

# O.P. JINDAL SCHOOL, SAVITRI NAGAR

## HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION (2019-2020)

Class: IV

M.M-80 Marks

SUBJECT: ENGLISH

Time-2:00hours

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class/Section \_\_\_\_\_ Roll No \_\_\_\_\_

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***Fifteen minutes extra will be given for reading the Question paper.***

**General Instructions:**

- This question paper is divided into three sections.
  - Section-A Reading (15marks)
  - Section-B Writing and Grammar(40marks)
  - Section-C Literature (25 marks)
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- All the questions are compulsory.
  - Any section can be attempted at a time.
  - All the questions of a section must be done in correct order.
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### SECTION-A (READING) (15Marks)

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow:

The Taj Mahal is one of the most beautiful buildings in the world. About three hundred fifty years ago, emperor Shah Jahan built the TajMahal as a tomb for his wife.

Shah Jahan loved his wife very much. It is said that he remained in mourning for two years, during which his hair turned grey with grief. He vowed to build a tomb worthy of his wife's memory, something absolutely without equal anywhere in the world. He just wanted the tomb to be perfect. He did not care about time or money. He found the finest workmen in Asia. Altogether, over 20,000 different men worked on the building. It took over twenty-two years to complete it.

The building rests on a platform of sandstone. Four slender white towers, or minarets, rise from the corners of the terrace .A large dome rises from the centre of the building. Around this large dome there are smaller domes.

The building is made of fine white marble with inlays of coloured marble. It has eight sides and many open arches. There is an open corridor just inside the outer walls. From this corridor the visitor looked through carved marble screens to a central room. The bodies of Shah Jahan and his wife lie in a tomb below a room.

The TajMahal has been praised so much that most visitors approach it with the fear that they will be disappointed. But it rarely disappointed any one. It can be seen again and again and every time one visits it, one is able to discover some new beauty in it.

**Q.1. Answer the questions.**

**(1x8=8 marks)**

- a. How Shah Jahan was affected by his wife's death?
- b. Why did Shah Jahan build the Taj?
- c. How much time did Taj took to finish?
- d. How many workmen did he hire?
- e. What fear do visitors carry in their heart?
- f. What is the visitors' reaction after seeing it?
- g. Write the meaning of 'vowed'?
- h. The antonym of word 'rarely' is.....?

**Read the poem and answer the questions that follow.**

**GORILLA**

A giant gorilla came to tea,  
Whoever asked him? It wasn't me.  
He came in through the kitchen wall,  
It took six chairs to sit him all.

He drank his tea straight from the pot,  
And sandwiches-he ate the lot.  
He poked the jellies to make them wobble,  
Then swallowed them up with just one gobble.

All that remained on the plate was the cake,  
There was nothing else for him to take.  
When he'd eaten that, I showed him the door,  
And hoped he'd go, now there was no more.

Instead, he ate the door as well,  
Except for the knocker and the bell.  
After that, he at last decided to go,  
Who invited him? I'd like to know.

-Martin Honeysett

**Q.2. Choose the correct option:**

**(1x7=7 Marks)**

- a. What did the gorilla sit on when he came to tea?
  - i. Bench
  - ii. Chair
  - iii. Sofa
  - iv. Table
  
- b. What did gorilla do with the sandwiches?
  - i. He ate it.
  - ii. He threw it.
  - iii. He shares it with poet.
  - iv. He kept it on table

- c. Why did gorilla poke the jellies?
- i. To make them wobble.
  - ii. To throw them
  - iii. To eat them
  - iv. To destroy them
- d. Synonym of 'Wobble' is \_\_\_\_\_
- i. Tremble
  - ii. Tall
  - iii. Light
  - iv. Pull
- e. The word from the poem which tells us that the gorilla was very large in size is
- i. Giant
  - ii. Sandwiches
  - iii. Gobble
  - iv. Kitchen
- f. The word from the poem which means 'a metal object attached to the outside of the door and used by visitors to announce their arrival' is.....
- i. Bell
  - ii. Invite
  - iii. Cake
  - iv. Jellies
- g. Synonym of gulped is.....
- i. Swallowed
  - ii. Ate
  - iii. Know
  - iv. Destroy

**SECTION-B (WRITING and GRAMMAR) (40 Marks)**

**Q.3 Write a letter to your parents, from the school boarding house inviting them on prize distribution day. (8 Marks)**

**OR**

**Write a letter to your father telling him how you fared in the half yearly examinations.**

**Q.4. Write a paragraph on any one of the topics given (7 Marks)**

- a. Importance of time
- b. Importance of Cleanliness

**Q.5. Identify whether the bold words are abstract or concrete nouns. (1x2=2 Marks)**

- a. The **sun** shines brightly. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. **Life** is full of joy. \_\_\_\_\_

**Q.6. Pick out the common noun from the given sentence. (1x2=2 Marks)**

- a. Maruti is a popular car. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. The Rajputs are true warriors. \_\_\_\_\_

**Q.7 Read each word group and write the correct word against it. (1x2=2 Marks)**

- a. A person who makes furniture. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. A person who runs a shop. \_\_\_\_\_

**Q.8. Write collective noun for the group of common noun given. (1x2=2 Marks)**

- a. A group of sheep. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. A group of lions. \_\_\_\_\_

**Q.9. Make abstract nouns from the following verbs. (1x2=2 Marks)**

- a. Attract
- b. Educate

**Q.10. Write the plurals of each of these words. (1x3=3 Marks)**

- a. Knife
- b. Sheep
- c. Army

**Q.11. Change the gender of given nouns. (1x3=3 Marks)**

- a. Stag
- b. Poet
- c. Widow

**Q.12. Fill up each blank with a suitable personal pronoun. (1x3=3 Marks)**

Our,her,They

- a. Neena teased me and I slapped \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ went to the fair and enjoyed there.
- c. We enjoyed \_\_\_\_\_ holidays very much at Shimla.

**Q.13 Fill up each blank with a suitable interrogative pronoun. (1x3=3 Marks)**

Whom. Who, What

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ spoke these words?
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ made you laugh so loudly?
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ did you give your watch?

**Q.14 Write suitable adjective before each noun.**

**(1x3=3 Marks)**

- a. An \_\_\_\_\_ man.
- b. A \_\_\_\_\_ soldier.
- c. The \_\_\_\_\_ sun.

**SECTION-C (LITERATURE)( 25 Marks)**

**Q.15. Read the extract and answer the questions that follow:**

**‘A hawk swooped down and carried him off before I could do anything.’ (1x4=4 Marks)**

- a. Who said these words ?
- b. Why did the speaker say these words?
- c. Whom did the hawk carry off?
- d. Was the speaker telling the truth?

**Q.16. Read the extract and answers the questions that follow:**

**Their bedroom is full of conducted tours.**

**(1x4=4 Marks)**

- a. Whose bedroom is being talked about?
- b. Who are they taking around the house?
- c. To whom does the word ‘Their’ refer to?
- d. Write the name of the poem from which the line has been taken.

**Q.17. Answer the following questions.**

**(2x7=14 Marks)**

- a. Where do the Lepchas live?
- b. Who were Jack and Naoko?
- c. How did Cordelia meet her father in the end?
- d. Why does the poet want the people upstairs to move to another floor?
- e. Why could nobody go to Mayel?
- f. Why did Naduk decide to leave the city?
- g. How was peace restored in the end?

**Q.18. Answer any one of the given questions.**

**(3 Marks)**

Jack and Naoko work together and complete the snowman. Do you think it is good to work together to finish difficult task?

OR

Sometimes friends ask you to do things that you do not want to do. Is it better to refuse your friend and risk your friendship or is it better to agree unwillingly so that your friendship is not affected? Discuss.

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