

KSJ ENGLISH GUIDE, NAMAKKAL

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KSJ 10th ENGLISH HALF YEARLY EXAM - 2022

Time Allowed: 3.00 Hours

PART - I

Maximum Marks : 100

Answer all the questions:

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicized words.

14x1=14

- The young seagull's siblings were *beckoning* to him and calling shrilly.
a) gesturing b) resting c) relaxing d) working
- My *contention* was to make sure that we go by the rules.
a) compliment b) endorsement c) strenuous effort d) agreement
- It was the *gaunt* face staring from the bed.
a) healthy b) lean c) husky d) hale

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicized words.

- His voice *trembled* with emotion.
a) shivered b) steadied c) shook d) pulsed
- One can control the computer screen with a *gaze*.
a) stare b) trace c) look d) blink
- We *remained* silent.
a) waited b) continued c) stayed d) stopped
- Choose the correct plural form of 'aquarium' from the following.
a) aquariums b) aquarion c) aquaria d) aquarium
- Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to a word '-relevant'
a) un b) im c) il d) ir
- Choose the correct expansion of the acronym 'INTERNET'.
a) International Network b) Indian Network c) Interlink Network d) Intermediate Network
- Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below.
They _____ their new edition of books.
a) brought to b) brought out c) brought in d) brought up
- Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word 'break' to form a compound word.
a) night b) evening c) morning d) day
- Fill in the blank with the most appropriate phrase preposition given below.
The parents must be informed _____ any indiscipline conduct of their wards.
a) in spite of b) in case of c) because of d) instead of
- Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below.
I _____ by this time yesterday.
a) sings b) sing c) were singing d) was singing
- Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives.
Both the minister _____ the officers visited the affected area.
a) when b) or c) and d) though

PART – II SECTION - 1 (Prose)

Answer any THREE of the following questions in a sentence or two.

3x2=6

- What prompted the young seagull to fly finally?
- Why did Herman and the author slam the doors?
- Who is Mr. Culverton Smith?
- Which software helps Alisha to overcome her difficulty in typing?

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SECTION - 2 (Poetry)

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any THREE of the following. 3x2=6

19. Let us learn to walk with a smile and a song,
No matter if things do sometimes go wrong;
a) What does the poet expect everyone to learn? b) What should we do when things go wrong sometimes?
20. Don't ever try to saw her pride, her self respect.
She knows how to thaw you, saw you – so beware!
a) What do the words 'thaw' and 'saw' mean here? b) What is the tone of the author?
21. Began to complain when he found that, at home,
His cupboard was empty, and winter was come.
a) Who does 'he' refer to? b) Why was his cupboard empty?
22. Not in the winter, spring, summer or fall
It just sits there never getting small or ever growing tall
a) What does 'it' refer to? b) In what way the tree is a mystery?

SECTION - 3 (Grammar)

Answer any THREE of the following questions.

3x2=6

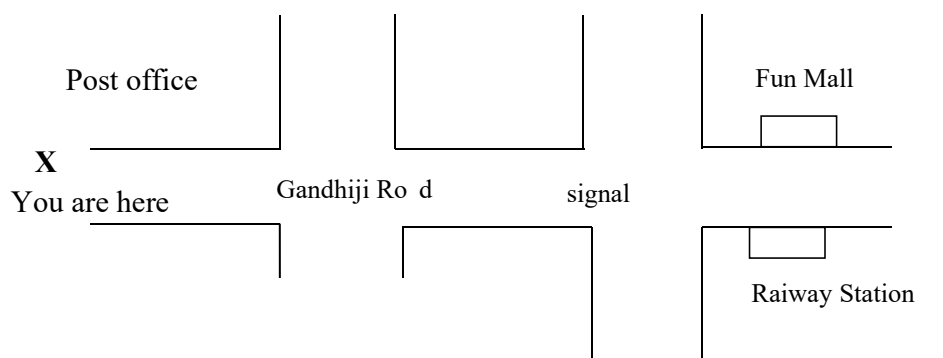
23. Rewrite the following sentence into other voice. They are painting the door and windows.
24. Change into the indirect speech. The teacher said to the students, "Don't make noise in the class".
25. Punctuate the following sentence. be not so amazed daughter miranda said prospero
26. Change the following sentence into a complex sentence. She is too weak to walk fast.
27. Rearrange the words into the correct order to make meaningful sentences.
a) speaks / Ruben / besides / German / languages / two b) as / I / healthy / are / you / am / as

SECTION 4 (Writing) Compulsory

Answer the following question.

1x2=2

28. A stranger wants to go to the railway station. Write the steps to guide him to reach his destination.



PART – III SECTION - 1 (Prose)

Answer any TWO of the following in utmost 10 lines.

2x5=10

- 29 Describe the struggles underwent by the young seagull to overcome its fear of flying.
30. Highlight the factors responsible for the all Women Indian Navy crew to carry out their expedition
31. 'Technology is a boon to the disabled' Justify.
32. How did Holmes trap Mr Culverton Smith to confess the murder?

SECTION - 2 (Poetry)

Answer any TWO of the following in utmost 10 lines.

2x5=10

33 What qualities have made women powerful?

34. What is the central theme of the poem ‘No men are foreign’?

35. Read the following poetic stanza and answer the questions given below.

It sat alone.

What happened there is still unknown,

It is a very mysterious place,

And inside you can tell it has a ton of space,

But at the same time it is bare to the bone.

i) Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines.

ii) Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.

iii) What is the figure of speech used in the first line?

iv) Pick out the alliterating words in the last line.

36. Paraphrase the following stanza.

Some water, coal, and oil is all we ask,

And a thousandth of an inch to give us play:

And now, if you will set us to our task,

We will serve you four and twenty hours a day!

SECTION - 3 (Supplementary)

Answer any ONE of the following.

1x5=5

37. Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.

a Ariel was instructed to bring Ferdinand, the prince of Naples to his cave.

b. He raised a violent storm in the sea to wreck the ship of his enemies.

c. Using his powers, Prospero released the good spirits from large bodies of trees.

d. Prospero and Miranda came to an island and lived in a cave.

e. He ordered Ariel to torment the inmates of the ship.

38. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

Many years ago there lived in Holland a boy named Peter. Peter's father was one of the men who tended the gates in the dikes, called sluices. He opened and closed the sluices so that ships could pass out of Holland's canals into the great sea. One afternoon in the early fall, when Peter was eight years old, his mother called him from his play. "Come, Peter," she said. "I want you to go across the dike and take these cakes to your friend, the blind man. If you go quickly, and do not stop to play, you will be home again before dark." The little boy was glad to go on such an errand, and started off with a light heart. He stayed with the poor blind man a little while to tell him about his walk along the dike and about the sun and the flowers and the ships far out at sea. Then he remembered his mother's wish that he should return before dark and, bidding his friend goodbye, he set out for home.

Questions:

a) What was the work done by Peter's father?

b) How old was Peter and who was his friend?

c) What was the job given to Peter by his mother?

d) How did Peter spend his time with his blind friend?

e) What did Peter remember while talking with his friend?

