

TELLICHERRY CLUSTER (GROUP – III)

HSE I

ENGLISH

Time :2.30Hrs

Maximum:80 Scores

Cool- off time :15 Minutes

(Questions 1-8. Answer all the questions. Each question carries 1 score)

(8×1=8)

Read the given excerpt and answer the questions that follow.

But another thought, another picture occurs to every mind. It is thus that nature itself nourishes beings until their birth. The creature that will rise, soon begins to move.

1. What is the creature referred to here?
2. Which word in the passage means 'feed'?
3. What is the other thought that occurs to every mind?

Read the following lines and answer the questions that follow.

Sceptre and crown

Must tumble down

And in the dust be equal made

With the poor crooked scythe and spade.

4. Name the poem and the poet.
5. What does 'sceptre and crown' stand for?
6. What is the figure of speech employed here?
7. What is the message conveyed through these lines?

Complete the following sentence as directed.

8. Hasan erected a large canvas shelter with silent efficiency. Rewrite the sentence beginning with 'A large canvas shelter.....'

(Questions 9 – 12. Answer any three questions. Each question carries 2 score)

(3×2=6)

Complete the following sentences

9. (a) If you work with confidence.....
(b) If you had visited my house.....

10 Your friend is very much tensed about the result of an exam he has been waiting for. Prepare two pieces of advice you would make using the expressions given, to help him solve his problem.

- (a) If I were you.....
- (b) You'd better.....

11. Report the following sentences

Maggie: Are you an Indian?

Gupta: Why do you ask that?

12. Your friend is planning a trip to a hilly area. Write two suggestions which will help him enjoy his trip.

- (a) You should.....
- (b) You should not.....

(Questions 13-19. Answer any 5 questions. Each question carries 4 score)

(5×4=20)

13. Jane Wilde was so thankful to the physician who treated Stephen Hawking when he was down with Pneumonia in Switzerland. Prepare an email for Jane Wilde to the doctor, expressing her sense of gratitude and also telling about the improvements in Hawking's health.

14. Prepare a character sketch of Maggie

15. Edit the passage given below.

According to this definition, I do not know of any person who holds to the truth as Gandhi does. That is a dangerous quality to a politician for he speaks out his mind and lets the public see its changing phases.

16. Imagine that you're a tourist guide. A group of tourists visits your locality. How would you welcome them? Prepare the script of a speech you would make on the occasion.

17. According to Max Beerbohm, walking for walking's sake is not a mentally productive exercise. What is your opinion. Justify your argument in a short paragraph.

18. Elaborate on the idea of the given lines.

Without Thee what is all the morning's wealth?

Come, blessed barrier between day and day,

Dear mother of fresh thoughts and joyous health!

19. In the story, 'Gooseberries' Ivan says "Freedom is a boon as essential as the air we breathe." Prepare a write-up on the topic 'The Importance of Individual Freedom'.

(Questions 20-25. Answer any five questions. Each question carries 6 score)

(5×6 =30)

20. You get a chance to interview Walt Woltosz, who developed Equalizer for Stephen Hawking. Prepare six questions for the interview.

21. Prepare a travel essay based on a trip that you recently had.

22. On 14 April, 1912, Titanic collided with a huge iceberg and sank into the depths of the Atlantic Ocean. Prepare a newspaper report of the tragedy.

23. As you know that in some natural disasters, it is the building structure which becomes the cause of destruction and death. A lot of illegal construction works are going on in your locality. Write a letter to the editor of a prominent daily, expressing your concern over the issue.

24. Prepare a live T.V report of the ritual of 'Turtle Calling' observed by the maidens on the island of Kadavu.

25. Write a profile of Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam using the hints given below.

Born : 15 October 1931, Rameswaram
Full Name : Avul Pakir Jainulabideen Abdul Kalam
Parents : Jainulabideen Marakayar, Ashiamma Jainulabiddin
Education : Madras Institute of Technology, Anna University (1955-1957)
Specialization : Aeronautical Engineering
Fame : scientist, politician, writer and professor
Books : Ignited Minds, Wings of Fire etc.
President of India : 2002 – 2007
Awards : Bharat Ratna, Veer Savarkar Award, Hoover Medal

Died : 27 July 2015 (aged 83) Shillong, Meghalaya, India

(Questions 26- 28. Answer any two questions. Each question carries 8 score) (2×8 = 16)

26. As the volunteer secretary of the NSS Unit of your school, you get a chance to deliver a speech on Martyrs' Day. Prepare the script of the speech that you would deliver, on 'The relevance of Gandhian views in the modern society'.

27. Your school organises a writing contest for selecting good articles for the school magazine. The topic is 'The Impact of Social Media on Youth'. You wish to participate in the contest. Prepare the article.

28. Read the following poem and prepare an appreciation.

Home They Brought Her Warrior Dead

Alfred Lord Tennyson

Home they brought her warrior dead:
She nor swooned, nor uttered cry:
All her maidens, watching, said,
'She must weep or she will die.'

Then they praised him, soft and low,
Called him worthy to be loved,
Truest friend and noblest foe;
Yet she neither spoke nor moved.

Stole a maiden from her place,
Lightly to the warrior stepped,
Took the face-cloth from the face;
Yet she neither moved nor wept.

Rose a nurse of ninety years,
Set his child upon her knee—
Like summer tempest came her tears—
'Sweet my child, I live for thee.'