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MS SET I
ENGLISH

Class: VI
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Admission no:

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Max Marks: 80
Roll no:

General Instructions:

1. The question paper contains four sections - Reading Skills, Writing Skills, Grammar and Literature.
2. Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.

Section A: Reading Skills

(22 marks)

1. Read the passage and answer the questions.

(12)

The Power of Discipline

Ravi was a curious boy who lived in a small town near a river. He loved learning new things and often asked questions in class. However, Ravi had one big problem. He got distracted very easily and could not sit and study for long. Ravi wanted to become a scientist one day, but he did not have a fixed routine. Every afternoon, he planned to study, yet he spent most of his time playing video games or watching television.

One day, Ravi's teacher spoke to the class about discipline. The teacher said that learning needs discipline to be successful in life. She explained that discipline means doing the right thing at the right time, even when we do not feel like doing it. Ravi listened carefully and thought about his own habits. He realized that he could not learn new things unless he became disciplined.

That evening, Ravi decided to change himself. He made a simple timetable and stuck it on his wall. He planned time for study, play, and rest. Ravi decided to wake up early every morning and revise his lessons. At first, waking up early was difficult, and he felt sleepy and lazy. Still, Ravi followed his timetable and did not give up.

After a few weeks, Ravi noticed a change in himself. He started understanding his lessons better and finished his homework on time. Learning new topics became interesting because he practiced every day. He also learned new skills like reading faster and solving problems carefully.

Ravi still played games, but only after completing his studies. This balance made him happy and confident. In the next exam, Ravi performed much better than before, and his teacher praised him. Ravi realized that discipline is the key to learning new things in life, and he promised to stay disciplined forever.

1. Where did Ravi live and what does he want to become?

(2)

Ans. Ravi lived in a small town near a river and he wanted to become a scientist one day.

2. What problem did Ravi have?

(1)

Ans. Ravi's problem was that he got distracted very easily and could not sit and study for long.

3. What did Ravi waste his time on?

(1)

Ans. Ravi wasted most of his time on playing video games or watching television.

4. What change did Ravi notice after a few weeks?

(2)

Ans. Ravi started understanding his lessons better and finished his homework on time.

5. What kind of boy was Ravi? (choose the answer)

(1)

- a) Ravi was a careless boy who disliked school. b) Ravi was a curious boy.
c) Ravi was a quiet boy from a city. d) Ravi was a sportsman.

6. What promise did Ravi make? (1)

- a) To stop playing b) To leave school dc To study only at night
d) Ravi realized that discipline is the key to learning new things in life, and he promised to stay disciplined forever.

7. What difficulty did Ravi face in the beginning? (1)

- a) He could not read. b) He forgot his books.
c) He missed school. d) Waking up early was difficult, and he felt sleepy and lazy.

8. Who explained what discipline means and what did he say it means? (2)

Ans. The teacher explained that discipline means doing the right thing at the right time.

9. State whether the statement is True or false: Ravi decided not to wake up early every morning. (1)

Ans. False, Ravi decided to wake up early every morning.

2. Read the passage and answer the questions.

(10 marks)

Truth is an important value that guides us in life. When a person does not speak the truth, it often leads to problems. A lie may seem easy at first, but it creates fear and stress in the mind. When a person tells one lie, they have to tell more lies to hide the first one. This makes life confusing and difficult. Dishonesty and lies breaks trust, and once trust is broken, it is very hard to gain it back. People stop believing a person who speaks lies again and again.

Honesty brings peace and respect in life. A truthful person feels confident and does not fear being caught. Teachers, parents, family, society and friends respect those who speak the truth. Speaking lies can lead to punishment and shame, especially when the truth finally comes out. Many problems in life are caused by lies, but honesty helps solve problems easily.

Being honest makes a person strong and brave. Truthfulness builds a good character and helps us succeed in life. Even if the truth is difficult to speak, it saves us from bigger trouble later. Therefore, we should always speak the truth and avoid telling lies. Remember, lying puts you in trouble, but honesty leads you to a happy and successful life. In short, "As you sow, so you reap" tell us that our life is like a field, and our actions are the seeds we plant. We cannot expect good results from bad actions. To harvest success and happiness, we must sow honesty, hard work, and kindness.

1. What does a lie create in the mind?

A. Lie may seem easy at first, but it creates fear and stress in the mind (1)

2. What does honesty bring?

(1)

Ans. Honesty brings peace and respect.

3. What does truthfulness build?

(1)

Ans. Truthfulness builds a good character and helps us succeed in life.

4. Lying is a _____ habit.

(1)

- a) good b) fun c) useful d) bad

5. Lying can lead to _____.

(1)

- a) reward b) success c) happiness d) punishment and shame

6. What helps solve problems easily?

(1)

- a) Lies b) Anger c) Fear d) Honesty

7. What type of character truthfulness builds and how it helps us?

(2)

Ans. Truthfulness builds a good character and helps us succeed in life.

8. What does lying break, and what happens once trust is broken?

(2)

Ans. Lying breaks trust, and once trust is broken, it is very hard to gain it back.

3. Answer:**(3)****MESSAGE**

July 20, 20..... 11:00 a.m.

Dear Prem

Karan rang up to tell you that he will not be joining you for practice sessions in the evening as he is going out for two days. He has asked you to inform Shagun and Raman also about his programme.

Supriya.

4. Write an essay on any 1 of the given topics- "Pollution" or "Why Reading Books Is Valuable."**(4)****Introduction**

Pollution is one of the most serious problems facing the world today. Pollution means making our surroundings dirty and unhealthy. It harms the air, water, and land around us. Due to pollution, the environment is getting damaged day by day. Humans, animals, and plants are all affected by pollution. If pollution is not controlled in time, life on Earth will become very difficult.

Body

There are three main types of pollution: air pollution, water pollution, and land pollution. Air pollution is caused by smoke from factories, vehicles, and burning fuels. It makes the air dirty and causes diseases like asthma and breathing problems. Water pollution occurs when harmful waste from factories and homes is thrown into rivers, lakes, and seas. Polluted water kills aquatic animals and spreads diseases. Land pollution is caused by dumping garbage, plastic, and chemicals on the ground. This makes the land unclean and reduces soil fertility.

Pollution has many harmful effects. It causes global warming and climate change. Animals lose their natural homes due to polluted land and water. Humans also suffer from serious health problems because of pollution.

Conclusion

We can reduce pollution by taking small but important steps. We should plant more trees, save water, and use public transport. We must avoid using plastic and should recycle waste. The government should make strict rules to control pollution. If everyone works together, we can protect our environment. A clean and healthy environment will ensure a better future for us and the next generation.

OR**Why Reading Books Is Valuable****Introduction**

Reading books is a very good habit and an important part of our life. Books are our best friends because they give us knowledge and teach us many new things. Reading helps us learn about the world around us and improves our thinking skills. Students who read books regularly become more confident and creative. In today's digital world, reading books is still very important for our growth and success.

Body

Reading books has many benefits. It increases our knowledge and helps us learn new words, which improves our vocabulary and language skills. When we read storybooks, we imagine characters and places, which develops our creativity. Reading also improves concentration and memory. It helps students perform better in studies because they understand lessons more easily.

Books also teach us good values and life lessons. Storybooks, moral stories, and biographies inspire us to be kind, honest, and hardworking. Reading reduces stress and makes us feel relaxed and happy. It is a healthy habit that keeps us away from bad habits and excessive use of mobile phones and television.

There are different types of books such as storybooks, textbooks, newspapers, magazines, and comics. Each type of book has its own importance. By reading regularly, we can gain wisdom and become better human beings.

Conclusion

In conclusion, reading books is very important for everyone, especially students. It helps us gain knowledge, improve our language, and build a strong character. We should make reading a daily habit and spend some time with books every day. Parents and teachers should encourage children to read more books. A person who reads lives many lives and has a bright and successful future.

5. Write a Book Review on any one book-

i. Wings of Fire by Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam, or The Magic Drum by Sudha Murty

(7)

Ans. Wings of Fire by Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam-

1. Wings of Fire is written by Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.
2. It is an autobiography.
3. The book tells the story of his childhood.
4. He faced many challenges.
5. Kalam worked very hard.
6. He loved science and learning.
7. The book shows his dreams.
8. It teaches determination and discipline.
9. Readers feel inspired by his journey.
10. I recommend this book to students.

OR

Ans. The Magic Drum by SudhaMurty-

1. The Magic Drum is a delightful story written by SudhaMurty.
2. It is a collection of short stories based on Indian culture and values.
3. Each story teaches an important moral lesson.
4. The stories are simple and easy for Grade 6 students to read.
5. The characters are kind, clever, and sometimes funny.
6. Some stories talk about honesty, generosity, and wisdom.
7. The title story, The Magic Drum, is very interesting and meaningful.
8. The book shows how good behavior is always rewarded.
9. SudhaMurty's writing style is clear and engaging.
10. The stories make readers think about right and wrong.
11. The book is enjoyable as well as educational.
12. The Magic Drum is a good choice for young readers who like moral stories.

5. You do not have the facility of learning computers in your school. Write a letter to the Principal of your school requesting him to provide the facility to the students of the school.

(8)

Ans-

To,
The Principal
B K Birla Centre For Education
Talegaon
Pune, Maharashtra

10 March 200...

Subject : Facilities of learning computer in the school

Respected Sir,

These are the times of computers. Most of the schools in our city provide computer education. Our school is definitely better than them. So we must have even better computers and the teachers to teach their working. So, I request you to start providing us the computer education. All the students will be obliged to you for it.

Yours obediently

ABC

Section C: Grammar

(10 marks)

7. Read the sentence and choose the correct answer.

(3)

1. *Because it was raining*, we stayed indoors.

- a. Independent clause **b. Dependent clause**

2. I finished my homework *before I went to bed*.

- a. Independent clause **b. Dependent clause**

3. *She loves to read books*, and she visits the library often.

- a. Independent clause** b. Dependent clause

8. Choose the correct conjunction to complete the sentence.

(4)

1) I wanted to play outside, ___ it was raining.

- a. and **b. but** c. so d. Because

2) She studied hard ___ she passed the exam.

- a. or b. but **c. so** d. Yet

3) Would you like tea ___ coffee?

- a. and b. but **c. or** d. So

4) She likes apples ___ bananas.

- a. or b. but c. because **d. and**

9. Identify the types of sentences. :

(3)

1. We stayed indoors because it was raining.

- a. Simple sentence b. Compound sentence **c. Complex sentence**

2. He was tired, but he continued working.

- a. Simple sentence **b. Compound sentence** c. Complex sentence

3. He will call you after he reaches home.

- A. Simple sentence b. Compound sentence **c. Complex sentence**

Section D: Literature

(26 marks)

10. Read the given extract and answer the questions briefly.

(2x4=8)

A. Shree was angry with Akka, but then she mulled, “ Is Chaitra using someone else’s picture- a film star’s?”
How old are you? Shree typed.

“I told you I’m eleven, “Chaitra typed back.

“Hey, the earrings in your profile picture are so pretty!” typed Shree. “ Wear them when we meet tomorrow!”
“Okay, but only if you come alone,” said Chaitra.

“ Why?” typed Shree.

1. “Hey, the earrings in your profile picture are so pretty!” Who said this and to whom? (1)

Ans. This sentence was said by Shree to Chaitra.

2. Chaitra asked Shree to come to the _____

a) market b) park c) school d) railway station (1)

3. Write the meaning of the word:-mulled-_____ (1)

4. True or false, if false write the correct/ true statement. (1)

a) There were five members in Shree’s family – False, there were four members in Shree’s family

B. Whose woods these are I think I know.

His house is in the village though;

He will not see me stopping here

To watch his woods fill up with snow.

My little horse must think it queer
To stop without a farmhouse near
Between the woods and frozen lake

Answer the following questions:-

1. Where does the owner of the woods live? (1)

2. Why does the speaker stop? (1)

3. Why must the horse find it strange stopping in the woods? (1)

4. Write the meaning of “queer” (1)

11. Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words each. (2x5=10)

1. Write a short note on the character of Miss Violet.

Ans. Miss Violet’s character is portrayed as a significant character in the story. She was Mr. Marsh’s niece and their relationship was complex marked by a mixture of affection, tension, and conflict due to her strong desire for education and traditional views leading to disagreement over her inheritance.

2. Write the lesson learnt from the “The Mountain and the Squirrel”.

Ans. The Mountain and the Squirrel" by Ralph Waldo Emerson is often referred to as "Fable" is a poem that delivers several profound life lessons regarding self-worth, diversity, and the balance of nature.

3. We found the firm and the two men employed by Mr Marsh. Explain the context?

Ans. Finding the firm and the two men employed by Mr Marsh is a crucial step in the detective work to uncover the real will and the truth behind Mr Marsh’s scheme to test his niece.

4. Marcus wins the race, but why is he angry??

Ans. Marcus is angry because even though he won the race, the prize money was given away to Cassius for saving Felix’s puppy.

5. According to Grandpa, what is the difference between education in the past and the present?

Ans. In the past, learning used to take place in buildings called school and children would learn all together instead of learning at home on a workstation. At some schools they all wore the same uniform too. Whereas now, students study from home and wear different clothes.

12. Answer in 100 words the following questions. (2x4=8)

1. Name the poet of the poem ““I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud.” and write a summary of the poem.

2. What lesson can we learn from the story of Kalu and the animals?

-----All the best-----