

SECOND YEAR HIGHER SECONDARY EXAMINATION SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER

ENGLISH

Time : 2 ½ hrs

Max Score:80

Qns 1-3 Read the given lines and answer the questions that follow.

“I see him there
Bringing a stone grasped firmly by the top
On each hand, like an old stone savage armed “

1. Whospeaks these lines? (1)
2. Who is referred to as old age savage? (1)
3. Comment on the last line of this stanza (2)

Qns 4-6 Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow.

‘And to tell the truth, now he’s a little afraid. He looks fearfully at Nomita’s face. Sees a fire burning there; bright, blazing red. He doesn’t have the courage to put out that fire by slapping it between his hands?’

4. Identify the context? (1)
5. What is the reason for a fire burning in the eyes of Nomita? (1)
6. What type of a husband is Ajith? (2)

Qns 7-10 answer any three of the following. Each question carries.

7. The authorities of your school have decided to collect suggestions from students to create a school campus that is free from drugs. As a student what suggestions would you give? Daft two suggestions. (2)
8. Fill in the blank with the most suitable preposition.
[into, of, against]
 - a. The victim _____ Cholera were mostly poor People. (1)
 - b. I shall look _____ the matter. (1)
9. Rewrite as directed.
 - a. “Keep your hands up “Said the referee to the Amigo Brothers
The referee instructed.....
 - b. ”The referee signaled the doctor to check the fighters out”
The ring doctor was.....
10. The authorities of your school have decided to collect suggestions from students to create a school campus that is free from drugs. As a student what suggestions would you give? Draft 2 suggestions.

Question 11-17 Answer any five of the following. Each question carries 4 score

Score:5X4=20

11. Your class is conducting a debate on "Punishment Essential for Student Discipline". Write 4 arguments either favoring or opposing to the topic.
12. Character sketch of John Robert Baldwin
13. You are the reporter of a leading channel. Prepare a live TV report of the Bout between the Amigo Brother.
14. The role of 3Ls in making a woman liberated.
15. Can we relate Grandfather and Ratna to a Horegallu? Why?
16. Inspired by Shaheen Mistri your school has decided to take up the task of providing free education to a selected group of poor needy children. You would like to inform Shaheen about this new venture and invite her to visit your school. Write an e mail to her.
17. Wangari Maathai says "women are after the first to become aware of environmental damage".....Do you agree with her opinion. Substantiate your answer.

Question 18-23 answer any five of the following. Each question carries 6 score.

Score: 5x6=30

18. Look at the following slide about Charles Dickens English novelist and prepare a profile out of it.
Charles Dickens (1812-1870)
Born at kent in England.
One of the greatest of Victorian novelists.
Worked in a factory as child and later as a reporter.
Major novels : Oliver Twist , A Christmas carol,David Copperfield, Great Expectations , A Tale of two cites.
19. In the short story 'Crime and Punishment' the teacher slapped the naughty boy when he played pranks on him. Have you ever experienced Corporal Punishment? Narrate an incident.
20. Christine Lagarde says "leadership enables women to rise and fulfill their innate abilities and talents".
Prepare a blog on the topic. Leadership as a tool for women empowerment.
21. The youth in the present century is groping in the dark under the threat of drug abuse. You wish to write a letter to the editor, drawing his attention on this menace. Prepare the letter to the editor expressing your concern.
22. After learning the poem "Mending wall" your class conducts a panel discussion on the topic "Walls break good relations". Write the script of the first panelist in this panel discussion.
23. Prepare a blurb on Sudha Murthy's "Horegallu".

Question 24-26 answer any two of the following each question carries 8 score.

Score :8x2=16

24. Read the following poem. Compare and contrast it with “stammer.” Prepare a critical appreciation.

I was born different

Some people question
While others walk away
Some People stare,
And let others snicker
I was born different!

My fingers don't straighten
And elbows are bent
My ankles are weak
And my back is curved
A cast on my foot
And thick glasses cover my eyes
I was born different!

I never had many friends
I used to be shy
But not anymore
I can take up a storm
I was born different!

Oh how I love to read and write!
I am a special Olympics athlete
Figure scares no more,
Now have bowling and track
And basketball too.
Just look at my medals!
So what if I was born different!

25. The cases of drug addicts are alarmingly increasing in our state. As a leader of the NSS unit of your school you are asked to deliver a speech on the topic. “Say no to drugs”.

Draft the script of the speech.

(Abuse of drugs – spoils mental and physical health - social isolation)

26. write an application form and resume based on the advertisement given below.

Wanted : Teachers of English
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Salary : Rs 15000/- pm
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Ootty, Tamil Nadu.

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