O. P. JINDAL SCHOOL, SAVITRINAGAR

Half Yearly Examination (2026-27)

Class/ Section: VI..... **MM:50**

Subject: English **Time-2 Hrs**

Name-..... **Roll No....**

Fifteen minutes extra time will be given for reading the question paper.

General Instructions:

1. This question paper is divided into three parts: A, B and C. All questions are compulsory.
2. Separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary. Read these instructions very carefully and follow them.
3. Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

SECTION-A (READING -10 MARKS)

Q1. Read the passage carefully. **(5x1=5 marks)**

Failure is often seen as something negative, but it can be one of the best teachers in life. When people fail, they get an opportunity to understand what went wrong and how they can improve. A student who performs poorly in a test, for example, can examine the mistakes, identify weak areas, and change the way they prepare for the next test. In this way, failure becomes a step towards success.

Learning from failure requires honesty and a positive attitude. Instead of blaming others or giving up, successful people reflect on their actions and look for better solutions. A failed project may reveal poor planning, lack of teamwork, or insufficient preparation. Recognising these problems helps people make better decisions in the future. Failure also develops important qualities such as patience, courage, resilience, and problem-solving skills. However, simply experiencing failure is not enough. A person must learn from it and apply the lesson. The real difference between success and failure often lies in how a person responds to setbacks.

Therefore, failure should not be considered the end of the journey. It can provide valuable feedback, build confidence, and prepare us for future challenges. Those who learn from their mistakes are more likely to grow, adapt, and achieve their goals.

On the basis of reading of the passage answer the following questions.

I Choose the most appropriate option.(Any three)

1. What is the main message of the passage?

a) Failure should always be avoided.
b) Failure can help people learn and improve.
c) Success depends only on intelligence.
d) Mistakes should be ignored.

2. Which situation best demonstrates resilience?

a) Giving up after one failure.
b) Hiding a mistake from others.
c) Trying a better strategy after a setback.
d) Blaming circumstances for poor results.

3. Why is simply experiencing failure not enough?

a) Failure has no value.
b) Failure must be followed by thinking and action.
c) Everyone fails equally
d) Mistakes cannot be corrected.

4. Which word in the passage means 'calm ability to wait and face hard times'?

a) Goal
b) Challenge
c) Patience
d) Recognise

II **Answer the following questions in short.**

1. How can failure help a student improve their performance?

2. What may a failed project reveal?

Q2. Read the following passage carefully. **(5x1=5 marks)**

Sudha Murty: A Life of Simplicity and Service

Sudha Murty is a well-known Indian author, educator, philanthropist, and social worker. She is admired not only for her achievements but also for her simple lifestyle and kind nature. Born in Karnataka, she studied engineering and later became one of the first female engineers to work for a major automobile company in India.

Sudha Murty has written many books for children and adults. Her stories often teach valuable lessons about kindness, honesty, courage, hard work, and compassion. Through simple language and interesting characters, she encourages readers to understand the importance of good values.

As a philanthropist, she has worked extensively through the Infosys Foundation. Her work has supported education, healthcare, rural development, libraries, and people affected by natural disasters. She believes that even a small act of kindness can make a meaningful difference in someone's life.

What makes Sudha Murty inspiring is the way she combines success with humility. She does not believe that wealth or fame alone makes a person successful. According to her values, true success comes from using one's abilities to help others. Her life teaches us that knowledge, kindness, and service can create a positive impact on society.

On the basis of reading of the passage answer the following questions.

I Choose the correct option. (Any three)

1. What is the central idea of the passage?

a) Sudha Murty's success in business

b) Sudha Murty's achievements, values, and service to society

c) The history of engineering in India

d) The importance of becoming famous

2. Which quality is strongly associated with Sudha Murty in the passage?

a) Arrogance
b) Humility
c) Competition
d) Ambition for fame

3. What do Sudha Murty's stories mainly encourage readers to develop?

a) Wealth and popularity
b) Good values and compassion
c) Competitive behaviour
d) Fear of failure

4. Which word in the passage means 'serious and harmful for community'?

a) Disasters b) Achievements c) Services d) None of these

II. Answer the following questions in short.

1. Why is Sudha Murty considered an inspiring personality?

2. How have Sudha Murty's books influenced readers?

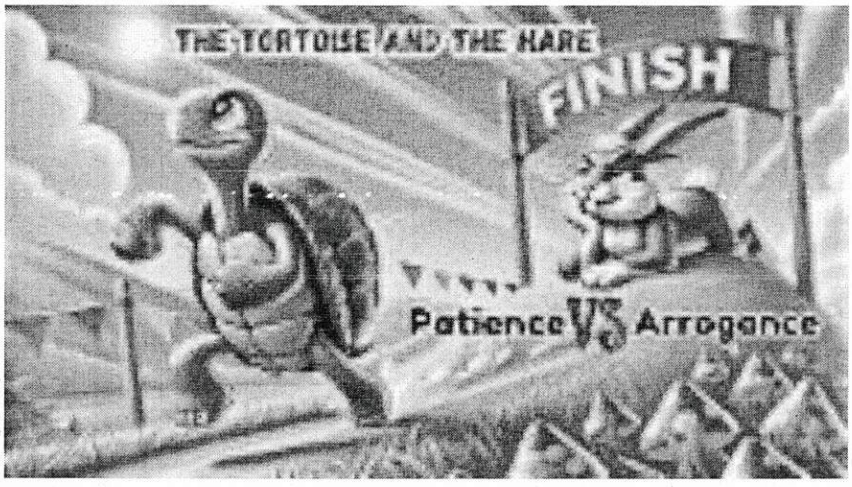
SECTION-B (GRAMMAR & WRITING) (22 MARKS)

Q3. You are Mohit Gupta/Riya Singh, CCA In charge of O.P.Jindal School, Savitrinagar**.** Write a notice inviting names of students for English recitation competition. Give all the necessary details. (40 to 50 words) **(5 marks)**

OR

You are Anil Bajaj/Avni Rai, Sports Captain of Delhi Public School, Raigarh. Write a notice informing students about Inter House football match. Provide all the necessary details. (40 to 50 words)

Q4. Write a story with the help of the given picture. Give a title and moral to the story. (60 to 70 words) **(ANY ONE)** **(7 marks)**



OR



Q5. Answer the following questions by choosing the correct options or as directed in the brackets (ANY TEN) **(10x1=10 marks)**

1. 'My sister is watching TV right now.'(Choose the correct tense for the given sentence.)

a) Simple Future b) Past Continuous c) Present Continuous d) None of these

2. 'I ..... till 5 pm tomorrow.' (Choose the correct option to make the sentence in Future Continuous tense)

a) am working b) will be working c) was working d) has been working

3. She speaks politely with everyone. (Identify the part of speech of the word 'politely')

a) Adjective b) Noun c) Adverb d) None of these

4. It ..... rain today. (Fill in the blank with correct modal verb.)

a) ought to b) can c) should d) will

5. 'The little bird flew away'. (Identify predicate in the given sentence.)

a) The little b) The Little bird c) flew away d) bird

6. 'The flowers in the garden are beautiful.' (Identify the subject in the given sentence.)

a) The flowers b) the garden c) The flowers in the garden d) are beautiful

7. 'My father goes to office by car everyday.' (Identify the tense of this sentence.)

a) Simple Past b) Simple Present c) Past Continuous d) None of these

8. 'Bring your homework tomorrow.' (Identify noun in the given sentence.)

9. My pet cat.....(Supply suitable predicate to the given subject.)

10. Listen! Someone ..... (knock) at the door. (Fill in the blank with present continuous tense.)

11. 'She talks politely.' (Pick out the adverb in the given sentence.)

SECTION-C (LITERATURE)(18 Marks)

Q6. Read the given extract and answer the following questions. **(4x1=4 marks)**
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'When the elephant went out for a bath, the dog accompanied his friend. Plunging into the water, the elephant gave himself a shower using his long trunk, as the dog watched.'

1. Where did the elephant go?
a) For a walk b) To eat food
c) For a bath d) None of these.

2. Who went with the elephant?
a) The dog b) The lion.
c) The horse d) All of these

3. Which word in the extract means 'jumping in'?

a) Accompany
b) Plunging in
c) Shower
d) All of these

4. How did the elephant give himself a shower?

a) He used his leg.
b) He used his trunk.
c) Both (a) and (b)
d) None of these

OR

'Then he finally experienced the magic that his grandfather had been talking about. Looking around, Mario saw Guneet, Asma and Deepa-three of his buddies holding him up so he wouldn't fall.'

1. What does the phrase "the magic" most likely refer to in the passage?

a) A supernatural event
b) The feeling of friendship and support
c) A trick performed by the grandfather
d) A mysterious object

2. Why were Guneet, Asma, and Deepa holding Mario up?

a) They wanted to play a game with him.
b) They were helping him because he might fall.
c) They wanted to surprise him.
d) None of these

3.What can be inferred about Mario's friends from their actions?

a) They are caring and supportive.
b) They are selfish and careless.
c) They are afraid of Mario.
d) They do not understand him.

4. If Mario had fallen and his friends had not been there, what could have happened?

a) He might have been hurt.
b) He would have become invisible.
c) He would have immediately recovered.
d) His grandfather would have appeared.

Q7. Read the extract and answer the following questions. **(4x1=4 marks)**

"Let me use my heart to see,
To realise what friends can be.

And make no judgements from afar,
But love my friends the way they are."

1. What does 'use my heart to see' suggest?

a) Looking at things only with the eyes
b) Understanding people with empathy and kindness
c) Avoiding friendships
d) Judging people by their appearance

2. Which word has the meaning 'at a distance' in the extract?

a) Judgements
b) afar
c) Realise
d) None of these

3. What does 'make no judgements from afar' mean?

a) Do not make decisions without knowing the person properly.
b) Always agree with everyone.
c) Stay away from people who are different.
d) Judge people by what others say about them.

4. Which quality is most strongly reflected in the lines?

a) Empathy b) Jealousy c) Pride d) Anger

OR

'The Raven, who did not see the joke,
Forgot that his voice was just a croak,
He opened his beak, in his foolish pride--
And down fell the morsel the Fox had eyed.'

1. Why did the Raven drop the morsel?

a) He was frightened by the Fox.
b) He opened his beak to speak.
c) He wanted to share it with the Fox.
d) He could not hold it properly.

2. What does the phrase 'in his foolish pride' suggest about the Raven?

a) He was confident and wise.
b) He was proud and failed to think carefully.
c) He was kind and generous
d) He was afraid of the Fox.

3. If the Raven had remained silent, what would most likely have happened?

a) The Fox would have taken the morsel.
b) The Raven would probably have kept the morsel.
c) The Raven would have lost his voice.
d) The Fox would have flown away with the Raven.

4. Which word in the extract means 'a small piece or bite of food'?

a) morsel b) eyed c) croak d) joke

Q8. Answer ANY TWO of the following questions in 30 to 40 words. **(3x2=6 marks)**

1.What did the fox say to the Raven praising him to get the morsel?
2. How did the four children spend their evening with grandpa?
3. How did the mahout come to know that Gajraj was sad?

Q9. What was the special test planned by Mario's grandfather and why? (60-70 words) **(4 marks)**

OR

What is the theme or main idea of the poem 'A friend's Prayer'? (60 to 70 words)

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