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A CBSE DAY-CUM-BOYS' RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

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ENGLISH SET1

Class: V

Time: 3hr

Date: 31.08.26

Max Marks: 80

Admission no:

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General Instructions:

1. The Question Paper contains THREE sections-READING, GRAMMAR & WRITING and LITERATURE.
2. Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.

SECTION - A READING (22 Marks)

I. Read the following comprehension and answer the questions briefly:

(12 Marks)

When the annual science fair was announced, every student in Class VI was excited. Most groups immediately started discussing impressive models that could attract attention. Arjun, however, believed that a successful project should solve a real-life problem instead of simply looking attractive.

After observing that many taps in the school garden were left running unnecessarily, his group decided to design a simple water-saving device. Their first few attempts were unsuccessful because the sensor did not respond correctly. Some members suggested abandoning the idea and choosing an easier project. Arjun disagreed. He felt that failure was part of the learning process and encouraged everyone to continue experimenting.

Over the next two weeks, the group tested different materials, recorded their observations, and made several improvements. They often stayed back after school to complete the project. Although the final model was not the most colourful one in the exhibition, it worked efficiently and reduced unnecessary water wastage during the demonstration.

The judges praised the group for selecting a practical problem and applying scientific thinking to solve it. They explained that innovation is not always about creating something complicated; sometimes, simple ideas can make the greatest difference. The project received the 'Best Practical Solution' award, and many students later suggested installing similar devices throughout the school campus.

On the basis of the reading of the passage, answer the questions:

1. Why did Arjun choose a different approach for the science fair? (1)

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| a) He wanted to finish early. | b) He believed projects should solve real-life problems. |
| c) He disliked working in groups. | d) He wanted to copy another model. |

2. Why did some group members want to change the project? (1)

- d) The teacher rejected their idea.

3. Which quality of Arjun is best reflected in the passage? (1)

- #### d) Overconfidence

4. Which sentence supports the idea that the group worked scientifically? (1)

- d) They bought an expensive model.

5. Why did the judges appreciate the project? (1)

- d) It had colourful decorations.

6. The word "innovation" in the last paragraph means _____. (1)

- d) avoiding challenges

7. Complete the sentence. (1)

Although the final model was not the most colourful one, _____

8. Which statement can be inferred from the passage? (1)

- d) Judges only reward expensive projects.

9. How did Arjun's attitude influence the success of his group? (2)

10. What important lesson about innovation does the passage teach? (2)

(10 Marks)

One rainy evening, Meera was returning home from school with her younger brother, Aarav. As they walked along the road, they noticed an elderly woman standing under a tree. She looked worried because she was unable to cross the busy road. The rain was getting heavier, and vehicles were moving quickly.

Meera held her brother's hand and carefully walked up to the woman. She politely asked if she needed any help. The woman smiled and nodded. Meera looked both ways, waited for the traffic to slow down, and then helped the woman cross the road safely.

After reaching the other side, the woman thanked Meera and blessed both the children. She said that kindness and courage make a person truly great. Meera felt happy because she had helped someone without expecting anything in return.

Meera realised that even a small act of kindness can make a big difference in someone's life. From that day onwards, she looked for opportunities to help others while always following safety rules.

1. Why was the elderly woman standing under the tree? (1)

3. Meera first _____ before helping the woman cross the road. (1)

a) ran across the road b) looked both ways c) called the police d) went back home

4. Meera felt happy because she _____. (1)

a) received a gift b) reached home early

c) helped someone without expecting anything in return d) bought a new umbrella

5. How did Meera help the elderly woman? (Give any two points.) (2)

6. What did Meera's parents teach her? (Give any two points.) (2)

7. What lesson did Meera learn from the incident? (Give any two points.) (2)

III. Writing Skills

(22 Marks)

A. Read the outline provided and write a short story. Give suitable title:

(3 Marks)

Once upon a time, a boy named Rohan found a pair of bright red sneakers in an old shop. As soon as he put them on, he felt a strange tingle in his feet. Suddenly, he was running faster than a speeding car!

He decided to use his new speed to..... **[Complete the story]**

B. Poster Writing: Design a poster on "**Healthy Food vs. Junk Food**" highlighting the benefits of eating fruits and vegetables. **(4 Marks)**

C. Picture Composition- Write in 10-15 lines what you understand about the given picture and describe what all you can see in the picture. **(7 Marks)**



D. Informal Letter Writing: Write a letter to your friend telling them about a new pet or plant you have started taking care of at home. **(8 Marks)**

IV. Grammar **(10 Marks)**

A] Choose the correct answer: **3x1=3**

1. Choose the correct pair of articles to complete the sentence: "We saw _____ huge elephant at _____ city zoo."

- A) an / a B) a / the C) the / an D) an / the

2. Which word from the sentence is an abstract noun? "The room was filled with laughter and joy."

- A) room B) filled C) joy D) with

3. Choose the correct reflexive pronoun to complete the sentence: "My little sister learned how to tie her shoes all by _____."

- A) himself B) yourself C) herself D) myself

B] Choose the correct answer: **4x1=4**

1. Choose the best modal verb to ask for permission: "_____ I please go to the restroom?"

- A) Must B) May C) Should D) Need

2. Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentence: "You _____ wash your hands before eating dinner."

- A) used to B) need to C) can D) may

3. Choose the correct modal phrase to show a past regret: "Oh no! I _____ my raincoat today; now I am soaked!"

- A) should have brought B) can bring C) must bring D) am bringing

4. Choose the correct modal verb to state an ability: "Fish _____ swim, but birds can fly."

- A) must B) should C) can D) need to

C] Do as directed: **3x1=3**

1. Rewrite this sentence in the Simple Past Tense:

"The dog barks at the mailman."

2. Fill in the blank using the Past Continuous Tense (*was/were + verb-ing*):
Yesterday at 4 PM, the boys _____ (play) soccer in the park.

3. Rewrite this sentence in the Simple Future Tense (using *will*):
"I eat an apple for snack."

SECTION C – LITERATURE (26 Marks)

V. Choose the correct answer to the following questions:

1x4=4

1. How did Mary and Dickon help Colin get better?
 - a. They brought him medicine.
 - b. They took him to the secret garden and encouraged him to walk.
2. Gulliver was able to explain that ...
 - a. he was hungry.
 - b. he was sleepy.
3. The potters had a long holiday during ...
 - a. summer season
 - b. rainy season
4. The Blefuscians were coming to attack Lilliput ...
 - a. in ships.
 - b. on horses.

VI. Answer the following questions with reference to context:

1x4=4

1. *"I hope the postman comes soon."*
 - a. Who said this?
 - b. Why was the speaker waiting for the postman?
2. *These would be thrown on the wheel to make pots.*
 - a. What is thrown on the wheel?
 - b. What happens to the pot after it is moulded on the wheel?

VII. Attempt ANY FIVE of the questions given below, within 40-50 words each.

5x2=10

1. What is the theme of the poetry "Let's see the world."?
2. How does the March family and their neighbours support each other during the challenging period?
3. What were Manu and his grandfather going to collect from the river bank? Why could they collect it easily from there?
4. What all does the wind do in the first stanza of the poetry, the wind?
5. Gulliver helped the King of Lilliput by capturing the Blefuscian. What does this say about the character of Gulliver?
6. Why did Mary want to take Colin into the sacred garden? Did it help Colin to recover in some other way?

VIII. Answer ANY ONE of the following questions in about 100-120 words:

1x8=8

1. How does Gulliver come to arrive at Lilliput? How do the Lilliputians manage to capture Gulliver?
2. What all themes are highlighted in the poem "The Wind"?

*****ALL THE BEST*****