itself. One morning in autumn the master had to go on a long journey. John the rider attached the horse to the cart. John had many stories to tell of dogs and horses, and the wonderful ways they had saved the lives of people. He thought many people did not take very good care of their animals or make friends with them as they should do.

4. What would have happened to all the three if Black Beauty had not been wiser?

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5. Where did John take Black Beauty and what did he give her?

Anne Sewell wrote the book 'Black Beauty'. In the book she takes about the horses and its instincts to save others. This is an excerpt from Black Beauty. It is written as if the horse is thinking to itself. One morning in autumn the master had to go on a long journey. John the rider attached the horse to the cart. After returning to their house John took Black Beauty to the stable. He gave it good food and nice bed of straw to sleep.

6. How will you take care of your pet? Write about in fifty words.

We should find a good veterinarian for our pets. The pets should be given a healthy environment. We should be careful about their food. They should be given sufficient amount of food. Their food is different from people's food. They should be given vaccinations. Their teeth should be checked regularly.

STEP TO SUCCESS**Coding – Decoding verbal reasoning.**

- 1. In a certain code language, if Violet is called as Green, Green is called as Red, Red is called as Brown, Brown is called as Orange, Orange is called as Yellow, Yellow is called as Blue and Blue is called as Indigo, then what is the colour of human blood in that language?**

a) Red b) Blue c) Green d) Violet e) Brown

Ans: e)

2. In a certain code language, if Pen means Eraser, Eraser means Book, Book means Scale, Scale means Sharpener, Sharpener means Duster and Duster means Table, then what is the name of the object that is used to clean the black board in that language?

a) Duster b) Sharpener c) Table d) Scale e) Book

Ans: c)

3. In a certain code language, if Bread is called Butter, Butter is called Milk, Milk is called Shirt, Shirt is called Shoe, Shoe is called Bicycle, Bicycle is called Watch, Watch is called Aeroplane and Aeroplane is called Ship, then which of the following indicates time in that language?

a) Watch b) Bicycle c) Milk d) Ship e) Aeroplane

Ans: e)

CONNECTING TO SELF

Put a ✓ for the do's and put a ✗ for don't's.



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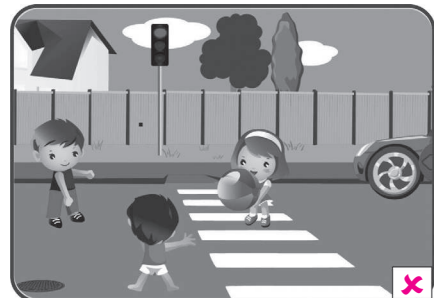
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UNIT TEST - 5

ENGLISH

Class: 8

Marks: 20

SECTION - A

I A. Choose the correct synonym for the underlined word. **2×1=2**

- The neem tree was a big antique in his garden.
a) updated b) latest c) ancient d) modern
- Heat exhaustion prevails.
a) visible b) invisible c) hidden d) wide spread

B. Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word. **2×1=2**

- Karan visited his ancestral village.
a) family b) offspring c) grand parents d) relatives
- Hazardous automotive and gardening products should be secured.
a) risky b) dangerous c) unharmed d) flammable

C. Answer any two of the following questions in one or two sentences **2×2=4**

- Which should be used with adults' supervision?
- How may one get a sun stroke?
- What is a must in every household?

SECTION - B

II Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions given below. **2**

- Then to my kennel I will run
And guard you safely all the night
Because you understood my fright
You were the dad chosen for me.*

- Who does 'I' refer to?
- Pick out the rhyming words.

SECTION - C

III Choose the best option to fill in the blanks: **2×1=2**

- The instinct in _____ had often saved the lives of men.
a) girls b) boys c) birds d) animals
- The man at _____ flashed a torch like a mad man.
a) the bridge b) the tollgate c) the woods d) the village

SECTION - D

IV 1. Write a sentence of your own for each homonym.

8×1=8

- a) express – something done fast _____
 b) express – convey _____

2. Choose the appropriate phrasal verb and fill in the blank.

The cricket match _____ at 9 o'clock

- a) kick off b) run into c) take off d) keep up

3. Replace the underlined word choosing the suitable phrasal verb.

I visited my uncle in Chennai last Sunday.

- a) call off b) call for c) call on d) call in

4. Tick the correct option to complete the sentence.

When I knocked at the door, my friend _____

- a) slept b) is sleeping c) sleeps d) was sleeping

5. Fill in the blank with the appropriate form of the verb.

By next Friday, I _____ (read) this book.

6. Choose the best answer:

If I _____ you, I _____ you

- a) saw, will greet b) see, would greet
 c) had seen, would greet d) had seen, would have greeted

7. Identify the error and rewrite the corrected sentence.

We will wait near the park till you will arrive.

Answer Key

- | | |
|-----|--|
| I | A) 1. c 2. d
B) 1. b 2. c |
| II | a) The dog
b) night, fright |
| III | 1. d 2. b |
| IV | 1. a) I sent the parcel express.
b) I expressed my opinions in the PTA meeting
2. a 3. c 4. d 5. will/shall have read 6. d
7. We will wait near the park till you arrive. |

Friendship

WARM UP

1. Do you have any childhood friendship that is still strong today?

Yes, I have childhood friendship that is still strong today. Malini is my best friend whose friendship I cultivated has weathered the storm.

2. Do you make friendship with others easily?

Yes, with open-mindedness and cordiality, I make friendship with others easily.

3. Share an incident that you remember proudly about your friends.

Once I participated in an essay-writing competition. My friends encouraged me by giving valuable tips. They brought me some books that would give essential information. But Dame luck did not smile upon me. I felt disappointed. My friends also felt unhappy about it. They didn't take lunch for about a week. Finally, I asked them not to bother about my failure. Then they became alright. I am proud of my friends who always share joys and sorrows with me.

SUMMARY

Section I

Vetri had a very successful construction company in Coimbatore. The company constructed many complexes and apartments. After his father's death his brothers demanded to divide the property to start separate businesses. Then Vetri's business had a downfall. He took loans for this business but could not pay back the loan properly. So he sold all the properties and then lived in a small house. He got a job and started to lead a normal life. But he wanted to start his own business. He needed money to start his business. No one was ready to lend him money. By the time his wife suggested that he could meet his friend Asif who had studied with him in school. Though he was hesitant in the beginning, finally he decided to meet him in Chennai.

Section II

He got into the train and he thought of his friendship with Asif. Vetri and Asif studied in a school at Keelakudy near Coimbatore. Their friendship started from the first day of the school. When Vetri cried to enter the school, Asif comforted him with a chocolate. Their friendship grew day by day. They both were good in studies. One day both the families quarreled but Vetri and Asif were holding on their friendship. Their friendship continued till tenth standard. Then Vetri went to Coimbatore and Asif went to Chennai. Asif started his business in Chennai and stayed there.

Section III

Vetri went straight to Asif's office. He was stopped by the security who sent him to the receptionist. When he went to the reception desk Asif himself came out of his office to meet Vetri. He saw Vetri in his CCTV. He was happy to meet Vetri and took him home for lunch. In his house everyone knew about Vetri because Asif had told them about him. They talked about their friendship for sometimes. In the evening he dropped Vetri in the railway station. Vetri after reaching home explained what had happened in Chennai in detail. She knew about her husband so she did not ask him anything. Two days later Vetri got a phone call from Asif's office to inform him that Asif assigned a project to him. Vetri could not believe it. This is the power of friendship. Before asking for help the other one could understand the need and acted according to the situation

GLOSSARY

complexes	-	consisting of many different and connected parts
demande	-	ask authoritatively
establish	-	set up on a firm and permanent basis
decided	-	having clear opinion

Meanings

constructed	-	built
split	-	divide
establish	-	create
decided	-	determined
boarded	-	entered
outskirts	-	suburbs
dropped	-	left
quarrel	-	fight
assigned	-	allotted, gave

Opposites

demande	×	requested
establish	×	destroy
normal	×	abnormal
lend	×	borrow
dropped	×	picked up
hesitatingly	×	strongly

Fill in the blanks.

1. Vetri's constructions was once a leading company.
2. He took a loan to run his company.
3. Vetri's friend is Asif.

Section II

GLOSSARY

boarded	-	get on or into a vehicle
consoled	-	comfort someone at the time of grief
exchanged	-	give something and receive something
competition	-	an event or contest
affected	-	cause a change in someone or something

Say True or False.

- | | |
|---|------|
| 1. Keelakudi was the native of Vetri. | True |
| 2. The school was a middle school. | True |
| 3. Vetri and Asif were good in studies. | True |
| 4. Vetri never visited Chennai. | True |
| 5. Asif was a businessman. | True |

Section III

GLOSSARY

nervously	-	in an anxious or uneasy manner
astounded	-	shocked or greatly surprised
hesitatingly	-	to be reluctant or wait to act because of fear
dumbfounded	-	speechless with amazement
dropped	-	the act of a person or thing that drops

Read and Understand

A. Choose the correct answer.

- | | |
|--|---------|
| 1. Vetri went to Asif's _____. | |
| a) home b) office c) room | Ans: b) |
| 2. Vetri came to Chennai to visit his _____. | |
| a) father b) friend c) brother | Ans: b) |
| 3. Asif saw his friend through the _____. | |
| a) camera b) window c) glass | Ans: a) |

B. Choose correct synonyms for the italic word.

- | | |
|--|---------|
| 1. Vetri <i>constructed</i> a bungalow. | |
| a) designed b) built c) demolished d) destroyed | Ans: b) |
| 2. The brothers started a business <i>separately</i> . | |
| a) apart b) alone c) united d) combined | Ans: a) |

3. I am living in the **outskirts** of the village.
a) border b) outpost c) center d) region **Ans: b)**
4. Asif **quarreled** with his friend.
a) fought b) differ c) peace d) fun **Ans: a)**
5. He stood **astounded**.
a) happy b) surprised c) shocked d) excited **Ans: b)**

ADDITIONAL

Choose the best synonym of the underlined word.

1. His company constructed many shopping complexes.
a) saw b) gave c) built d) passed
2. His brothers demanded to split the wealth.
a) commanded b) requested c) pleaded d) touched
3. His brothers demanded to split the wealth.
a) gather b) divide c) join d) sell
4. From then on Vetri found it difficult to establish his business.
a) destroy b) sell c) close d) create
5. Vetri after deep thought decided to meet his friend.
a) determined b) asked c) informed d) cleared
6. On the day of his travel, Vetri boarded the train, his memory went back to his schooldays.
a) left b) ran to c) entered d) touched
7. The village had a middle school in the outskirts.
a) middle b) suburbs c) close by d) far off
8. When Vetri's parents dropped him at the school, he started crying.
a) picked b) talked to c) saw d) left
9. Asif consoled him with a chocolate.
a) comforted b) gave c) asked d) pulled
10. Vetri nervously said "I want to meet Asif."
a) strongly b) clearly c) hesitatingly d) suddenly
11. The security was astounded "Mr. Asif is our MD. Are you sure you want to meet him?"
a) strengthened b) weakened c) informed d) surprised
12. Vetri hesitatingly said, "Yes, I am his friend, from his native place."
a) clearly b) reluctantly c) immediately d) quickly
13. Vetri was dumb founded.
a) speechless b) happy c) tired d) comfortable

14. Our MD Mr. Asif, has assigned a project to you.

- a) pushed b) received c) closed d) allotted

Answers	1. c	2. a	3. b	4. d	5. a	6. c	7. b	8. d	9. a	10. c
	11. d	12. b	13. a	14. d						

C. Choose correct antonyms for the italic word.

1. Vetri's wife replied *angrily*.

- a) calmly b) annoyed c) irritate

Ans: a)

2. The vegetables look *fresh*.

- a) rotten b) dull c) new

Ans: a)

3. Vetri had a *strong* will to start a new business.

- a) desire b) thin c) weak

Ans: c)

4. Vetri was *surprised* by his friend.

- a) unsurprised b) expected c) shocked

Ans: a)

5. He spoke *nervously*.

- a) frightfully b) confidently c) anxiously

Ans: b)

ADDITIONAL

Choose the best antonym of the underlined word

1. His brothers demanded to split the wealth.

- a) ordered b) commanded c) informed d) requested

2. From then on Vetri found it difficult to establish his business.

- a) create b) destroy c) ask d) give

3. Vetri found a job, and started to lead a normal life.

- a) abnormal b) innormal c) unnormal d) common

4. No one was ready to lend him money.

- a) give b) ask c) borrow d) beg

5. When Vetri's parents dropped him at the school, he started crying.

- a) left b) got up c) brought in d) picked up

6. Vetri hesitatingly said, "Yes, I am his friend, from his native place."

- a) strongly c) slowly c) reluctantly d) quickly

Answers

1. d

2. b

3. a

4. c

5. d

6. a

D. Answer the following questions in one or two words.

1. What was the name of Vetri's company?

Vetri Constructions was the name of Vetri's company.

2. Why did he sell his properties?

He sold his properties to pay back his loans.

3. Which was the home town of Vetri and Asif?

Coimbatore was the home town of Vetri and Asif.

4. When did Vetri receive a call from Asif's office?

After two days Vetri received a call from Asif's office.

E. Answer the following questions in 100 words.**1. How did Vetri lose his properties?**

Vetri had a very successful construction company in Coimbatore. The company constructed many complexes and apartments. After his father's death his brothers demanded to divide the property to start separate businesses. Then Vetri's business had a downfall. He took loans for this business but could not pay back the loan properly. So he sold all the properties and then lived in a small house. He got a job and started to lead a normal life.

2. What happened when Vetri met Asif?

Vetri went straight to Asif's office. He was stopped by the security who sent him to the receptionist. When he went to the reception desk Asif himself came out of his office to meet Vetri. He saw Vetri in his CCTV. He was happy to meet Vetri and took him home for lunch. In his house everyone knew about Vetri because Asif had told them about him. They talked about their friendship for sometimes. In the evening he dropped Vetri in the railway station.

3. How did Asif show his friendship?

Vetri went straight to Asif's office. He was stopped by the security who sent him to the receptionist. When he went to the reception desk Asif himself came out of his office to meet Vetri. He saw Vetri in his CCTV. He was happy to meet Vetri and took him home for lunch. In the evening he dropped Vetri in the railway station. Vetri after reaching home explained what had happened in Chennai in detail. She knew about her husband so she did not ask anything to him. Two days later Vetri got a phone call from Asif's office to inform him that Asif assigned a project to him. Vetri could not believe it. This is the power of friendship. Before asking for help the other one could understand the need and acted according to the situation.

VOCABULARY**Commonly Confused Words.**

Complete the following sentences using appropriate confusable words.

- The sugar had a negative _____ on the science experiment. (effect/affect)
- I am going to _____ down for an hour. (lie/lay)
- The gas prices continue to _____. (raise/rise)

4. She always gives me good _____. (advice/advise)
 5. The war had no _____ on oil prices. (affect / effect)

Answers

1. effect	2. lie	3. rise	4. advice	5. effect
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Anagram**Exercise:**bowl – **blow**march – **charm**study – **dusty**snail – **nails**plum – **lump**chin – **inch**flow – **wolf**eat – **tea****Antigram****Exercise:**earliest – **arise late**festival – **evil fast**funeral – **real fun**violence – **Nice love****LISTENING****Questions on passage****1. Whose speech is this?**

This is Rahim's speech.

2. What did Rahul engrave?

Rahul engraved the help done by Rahm in him heart.

3. Who is lucky?

Rahim is lucky

4. Who bagged 'all-rounder' award?

Rahul bagged 'all-rounder' award.

5. Whose birthday party is it?

It is Rahul's birthday.

SPEAKING**Picture description**

Describe the things in the picture using the descriptive words given below.



Descriptive words

Large	Small	Good	Happy
Big	Little	Great	Joyful
Enormous	Miniature	Fantastic	Delighted
Gigantic	Minute	Excellent	Thrilled
Huge	Petite	Amazing	Glad
Massive	Tiny	Wonderful	Pleased
Tremendous	Slight	Marvellous	Satisfied

Answers:

This picture is a classroom with many classroom items. There are seven big tables. It has an excellent white board. There are many tiny pictures hanging. Some wonderful pictures are pasted on the wall. There is a big shelf which has many little useful items. Chairs are arranged in an amazing way. Students should be delighted to study in this marvellous classroom.

WRITING

Forms

Given below is a filled in bank challan to obtain a Demand Draft

State Bank Of India DFT/B.C. APPLICATION 02.03.2008		State Bank Of India DRAFT/BANKERS CHEQUE APPLICATION FORM PLEASE ISSUE A (TICK) ☒ DRAFT ☐ BANKERS CHEQUE Date 02.03.2008	
NAME OF APPLICANT N.B. Poongodhai AMOUNT (in words) Seven hundred and fifty only Rs. 750 P. 00 EXCHANGE 25 P. 00 TOTAL 775 P. 00 S.W.O. Cash Officer Passing Officer		PARTICULARS 500 x 1 Rs. 500 P. 00 100 x 2 Rs. 200 P. 00 50 x 1 Rs. 50 P. 00 10 x 2 Rs. 20 P. 00 5 x 1 Rs. 5 P. 00 775 Rs. 00 P. 00 IN FAVOUR OF The Registrar, Madurai Kamaraj University FOR RUPEES Seven hundred and fifty only PAYABLE AT (BRANCH) Madurai CODE 000000 SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT N.B. Poongodhai PARTITION NO. 1 S.W.O. SCROLL No. S.W.O. CASH OFFICER PASSING OFFICER DRAFT/BC No. CHECKED SIGNED RECEIVED THE DRAFT / B.C. N.B. Poongodhai APPLICANT	

H) Fill in the Form given below.

POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANK
ACCOUNT OPENING/PURCHASE OF CERTIFICATE APPLICATION FORM FOR INDIVIDUALS

For Office Use											
Post Office:						Date:			SOL ID:		
Account/Registration No.						CIFID(1)					
		CIFID(2)							CIFID(3)		

For Applicant(s)

*1. I/We request you to open:- Savings/Basic Savings/RD/TD ____ Year//MIS/SCSS/PPF/SSA or issue NSC(8th/9th issue) or KVP in my/our name.

*2. Full Name of applicant/Guardian (in case of minor/Lunatic A/C), in CAPITAL Letters (leave space between words) Mr./Mrs./Ms./Other First Name Middle Name Last name Gender (M/F)

1	VETRI. R	M
2		
3		

*3. Full Name of father/husband/Mother, in CAPITAL Letters

*4. Residential Address

	First Applicant	2 nd Applicant	3 rd Applicant
Flat No./Bldg. name	10, FIRST FLOOR		
Street/Road/Locality/Village	WEST STREET		
Tehsil/Post Office	TIRUNELVELI		
City and District	TIRUNELVELI		
State	TAMILNADU		
Pin Code	627001		
Tel./Mobile No.(optional)	1234567890		
Email (optional)			

*5. Applicant's Date of Birth (dd/mm/yy) PAN Number or Form 60/61 CIF ID (if already exists)

1	01-10-2020		
2			
3			

*6. Operating Instruction (please tick v the empty box)

Single/Self	Either or Survivor (Joint-B)	Jointly (Joint-A)	Through literate agent
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*7. Detail of Know Your Customer (KYC) documents submitted:-

	Photo ID			Address Proof		
	Applicant			Applicant		
	1st	2nd	3rd	1st	2nd	3rd
Type of Document	AADHAR					
Document No.						
Valid up to (if any)						

*8. Detail of First deposit:- Amount Rs.(figures) 1000/- (words) ONE THOUSAND
Mode of Deposit CASH

9. Nomination:- I/We nominate the person(s) named below under Section 4 of the Government Savings Bank Act, 1873 (5 of 1873) to be the sole recipient(s) of the amount standing at the credit of the account in the event of my/our death.

I) Fill in the Form given below.

RAILWAY CM257

RESERVATION / CANCELLATION REQUISITION FORM

If you are a Medical Practitioner
Please tick () in Box Dr. ☐
(You could be of help in an emergency)

Train No & Name 26578 Date of journey 5-10-2020
Class 11 No of Berth/Seat 3
Station from BENGALURU To KANYAKUMARI
Boarding at BENGALURU Reservation upto KANYAKUMARI

S.No.	Name in Block letter(not more than 15 chars)	Sex (M/F)	Age	Concession/Travel Authority No.	Choice if any
1	PRADEEP. N	M	40		Lower/Upper berth
2	MEGALA. P	F	36		
3	SUNDAR. P	M	13		Veg./Non-veg. Meal for Rajdhani/Shatabdi
4					
5					
6					

CHILDREN BELOW 5 YEARS (FOR WHOM TICKET IS NOT TO BE ISSUED)

S.No.	Name in Block Letters	Sex	Age
1			
2			

ONWARD/RETURN JOURNEY DETAILS

Train No. & Name 26757 Date 10-10-2020
Class II Station from: KANYAKUMARI To MADURAI
Name of applicant PRADEEP. N
Full Address 10, WEST STREET, TIRUNELVEI ROAD
KANYAKUMARI - 5
N. Pradeep
Signature of the Applicant/Representative
Telephone No., 1234567890 Date 3-10-2020 Time 10.00 A.M

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

S.No. of Requisition _____ PNR No. _____
Berth/Seat No. _____ Amount collected _____

Signature of Reservation Clerk

Note : 1. Maximum permissible passengers is 6 per requisition.
2. One person can give one requisition form at a time.
3. Please check your ticket and balance amount before leaving the window.
4. Forms not properly filled or in illegible forms shall not be entertained.
5. Choice is subject to availability.

GRAMMAR

REPORTED SPEECH

A) Change the following into Indirect Speech:-

1. "What do you want?" he said to her.
He asked her what she wanted.
2. He said, "How's your father?"
He asked her how her father was.
3. "Are you coming home with me?" he asked.
He asked her whether she was coming home with him.
4. The poor man exclaimed, "Will none of you help me?"
The poor man asked them if none of them would help him.
5. "Don't you know the way home?" asked I.
I asked him whether he knew the way home.

B) Change the following into Indirect Speech:-

1. "Bring me a glass of milk," said the swami to the villagers.
The swami asked the villagers to bring him a glass of milk.
2. "Sit down, boys," said the teacher.
The teacher asked the boys to sit down.
3. "Halt!" shouted the officer to his men.
The officer ordered his men to halt.
4. "Take off your hat," the king said to the Hatter.
The king commanded the Hatter to take off his hat.
5. The teacher said to him, "Do not read so fast."
The teacher asked him not to read so fast.
6. He said to me, "Wait until I come."
He urged me to wait until he came.
7. "Hurry up," he said to his servant, "do not waste time."
He ordered his servant to hurry up and not to waste time.
8. "Run away, children," said their mother.
The mother urged her children to run away.
9. He said, "Daughter, take my golden jug, and fetch me some water from the well."
He asked his daughter to take his golden jug and fetch him some water from the well.

10. "Go down to the bazaar. Bring me some oil and a lump of ice." ordered his master.
His master ordered him to go down the bazaar and bring him some oil and lump of ice.

D) What were the actual words used in each instance below? The sentences containing the actual words are jumped in the box. Write them out in the same order as the actual words.

1. Punitha asked Pushpa what she was reading.
2. Pushpa told her that he was reading Robinson Crusoe.
3. Punitha asked her what it was all about.
4. Pushpa said it was about a man wrecked on an island.
5. Punitha then asked her friend who gave her the book.
6. Pushpa answered that her uncle gave it to her at Christmas.
7. Finally Punitha inquired if she could borrow it.
8. Pushpa replied that she would certainly lend it to her.

- (a) "May I borrow it?" inquired Punitha.
- (b) "What are you reading, Pushpa?" asked Punitha.
- (c) "It is about a man wrecked on an island," Pushpa said.
- (d) "Of course I will lend it to you," replied Pushpa.
- (e) "Uncle gave it to me at Christmas," answered Pushpa.
- (f) "What is it all about?" Punitha asked.
- (g) "I am reading Robinson Crusoe, Pushpa told her.
- (h) "Who gave you the book, Pushpa?" Punitha then asked.

Ans: 1 – b, 2 – g, 3 – f, 4 – c, 5 – h, 6 – e, 7 – a, 8 – d

E) Change the following into Direct Speech:-

1. Nevin asked his father when the next letter would come.
Nevin said to his father, "When will the next letter come?"
2. I wrote that I would visit him next day.
I wrote, " I will visit you tomorrow."
3. I told them to be quiet.
I said to them, "Be quite."
4. Lakshan asked me if I had anything to say.
Lakshan said to me, "Do you have anything to say?"
5. An old mouse asked who would bell the cat.
An old mouse said, "Who will bell the cat?"
6. Mervin said that he wanted to be a soldier.
Mervin said, "I want to be a soldier".

7. Ebin asked me what I wanted.
Ebin said to me, "What do you want?"
8. Bhagya said that she had seen that picture.
Bhagya said, "I have seen this picture"
9. The stranger asked Nasrin where she lived.
The stranger said to Nasrin, "Where do you live?"
10. I asked Mary if she would lend me a pencil.
I said to Mary, "Will you lend me a pencil?"

F) Sherlyn receives a postcard from her friend Pushpa who is holidaying in Sri Lanka. She calls her friend Galen and tells him what Pushpa has written. Help her by filling in the blanks, using reported speech.

9 March 2020

Dear Sherlyn,

Yesterday we visited Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage. It has 84 elephants. It is the biggest herd of elephants in the world that is living under human supervision. I am glad we came here because I am learning a lot. The Elephant Orphanage is truly worth visiting. Tomorrow, we are going to the national park. I will be returning next week. I'm looking forward to meeting you then.

**Cheers!
Pushpa**

**To
Sherlyn**

**5/75 Trunk Road,
Poonamallee,
Chennai - 600 056**

Hello, Galen Today I received a postcard from Pushpa. Remember I had told you that she has gone to Sri Lanka on a holiday? Well, she has written from Colombo. She has written that she visited Elephant Orphanage. It has 84 elephants. She said that it is the biggest herd of elephants in the world that is living under human supervision. She also added that she was glad they had come there because she was learning a lot. The Elephant Orphanage was truly worth visiting She said that they were going to the national park. She would be returning next week and added that she was looking forward to meeting me then.

POEM

6

*Lessons in Life

– Brigitte Bryant & Daniel Ho

WARM UP

1. What do you feel when you meet your friend after a long time?

I felt extremely happy when I met my friend after a long time.

2. Building a friendship with someone is easy or difficult? Why?

Building friendship with someone is easy. If we talk showing out interest in them, it is easy to build friendship.

SUMMARY

Bridgett Bryant & Daniel Ho write in the poem, 'Life is a Lesson' about the friendship. Having a friend is like planting a flower. When we show love and kindness it will blossom someday. We all walk on the planet. Even the tiniest creature needs place in the world. It is not easy to get lesson from life. Nothing will come free in this world. Even the smallest gift needs gratitude from the receiver. When we respect others, others will respect us. If we thing of the welfare of others, others will think of our welfare. We should remember that everyone is important in life. When we are forgotten by others we feel sad. We want to be somebody in world. Our life should matter much for others. Then we should make a difference in the world. We should not make others shame us or feel bad.

GLOSSARY

kindness (n)	-	humble
bloom (v)	-	come into
tiniest (adj)	-	smallest
forgotten (v)	-	out of mind
deserves (v)	-	be qualified for

A. Comprehension Questions

1. What is planting a flower compared to?

Planting a flower is compared to having a friend.

2. What does the tiniest creature need?

The tiniest creature needs a place in this world.

3. What do the smallest gifts deserve?

The smallest gifts deserve gratitude.

4. What will happen if you fail to give importance to others?

If we fail to give importance to others, they will feel sad.

5. What do you learn from your lessons in life?

We learn from our lessons in life that we can express our friendship to others by respecting them.

6. Pick and write the rhyming words from the third stanza.

bloom - room sad - bad

7. "Having a friend is like planting a flower." Explain.

When we plant a flowering plant we have to give our attention to it. In the same way if we want to keep our friendship we should give our attention to it.

Figures of speech**a. Simile:****Exercise:**

Answer the following.

1. Write a sentence using 'as fast as the wind'.

The horse went as fast as the wind.

2. Write a simile using the word 'like'.

He fought like a lion.

3. Create a simile using the word 'as'.

My friend is as strong as a steel.

4. What does 'as smart as a fox' mean?

Very intelligent

2. Metaphor:**Exercise****1. Which of the given options is a Metaphor?**

- a) Life is like a chocolate box. b) Raj is like his twin brother.
c) His words are pearls of wisdom. d) The bus is slow as a snail.

Ans: c)

2. What does "The world is a stage" mean?

"The world is a stage" means that the world is like stage of a drama where we all play our part.

3. Identify the Metaphor in the sentence.

Her hair is always a rat's nest in the morning.

Ans: The metaphor is 'a rat's nest'.

4. Write a sentence on your own that includes a Metaphor.

The king was a lion in the battle.

ADDITIONAL

Read the following lines and answer the questions that follow.

1. *Lessons in life aren't always so simple
Nothing you're given will ever come free*

a) What kind of lessons do we get in life?

The lessons we get in life is not simple. Nothing will come to us free.

b) Pick out the words in alliteration.

lessons – life

2. *When you're forgotten it makes you feel sad
Know that you matter and you make a difference
Let no one shame you or make you feel bad.*

a) When do we feel sad?

When we are forgotten we feel sad.

b) Pick out the rhyming words

sad – bad

SUPPLEMENTARY

6

Homeless Man and his Friends: A true story

SUMMARY

There was a man called Cesar who was homeless. He lived in Rio do Sul in south Brazil. He often offered his own food to stray dogs which lived around him. Once he required urgent treatment in a hospital. His faithful dogs were waiting for him near the hospital. The unbelievable loyalty of the dogs was seen by the nurse CrisMaprim and her colleagues. Cesar came to hospital for treatment at about 3 pm. That was the first time he visited that hospital. So the nurses did not know about his health condition or his background.

They came to know that he was accompanied by some dogs and four of them were waiting at the entrance. Their concern for the homeless man touched the hearts of the nurses. They heard that he had sacrificed his own food to feed those dogs. Maprim clicked a photo of the touching scene and posted it in the Face Book with a writing that the faithful dogs were waiting for their master who was being treated inside the hospital. A simple person who needed the help of others for his hunger had those best companions around him.

The faithful dogs reunited with their master. The staff of the hospital allowed the dogs to come inside the hospital. They gave some food to Cesar but he shared it with his dogs. An hour later Cesar left the hospital accompanied by the dogs.

GLOSSARY

boomerang (n)	-	come back to the person who threw it
medication (n)	-	form of medicine that is used to treat
incredible (adj)	-	unbelievable
anticipating (v)	-	expecting

A. Comprehension Questions

- What is the name of the hero of this story?**
Caser is the name of the hero of this story.
- Where did this story happen?**
This story happened in Rio do sul in south Brazil.
- When was he admitted in the hospital?**
He was admitted in hospital at about 3 pm.

4. Where is the hospital?

The hospital is in Rio do Sul.

5. Who accompanied him to the hospital?

His faithful dogs accompanied him to the hospital.

B. Write the answers for the following questions in 100 words.**1. Where did the nurse post this story?**

There was a man called Caser who was homeless. He lived in Rio do Sul in south Brazil. He often offered his own food to stray dogs which lived around him. Once he required urgent treatment in a hospital. His faithful dogs were waiting for her near the hospital. The unbelievable loyalty of the dogs was seen by the nurse CrisMaprim and her colleagues. They came to know that he was accompanied by some dogs and four of them were waiting at the entrance. Their concern for the homeless man touched the hearts of the nurses. They heard that he had sacrificed his own food to feed those dogs. Maprim clicked a photo of the touching scene and posted it in the Face Book with a writing that the faithful dogs were waiting for their master who was being treated inside the hospital.

2. What did Cesar do when he was offered food by the nurses?

There was a man called Caser who was homeless. He lived in Rio do Sul in south Brazil. He often offered his own food to stray dogs which lived around him. Once he required urgent treatment in a hospital. His faithful dogs were waiting for him near the hospital. The unbelievable loyalty of the dogs was seen by the nurse CrisMaprim and her colleagues. They came to know that he was accompanied by some dogs and four of them were waiting at the entrance. After the treatment the faithful dogs reunited with their master. The staff of the hospital allowed the dogs to come inside the hospital. They gave some food to Caser but he shared it with his dogs. An hour later Caser left the hospital accompanied by the dogs.

3. How many dogs accompanied him when he left the hospital?

There was a man called Caser who was homeless. He lived in Rio do Sul in south Brazil. He often offered his own food to stray dogs which lived around him. Once he required urgent treatment in a hospital. His faithful dogs were waiting for him near the hospital. The unbelievable loyalty of the dogs was seen by the nurse CrisMaprim and her colleagues. Caser came to hospital for treatment at about 3 pm. That was the first time he visited that hospital. So the nurses did not know about his health condition or his background. They came to know that he was accompanied by some dogs and four of them were waiting at the entrance.

4. How many people followed Mamprim's post?

There was a man called Caser who was homeless. He lived in Rio do Sul in south Brazil. He often offered his own food to stray dogs which lived around him. Once he required urgent treatment in a hospital. His faithful dogs were waiting for him near the hospital. The unbelievable loyalty of the dogs was seen

by the nurse CrisMaprim and her colleagues. They came to know that he was accompanied by some dogs and four of them were waiting at the entrance. Their concern for the homeless man touched the hearts of the nurses. Maprim clicked a photo of the touching scene and posted it in the Face Book. 1,36000 people followed Maprim's post.

C. Can you guess the meaning of following words after understanding the story?

homeless	one without a home
boomerang	rebound
canine	dog
stray	abandoned
health facility	hospital
colleague	co-worker
accompany	follow
trailing	coming behind
wagging	shaking
reciprocal	shared
possession	ownership
mistreatment	ill-treatment

ADDITIONAL

Choose the best option and fill the blanks

- The name of the story of 'Homeless man and his Friends' was _____.
a) John b) David c) James d) Cesar
- The story of "Homeless man and his Friends' happened in _____.
a) Brazil b) South Africa c) Briton d) Asia
- Cesar was admitted in hospital at _____.
a) 6 pm b) 3 pm c) 10 am d) 8 am
- Cesar faithful _____ accompanied him to the hospital.
a) friends b) followers c) dogs d) neighbours
- The name of the nurse was _____.
a) CrisMamprim b) Judi Alos c) Crist Noah d) Danny Impol
- _____ were waiting for Cesar at the entrance.
a) two dogs b) three dogs c) four friends d) four dogs
- Mamprim posted the photos in _____.
a) WhatsApp b) Facebook c) Instagram d) Twitter

8. Cesar sacrificed his _____ for the sake of the dogs.
a) home b) friends c) parents d) food
9. The hospital staff offered _____ to Cesar.
a) food b) money c) clothes d) medicine
10. Cesar left the hospital with _____ trailing behind him.
a) four friends b) relatives c) four dogs d) parents

Answers 1. d 2. a 3. b 4. c 5. a 6. d 7. b 8. d 9. a 10. c

Identify the character / speaker

- He suddenly required emergency treatment. - Cesar
- They realised that he had a gang of dogs. - hospital staff
- Later posted it on Facebook - Cris Mamprim
- "I came across this today." - Cris Mamprim
- A simple person, without luxury, who depends on help from others - Cesar

STEP TO SUCCESS

Coding – Decoding

Number the alphabet according to their position to decode the following.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
U	V	W	X	Y	Z														
21	22	23	24	25	26														

- In a certain code language, if BUG = 30 and ALMS = 45 then CADET =?
a) 70 b) 24 c) 33 d) 37 **Ans: c)**
- In a certain code language, if INFER = 25 and JERSEY = 28, then CHOICE =?
a) 43 b) 34 c) 89 d) 52 **Ans: b)**
- In a certain code language, EGG is 577 and ICE is 935 then what is 8945?
a) HIDE b) FEAR c) DEED d) HIGH **Ans: a)**
- In a certain code language, YSMIR is TNHDM and VPJHN is QKECI then GKTZO is _____?
a) TEFMD b) BFOUJ c) IPBVR d) ZOAFQ **Ans: b)**

CONNECTING TO SELF

Tick the boxes that you have done and check yourself whether you are a good friend.



☒ I have given my friend the money that I saved to buy a note, book, etc,
☐ I have fought with my friends.
☐ I eat my friends' lunch without their knowledge.
☒ I have helped my friend to finish his home work.
☐ I have taken my friend to play in the class time.
☒ I have given my friend my pen and other things when he needed them.
☐ I have disturbed others with my friends.
☐ I have accused only my friend for what we did together.
☒ I have helped my friend to study the lesson and get good marks in exams.

If you tick two or less pink / two or more blue you should improve yourself as a better friend.

UNIT TEST - 6

ENGLISH

Class: 8

Marks: 20

SECTION - A

I A. Choose the correct synonym for the underlined word. 2×1=2

- Asif consoled him with a chocolate.
a) praise b) comment c) comfort d) advise
- His company constructed many shopping complexes.
a) make b) build c) sell d) buy

B. Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word. 2×1=2

- Vetri started to lead a normal life.
a) usual b) strange c) abnormal d) serious
- The vegetables look fresh.
a) new b) rotten c) dull d) old

C. Answer any two of the following questions in one or two sentences 2×2=4

- What was the name of Vetri's company?
- Why did Vetri sell his properties?
- What did Vetri and Asif talk about in Asif's office?

SECTION - B

II Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions given below. 2

- Nothing you're given will ever come free
Even the smallest of gifts deserves "thank you"*
a) Does anything we are given come free?
b) What deserves 'thank you'?

SECTION - C

III Choose the best option to fill in the blank: 2×1=2

- The dogs' incredible loyalty was witnessed by _____.
a) Cesar b) patients c) doctors d) Mampium
- The faithful _____ were anticipating Cesar's safe return
a) canines b) nurses
c) Mamprim and her friends d) Mamprim's colleagues

SECTION - D

IV 1. Complete the following sentence choosing appropriate word. 8×1=8

I am going to _____ a question in the meeting.

- a) raise b) rise

2. Complete the following sentence choosing the appropriate word.

_____ articles are available here.

- a) stationery b) stationary

3. Rearrange the letters to make another meaningful word.

care or earth

4. Change the following into indirect speech.

"Hurry up", he said to his servant, "don't waste your time"

5. Change the following into direct speech.

I asked Joans if she would accompany me to the library.

6. Change the following into indirect speech.

He said to her, "Will you lend me your maths notebook?"

7. Spot the error and rewrite the corrected sentences.

a) Mohan and me have met the principal

b) We elected Prakash as a leader.

Answer Key

I

A) 1. c 2. b

B) 1. c 2. b

II

a) No

b) Even the smallest of gifts deserves 'thank you'.

III

1. d 2. a

IV

1. a 2. a 3. race/heart

4. He asked his servant to hurry up and to not waste his time.

5. I said to Joans, "Will you accompany me to the library?"

6. He asked her if she would lend him her maths notebooks.

7. a) Mohan and I have met the Principal

b) We elected Prakash leader.

Cyber Safety

WARM UP

In pairs, identify the types of computer. Choose and write the names from the box.

(Tablet, Palmtop computer, Laptop, Watch computer, Personal computer, Super computer)



Personal computer



Laptop



Tablet



Super computer



Palmtop computer



Watch computer

SUMMARY

The lesson 'Cyber Safety' is about the dangers of misuse of mobile and internet. Internet is a powerful way to get the information to gain knowledge. Gladin asked his mother how the screw gauge worked. She asked him to find out it from internet. By the time his father came and asked about his children.

Mother informed him that Gladin was browsing and Rani seemed to be frightened of something. Father called her and asked her the reason. Hesitatingly she informed him that someone was chatting with her and he knew her name and address. She was afraid that she might come to their house. He frightened her saying that if she

informed others he would harm her family members. Father told her not to respond to any chat from him. After some days he would stop calling her. If he continued to disturb her he would talk to his parents and if they did not help her he would inform cyber police.

Father advised the children how to use internet properly. They should talk only to those whom they knew well. They should not give their personal information like photos, phone number, aadhar etc. Strangers might misuse the information.

Internet and mobile helped them to connect with others and to watch movies, listen to music and play games. But they should not get addicted to the power house of entertainment. Mobile addition might cause head ache, weakened eyesight, sleep disorders, stress, social isolation, aggressive behaviour, financial problems, ruined relationship and no or low professional growth. In the same time they could not ignore the benefits of internet and mobile. These things should be used with care.

GLOSSARY

screw gauge (n)	-	measuring tool
browse (v)	-	to scan , to casually look through in order to find items of interest
frightened (v)	-	scared
online predator (n)	-	someone who sexually exploits a child over the internet
bother (v)	-	to disturb or annoy
cyber (adj)	-	relating to or characteristic of culture of computers, information technology and virtual reality.
aggressive (adj)	-	prone to behave in a way that involves attacking or arguing
beneficial (adj)	-	helpful or good to something or someone

Meanings

browse	-	look through
gain	-	increase
predator	-	killer, raider
dull	-	gloomy
scared	-	frightened
chat	-	talk
harm	-	damage
addicted	-	dependent
aggressive	-	violent
ignore	-	disregard
benefit	-	advantage, help

Opposites

gain	×	lose
frightened	×	comforted

dull	×	bright
addicted	×	unaccustomed
aggressive	×	peaceful
ignore	×	acknowledge, obey

Read and Understand

A. Choose the correct synonyms for the italicized words.

- I was really *scared*.
a) bold b) frightened c) timid **Ans: b**
- Let us *browse* about it.
a) surf b) read c) glance **Ans: a**
- There is a chance to get *addicted*.
a) accustomed b) known c) inclined **Ans: a**
- we can't ignore the *benefits* of internet.
a) favorable b) harm c) popularity **Ans: a**
- She *gathered* the information from the internet.
a) disburse b) collect c) amass **Ans: b**

ADDITIONAL

Choose the best synonym of the underlined word.

- Let us browse about it in internet.
a) went through b) look through c) see through d) come through
- You can gather information to gain knowledge.
a) increase b) decrease c) lose d) disperse
- Rani seems to be frightened of something.
a) happy b) calm c) laughing d) scared
- Are you suspecting any cyber predator?
a) scientist b) technology c) killer d) protector
- My dear what happened? You seem dull.
a) gloomy b) bright c) intelligent d) happy
- I am really scared.
a) sad b) harm c) addicted d) frightened
- He chats every day.
a) sees b) laughs c) goes d) talks
- He will cause harm to my family members.
a) good b) damage c) calm d) agitation

9. Still if he bothers you I will take care of him.
a) talks b) fights c) disturbs d) calls
10. There is a chance to get addicted to this power house of entertainment.
a) added b) dependent c) lost d) delighted
11. stress, social isolation, aggressive behaviour
a) violent b) calm c) prosper d) involved
12. We can't ignore the benefits of internet and mobile phones.
a) accept b) invite c) disregard d) receive
13. We can't ignore the benefits of internet and mobile phones.
a) lose b) weakness c) loyalty d) advantages

Answers	1. b	2. a	3. d	4. c	5. a	6. d	7. d	8. b	9. c	10. b
	11. a	12. c	13. d							

B. Choose the correct antonyms for the italicized words.

1. The explosion had *weakened* the building's foundations.
a) dreary b) dull c) strengthen d) weak **Ans: c**
2. A *stranger* was roaming around the street.
a) well known b) newcomer c) unknown d) foreigner **Ans: a**
3. Vairavan is having a spot of *bother* with law.
a) worry b) annoy c) pester d) pleasing **Ans: d**
4. He asked the manager to *improve* the facility in the hall.
a) amenity b) comfort c) uneasy d) short coming **Ans: d**
5. A good diet is *beneficial* to health.
a) benefit b) helpful c) harmful d) useful **Ans: c**

ADDITIONAL

Choose the best antonym of the underlined words.

1. You can gather information to gain knowledge.
a) accept b) regard c) lose d) increase **Ans: c**
2. Rani seems to be frightened of something.
a) comforted b) scared c) upset d) terrified **Ans: a**
3. My dear what happened? You seem dull.
a) gloomy b) sad c) cloudy d) bright **Ans: d**
4. There is a chance to get addicted to this power house of entertainment.
a) dependent b) unaccustomed
c) added d) used **Ans: b**

5. stress, social isolation, aggressive behaviour

- a) peaceful b) violent c) hostile d) destructive

Ans: a

6. We can't ignore the benefits of internet and mobile phones.

- a) overlook d) discount c) snub d) acknowledge

Ans: d

C. Fill in the blanks.

- Internet is a great tool where, one can gather information.
- Gladin is gathering information for his project.
- Childern should use internet carefully.
- We should keep our personal details not in the internet.
- We should not get addicted to power house of entertainment.

D. Say true or false.

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|---|-------|
| 1. Gladin's mom knew how screw guage works. | False |
| 2. We use internet to gather information and gain knowledge. | True |
| 3. Rani was frightened of an online predator. | True |
| 4. Strangers don't misuse your information. | False |
| 5. Do not give your name, address, telephone number to the strangers. | True |
| 6. Too much of anything is good for nothing. | True |

E. Answer the following questions in a sentence or two.

1. Why did Gladin's mom ask him to browse?

Gladin's mother asked him browse to know how screw gauge worked.

2. Why do we use internet?

We use internet to gather information to gain knowledge.

3. What was Rani afraid of?

Rani was afraid of an online predator.

4. What was father's advice to Rani?

Father advised Rani not to respond to the online predator's call.

5. Who is an online predator?

Online predator is one who misuses the details of others which he has collected from them.

6. What was father's instruction to Gladin and Rani?

Father instructed Galdin and Rani to use internet and mobile with care.

7. What do strangers do with our personal information?

Strangers misuse our personal information for their benefits.

8. What are the benefits of computer?

Internet and mobile help us to connect with others and to watch movies, listen to music and play games.

F. Answer the following in about 100 words.**1. How should one use the technology of the present world?**

The lesson 'Cyber Safety' is about the dangers of misuse of mobile and internet. Internet is a powerful way to get the information to gain knowledge. We should use the technology of modern world with care. We should talk only to those whom we knew well. We should not give our personal information like photos, phone number, aadhar etc. Strangers may misuse the information. Internet and mobile help us to connect with others and to watch movies, listen to music and play games. But we should not get addicted to the power house of entertainment

2. What happens if someone is addicted to mobile phone?

The lesson 'Cyber Safety' is about the dangers of misuse of mobile and internet. Internet is a powerful way to get the information to gain knowledge. We should use the technology of modern world with care. Internet and mobile help us to connect with others and to watch movies, listen to music and play games. But we should not get addicted to the power house of entertainment. Mobile addition might cause head ache, weakened eyesight, sleep disorders, stress, social isolation, aggressive behaviour, financial problems, ruined relationship and no or low professional growth.

3. "We can't ignore the benefits of internet and mobile phone" Justify.

The lesson 'Cyber Safety' is about the dangers of misuse of mobile and internet. Internet is a powerful way to get the information to gain knowledge. We should use the technology of modern world with care. Internet and mobile help us to connect with others and to watch movies, listen to music and play games. We gather information to gain knowledge. So we cannot ignore the benefits of internet and mobile phone.

VOCABULARY

British and American English**A) Find the suitable British or American English word and fill in the following.**

British		American
Flat		<u>apartment</u>
Lift		<u>escalator</u>

British		American
<u>chips</u>		French fries
<u>biscuit</u>		Cookie

Petrol		<u>gasoline</u>
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<u>holiday</u>		Vacation
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B) Find the suitable British or American English spelling and fill in the following.

British		American
Apologise		<u>apologize</u>
Judgement		<u>judgment</u>
Neighbour		<u>neighbor</u>

British		American
<u>deramt</u>		Dreamed
<u>aeroplane</u>		Airplane
<u>plough</u>		Plow

C. Eponymous Words

Eponym	Meaning	Origin
saxophone	It is a musical blowing instrument.	Saxophone is named after Adolf Sax. At an early age he had the talents to make brass instruments.
volcano	An opening in the earth through which molten lava issues or a mountain built up of lava	Vulcan (Latin Volcanus), the Roman god of fire and metalworking.
Eiffel Tower	It is a tower of skeletal iron construction in Paris, France: built for the exposition of 1889. 984 ft. (300 m) high	A. G. EIFFEL, was its engineer and principal designer.
Boycott	the withdrawal of support, or the refusal to buy or use something, as a form of protest or activism	Boycott was named after Charles C. Boycott. He had served in the British Army 39th Foot, which brought him to Ireland.
Mount Everest	Mount Everest is the highest peak in the Himalayan mountain.	Mount Everest is named after the first surveyor general of India George Everest.

D. Euphemistic words

i. Fill in the blanks with correct euphemisms for the given words.

deaf, or hard of hearing	acoustically challenged
mentally ill	mentally challenged, lunatic

fat	full-figured
blind	visually challenged
liar	economical truth

SPEAKING

F. Imagine a world with no books, but only e-books. How would you find such a world? Deliver a two-minute talk.

An e-book is a book in electronic format. It is downloaded to a computer, PC, Mac, laptop, tablet, smart phone or any other kind of reading device, and is read on the screen. It can have numbered pages, table of contents, pictures and graphics, exactly like a printed book. E-books offer many benefits and advantages, and this article shows a few of them. It is very simple and easy to purchase and download e-books through the Internet. As the technology goes a time may come when we have only e-books and no ordinary printed books. Books are a tactile experience, meaning they are supposed to be experienced through touch and smell. With e-books this feeling is not possible. But e-books have their own advantages. Papers can be avoided so trees need not be cut down for making papers. When you need certain information, you can get it immediately, by downloading an e-book. E-books are portable. You can carry a whole library of hundreds of books with you, on CD, in a laptop, notebook or any e-book reader, without worrying about their weight. In such a situation students will come to class with a tab, lap top or a smart phone. The teacher can teach with his lap top. Any books of information can be read in this form.

WRITING

F. Write a formal email to Mr Sundar Pitchai CEO of Google, requesting him for an appointment to interview him.

To : sunder.pitch@google.co

Sub : Request for an appointment to interview

Sir,

We are very happy to think about your success in life. Your success story is an inspiration to many youngsters who are trying to achieve something great in life. From our organisation we have decided to interview you. The date and time is at your convenience. Will you please give your time for that? Looking forward to getting a positive reply.

Davidson.

GRAMMAR

Question Tag:

EXERCISE

a) Fill in the blanks with suitable tags.

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|---|---------------------|
| 1. She is collecting stickers, | <u>isn't she?</u> |
| 2. We often watch TV in the afternoon, | <u>don't we?</u> |
| 3. You have cleaned your bike, | <u>haven't you?</u> |
| 4. John and Max don't like maths, | <u>do they?</u> |
| 5. Peter played handball yesterday, | <u>didn't he?</u> |
| 6. They are going home from school, | <u>aren't they?</u> |
| 7. Mary didn't do her homework last Monday, | <u>did she?</u> |
| 8. He could have bought a new car, | <u>couldn't he?</u> |
| 9. Kevin will come tonight, | <u>won't he?</u> |
| 10. I'm clever, | <u>aren't I?</u> |

b) Fill in the blanks with suitable tags.

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|---|--|---------------|
| 1. He is still sleeping, _____ | a) is not he? b) isn't he? c) wasn't he? | Ans: b |
| 2. You go to school, _____ | a) do you? b) aren't you? c) don't you? | Ans: c |
| 3. Let's go for a walk, _____ | a) shall we? b) shan't we? c) will we? | Ans: a |
| 4. We won't be late, _____ | a) won't we? b) will we? c) are we? | Ans: b |
| 5. Nobody called, _____ | a) do they? b) didn't they? c) did they? | Ans: c |
| 6. They will wash the car, _____ | a) will it? b) won't they? c) wouldn't they? | Ans: b |
| 7. We must lock the doors, _____ | a) mustn't they? b) shouldn't we? c) mustn't we? | Ans: c |
| 8. I'm right, _____ | a) amn't I? b) am not I? c) aren't I? | Ans: c |
| 9. So you bought a car, _____ | a) didn't you? b) haven't you? c) weren't you? | Ans: a |
| 10. You wouldn't like to invite my Dad, _____ | a) did you? b) would you? c) won't you? | Ans: b |

SENTENCES : SIMPLE, COMPOUND, AND COMPLEX**A) State which of the following sentences are Compound, and which are Complex.**

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|--|------------|
| 1. Man proposes, but God disposes. | – compound |
| 2. I went because I was invited. | – complex |
| 3. Jancy returned home because she was tired. | – complex |
| 4. Whatever you do, do well. | – complex |
| 5. Listen carefully and take notes. | – compound |
| 6. I called him, but he gave me no answer. | – compound |
| 7. The town in which I live is very large. | – complex |
| 8. They always talk who never think. | – complex |
| 9. We must eat to live, but we should not live to eat. | – compound |
| 10. Govern your passions or they will govern you. | – compound |

My Computer Needs A Break

– Shanthini Govindan

WARM UP

In Pairs, tell each other how computer plays a vital role in all fields.



1. Computer helps students learn new things.
2. Computer is used in hospitals for storing details of the patients
3. Computer is used in police stations for identifying criminals
4. Computer is used for reservations of bus, train and flight tickets.
5. Computer is used for instant communication.

SUMMARY

Shanthini Govindan has written the poem 'My Computer Needs a Beak'. She talks about her computer which has worked but it gives some problem to her. It had always been intelligent and fashionable. It seemed to know a lot of information by heart. If she typed a question it gave the answer quickly with a mouse's click. But recently her computer had been behaving badly. It was absent minded and forgot to save her work. Her work vanished in the most frightening way. It also did not check her spellings and it hid the files out of her sight.

One day the mischievous computer swallowed a worm and behaved very badly and it made her wriggle. Then a virus attacked my computer and it became sick. So she had to call a technician to examine her computer. She asked the technician whether her computer needed some rest because she had been using it for many days.

GLOSSARY

brainy (adj)	-	very intelligent
absent-minded (adj)	-	being forgetful
vanish (v)	-	disappear
dreadful (adj)	-	unpleasant
gobbled (v)	-	ate hastily or greedily
erratically (adv)	-	unsteadily or unpredictably
squirm (v)	-	to twist the body in discomfort

A) Answer the following:

1. How does the poet describe her computer?

The poet describes her computer as intelligent and fashionable. It seemed to know a lot of information by heart.

2. What happened to the computer?

The computer was behaving badly. It became absent minded and forgot to save her work.

3. List four things that the computer could not do after it became absent-minded

- The computer forgot to save the poet's work
- It did not check the spelling
- It hid all her files
- It made her work vanish.

4. What made the poet squirm?

The mischievous computer swallowed a worm and behaved very badly and it made her squirm.

5. Why did the poet call the doctor?

A virus attacked her computer and it became sick. So she had to call a doctor to examine her computer.

B) Fill in the blanks.

- Computers are brainy and smart.
- We get answers for questions by a click.
- The computer forgot to save the poet's work.
- The computer actually gobbled a worm.
- The poet feels that his computer needs break.

C) Pick out the rhyming words from the poem.

- Smart - heart
click - quick

right - sight
 sick - quick

D) Match the poetic lines with Figures of speech

- | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 1) So brainy | - personification |
| 2) Mountains | - personification |
| 3) It's so absent minded | - hyperbole |
| 4) Computer gobbled a worm | - metaphor |
| 5) Very sick | - metaphor |

Answer

metaphor
hyperbole
personification
personification
metaphor

E) Find the alliterating words from the poem

- | | |
|------------|-----------------|
| 1) Save | - <u>store</u> |
| 2) Doctor | - <u>double</u> |
| 3) Virus | - <u>very</u> |
| 4) makes | - <u>most</u> |
| 5) gobbled | - |

ADDITIONAL

1. *My computer has always been so brainy and smart –
 It seems to know mountains of information by heart.*

a) What has the computer always been to the poet?

The computer has been brainy and smart to the poet.

b) Why the poet use the word mountain?

The poet uses the word mountain to show that the computer knows a lot of information.

c) Pick out the rhyming words.

smart – heart

2. *It forgets to 'save' my work, and store it away,
 And instead, makes it vanish in the most dreadful way.*

a) What does the computer forget?

The computer forgets to save the poet's work.

b) What vanish in the most dreadful way?

The poet's works vanish in the most dreadful way

c) Pick out the words in alliteration.

save – store

3. *If I type in a question, and give my mouse a click,
 My computer always gives me the answer really quick!*

a) When does the computer give the answer for the question?

The computer gives the answer to the question when the mouse is clicked.

b) Pick out the rhyming words.

click – quick

c) Pick out the words in alliteration.

my – mouse

4. *And one day, my naughty computer actually gobbled a worm,
And behaved so erratically that it made me squirm.*

a) Why did the computer behave unsteadily?

The computer behaved unsteadily because it was affected by a worm.

b) Pick out the rhyming words.

worm – squirm

c) Pick out the words in alliteration.

made – me

SUPPLEMENTARY

7

The Mystery of the Cyber Friend

SUMMARY

Zac O' Yeah writes in his short story 'The Mystery of the Cyber Friend' about how careful we should be when we chat with others on internet. Shree was living with her parents and aunt. They wanted her to learn computer. She used to find information for her school projects from internet. Two months ago, on her thirteenth birthday she joined 'Friend Net' on internet. She used to chat with her friends. One day she received a friend request from an unknown person and she accepted it. Her name was Chaitra and she said that she was studying in another school which was near her school. But Shree had not heard anything about any other school near her school. Chaitra asked her to meet her alone on a Sunday at the railway station.

Fortunately she informed her aunt about that. When she checked the profile of Chaitra she found it was the picture of a movie star. Chaitra's school was not found there; profile picture was not hers; she asked Shree to meet her alone. Now Shree was little suspicious about Chaitra.

The next day her aunt accompanied Shree to the railway station. She informed the station manager about the problem and they waited to see who would get down from the train to meet Shree. By the time a man of her father's age met her. Shree was shocked but the man was trying to convince her saying that he was an uncle and he tried to have friendship with her. Shree's aunt ran to her and hit him with her hand bag. The station manager tried to catch him but he disappeared in the crowded train. They went to the police station to complain about the stranger. The police woman appreciated them and asked Shree to put up a poster about cyber safety in her school. The next day a cybercrime officer went through Shree's computer. Within hours the police found the man and arrested him from his office in Bangalore. They found that he tried to befriend many girls and boys on social media. Shree waited eagerly to tell her friends about the frightening adventure with the cyber friend.

GLOSSARY

- | | | |
|-----------------|---|---|
| nap (v) | – | to sleep for a short period of time |
| friends net (n) | – | website in internet where one can meet and talk to different people |
| wonder (v) | – | Surprised |
| offline (adj) | – | computer not connected to internet |

- shriek (v) – to scream, as in a sudden fright
- imposter (n) – someone who attempts to deceive by using an assumed name or identity
- confide (v) – to trust
- cyber safety (adj) – safe and responsible use of phone and the internet
- cyber crime (n) – criminal activities done using computers or the Internet
- scary (adj) – frightening

A. Fill in the blanks.

- Shree lives in Katpadi Junction town.
- Shree celebrated her thirteenth birthday.
- Madhoo was a film actress.
- Chaitra finally asked her to come to the railway station.
- Akka went to the station master to get a help for them.

the station master, film actress, the railway station, thirteen, Katpadi Junction

B. Say whether the following statements are 'True' or 'False'.

- Shree spends most of the time on T.V. False
- Shree's aunt stays with them. True
- Chaitra is Shree's school friend. False
- Chaitra gifted Shree a new camera phone. False
- Shree went alone to the train station to meet Chaitra. False
- A fraud middle aged man pretended to be Chaitra. False

C. Name the speaker.

S.No.	Lines from the lesson	Speaker
1	"Do you do anything other than eating?"	Shree's friend
2	"Are you feeling unwell?"	Shree's aunt
3	"I don't have a camera phone "	Shree
4	"I told you I am thirteen, the same age as you."	Chaitra, cyber fraud
5	"You are a brave pair!"	The police woman

ADDITIONAL**Choose the best option and fill the blanks.**

- Shree lived in _____ Junction.
a) Egmore b) Katbadi c) Basin Bridge d) Salem
- Shree celebrated her _____ birthday.
a) 13 b) 11 c) 10 d) 18

3. Madhoo was a _____.
a) teacher b) doctor c) film actress d) film director
4. Chaitra asked Shree to come to the _____.
a) hospital b) school c) police station d) railway station
5. Akka went to the _____ to get help for them.
a) police b) station manager
c) TTR d) neighbours
6. Shree's father was a _____.
a) taxi driver b) truck driver c) bus driver d) van driver
7. After her 13th birthday Shree joined _____.
a) Facebook b) WhatsApp c) Friend Net d) Friend Bob
8. The cybercriminal gave his name as _____.
a) Chithra b) Chinmayee c) Chandra d) Chaitra
9. The cybercriminal was from _____.
a) Katbadi b) Bangalore c) Chennai d) Madurai
10. Chaitra offered to give Shree her _____.
a) old camera b) mobile phone c) tab d) camera phone

Answers	1. b	2. a	3. c	4. d	5. b	6. a	7. c	8. d	9. b	10. d
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D. Based on your reading of the text list out the merits and demerits of using computers.

S.No.	Merits	Demerits
1	Getting information for project work	Going into unnecessary sites
2	Sending emails	Sending emails to wrong persons
3	Chat with friends	Chat with strangers
4	Get information about friends	Getting wrong information from strangers
5	Joining some groups	Getting connected to strangers

E. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below.

Just then train moves . He runs towards a bogey door. The station manager rushes forward to catch the man. But he disappears into the crowded train. They all go to the police station. "You are a brave pair" says a policewoman. "Thank you for informing us about this imposter. Shree, you were clever to confide in a trusted adult! Will you put up this poster about cyber security in your school, please? We would also like to conduct a cyber crime cell will need to take a look at Shree's computer. The next day, a cyber crime officer goes through Shree's computer. Within hours, the police find the man who pretended to be Chaitra.

1. Whom did the station master try to catch?

The station master tried to catch the stranger who met Shree on the platform.

2. Where did they all go?

They all went to the police station.

3. Who are the brave pair in the story?

Shree and her aunt are the brave pair in the story.

4. Was the man honest or not?

No, the man was not honest.

5. How did the police find out the criminal?

The cybercrime officer went through Shree's computer and found out the criminal.

F. Answer the following questions.**1. Why did Shree's parents buy her a computer?**

Shree's parents bought her a computer because they wanted her to learn computer.

2. How did Shree make friends through computer?

On her thirteen birthday Shree joined 'Friend Net'. Through this she made friends.

3. What were the online activities given in this story?

Finding information for school project, sending emails, getting connected with friends were the online activities given in this story.

4. How did Shree's aunt save Shree from the man who pretended to be Chaitra ?

Shree's aunt accompanied Shree to the railway station. She informed the station manager about the problem and they waited to see who would get down from the train to meet Shree. By the time a man of her father's age met her. Shree's aunt ran to her and hit him with her hand bag but he disappeared in the crowded train.

5. How did the police find the man who pretended to be Chaitra?

A cybercrime officer went through Shree's computer. Within hours the police found the man and arrested him from his office in Bangalore.

**ADDITIONAL PARAGRAPHS****1. How did Shree get the friendship of the cyber friend?**

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and she accepted it. Her name was Chaitra and she said that she was studying in another school which was near her school. But Shree had not heard anything about any other school near her school. Chaitra asked her to meet her alone on a Sunday at the railway station. Thus she got the friendship of the cyber friend.

2. How was the cyber fraud arrested?

Zac O' Yeah writes in his short story 'The Mystery of the Cyber Friend' about how careful we should be when we chat with others on internet. She befriended a stranger through 'Friend Net' and the stranger gave her name as Chaitra. Shree became suspicious of this friend. Chaitra asked her to meet her alone on a Sunday at the railway station. The next day her aunt accompanied Shree to the railway station. She informed the station manager about the problem and they waited to see who would get down from the train to meet Shree. By the time a man of her father's age met her. Shree's aunt ran to her and hit him with her hand bag. The station manager tried to catch him but he disappeared in the crowded train. They went to the police station to complain about the stranger. A cybercrime officer went through Shree's computer. Within hours the police found the man and arrested him from his office in Bangalore.

STEP TO SUCCESS

- The following series is provided and you need to answer the question accordingly.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N || O P R S T U V W X Y Z

In this series find the letter which is fifth to the left from the thirteenth letter from your right?

1. M 2. I 3. H 4. J **Ans: 3**

- Based on the above series of English alphabet, if every alternate alphabet starting from C is deleted than which of the following alphabet will seventh from the left side of the series?

1. H 2. J 3. I 4. G **Ans: 2**

- If the above series is written in reverse order then what will be the eleventh letter of the fifteenth letter from your left?

1. V 2. W 3. D 4. X **Ans: 2**

UNIT TEST - 7

ENGLISH

Class: 8

Marks: 20

SECTION - A

I A. Choose the correct synonym for the underlined word. 2×1=2

- We can't ignore the benefits of internet.
a) care b) neglect c) utilize d) enjoy
- Don't respond to his message...
a) send b) listen c) react d) consider

B. Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word. 2×1=2

- Vairavan is having a spot of bother with law.
a) pester b) pleasing c) annoy d) worry
- There is a chance to get addicted.
a) unaccustomed b) unknown c) unseen d) uncontrolled

C. Answer any two of the following questions in one or two sentences 2×2=4

- Why do we use internet?
- Who is an online predator?
- What was father's instruction to Gladin and Rani?

SECTION - B

II Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions given below. 2

- But of late, my computer has been behaving badly too,
It's so absent-minded, that I don't know what to do.*
a) In what way is the computer absent-minded?
b) Pick out the alliterated words.

SECTION - C

III Choose the best option to fill in the blank: 2×1=2

- Shree uses the computer to find information for _____.
a) School projects and science exhibition
b) School projects and e-mails
c) e-mails and games
d) Video games and music
- Shree and Akka reached Katpadi Junction before the arrival of _____.
a) the Pandiyan Express b) the Inter-city Express
c) the Yercaud Express d) the Bengaluru Express

SECTION - D

IV 1. Find the suitable British English word for 'trash can' 8×1=8

- a) trash b) can c) bin d) wastage

2. Find the suitable American English word for 'film'

- a) movie b) cinema c) picture d) reel

3. Choose the best option to fill in the blank

'March' is derived from Mars. the Roman _____

- a) god of light b) god of thunder
-
- c) god of knowledge d) god of war

4. Choose the best option to fill in the blank

The euphemistic expression for 'slow learners' is _____

- a) dull students b) weak students
-
- c) late- bloomers d) average students

5. Fill in the blanks with suitable question tags.

1. I'm right, _____?

- a) amn't I b) am not I c) am I d) aren't I

2. No one answered the question, _____?

- a) did he b) did they c) didn't they d) was it

6. Identify the kind of sentence.

I read the poem that you recommended.

- a) Simple sentence b) Complex sentence
-
- c) Compound sentence d) Statement

7. Identify the kind of sentence.

Being tired, Bharathi stopped playing.

- a) Complex sentence b) Compound sentence
-
- c) Subordinate clause d) Declarative sentence

Answer Key

- | | |
|-----|---|
| I | A) 1. b 2. c
B) 1. b 2. a |
| II | a) It forgets to store the information
b) behaving badly |
| III | 1. b 2. d |
| IV | 1. c 2. a 3. d 4. c 5. 1. d 2.b 6. b 7. d |

Jack and the Beanstalk

– Steven Kellogg

SUMMARY

Jack is a poor little boy who lives in the forest with his mom. The son and mother have only their cow. Jack's mom tells him to sell the cow in the market for money. When Jack is on the way to sell the cow he meets a man who says he has magic beans that grow really tall overnight. Jack decides to exchange the cow for the magical beans and when Jack gets home he proudly shows his mother the beans, but she gets very angry with Jack and throws the beans out the window.

When Jack wakes up the next morning he realizes that the beans sprouted into a giant beanstalk going all the way up to the sky. Jack is curious as to what is up at the top, so he climbs up the beanstalk and finds a giant castle. Jack enters the castle and sees a giant. He asks for food because he is hungry. After eating he calls for the hen which lays golden eggs. Jack wants to have the magical hen for him. When the giant goes to sleep he picks up the hen but the hen squeaks and the giant gets up. He tries to catch Jack. Jack runs to the bean stalk and quickly climbs down. The giant follows him. Once Jack gets down the beanstalk he cuts the beanstalk causing the giant to fall to death.

A) Say true or false.

- | | |
|--|-------|
| 1. The magic beans grew into a huge beanstalk. | True |
| 2. The beanstalk reached high into the sky in the evening. | True |
| 3. Everything is so big in the castle. | True |
| 4. The hen laid a perfect iron egg. | False |
| 5. Jack picked up the Giant's hen. | True |

B) Fill in the blanks.

- The Giant smells the blood of an English man
- Jack asked his mom for an axe.
- Jack chopped down the beanstalk
- As soon as the giant was full, he fell fast asleep

C) Answer the following questions.

1. Why was Jack's mother angry?

Jack sold the cow for five magical beans. He did not bring any money. So she was angry.

2. Why was Jack surprised when reaching the sky?

Jack was surprised because he saw the hen laying a perfect golden egg.

3. What did Jack find when he reached the top?

He found out a palace when he reached the top.

4. What did Jack see in the castle?

Jack saw in the palace everything big and a giant.

5. What did the Giant eat for meal?

The giant ate five sheep for his meal.

6. Where did Jack hide when he saw the Giant?

Jack hid in a cupboard when he saw the Giant.

7. What did Jack intend to take when the Giant was asleep?

Jack intended to take the hen which lay golden egg when the Giant was asleep.

8. What did the hen do when Jack picked it up?

The hen squeaked when Jack picked it up.

9. What did Jack do when the Giant woke up?

When the Giant woke up Jack climbed down the beanstalk with the hen.

10. Why did Jack ask for an axe?

Jack asked for the axe to cut down the beanstalk so that the Giant would not reach him.

Punctuation:**A) Punctuate the following sentences.**

1. i like playing with my friends sandy sunny sameer
2. we went through the smoky mountains, near shimla on our way to leh
3. my favourite soap is pears and my favourite toothpaste is pepsodent
4. my friend priya speaks german and she is teaching me some words
5. he was honest sincere hard working
6. hindus muslims sikhs christians live together in India
7. long ago in a town in Switzerland there lived a famous man called william
8. akbar the greatest of the mughal emperors ruled wisely
9. tanya said to ilarahul is a nice guy
10. when is your birthday

Answer:

1. I like playing with my friends, Sandy, Sunny, Sameer.
2. We went through the smoky mountain near Shimla on our way to Leh.
3. My favourite soap is Pears and my favourite toothpaste is Pepsodent.
4. My friend Priya speaks German and she is teaching me some words.

5. He was honest, sincere, hard working.
6. Hindus, Muslims, Sikhs, Christians live together in India.
7. Long ago in a town in Switzerland there lived a famous man called William.
8. Akbar, the greatest of the Mughal emperor, ruled wisely.
9. Tanya said to Ila, "Rahul is a nice guy".
10. When is your birthday?

B) Write the correct punctuation mark that best completes each sentence.

Example 1. Congratulations_____ You graduated with honors_____

Answer: Congratulations! You graduated with honors!

1. Where is an exciting place to visit?
2. Make sure to complete all your homework on time.
3. Priya asked, "When are we going on a vacation?"
4. Terry, Sam and Jeremy went to the movies together.
5. Wow! What a wonderful event!
6. I am so excited to see my family for Christmas.
7. What day of the week is your favorite?
8. You need to do your homework right after dinner.
9. Please take out the trash when you get home.
10. My favorite team won the game.
11. What did you want to eat for lunch?
12. I had a great time at your party.
13. Do you know what time it is?
14. How do we get to the amusement park?
15. I can't wait to go on summer vacation.

UNIT TEST - 8

ENGLISH

Class: 8

Marks: 20

SECTION - A

I A. Choose the correct synonym for the underlined word. $2 \times 1 = 2$

- Jack's mother was very cross.
a) angry b) upset c) happy d) poor
- With his axe, Jack chopped down the beanstalk.
a) destroy b) fall c) cut d) climb

B. Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word. $2 \times 1 = 2$

- Suddenly, the floor began to shake.
a) slowly b) gradually c) quickly d) continuously
- He was so excited to tell his mother.
a) amused b) shocked c) bored d) delighted

C. Answer any three of the following questions in one or two sentences $3 \times 2 = 6$

- Why was Jack surprised when reaching the sky?
- What did Jack see in the castle?
- What did Jack intend to take when the Giant was asleep?
- What did the hen do when the giant woke up?

D. Fill in the blanks choosing the best option. $3 \times 1 = 3$

- The Giant smells the blood of an _____.
a) ox b) Englishman c) American d) Australian
- Jack asked his mom for _____.
a) magic beans b) an axe c) a beanstalk d) a hen
- The giant ate _____ for his meal.
a) three sheep b) four sheep c) five sheep d) an Englishman

SECTION - B

II A. 1. Complete the following sentence suitably.

The colon is used to show that _____

2. Fill in the blank choosing the best option.

_____ represents a stronger pause.

- a) comma b) colon c) semicolon d) dash

3. Complete the following sentence appropriately.

Apostrophe is used to indicate either possession or _____

B. Write the correct punctuation mark that best completes the following sentences. **2×1=2**

1. Do you know what time it is _____
2. Priya asked us when we would be returning _____

SECTION - C

III Punctuate the following sentence:

2×1=2

1. Youve done it properly said amudha
2. abdul pass on the sweet box

Answer Key	
I	A) 1. a 2. c B) 1. b 2. c C) 1. b 2. b 11. c
II	A) 1. something is to follow 2. c 3. omission of letters or numbers B) 1. ? 2. .
III	1) “You’ve done it properly”, said Amudha 2) “Abdul, pass on the sweet box.”

SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – I

ENGLISH

Class: 8

Marks: 20

SECTION - A [VOCABULARY]

I Choose the correct synonym for the underlined words. 3×1=3

1. She was confined to her bed.
a) surrounded b) restricted c) limited d) occupied
2. His dream shattered since his family did not encourage.
a) break b) fulfil c) disappear d) control
3. He cared little for earthly fame and honours.
a) disrespect b) popularity c) money d) grace

II Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word. 3×1=3

4. This is bound to happen when humans are being greedy.
a) selfish b) miserly c) generous d) cruel
5. Ajay mastered the technique of painting.
a) skilled b) experienced c) proficient d) unskilled
6. ...he looked up with reverential curiosity.
a) indifference b) caution c) eagerness d) inability

III Answer any seven of the following: 7×1=7

7. Choose the correct homophone and fill in the blank.
The cat caught the _____ of a mouse.
a) cent b) scent
8. The expansion of FIR is _____.
a) First Information Recording b) First Intimation Record
c) First Informative Record d) First Information Report
9. The singular of 'bacteria' is _____.
a) bacterius b) bacterium c) bacteria d) bacteriam
10. The plural of 'cupful' is _____.
a) cupfuls b) cupsful c) cupful d) cupsfuls
11. What can be placed after 'blood'?
a) red b) pure c) bank d) donate
12. What can be placed after 'blue'?
a) cane b) see c) land d) print
13. Add a suitable prefix to the word 'proper'
a) un b) in c) im d) dis
14. Add a suitable suffix to the word, 'comfort' _____.
a) able b) ful c) ness d) low

15. Syllabify: 'examination' or 'domestic'

SECTION - B [GRAMMAR]

IV Answer any eight of the following:

8×1=8

16. Identify the underlined word.
There is a beautiful flower on the table.
a) Noun b) Adjective c) Adverb d) Preposition
17. Identify the underlined noun.
Our Principal is a man of integrity.
a) Abstract Noun b) Material Noun
c) Collective Noun d) Common Noun
18. Change the underlined word with correct pronoun.
Balu helped the poor lady. He gave the poor lady food and clothes.
19. Change the possessive adjective into possessive pronoun.
My bike is costly.
20. Identify the type of adjective.
Whose bag is this?
21. The comparative degree of 'ill' is _____.
a) iller b) more ill c) worse d) worst
22. Make a sentence in positive degree using the following hints.
New Delhi – Mumbai – Chennai (hot)
23. Fill in the blank by using correct preposition.
Christmas falls _____ 25th December.
a) on b) in c) at d) by
24. Fill in the blank by using correct preposition.
_____ the morning of 1st January, I went to temple.
a) at b) on c) in d) about
25. Fill in the blank by choosing the most appropriate modal.
You haven't eaten all day. You _____ be hungry.
a) must b) can c) shall d) may

V Rewrite as directed:

2×2=4

26. Change the following sentence into superlative degree.
No other girl is so smart as Smathi.
27. Spot the error and rewrite the corrected sentences.
a) Hardly did the bell ring that the students ran out.
b) What's the time in your watch?

SECTION - C [PROSE]

VI Answer any three of the following in one or two sentences:

3×2=6

28. Why did the bird drop the diamond stud?

29. What happened to Ajay at the age of three?
30. What did Asha Devi teach Ajay?
31. Who is Ilavazhagi? Mention any one of her achievements.
32. What did Isaac manufacture at his young age?

VII Answer any one of the following in about 100 words:

1×5=5

33. Explain how Ramayya's wife reacted when she saw the nose jewel?
34. Describe how Ilavazhagi's father motivated her to become carrom champion.
35. Mention some of Newton's inventions.

SECTION - D [POETRY]

VIII Quote from memory

1×4=4

36. the lines beginning with: 'One gleam.....' and ending with: 'a surer heritage'.

IX Appreciate the following lines:

3×1=3

37. *I felt the love and tenderness
keeping me safe from harm*
How does the father keep the child safe from harm?
38. *One aspiration yet infelt;
One bit of courage
For the darkening sky.*
Identify the poetic device used in these lines.
39. *It teaches me
To cackle and cry
without wings*
Pick out the words in alliteration.

SECTION - E [SUPPLEMENTARY READER]

X Choose the best option:

3×1=3

40. Satish and Arun were _____ years.
a) 12 b) 11 c) 13 d) 10
41. Jim Corbett's man-eating tiger hunt was _____.
a) a Bengali tigress b) a leopard
c) a Bengali elephant d) Robin
42. When the king approached, the hermit was _____.
a) sleeping b) digging c) singing d) watching

XI Identify character/speaker.

3×1=3

43. Here comes someone running.
44. I don't live here.
45. How answered?

SECTION - F [READING]**XII Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below:**
3×1=3

The process of learning has certain important characteristics. The first feature is that learning always involves some kinds of experience. We experience an event occurring in a certain sequence on a number of occasions. If an event happens then it may be followed by certain other events. For example, one learns that if the bell rings in the hostel after sunset, then dinner is ready to be served. A single experience can lead to learning. A child strikes a matchstick on the side of a matchbox and gets his/her fingers burnt. Such an experience makes the child learn to be careful in handling the matchbox in future.

Questions:

46. What is the first feature of process of learning?
47. What will be the result if an event happens?
48. What do the children expect when the bell rings in the hostel after sunset?

SECTION - G [WRITING]**XII 49. Develop the following hints:**

Akbar – Birbal – courtiers jealous of Birbal – ask Akbar – test Birbal wisdom – courtier puts a question – How many crows in Agra – Birbal asks for a week – everyday sits on the terrace – looks at the crows – after a week – courtier asks – Birbal says 156757 crows – asks courtiers to check – Akbar laughs.

50. Write a letter to your friend advising him/her to take part in extra curricular activities in school.

Answer Key

I	A) 1. b 2. a 3. b
II	B) 4. c 5. d 6. a
III	7. b 8. d 9. b 10. a 11. c 12. d 13. c 14. a 15. ex-a-mi-na-tion/do-mes-tic
IV	16. d 17. a 18. her 19. The costly bike is mine 20. Interrogative Adjective 21. c 22. Mumbai is as hot as New Delhi. 23. a 24. b 25. a

V	26. Sumathi is the smartest girl. 27. a) Hardly did the bell ring when the students ran out. b) What's the time by your watch?
IX	37. By showing love and tenderness 38. Repetition 39. cackle, cry: without wings
X	40. a 41. a 42. b
XI	43. the hermit 44. Arun 45. the king
XII	46. Learning always involves some kinds of experience 47. It may be followed by certain other events. 48. Dinner is ready to be served.

SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – II

ENGLISH

Class: 8

Marks: 20

SECTION - A [VOCABULARY]

I Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words.

3×1=3

- ...yet time has wrought many changes.
a) destroy b) cause c) ruin d) find
- If you are feeling nauseated, tell an adult.
a) dull b) giddy c) sick d) danger
- Writing is a unique hobby.
a) separate b) common c) beneficial d) uncommon

II Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word.

3×1=3

- You are always self-centred.
a) unselfish b) simple c) proud d) cruel
- ...but that treatment left him permanently deaf.
a) ever-lastingly b) temporarily c) continuously d) gradually
- We should follow it strictly.
a) faithfully b) casually c) liberally d) sincerely

III Answer any seven of the following:

7×1=7

- Pick out the correct homophone.
Please _____ a while after reading the notice.
a) pass b) pause
- The correct expansion of 'IFSC' is _____.
a) Indian Financial Systematic Code b) Indian Film System Code
c) Indian Financial System Code d) Indian Forestry Social Community
- The plural of 'woman doctor' is _____.
a) women doctor b) woman doctors
c) women doctors d) womans doctors
- Which can be placed after 'water'?
a) food b) stick c) out d) fall
- Add a suitable prefix to the word 'comfort'
a) un b) dis c) in d) mis
- Syllabify: 'beautiful' or 'identification'
- Choose the suitable clipped word for 'influenza'
a) influ b) fluza c) fluenza d) flu
- Choose the suitable blended word for 'motor + hotel' _____.
a) motorel b) motel c) mohotel d) hotel

15. Replace the underlined word choosing the suitable phrasal verb.

Please read the report carefully.

- a) go for b) go in c) go after d) go through

SECTION - B [GRAMMAR]

IV Answer any eight of the following:

8×1=8

16. Change the underlined words with correct pronoun.

Venkat likes video games but he doesn't play video games very often.

17. Identify the underlined noun.

We walked fast to the bust stop.

- a) transitive verb b) intransitive verb
18. Fill in the blank suitably.

Chennai is _____ Madurai.

- a) as hotter as b) hot than c) more hot than d) hotter than
19. Fill in the blank with the suitable preposition.

The meeting started _____ exactly 10.30 A.M

- a) in b) on c) after d) at
20. Fill in the blank with the suitable modal verb.

The teacher told us that we _____ be promoted without any examination.

- a) must b) would c) can d) will
21. Choose the correct conjunction from the options given below.

_____ it is hot, we should stay indoors.

- a) though b) when c) unless d) as
22. Choose the right sentence pattern.

The company appointed Anand manager.

- a) SVOA b) SVOC c) SVCA d) SVIODO
23. Tick the correct option to complete the sentence.

Prem has _____ sick after eating some snacks at the street side shop.

- a) fell b) fall c) falls d) fallen
24. Complete the conditional sentence.

If I had sufficient money, I _____ a new bike.

- a) will buy b) would buy c) buy d) bought
25. Fill in the blank with correct verb forms.

If Radha _____ well, she _____

- a) studies, would pass b) studied, will pass
c) had studied, would have passed d) had studied, would pass

V Rewrite as directed:

2×2=4

26. Spot the error and rewrite the corrected sentence.

- a) Walk carefully lest you will fall down
b) He has grey hairs.

27. Change the possessive adjective into possessive pronoun.
Kumar missed his purse.

SECTION - C [PROSE]

VI Answer any three of the following in one or two sentences:

3×2=6

28. What were the words of Meenakshi Ammal to her daughter?
29. Does Ajay's hobby a successful career? How?
30. What did Isaac manufacture at his young age?
31. How did Tagore spend some rainy afternoons?
32. What is STREET SMART?

VII Answer any one of the following in about 100 words:

1×5=5

33. How can you make yourself cyber safe?
34. How did Newton learn about the way a windmill operated?
35. Write a note on Ilavazhagi.

SECTION - D [POETRY]

VIII Quote from memory:

1×4=4

36. the lines beginning with: 'Therefore.....
.....
ending with: simple sheep'.

IX Appreciate the following lines:

3×1=3

37. *To shoot again - I can't bear that;
May tail is down, my ears are flat,
I'm trembling here outside the door,
Oh, don't you love me any more?*
Write the rhyme scheme of the above poetic lines.
38. *Rich with a sprinkling of fair musk - rose blooms;
An endless fountain of immortal drink
Pouring unto us from the heaven's brink*
What does the poet mean by 'immortal drink'?
39. *If all the children could read,
In constructing a vigorous society
Then we shall succeed.*
What can children do to the society if they read?

SECTION - E [SUPPLEMENTARY READER]

X Choose the best option:

3×1=3

40. Jim Corbett played a key role in establishing India's first national park in _____.
a) West Bengal b) Uttarakhand c) Nepal d) Punjab

41. The moment Black Beauty touched the _____ of the bridge, she dared not go forward.
 a) first part b) lower part c) middle part d) rails
42. Satish's mother warned Arun about _____.
 a) the porters b) the strange woman
 c) the strangers d) his school fellows

XI Identify character/speaker.**3×1=3**

43. Forgive me!
 44. That is secret.
 45. Hoy, Hoy, Hoy, Stop!

SECTION - F [READING]**XII Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below:****3×1=3**

Once a person was very upset with Pericles, the famous Greek leader. He started saying all kinds of bad words to him. He cursed and abused Pericles. But Pericles remained calm and kept on listening while the man's fury did not decrease. It was now afternoon but he continued using unpleasant remarks. By the time it was late evening, he became very tired. He got up and began to leave the place. Pericles called the servant and told him to take the lantern and show the path till the person reached his house. Upon hearing this, the man fell at Pericles' feet and begged him to forgive.

Questions:

46. Who was Pericles?
 47. How did Pericles react when the man abused him?
 48. What made the man beg Pericles to forgive him?

SECTION - G [WRITING]

- XIII** 49. You are Renuka/Ravichandran Secretary Housing board, Officer's colony, Tirunelveli. Water supply will be suspended for twelve hours (10 a.m to 10 p.m) on 10th December for cleaning of the water tank. Write a notice in about 50 words advising the residents to store water for a day. **4**
50. Write a letter to your friend inviting him to your birthday celebration. **4**

Answer Key

I	A) 1. b 2. c 3. d
II	B) 4. a 5. b 6. c
III	7. b 8. c 9. c 10. d 11. b 12. beau-ti-ful/i-den-ti-fi-ca-tion 13. d 14. b 15. d
IV	16. them 17. b 18. d 19. d 20. b 21. d 22. b 23. d 24. b 25. c
V	26. a) Walk carefully lest you should fall down b) He has grey hair
	27. The peruse missed is Kumar's.
IX	37. aabb 38. a thing of beauty 39. They can make the society vigorous.
X	40. b 41. a 42. c
XI	43. the bearded man 44. the pundit 45. the man at the tollgate
XII	46. a famous Greek leader. 47. Pericles remained calm and kept on listening. 48. In spite of his unpleasant words, Pericles wanted to help him by sending his servant with a lantern.

GOVT MODEL QUESTION PAPER

Summative Assessment

Class: 8

ENGLISH

Time allowed: 15 Minutes + 2.00 Hours

Maximum Marks: 60

Instructions:

1. Check the question paper for fairness of printing. If there is any lack of fairness inform the Hall supervisor immediately.
2. Use Blue or Black ink to write and underline and pencil to draw diagrams.

Section A (Vocabulary)

I. Choose the correct synonyms to the words underlined.

3×1=3

1. Miniature paintings depict Indian culture.
a) wrap b) twist c) portray d) falsify
2. The poor woman is in a panic.
a) fear b) grid c) crash d) joy
3. Tell them what happens if some is addicted.
a) surrender b) craved c) hated d) disliked

II. Choose the correct antonyms to the words underlined.

3×1=3

4. Isaac possessed a wonderful faculty of acquiring knowledge.
a) owned b) controlled c) have d) lacked
5. I was really scared.
a) afraid b) bold c) frightened d) cried
6. She picked it up with delight and wore it.
a) pleasure b) joy c) displeasure d) happy

III. Answer any seven of the following questions.

7×1=7

7. Which can be placed after 'water'?
a) food b) stick c) out d) fall
8. Pick out a suitable prefix.
He feels so comfort_____ in his grandma's house.
a) ly b) able c) ion
9. Every morning I look at the _____ on the grass.
a) due b) dew
10. Write the meaning for the phrasal verb "look after".
a) resemble b) take care of c) examine
11. Write the clipped word for 'influenza'.
12. The idiom 'in a nutshell' means.
a) concisely stated b) eat a nut c) a hard shell
13. What is the euphemistic word for 'passed away'.
a) unemployed b) stupid c) died
14. Write the meaning American English word for 'petrol'.

15. Syllabify any one of the words.
a) purpose b) permission

Section B (Grammar)

IV. Choose the correct answers. (any 8)

8×1=8

16. If you _____ me, I would tell you.
a) will ask b) asked c) had asked
17. They elected her a leader.
a) S V O b) S V O A c) S V O C
18. Everyone likes him _____ he is very helpful.
a) because b) for c) although
19. A _____ of birds is flying so high.
a) swarm b) flock c) bunch
20. _____ please close the door?
a) Should b) Would c) Must
21. It is always cold _____ January.
a) on b) at c) in
22. State the following sentence is simple, compound or complex.
Man proposes but God disposes.
23. My name is Preethi. _____ am a student.
a) I b) He c) She
24. The rain completely _____ our day.
a) spoilt b) is spoilt c) was spoilt
25. He _____ working since 2000.
a) have been b) has been c) will be

V. Rewrite as directed.

2×2=4

26. He said to her, "What do you want?" (Change into indirect speech)
27. No other animal is so fast as cheetah. (Change into comparative degree)

Section C (Prose)

VI. Answer any three of the following questions.

3×2=6

28. How was Ajay Garg honoured?
29. What is the most serious illness according to Grandpa?
30. Why were his friends attracted by the windmill?
31. How did the police find the man who pretended to be Chaitra?
32. Who was suspected of stealing the diamond nose stud?

VII. Answer any one of the following questions in about 100 words.

1×5=5

33. Ilavazhagi is an inspirational personality. How?
34. What were the answers to the three questions?
35. Why did the sparrow throw the nose jewel into Ramayya's house?

Section D (Poem)

VIII. Quote from the memory poem.

1×4=4

36. Remember
..... you feel bad.

IX. Appreciate the following questions.

3×1=3

*Seems it was sent to me
From some place up above*

37. What do the above lines mean?

*If all the children could read
In constructing a vigorous society,
Then we shall succeed.*

38. What can children do to the society if they read?

From our dark spirits, such the sun

39. Pick out the alliteration.

Section E (Supplementary)

X. Choose the correct answers.

3×1=3

40. The Park was renamed in _____ as Jim Corbett National Park.
a) 1947 b) 1957 c) 1956
41. The hermit lived in a _____.
a) cottage b) palace c) woods
42. The Child Helpline telephone number is _____.
a) 1098 b) 101 c) 100

XI. Identify the character/speaker.

3×1=3

43. You are a brave pair.
44. Go on beauty.
45. But I apply the secret.

Section F (Reading)

XII. Read the given passage and answer to the questions given below. (3)

The first steam engine to pull a passenger train was built nearly 200 years ago. It took two hours to travel 40 kms. The early steam trains burned coal to boil water and make steam. Trains have changed lot overtime. They use different sorts of power to help them travel fast and use less fuel. Some trains use diesel and some use electricity. Trains that use diesel have large heavy engines that use less fuel than other engines. In many cities, passenger trains run on electricity, some electric trains run underground through tunnels. One of the fastest trains in the world is called the bullet train. It is a Japanese electric train. It can travel at 300kms per hour.

Answer the questions.

46. Which is the fastest train in the world?

47. Which type of trains use diesel fuel?
 48. In many cities, passenger trains run on _____.

Section G (Writing)

- XIII.** You are the head girl / boy of your school. Your school is soon going to publish the annual magazine next month. Write a notice for the school notice board, inviting students to submit write-ups. (3)
- XIV.** Write a letter to the Police Commissioner about the noise caused by the loud speaker in a music shop near your school. (5)

Answer Key

- I. 1. c) 2. a) 3. b)
 II. 4. d) 5. b) 6. c)
 III. 7. d) 8. b) 9. b) 10. b) 11. flu 12. a) 13. c) 14. gasoline
 15. a) pur/pose b) per/mis/sion
 IV. 16. b) 17. c) 18. a) 19. b) 20. b) 21. c)
 22. compound 23. a) 24. a) 25. b)
 V. 26. He asked her what she wanted.
 27. No other animal is faster than cheetah.
 IX. 37. The above lines say that her father had been sent from heaven by God.
 38. Children can construct a vigorous society if they read.
 39. Alliteration spirts - such - sun
 X. 40. b) 41. c) 42. a)
 XI. 43. Police Woman 44. Master 45. Milk maid Moti
 XII. 46. Bullet train is the fastest train in the world.
 47. Trains with heavy large engines use diesel fuel.
 48. electricity
