



# Purnima International School

Shree Swaminarayan Gurukul, Zundal

## P A 3 Exam Paper (2021- 22 )

Student's Name :		Grade	VIII	Roll No.	
Date :		Time		Subject	ENGLISH
Teacher's Sign.				Total Marks	25

### **GENERAL INSTRUCTION:**

1. All the Questions are Compulsory.
2. All the parts of Questions must be attempted at one Place.

### **[READING]**

**Q1. Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. ( 4 Marks )**

Valley of Flowers is a national park in Uttarakhand, India. Nestled in the Western Himalayas, the valley is located at an altitude of 3,600 meters above sea level and is famous for charming meadows of alpine flowers. Myriad alpine flowers stretched across 87.5 sq km. make this place a colourful paradise. The beautiful valley is also a world heritage site with its pristine beauty and mystical surroundings attracting nature lovers, photographers and botanists. Valley of Flowers is bifurcated by Pushpawati River.

The locals believe that the valley was once inhabited by fairies. It is one of the famous trekking destinations in India. One cannot stay at the Valley of Flowers, therefore, Ghangaria, the base camp for the trek to the Valley of Flowers, remains an ideal place to relax and sleep.

The Valley of Flowers is a 3-km climb from Ghangaria. The Brahmakamal, the Blue Poppy and the Cobra Lily are some flowers that bloom in the valley. The Himalayan Balsam is the most predominant flower of the valley. The valley is covered with snow for most of the year. The valley opens on 1st June every year for visitors. There are huge glaciers in the Valley of Flowers in June. At this time, snow starts melting and the seeds of the last year's plants start germinating. By July, all the flowers are in full bloom.

One can find the maximum number of flowers until mid-August. Snowfall starts in October, and the valley is closed officially for public.

### **Answer the following questions:**

- Q1. Where is the Valley of Flowers located?
- Q 2. Based on your reading of the passage, complete the following sentences.
  - a. The Valley of Flowers is stretched across

b. The valley attracts

Q 3 Name some flowers found in the valley and the best time to visit the place.

Q 4 Why do visitors have to stay in Ghangaria?

**Q2. Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow.**

**( 4 Marks )**

Whenever I see Gas balloons go up, I wonder where we'd end up If we're balloons.

Would we go far away to some unknown destiny?

Or will it be carefully decided goal We would work our way to?

Balloons! How much they're

like human beings-

so different from each other

in colours, shapes, design and sizes

Some live long and some don't

Just like us some find

A pair of loving hands and some don't

They get lost, burst or destroyed

Like we do

At times

They rub cheeks affectionately

Occasionally you can hear

them whisper secrets

As only friend will

And once in a while, in the chill

of the night, or mist of dawn

you may find one tear

flowing down

silently

**Answer any four of the following questions:**

Q1 The poem describes the similarities between \_\_\_\_\_

Q2 Just as we are unaware about the fate of balloons, we are also \_\_\_\_\_

Q 3 Outwardly balloons are different from each other in... \_\_\_\_\_

Q 4 The line used to describe die rustling sound of balloons is... \_\_\_\_\_

Q 5 The word from the poem that comes closest in meaning to 'fate' is \_\_\_\_\_

### **WRITING**

**Q 3.** You are Rohit Saxena of 207, Pencil Bay Apartments. You want to let out your house. Draft an advertisement for publication in the 'To Let' section of the Times of India, giving the details like type of accommodation, location, rent expected and contact addresses.

**[4 Marks]**

### **GRAMMAR**

**[5 Marks]**

**Q4 Write this interrogative in the passive form:**

- a. Who left the door open?

**Q5. Rewrite this simple sentence as compound sentence . Use the conjunctions in bracket.**

- a. The dancer was not tall or slim. (Neither.... nor)

**Q6. Rewrite this simple sentence as complex sentence. Use the conjunctions in bracket.**

- a. Do physical exercise to be healthy. (if)

**Q7. Rewrite this sentence as simple sentence by filling the direction in bracket.**

- a.It was fortunate that all the travelers escaped unhurt. (Adverb form of fortunate)

**Q8. Combine the sentence using the subordinate conjunction if, because, although or while:**

- a.I will not turn down this job. I cannot sit idle any more.

### **LITERATURE**

**Q 9. Give the meaning of any one of the following word ;**

**( 1 Mark )**

- a) Gleefully                      b) Bog

**Q 10. Make sentence of any one of the following word**

**( 1 Mark )**

- a) Summoned                      b) Hesitant

**Q 11 Answer the following questions in short**

**( 4 Marks)**

- a. What is the scientist's message for the disabled?  
b. - Why had Framton Nuttel come to the "rural retreat"?  
c. When does the monsoon season begin and when does it end? How do you prepare to face the monsoon?  
d. What is the significance of cobra lily in relation to the monsoon season, its beginning and end?

**Q 8 Answer the following questions in short( any one)**

**( 2 Marks)**

- a. Why didn't he take the coin's advice? Give two or three reasons.  
b. Why does the writer refer to the guitar incident? Which idea does it support?

