



HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION (2020 - 21)

Student's Name:		Grade	VI	Roll No.	
Date:	10/09/2020 (Thursday)	Time	3 hrs.	Subject	ENGLISH
Teacher's Sign.				Total marks	80

[SECTION A – READING]

[20 marks]

Q1. Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow.

Food can maintain and save life. It can destroy life as well. Proper food serves as medicine, improper food works as poison. A little care about the quality and quantity of food will keep us healthy and happy. If we go about eating all sorts of things, we shall become sick.

We take pride in calling ourselves civilized. Being sensible means to know the difference between good and bad, right and wrong. It will not do to become slaves to our tongue or taste. Even cattle, birds and beasts eat only what is best for their body.

We mostly eat processed food and refined sugar. We pay heavily for junk food, for Chinese dishes or deep fried snacks. As a result we catch diseases. We have drifted away from mother nature. We laugh at the rules of hygiene, healthy diet and the advice of our elders. This has given rise to diabetes.

We offer chocolates, cakes and ice creams too often to our children. We also attend parties or dine out every day. This way we invite obesity and diabetes.

1. Answer the following questions briefly:

- What are the functions of food?
- What is meant by 'improper food'?
- Explain: We have drifted away from nature.
- How do modern life style and food habits affect us?
- Explain: We have drifted away from nature.

2. Find words from the passage that mean the same as:

- being fat
- cleanliness

3. What causes obesity and diabetes?

4. Give the opposite of : (i) Good (ii) Right

5. Give suitable title to the passage.

Q2. Read the given poem and answer the questions that follow.

I saw a fairy dancing in the rain.
It can't be real, I told my brain.
Spinning and fluttering, dodging drops,
on flower petals she skips and hops.
A magical display of playful grace,
she had a big smile on her face.
Her beautiful, shiny wings twinkled.
As she moved, her purple dress wrinkled.
In her delight she didn't seem to care,
not even when water dampened her hair.
The sun broke through the clouds overhead,
and light shown down on the flower bed.
The garden sparkled in colourful wonder,
even as the world clapped with thunder.

She jumped at the loud booming sound,
taking cover under a mushroom she'd found.
I blinked and she was there no more.
She'll be back another rainy day I'm sure.

-by Rebecca T. Besser

1. What is this poem mostly about?

- a. a fairy who is lost in a garden after a rainstorm
- b. a fairy trying to hide in the garden
- c. a fairy who dances in the garden during a rain shower
- d. a fairy who is afraid of water

2. How can you tell the fairy in the poem is small?

3. What caused the fairy to disappear?

4. How did the fairy in the poem feel when her hair got wet?

- a. She was afraid.
- b. She was excited.
- c. She was annoyed.
- d. She didn't really care.

5. What type of poem is this?

- a. non-fiction
- b. historical fiction
- c. fantasy
- d. science fiction

6. Name the poet of the poem.

7. Write the past tense of : (i) break (ii) sparkle

8. Form adjectives from the given words: (i) colour (ii) shine

SECTION B - WRITING

Q3. You are Raj Sharma/ Rita Sharma, Head boy / Head girl of PIS Zundal. You found a Sports kit bag in the playground. Write the notice asking the owner to identify and collect the bag from the school office. [10 marks]

OR

Write a letter to your father requesting him to buy you a cycle.

Q4. Write a paragraph on 'Trees – our best Friends'. [10 marks]

SECTION C – GRAMMAR

Q5. Do as directed

A. Fill in the blanks with correct option. [10 marks]

1. Birds _____ to warmer countries during winter. (migrate, migrates)
2. I _____ my project last week. (present, presented)
3. The company _____ its office two years ago. (shift, shifted)
4. _____ did you sleep yesterday? (What, When)
5. The package was wrapped _____ before delivery. (nicely, nice)
6. The ballerinas performed _____. (wonderful, wonderfully)
7. The little child ate the muffins _____. (greedily, greedy)
8. Aliens _____ not have a human form. (does, do)
9. _____ you have any spare pencils, please? (Had, Do)
10. _____ months make a year. (12/ 10)

B. Fill in the blanks with the form of the verbs in brackets, as instructed. [2 marks]

1. Wait! You _____ your turn soon. (have) (simple future)
2. Suddenly, I realised somebody _____ at the door. (knock) (past continuous)

C. Rewrite the given sentences as directed in the bracket. [2 marks]

1. The police have been checking all the cars.(interrogative)
2. It has been snowing in the hills this winter.(negative)

D. Underline the main verbs in these sentences. [2 marks]

1. The library has many books.
2. Some trees can grow very tall.

E. Underline the direct objects in these sentences. [2 marks]

1. This library lends books.
2. The class read Oliver Twist.

F. Form adverbs from these adjectives. [2 marks]

1. Perfect
2. Nice
3. Simple
4. Heavy

SECTION D – LITERATURE

Q6. Write the meaning of the given words. [3 marks]

1. Chopped
2. Imitates
3. Ill pleased

Q7. Reference to context. [3 marks]

Finally, the last day of the School arrived and the elf was free to go. As for homework, there was no more, so he quietly and slyly slipped out of the back door. Patrick got his A's; his classmates were amazed, his teachers smiled and were full of praise. And his parents? They wondered what had happened to Patrick.

1. Patrick's teachers were praising him, give a reason
2. What was the reaction of Patrick's parents about his performance?
3. Write antonym for the word 'quietly'
a) Loudly b) Continuously c) Desperately d) Simply

Q8. Answer the following questions. (any 4) [8 marks]

1. When is the beauty heard?
2. What did the iron chest contain?
3. Why didn't the farmer's wife want to leave the baby alone with the mongoose?
4. Where was Kalpana Chawla born?
5. Why did the villagers want to drown Taro?

Q9. Answer in detail. (any 1) [4 marks]

1. Describe Kalpana Chawla's first mission in space.
2. How did the two baby birds get separated?

Q10. Make sentences [2 marks]

1. Expensive
2. Encourage