

KHM HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL, VALAKKULAM
SECOND TERMINAL EVALUATION - 2021

ENGLISH

Max.Marks:60

STD: X

Time: 02 hrs

Read the following passage from the story '**The best Investment I Ever Made**' and answer the questions that follow.

(6x1=6)

'I've wanted to get in touch with you for many years' he went on, under increasing stress. 'But I was never able to bring myself to do so' .Then, bending near, he spoke a few words, tensely, in my ear. At that, slowly, the veils parted. My thoughts sped back a quarter of a century, and with a start, I remembered the sole occasion when I had seen this man before. I was a young doctor at the time and had just set up a practice in a working-class district of London. On a foggy November night, towards one o'clock, I was awakened by a loud bannings on the door. Hurriedly, I threw on some close and went downstairs. It was a sergeant of police, in dripping helmet and cape, mistily outlined on the doorstep. A suicide case, he told me abruptly, in the lodgings around the corner-I had better come at once.

- 1 'But I was never able to bring myself to do so' what was he never able to do?
2. Who reported the case of suicide?
3. When did the incident take place ?
4. Where did the incident take place?
5. Pick out a phrase from the passage, which refer to 'twenty-five years'?
6. 'I was a young doctor.' Choose the sentence pattern of this sentence from the options given below .
 - a)SVO
 - b)SVC
 - c)SVOO

Read the following lines from '**Poetry**' and answer the questions that follow.

(4x1=4)

I did not know what to say, my mouth
had no way
with names,
my eyes were blind,
and something started in my soul,

fever or forgotten wings,

and I made my own way,
deciphering
that fire,
and I wrote the first faint line,
faint, without substance, pure
nonsense,
pure wisdom
of someone who knows nothing,
and suddenly I saw
the heavens
unfastened and open,
planets,
palpitating plantations,
shadow perforated,
riddled
with arrows, fire and flowers,
the winding night, the universe.

7. What happened to the poet when poetry arrived?
8. Poetic intuition is like seeing without eyes. Which line says so?
9. What does the word 'fever' indicate?
10. Pick out an example of alliteration

11. Prepare an appreciation of the poem '**The Ballad of Father Gilligan**' focusing on the theme, imagery and other poetic crafts.

(1x5=5)

Answer any three of the following questions(12-15)

(3x5=15)

12. Write down the **character sketch** of Martha's Grandfather in the story '**The Scholarship Jacket**'

13. The doctor in the story '**The snake and the Mirror**' was very much happy about his escape from the snake bite. He writes his feelings in diary write the likely **diary** ?

14. The boy in the story '**Adventures in a Banyan Tree**' writes a **letter** to one of his friends describing his attachment with the banyan tree. Draft the likely letter

15. The arts club of Your school has decided to conduct a Film festival on Ray's films. Draft a **NOTICE** for the film festival.

16. Prepare a short **Profile** of **Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie** using the hints given below. (1x6 = 6)

Birth : September 15th 1977 Enugu State, Nigeria.

Nationality : Nigeria.

Famous as: Nigerian novelist, nonfiction writer, short story writer.

Education : Drexel University. University of Nigeria.

Awards: Bailey's women prize for Fiction.

Notable works: ' Purple Hibiscus', 'half of a Yellow sun', and 'Americanah'

Given below is the **list of recipients of Bharat Ratna**. Study the table and answer the questions that follow. Each question carries one score.

(5x1= 5)

Year	Recipients	Field
1990	Nelson Mandela	International politics
1997	Dr. A P J Abdul kalam	Science and Technology
1999	Dr. Amartya Sen	Economics
2001	Lata Mangeshkar	Music
2014	Sachin Tendulkar	Sports

17. Dr. Amartya Sen was given the Bharat Ratna for his contribution in _____

18. Who has been awarded the Bharat Ratna for his contributions to International Politics?

19. The sportsperson who was given the Bharat Ratna is _____

20. The former President of India was awarded the Bharat Ratna for his contribution in _____

21. The playback singer who was awarded the Bharat Ratna in 2001 is _____

22. Complete the **Dialogue** suitably

(5x1=5)

Father : Martha, why are you so gloomy?

Martha : The principal just conveyed some bad news.

Friend :(a).....?

Martha : He told me that there was a change in policy regarding the Scholarship Jacket this year.

Friend : You are going to get it this year,..... (b).....?

Martha : Yes. But they say that I've to pay fifteen dollars for it.

Friend: (c).....?

Martha : No, I haven't informed my Grandfather.

Friend : Don't worry, if you tell him,..... (d).....?

Martha : I don't think so.

Friend : Then, you'd better..... (e).....

Martha : Ok, I will ask my Grandmother.

23. Substitute the underlined words choosing the correct **phrasal verbs** given below. (1x4 = 4)

It was the time for my PE class. I had to remove(a) my uniform and wear(b) PE shorts to go to the playground. I walked towards my classroom to take the shorts. I met(c) my friend and she told me that nobody was in the classroom. When I reached the class, I heard my teachers talking about the Scholarship Jacket. They continued(d) arguing with each other for a long time.

(**come across, go on, take off, put down, put on**).

24. Edit the following passage. The errors are given in **bold**.

(1x4 = 4) The junk collector **pick up** bundles **used of** polythene bags lying scattered **in** the **flour** near the boxes of vegetables.

25. Supply the **missing words** in the passage where (' / ') is given.

(3x1=3)

My mother says / (a) I started reading / (b) the age of two, although I think it probably happened / (c) I was four.

26. Read the given sentences and **prepare 3 sentences in the same pattern**. (3x1=3)

1. The teacher went (Subject+Verb)

2. He likes coffee (S+V+Object)

3. He ran fast (S+V+Adverb)