



## Standard 8

Time: 1.30 Hrs.

## ENGLISH

Marks: 50

## SECTION - A

1. Choose the correct synonyms for the italicized words: 2×1=2
- a) You are always *self-centred*.  
i) egostic                      ii) generous                      iii) heroic
- b) Ajay started to paint *happily*.  
i) depressed                      ii) joyfully                      iii) unhappily
2. Choose the correct antonyms for the italicized words: 2×1=2
- a) Ilavazhagi *won* world championship in 2008.  
i) win                      ii) succeed                      iii) lost
- b) It will be *disgrace* to us.  
i) honour                      ii) dishonour                      iii) limited
3. Choose the correct homophone: 2×1=2
- a) The cat caught the \_\_\_\_\_ of a mouse.  
i) scent                      ii) cent
- b) Chennai is the \_\_\_\_\_ of TamilNadu.  
i) capitol                      ii) capital
4. Expand the following: 2×1=2
- a) IIT  
b) PAN
5. Fill in the blanks with the suitable collective noun: 2×1=2
- a) a \_\_\_\_\_ of birds  
b) a \_\_\_\_\_ of shoes
- pair, bowl, flock, shower
6. Change the underlined words with correct pronoun: 2×1=2
- a) Muthu likes computer games, but he doesn't play computer games very often.
- b) Neil Armstrong was born in 1930. Neil Armstrong landed on the moon in 1969.
7. Change the possessive adjective into possessive pronoun: 2×1=2
- a) My book is new.  
b) Our bird is noisy.
8. Write the plural form of the given words: 2×1=2
- a) Syllabus  
b) Sister-in-law
9. Choose the best answer to make a compound word: 2×1=2
- a) Which can be placed before 'light'?  
i) try                      ii) sun                      iii) horse
- b) Which can be placed after 'blue'?  
i) cane                      ii) print                      iii) land
10. Write in comparative degree: 2×1=2
- a) Which is cheaper? Gold or Silver?  
b) Which is bigger? A sea or An ocean?



## SECTION - B

## 11. Quote from memory:

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From : I felt the love .....

To : ..... I would see.

## 12. Read the following lines and answer the questions given:

2×1=2

**My hobby is reading**

**It helps me**

**In thought breeding**

**It takes me to places**

- What is the hobby of the poet?
- Can the poet fly without wings?

## 13. Write a paragraph on the father's love as described in the poem.

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## SECTION - C

## 14. Answer the following questions: [any two]

2×2=4

- Where did the sparrows build the nest?
- What is Ajay's current goal?
- What did Asha Devi teach Ajay?

## 15. Answer the following questions in 100 words: [any one]

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- How did Ajay's father find his son's talent?
- Why did the sparrow throw the nose jewel into Ramayya's house?

## 16. Fill in the blanks:

2×1=2

- The diamond jewel was lying in the \_\_\_\_\_.
- Mani imagined a world with \_\_\_\_\_.

## SECTION - D

## 17. Choose the best answer:

3×1=3

- The strange lady gave \_\_\_\_\_ to Arun.
  - coffee and vadai
  - tea and bajjii
  - tea and samosas
  - black tea and cake
- Sathish and Arun were \_\_\_\_\_ years old boys.
  - 12
  - 11
  - 13
  - 10
- \_\_\_\_\_ is the first man eater shot by Corbett.
  - Leopard
  - The Champawat Tiger
  - Tigress
  - Wild animal

## 18. Identify the character or speaker:

3×1=3

- "Are you all alone, my son?"
- "Good-bye mother".
- I am glad to know that.

## 19. a) Write a letter to your father asking permission to go on a educational tour. 4

## b) Develop the following hints:

A woodcutter - cutting wood - dropped his axe in the pond - started weeping  
 - angel appeared - asked what the matter was - brought a golden axe -  
 from the pond - wood cutter did not accept - brought a silver axe - not  
 accepted - brought an iron axe - accepted - pleased with the honesty -  
 offered all the axes to him.