

**O.P. JINDAL SCHOOL, SAVITRINAGAR****Periodic Test –1 (2023-2024)****Class VII Sec.....****Subject: English**

Name: .....

**MM: 20****Time: 01 Hour**

Roll No. ....

**General instructions :**

**1. The Question Paper contains three sections – READING, WRITING & GRAMMAR AND LITERATURE.**

**2. Attempt all questions based on specific instructions for each question.**

**Section-A Reading (4 marks)****Q1. Read the passage carefully.**

Stephen and Joseph Montgolp hier were paper- makers. Both the brothers had been interested in flying for years. One night in 1782, Joseph noticed something strange. He was sitting in his living room in front of fire in a grate. He had put some pieces of paper to burn there. All of a sudden, he noticed some small pieces being carried upward into the chimney. This gave him an idea, when he shared with his brother. Soon afterwards the brothers made an experiment. They lit a fire under a silk bag which was open at the bottom. At once the bag rose to the ceiling. After this, Stephen and Joseph made many more experiments both indoors and out in the open. At last they built a huge balloon made of linen and paper.

On June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1783 they sent the balloon up into the air in the village of Annonay where they lived. The first man to sit in a gas balloon and go up into the air was Vincent Lunardi, an Italian living in England. On Sept 15, 1784, he took off in a hydrogen balloon from a field in London, taking with him a pigeon, a cat and a dog.

**On the basis of reading of the passage answer the following questions: (1x4=4 marks)**

1. Which word in the passage means ‘a metal structure that holds coal or wood in a fireplace’?

- a) carried                      b) grate                      c) strange                      d) all of the above

2. Which of these were not taken by Vincent Lunardi in the balloon?

- a) a cat                      b) a pigeon                      c) a dog                      d) a lion

3. In which activity were the Montgolfiers brothers interested for years?

- a) riding horse                      b) writing poems                      c) flying.                      d) diving

4. How did Joseph Montgolfier get the idea of making a ball?

**SECTION-B (WRITING and GRAMMAR) ( 8 marks)**

**Q2. Write a short paragraph on the famous Indian leader ‘Shri Atal Vihari Bajpayi’ in about 80 words using the given hints. (5 marks)**

**An Indian politician and statesman.....10<sup>th</sup> prime minister of India.. served three terms...born on 25 Dec 1924... senior leader of Bhartiya Janta Party....a renowned poet**

**and writer.....member of Indian parliament for five decades....one of the most respected prime ministers.....During his tenure....Pokhran test .... Died on 16 August in 2018**

**OR**

Write a short paragraph on 'Rakesh Sharma' in about 80 words using the given hints.

**Former Indian pilot and astronaut .....born on 13 January in 1949, Patiala, Punjab India.... First Indian to travel in space...part of soviet Union 's Intercosmos Space program ..... spent 7 days, 21 hours and 40 minutes in space... conducted various experiments in space...got Ashoka Chakra award...joined Indian Airforce in 1970 ...retired as wing commander... a national hero... now 73 years old**

**Q3. Choose the correct answers.**

**(1x3=3 marks)**

1. Identify the uncountable noun.

- a) girl                      b) river                      c) cement                      d) monument

2. That island is theirs. What kind of pronoun is 'theirs'?

- a) distributive                      b) emphatic                      c) possessive                      d) none of these

3. Which of these is an indefinite pronoun?

- a) this                      b) somebody                      c) them                      d) herself

**SECTION-C LITERATURE (8 marks)**

**Q4. Read the extract and answer the questions.**

**(1x2=2 marks)**

And if we ran around the tree,  
He went the other way.

1. Who is the poet of the poem from which this extract has been taken?

- a) Christina Rossetti  
b) John Galsworthy  
c) Mildred Bowers Armstrong  
d) Lorraine M. Halli

2. Who is 'he' in the given extract?

- a) the poet  
b) the squirrel  
c) the ant  
d) the goose

**Q5. Answer any two of the following questions in 30-40 words each. (3x2=6 marks)**

- a) How did the king promise to reward the person who would answer his questions correctly?  
b) What makes an ant's life peaceful?  
c) Why did the king decide to go to the woods to meet the hermit?