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ENGLISH

Class: VI

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Admission no:

Time: 3hr

Max Marks: 80

Roll no:

General Instructions:

1. The question paper contains four section- 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)

English as a Global Language: A Bridge to the World

English is one of the most widely spoken and understood languages in the world. In many places, people use English to communicate even if it is not their native language. This makes English a powerful tool for global communication. It serves as a bridge that connects individuals from different cultural, social, and linguistic backgrounds, helping them share ideas, express thoughts, and build relationships across borders.

In today's interconnected world, English is often referred to as a "global language" or "lingua franca." It plays a major role in many important fields such as international business, science, education, technology, and diplomacy.

English also dominates the world of entertainment and media. A large number of popular movies, television shows, books, and songs are produced in English. By understanding English, people gain access to a vast amount of cultural content.

Beyond entertainment and culture, learning English can significantly improve one's educational and career opportunities. Students who are fluent in English can apply for scholarships, attend international conferences, and study at top global institutions. Many employers value employees who can communicate in English, especially in fields like tourism, international trade, customer service, and information technology.

However, while learning English is beneficial, it's also important to "respect and preserve your native language. Your mother tongue is an essential part of your cultural identity, heritage, and history. It connects you to your roots, your family, and your community. Being bilingual or multilingual—speaking English along with your own language—is a great strength. It enhances cognitive abilities, improves memory and problem-solving skills, and helps people see the world from different viewpoints.

In conclusion, English is a powerful language that connects people globally, provides access to education, scholarships and job opportunities, and allows individuals to participate in the global exchange of ideas and culture. Yet, embracing English does not mean abandoning your own language. Instead, it means adding another tool to your skill set. By learning English while valuing your native tongue, you can become a well-rounded, informed, and truly global citizen.

I. In which of the following fields does English play a major role?

(1)

- A. Agriculture
- C. Architecture

- B. International business
- D. Culinary arts

II. How does knowing English help in entertainment? (1)

III. According to the passage, learning English can improve one's _____ (1)

- A. Driving skills
- C. Educational and career opportunities
- B. Cooking techniques
- D. Handwriting

IV. Why is it important to preserve your native language? (1)

V. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a career field that benefits from English proficiency? (1)

- A. Information technology
- C. Medicine
- B. Tourism
- D. International trade

VI. What is English often referred to as in today's world? (1)

VII. How can students benefit academically from knowing English? (2)

VIII. Explain two ways in which English helps in career development. (2)

IX. Why is being bilingual or multilingual considered strength? (2)

2. Read the passage and answer the questions. (10 marks)

AS YOU SOW, SO YOU REAP

The idiom “As you sow, so you reap” means that the actions you take, whether good or bad, will determine the outcomes you face. It is similar to the law of cause and effect. Just like a farmer who plants seeds and expects to harvest the same kind of crop, people will experience the consequences of their behaviour over time.

For example, if a student studies regularly and sincerely, they are likely to perform well in exams. On the other hand, a student who wastes time and ignores studies may fail. In both cases, the outcome is a direct result of their efforts—or the lack of it.

This idiom also applies in relationships. If someone treats others with kindness and respect, they will likely receive the same in return. But if they behave rudely or dishonestly, they will eventually lose people's trust and support.

The phrase teaches the importance of responsibility and long-term thinking. It encourages us to make wise choices today, as they shape our future. It is a reminder that nothing happens by accident; our future is a reflection of our present actions.

In short, “As you sow, so you reap” tells 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.

I. What does the idiom "As you sow, so you reap" mainly emphasize? (1)

- A. Luck decides everything
- C. Actions determine outcomes
- B. Effort has no value
- D. Success comes without work

II. What does the farmer in the idiom expect after sowing seeds? (1)

III. What is compared to seeds in the idiom? (1)

- A. Money
- B. Actions
- C. Exams
- D. Friends

IV. How does the idiom apply to relationships? (1)

V. What will likely happen if a person is rude and dishonest with others? (1)

- A. They will gain more friends B. They will be rewarded
C. They will lose trust and support D. They will succeed in life

VI. What does the idiom encourage us to do? (1)

VII. Why is the idiom “As you sow, so you reap” compared to farming? (2)

VIII. Explain how the idiom applies to both good and bad actions. (2)

SECTION B WRITING SKILLS (22 marks)

3. Write a travelogue about visiting Delhi. (3)

4. Write a diary entry about encouraging your friends to study well. (4)

5. Attempt any one of the two, (A) or (B), in 120 words. (7)

- A. Write an informal mail to your friend expressing importance of good health.
B. Write an informal mail to your friend expressing importance of studies.

6. Attempt any one of the two, (A) or (B), in 150 words. (8)

- A. Write a story on the topic of Importance of friends in life.

B. Write a story on the topic of Importance of parents in life.

Section C: Grammar (10 marks)

7. Complete sentence by using appropriate conjunctions- (3)

1. She wanted to go to the park _____ it started to rain. (and, but, or)
2. It was cold _____ we stayed inside. (and, but, so).
3. He is not only intelligent _____ also very kind. (and, but, either)

8. Identify the tense in each of the following sentences: (4)

- 1). When I went there, Bucky was playing video games.
2) Sam was going to school.
3) Beverly will have left before you arrive to see her.
4) The train has just left the station.

9. Identify and write the adjectives in the answer sheet from the following sentences: (3)

1. The tall girl won the race.
2. That man donated a large amount of money.
3. The happy children played in the park.

Section D: Literature (26 marks)

10. Read the given extract and answer the questions briefly. (2x4=8)

A. Her father, a professor at the College of Engineering, Guindy (CEG), University of Madras, wholeheartedly supported her at this crucial point. He spoke to the Principal of his college and the director of Public

Instruction. They not only readily agreed to give admission to Lalitha, but also arranged a separate hostel for her. Even though Lalitha was the only girl in the college, nobody ever made her feel uncomfortable. A few months later, the college decided to give open admissions to women. n. All three women stayed together,

I. How did Lalitha's father support her in pursuing engineering, and what impact did it have on her success."?" (1)

II. What changes took place in the college after Lalitha joined it? (1)

III. Write the meaning of the word:- crucial-_____ (1)

IV. How does the passage highlight Lalitha's progressive mind-set? (1)

B. The mountain and the squirrel
Had a quarrel,
And the former called the latter
"Little prig."
Bun replied,
"You are doubtless very big;
But all sorts of things and weather
Must be taken in together
To make up a year
And a sphere.
And I think it no disgrace
To occupy my place.

I. Who had a quarrel in the poem? (1)

II. What did the mountain call the squirrel? (1)

III. What does Bun say must be taken together to make up a year? (1)

IV. Write the meaning of "quarrel" (1)

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

I. Why did Riana feel she missed out on an amazing experience?

II. How does slacklining help improve balance?

III. Why are the customs and traditions practiced on birthdays in India unique?

IV. Why did the narrator say that they were prisoners in the Lost World.

V. According to the lesson, what kind of lives did the society expect the women to lead after death of their husbands?

12. Answer in 150-200 words any 1 of the following. (1x8=8)

1. Why is balance important for a healthy lifestyle and being fit?

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