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SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT - I - 2016 - 2017
Third Language - ENGLISH
PART - A & B

Class : VIII]   (Max. Marks : 80)   [Time : 2.45 Hrs.

Marks : 50]   **PART - A**   [Time : 1½ Hr.

NOTE : 15 Minutes of time is allotted for reading the question paper.

Instructions :

1. Answer the questions under 'Part - A' on a separate answer book.

2. Write the answers to the questions under 'Part - B' on the question paper itself and attach it to the answer book of 'Part - A'

SECTION - A
Reading Comprehension (30 Marks)

1. **Read the following passage.**

'Tell him to send me a blanket. There is a cold mist in the mornings. If I catch cold it doesn't leave me for a long time. Tell him to send a blanket, won't you? A red one. I had a blanket, the one he brought for me when he was studying in Madras. It is all tattered now, just a ball of knotted yarn. Tell him to send me a red blanket, will you?' **(The Tattered Blanket)**

Now answer the following questions.   5 x 2 = 10

a) Who is the speaker ?

b) Who is he / she speaking to ?

c) What does the speaker want ?

d) Why did the speaker want it ?

e) When was the old blanket brought to the speaker ?

2. **Read the following stanza.**

For, all day, we drag our burden tiring
Through the coal, dark, underground ;
Or, all day we drive the wheels or iron
In the factories, round and round.   (The cry of children)

Now answer the following questions.   5 x 1 = 5

a) Where do the children work ?

b) What do you understand from the phrase 'dark underground' ?

c) 'We drive the wheels' .... what do the children do according to this expression ?

d) Do children enjoy their lives when engaged in work ?

e) Do you support child labour ?

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3.   **Read the following stanza.**

> There is a garden
> in my heart
> where beauty grows
> in fits and starts.
> where smiles are petals
> from the flowers
> bestowed by others
> from their bowers.   **(The Garden Within)**

Now answer the following questions.   **5 x 1 = 5**

a)   What is the poet's heart compared to ?

b)   How do the plants in the garden grow ?

c)   What are 'smiles' compared to ?

d)   Which phrase in the stanza means 'Constantly and rapidly' ?

e)   Pick out the rhyming words from the stanza.

4.   **Read the following Passage.**

Imran, an old fisherman, lived on the banks of a river, always dreaming of what he would do if he were rich. One day, while walking home from work, his foot struck against a leather pouch filled with, what seemed to him small stones. Absent mindedly he picked up the pouch and began throwing the pebbles into the water.

"When I am rich" he said to himself, "I'll have a large house". And he threw a stone. He threw another and thought, "I'll have servants and rich food".

This went on until he had only one pebble left, As Imran held it in his hand, a ray of light caught it and made it spakle.

He realised then, that it was a valuable gem and that he had been throwing away the real riches in his hand while he dreamed idly of unreal riches in the future.
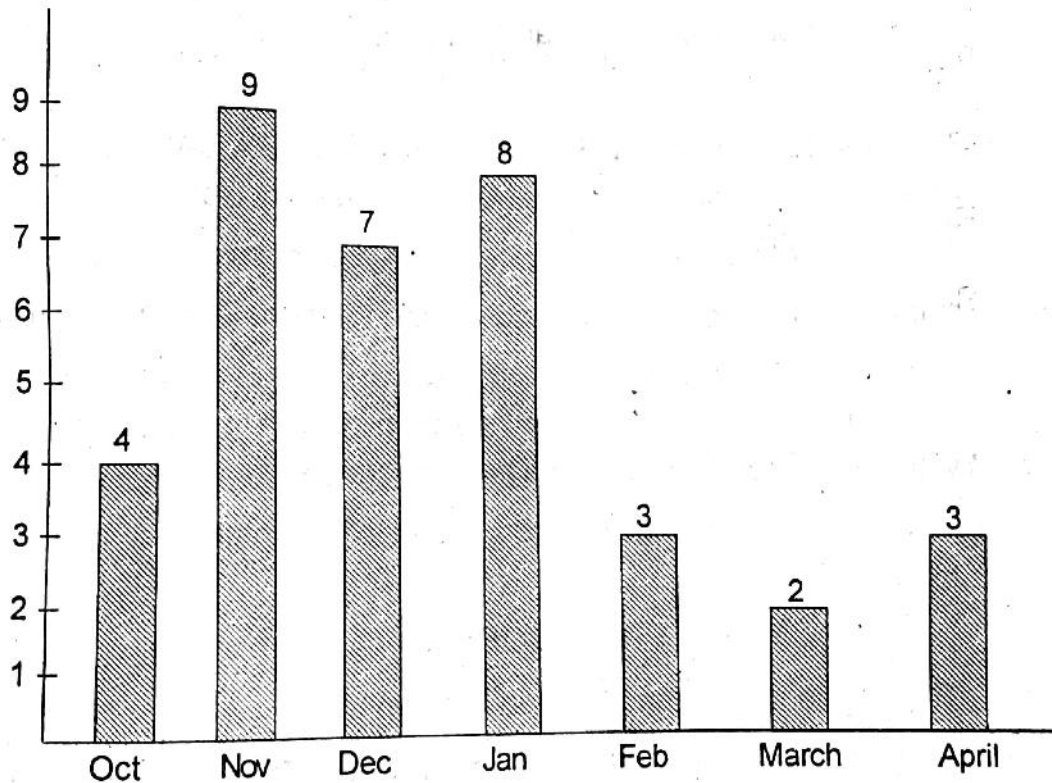
Now answer the following questions.   **5 x 1 = 5**

a)   What did the fisherman always dream of ?

b)   While walking, what did his foot strike against ?

c)   Imran threw away the stones one by one ....   (   )

    i) as he couldnot carry the pouch.

    ii) not realizing the value of the stones

    iii) he loved to throw the pebbles into the water.

d) Imran always dreamt of .... ( )
   i) selling the pebbles and becoming rich.
   ii) leading a peaceful life.
   iii) What he would do if he were rich.

e) Which of the following statements is true according to the story ?( )
   i) Imran dreamed idly of unreal riches in the future
   ii) Imran was a rich man
   iii) Imran was hard working.

5. **Study the bar graph given below. It shows the number of tourists who visited Agra during six months of time.   (in 1000's)**

Now answer the following questions.   5 x 1 = 5

a) Which month received the maximum number of tourists ?

b) Which month received the minimum number of tourists ?

c) The months received equal number of tourists are ...... ( )
   i) Nov and Jan   ii) Oct and Feb   iii) Feb and April

d) The number of tourists in January are :   ( )
   i) 9000   ii) 8000   iii) 7000

e) Which of the following statements is true as per the data ?
   i) Dec and Jan have tourists a little less than Nov.
   ii) Feb and Mar have tourists a little less than Nov.
   iii) Nov and Jan have equal no. of tourists.

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SECTION - B

Creative Writing (20 Marks)

6.a) In the lesson 'A Letter to Your Friend' you have read read taht Mr. ramesh was working as a computer programmer in Microsoft, Hyderabad. His friend Suresh visited Hyderabad. Mr. Suresh came to know taht he wantd to meet him somewhere during his visit. But he could not meet his friend , Mr. Suresh.

Now, imagine that you are Mr. ramesh. you cold meet your friend Mr. Suresh at KFC Restaurant, himayatnagar in hyderabad. Write a possible conversation between you and Suresh. **10**

(OR)

b) Imagine that you are Mr. Ramesh in the lesson 'A Letter to Your Friend'. Describe the thoughts of Mr. Ramesh over city life.

You can include the following details in your answer;

busy life - lonliness - no strong human relations -longing for relatives - imortance of grand parents

7. a) You will be enjoying your Pushkaram holidays. You want to share the joy with your friend who lives in a neighbouring state.

Now write a letter inviting your friend to your place during Pushkaram to take part in it. **10**

(OR)

b) The Profile of Sir Isaac Newton is given here.

Write a bio sketch of the life of sir Isaac Newton using the details gives.

Birth	: in 1642 on Christmas Day
Residence	: in a small village of woolsthrope, lincolnshire.
Parents	: Father died, mother remarried a clergy man.
Guardian	: his good old grand father, kind sent him to school.
First Achievement	: Set of little tools, saws of various sizes manufactured.
Next Step	: Made many curious articles.

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Academic Standard	Reading Comprehension	Creative Expression	Vocabulary	Grammar	Total	Total Grade
Marks Alloted	30	20	15	15	80	
Marks Obtained						

Name of the student : .... Roll No. ....

INSTRUCTIONS :

1. Answer all the questions in this part on the question paper itself.
2. Candidate must be CAPITAL LETTER'S while answering the multiple choice questions.

SECTION - C (15 Marks)

VOCABULARY

8. Choose the words with similar meaning from the list given to the words underlined. 4 x ½ = 2

   (snap, flap, nervous, quirer)

   Oliver was frightened at the <u>sight</u> (1) of so many gentlemen, which made him <u>tremble</u> (2). The beadle gave him a <u>tap</u> (3) on his back with his <u>cane</u> (4), which made him cry.

   Ans. 1) .... 2) ....

   3) .... 4) ....

9. Write the opposite words to the underlined words in the given lines. 4 x ½ = 2

   Oliver bowed <u>low</u> (1), directed by the beadle, and was then hurried away to a <u>large</u> (2) ward; where, on a <u>rough</u> (3), <u>hard</u> (4) bed, he sobbed himself to sleep.

   Ans. 1) .... 2) ....

   3) .... 4) ....

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10. Fill in the blanks with the right form of the words given in brackets.

                                                      4 x ½ = 2

The members of this board were very wise and .... (1) (philosophical / philosophy) men. As they turned their attention to the workhouse, they .... (2) (discovery / discovered) that it was the .... (3) (regular / regularly) place of public .... (entertainment / entertain) for the poorer classes.

Ans. 1) ....   2) ....

        3) ....   4) ....

11. A) Complete the following words using ea, ie, ai, eo, io.   2 x ½ = 1

     i) bel __ __ ve   ii) spr __ __ d

B) Complete the following words with given in the brackets.

                                                      2 x ½ = 1

     i) vaca .... (tion / sion)   ii) reluct .... (ant / ent)

C) One word in the set is wrongly spelt. Rewrite it correctly in the space provided.   2 x ½ = 1

     (i) usefull, decision, tremble, inform   Ans: ....

     (ii) orphan, childran, quite, certain   Ans: ....

12. Put the following words under correct headings.   8 x ¼ = 2

collector, armchair, daughter, file, officer, sister, property, blanket

Persons	Places
1.	1. ....
2.	2. ....
3.	3. ....
4.	4. ....

13. A) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate compound adjectives from the box given below.   4 x 1 = 4

[old-fashioned, brand-new, deep-rooted, well-mannered, soft-spoken]

Latha is a _____ girl. She speaks kindly with her classmates. Look at her, she is wearing an _____ dress. She does not like to wear _____ dresses. Don't you think Latha is a _____ girl?

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SECTION - D

GRAMMAR (15 Marks)

14. Read the following passage and correct the words underlined. Rewrite the correct words in the space provided.   4 x 1 = 4

The Kaveri river has <u>drying</u> (a) up this year also. Hand pumps <u>but</u> **(b)** wells in the villages near Morena <u>had</u> (c) also dried up due to falling ground water levels. severe water shortage is being experienced <u>on</u> (d) the region.

a) ....   b) ....

c) ....   d) ....

15. Complete the following passage, choosing the right words from those given below. Each blank is numbered and four choices are given. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in the blank.   4 x 1 = 4

A king had .... (1) his valuable ring. He looked all .... (2) for it .... (3) couldnot find it .... (4)

i)   A) lost   B) lose   C) last   D) loose

ii) A) again   B) about   C) over   D) however

iii) A) and   B) but   C) or   D) however

iv) A) somewhere   B) everywhere   C) nowhere   D) anywhere

16. A) Rewrite the following sentences using noun phrases in apposition. 2 x 1 = 2

i) Vijay is my elder brother. He lives in Chennai.

Ans :- Vijay, ... in Chennai.

ii) Tommy never barks. It is a good breed.

Ans :- Tommy, ... never barks.

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B) Change the following statements into yes/No questions. 2 x 1 = 2

i) His school has closed for vacation.

Ans :- ....

ii) My father takes a morning walk daily.

Ans :- ....

C) Use correct question tags in the blanks. 2 x 1 = 2

Rohit : Hi, I've met you before, _____

Suma : No, I don't think so.

Rohit : But your name is Vani, _____

Suma : No, it's Suma! Anyway, glad to meet you.

D) Identity gerunds in the following sentences. 2 x ½ = 1

i) The North wind ceased roaring.

Ans :- ....

ii) Mohan stopped smoking.

Ans :- ....