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**SECOND TERM EVALUATION 2022-23**

**ENGLISH**

**Time : 2½hours**

**Maximum Score : 80**

**Class: IX**

**Instructions**

- 15 minutes is given as cool-off time.
- This time is to be used for reading the question paper.
- Attempt the questions according to the instructions.

**Questions 1-5. Read the excerpt from 'Tolstoy Farm' and answer the questions that follow. (5x1=5)**

But as I fully appreciated the necessity of a literary training in addition, I started some classes with the help of Mr. Kallenbach and Sjt. Pragji Desai. Nor did I underrate the building up of the body. This they got in the course of their daily routine. For there were no servants on the Farm, and all the work, from cooking down to scavenging, was done by the inmates. There were many fruit trees to be looked after, and enough gardening to be done as well. Mr. Kallenbach was fond of gardening and had gained some experience of this work in one of the Governmental model gardens. It was obligatory on all, young and old, who were not engaged in the kitchen, to give some time to gardening. The children had the lion's share of this work, which included digging pits, felling timber and lifting loads. This gave them ample exercise. They took delight in the work, and so they did not generally need any other exercise or games. Of course some of them, and sometimes all them, malingered and shirked.

1. Who helped Gandhiji in giving literary training to the inmates in the Tolstoy Farm?
2. What was obligatory in the Tolstoy Farm?
3. Which sentence in the passage shows that children did most of the work in the Tolstoy Farm?
4. Why didn't the children need exercise or games?
5. Pick out the word from the passage which means 'pretend to be ill in order to avoid some work'.

**Questions 6-9. Read the following lines from 'Song of the Rain' and answer the questions that follow. (4x1=4)**

The voice of thunder declares my arrival;  
The rainbow announces my departure.  
I am like earthly life, which begins at  
The feet of the mad elements and ends  
Under the upraised wings of death.

I emerge from the heart of the sea  
Soar with the breeze. When I see a field in  
Need, I descend and embrace the flowers and  
The trees in a million little ways,  
I touch gently at the windows with my  
Soft fingers, and my announcement is a  
Welcome song. All can hear, but only  
The sensitive can understand.

6. What announces the departure of the rain?
7. How is the life of rain compared to earthly life?
8. What does the rain do when it sees a field in need?
9. Pick out an example for 'personification'.
10. Read the following lines from 'Song of the Rain' and prepare a note of **appreciation** focusing on its theme, images and poetic devices. (1x5=5)

I am dotted silver threads dropped from heaven  
By the Gods. Nature then takes me, to adorn  
Her fields and valleys.

I am beautiful pearls, plucked from the  
Crown of Ishtar by the daughter of Dawn  
To embellish the gardens.

When I cry, the hills laugh;  
When I humble myself, the flowers rejoice;  
When I bow, all things are elated.

**Questions 11-15. Read the passage and answer the questions given below. (5x1=5)**

Drug addiction is a serious issue affecting all sections of the society. In the first phase of drug addiction, the brain cells become irritated and the faculties of rationality, i.e., judgement, observation and attention get blunted. In the second phase, the addicts feel as if they are not aware of their own self and such psychic trauma leads them to the condition of stimulation. In the third phase, as the victims increase the dosage and frequency, they lose their physical balance and muscular coordination. The addicts then become a prisoner of confusion. Drug addiction distorts family ties and causes family disorganization, creating marital discord and divorce. In due course, the addicts get alienated from the mainstream of family, neighbourhood and society.

11. How many phases of drug addiction are mentioned in the passage?

12. In which phase of addiction does the victim get blunted in judgement and observation?
13. What is the condition of a drug addict during the second phase of addiction?
14. How does drug addiction affect family?
15. Suggest a suitable title to the passage.

**Questions 16-17. Answer any ONE of the following questions. (1x7=7)**

16. Prepare a **write-up** on the topic 'Causes and Effects of Climate Change' based on the speech 'Climate Change is not Hysteria- it's a Fact.' by Leonardo DiCaprio.

*(fossil fuels - largest contributor to climate change - global warming - industrial emissions - disrupts balance of nature - intense droughts - extinction of species - health hazards - poverty and displacement)*

17. Juliane Koepcke was the sole survivor of the plane crash. She endured a dreadful ordeal in the jungle. Prepare a **narrative** of her experiences in the jungle.

**Questions 18-20. Answer any TWO of the following questions. (2x5=10)**

18. Mr Dixit and Grandmother happen to meet each other at the construction site on Dharmagiri mountain. Prepare the likely **conversation** between Grandmother and Mr Dixit.
19. Prepare **five questions** based on the passage given below. One has been done for you.

The next morning, I crawled out slowly because everything swam dizzily before me. I saw a small package and opened it. It contained some sweets and a Christmas cake. I tasted the cake and dropped it. It was soaking wet and revolting. Then I picked up a long stick with which to probe the ground to avoid snakes, poisonous spiders and ants. My parents had taught me about the perils of the jungle in the years we had lived in it — that it is not the big animals that are the most dangerous, but the snakes and the insects.

e.g. What did the package contain?

20. The Grandmother in the play 'Listen to the Mountain' was very much shocked when she heard about the tragedy in Dharmagiri. After a few days, she wrote her feelings in the diary. Prepare the likely **diary entry**.

**Questions 21-25. Answer any THREE of the following questions. (3x6=18)**

21. Gandhiji gave utmost importance to the culture of heart and building of character of the inmates on the Tolstoy Farm. Prepare a **letter** to be sent to one of your friends describing Gandhiji's concept of Education on the Tolstoy Farm.
22. The Eco Club of your school is conducting a poster exhibition based on the topic 'Drug Abuse and its Consequences'. Prepare a **notice** informing everyone about the same and requesting his/her participation.
23. Leonardo DiCaprio made an impressive speech at the UN Climate Summit. You were one of the reporters who attended the summit. Prepare the **news report**.

24. Write a short **profile** of Khalil Gibran using the following hints.

- Birth : January 6, 1883, Lebanon  
Famous as : Artist, poet, writer and philosopher  
Nationality : Lebanese-American  
Important works : *Prophet, Broken Wings*  
Influences : Friedrich Nietzsche and William Blake  
Themes : Love, death and nature  
Death : April 10, 1931, New York.

25. Sagar in the play 'Listen to the Mountain' is a shrewd building contractor who holds the villagers in contempt and has intense disregard for the environment. Prepare a **character sketch** of Sagar.

**Questions 26-30. Study the table carefully and answer the questions that follow.**

(5x1=5)

Film	Year	Production	Protagonist
Here Comes the Navy	1934	Warner Brothers	Lou Edelman
Lost Horizon	1937	Columbia	Frank Capra
One Foot in Heaven	1941	Warner Brothers	H&B Wallis
The Snake Pit	1948	20th Century Fox	Robert Bassier
Roman Holiday	1953	Paramount	George Stevens

26. The production house that launched the movie 'Lost Horizon' is .....

27. Name the production house which produced two movies.

28. Which movie was made in the year 1948?

29. When was the movie, 'Here Comes the Navy' released?

30. Who is the main actor in the movie 'The Snake Pit'?

31. **Read the following conversation and fill in the blanks.**

(2x1=2)

Ramanna : Where will the labourers stay?

Sagar : We will put up temporary dwellings for them at the top of the hill.

Ramanna asked .....(a).....

Sagar replied that .....(b).....

32. Edit the following passage.

(5x1=5)

We need to put a price tag on carbon (a)emissions and eliminate government subsidies for coal, gas and oil (b)company. We need to (c)ended the free ride that industrial polluters have been given in (d)name of the a free-market economy; they don't deserve our tax dollars, they (e)deserving our scrutiny.

33. Read the passage and replace the words given in bold with right phrases from the brackets. (4x1=4)

(made up his mind, give up, put up with, taken aback, took up)

Gandhiji (a)undertook the responsibility for the training of the young On the Tolstoy Farm. He could not (b)tolerate the existing system of education in South Africa. He (c)decided to experiment a new system of education. The concept was not without flaws but Gandhiji decided not to (d)abandon his idea.

34. Complete the following passage choosing suitable words given in brackets. (5x1=5)

(from, with, to, in, of, on)

Dixit is seated on a chair ....(a).... one side of the stage. A procession ....(b).... children and adults enters .....(c).... the opposite side. The children ....(d).... the front row present a petition ....(e).... Dixit.

35. Complete the conversation between Narayan sir and one of his students suitably.

(5x1=5)

- Student : Where are they building the hotel?  
Narayan : .....(a).....  
Student : That's not fair. The mountain is sacred to us, .....(b).....?  
Narayan : Of course.  
.....(c).....?  
Student : Yes. We can put up a protest to stop the construction of the hotel.  
Narayan : If we put up a protest, .....(d).....  
Student : Sure. They will stop the construction.  
Narayan : We had better .....(e).....  
Student : Ok sir. We will definitely submit a petition to Mr Dixit tomorrow.

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