First Term Summative Assessment, September - 2018

IX - Standard] **ENGLISH - I Paper** [Time : 2.30 Hrs

(Maximum Marks : 60)

Section -I (Vocabulary -10 marks)

1. Choose the synonyms of the underlined words : 3 × 1 =3
   He quickened his steps and moved *briskly* (i) towards the bus stop. There was *sprighliness* (ii) in his step and he enjoyed the mango scented summer *breeze* (iii)
   (i) a) slowly   b) rapidly   c) casually   d) leisurely
   (ii) a) liveliness   b) dullness   c) weakness   d) laziness
   (iii) a) tempest   b) tomado   c) storm   d) gentle wind

2. Write the antonyms of the underlined words : 3 × 1 =3
   "Steady, old Pal ! We've been through bad things before and come out *safely* (i). *Remember* (ii) the school fire? We must not show how *scared* (iii) we also.
   (i) a) dangerously   · b) meanly   c) happily   d) poorly
   (ii) a) recollect   b) forget   c) recall   d) refresh
   (iii) a) frightened   b) fearful   c) afraid   d) bold

3. Choose the correct homophone : 1 × 1=1
   Go straight and turn -------- (right / write) to reach the park.

4. Coin a new word with the prefix 'im' 1 × 1=1
5. Coin a new word with the suffix '--ness' 1 × 1=1
6. Frame your own sentence using the word 'rescue' 1 × 1=1

Grammar (10 marks)

1. Choose the appropriate preposition : 1 × 2=2
   i) She was born ------ (on/in) the 5th of July.
   ii) What's that book ------- ? (about/of)

2. Choose the correct prepositional phrase : 1 × 2=2
   i) ---- of his hard work, he progressed in life.
      a) inspite of   b) on account of   c) instead of
   ii) She was so happy in life that she could not ------ more.
      a) ask for   b) care for   c) pay for

3. Write the gerund/infinitive/past participle form of the verb : 3 × 1=3
   i) ------ the book, he returned it.
      a) having read   b) to read   c) reading
   ii) ------ is a good exercise.
      a) swimming   b) to swim   c) swim
   iii) I like ------ music while travelling.
      a) hear   b) to hear   c) hearing

4. Choose the correct adjective : 3 × 1=3
   i) Bicycles are ----- than bikes.
      a) economical   b) most economical   c) more economical
   ii) No other cricketer is ------ Sachin.
      a) as famous as   b) famous as   c) so famous as
   iii) Our school is the ------ in our town.
      a) good   b) best   c) better

Section-II
Prose (10 marks)

1. Answer any three of the following questions in one or two sentences : 3 × 2=6
   i) What kind of attitude helps us to succeed ?
   ii) When can you achieve your own goals in life ?
   iii) Explain "Blessings rest on the house where the shadow of a tree falls".
   iv) Who came to rescue of the children ?
   v) What happened to Sara ?

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2. Answer any one of the following in about 100 words each :   1×4=4
   a) What is Srikkanth's advice to achieve your goals ? (or)
   b) Describe the 'home alone' experience of the children.

Poetry (20 marks)

1. Quote from memory :   5
   From : My little horse ......
   To : .... bells a shake.

2. Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions below :   3×2=6
   i)   The woods are lovely, dark and deep
        But I have promises to keep
        a) Does the poet love the words ?
        b) Why does not the poet want to stay in the woods ?
   ii) I was angry with my foe;
        I told it not, my wrath did grow
        a) With whom was the poet angry ?
        b) Write the meaning of 'wrath'.
   iii) "And what shall I get for your breakfast"? she said
        a) Who does 'she' refer to ?
        b) To whom is she going to prepare breakfast for ?

3. Answer the following poetic devices :   4×1=4
   i)   Run, quick, to the cornfield, just over the hill,
        And if any be there, you may fetch it to mill.
           Pick out the rhyming words.
   ii) And I water'd it in fears,
        Night and morning with my tears;
        And I sunned it with smiles;
        And with soft deceitful wiles.
           Bring out the rhyme scheme from these lines.
   iii) "And how can I plant till the earth has been ploughed ?"
           Pick the alliterated words.
   iv) "He gives his harness, bells a shake,'
           Write the figure of speech used here.

4. Answer any one of the following questions in a paragraph :   1×5=5
   a) Describe the effect of the poisonous fruit on the enemy.   (or)
   b) Describe sequentially Little Sarah's search for corn flour.

Section-III (10 marks)

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: 5×1=5
      Mountains have a great fascination for men and people. Mountain climbing,
   however, is not without risks. It is a challenge to the unconquerable spirit
   of man and his love of adventure. That it is a dangerous sport cannot be
   denied.   As one climbs higher and higher, breathing becomes more and
   more difficult. Some climbers, therefore carry a heavy oxygen apparatus
   from which they inhale oxygen.
   i)   What is this passage about ?
   ii) Say true or false : Mountain climbing is not risky.
   iii) What happens when one climbs higher ?
   iv) What do some people carry while climbing mountains ?
   v)   Who is the first Indian woman to scale Mt. Everest ?

2. Look at the picture given below and answer the following questions :   5×1=5
   i)   Which place do you see in the picture ?
   ii) What is the woman selling there ?
   iii) Who are the people around the shop ?
   iv) What are they doing ?
   v)   What is the difference between this market
        and other vegetable shops ?