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SUBJECT – ENGLISH**



**CLASS: V
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Time Allotted: 2½ hours
Max. Marks: 80**

General Instructions.

1. The question paper comprises of **three Sections, A, B, C and D**. You have to attempt all the sections.
2. **All** questions are **compulsory**.
3. **All answers should be written in the answer sheet provided.**

SECTION A(READING) 15 marks

Q.1 Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

Little Neil was just two years old when his Dad took him to watch an airplane race. At the age of four, Neil went with his Dad for their own ride in an airplane. While his Dad was nervous, Neil had the most wonderful time. When Neil was thirteen, the family moved to a new town. Neil got used to his new school, joined the Boy Scouts, and played in the school band. He still flew model airplanes and engaged himself in the night sky using a neighbour's telescope.

He always liked airplanes. He started going to the nearby airport to watch airplanes. As a part-time job he washed planes and made extra money. Then he realized that he wanted to learn to be a pilot. Neil asked his parents for permission and they agreed that he could learn to fly an airplane.

Even though he couldn't get a driver's license for a car, at age 16 Neil had his student pilot's license. When Neil grew up he became a U.S. Navy fighter pilot and then a test pilot for advanced rocket-powered aircraft. Have you guessed which Neil the story is about? On July 20, 1969 astronaut Neil Armstrong was the first human to set foot on the moon.

A Fill in the blanks with the correct words:

- (i) Neil asked his parents for permission to become a _____.
- (ii) Neil engaged himself in the night sky using a neighbour's _____.
- (iii) At the age of _____, Neil went with his _____ for their own ride in an airplane.

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- B. Complete the following sentences:** **2**
- (i) At age 16, _____.
- (ii) On July 20, 1969 astronaut _____.
- C. State whether the following statements are true or false:** **2**
- (i) Neil's father enjoyed his first ride in an aeroplane. _____
- (ii) At age 16, Neil got his driver's license for a car. _____
- (iii) Neil had to move to a new town when he was 13. _____
- (iv) Neil was always attracted towards cars. _____
- D. Answer the question in one or two sentences:** **1**
- (i) Who was the first human to set foot on the moon?
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Q.2 Bees are insects. Bees are special insects because they can fly! They can move through the air like an aeroplane! Bees can fly because they have wings. They use their wings to fly. Bees can also fly slow. They can fly up and they can fly down. They need to fly to get to the flowers!

Bees can have three colours. They can be yellow, red and orange. All bees are black in some places.

Bees have three main parts. They have a head. They have a body. And, they have a stinger. The stinger is used to defend against enemies. They also have six legs. They use their legs to stand and climb. They also use their legs to eat and collect pollen.

Bees live in many places. They live in Africa, Asia, Europe, North America, South America. The only continent that bees do not live on is Antarctica! I understand why they don't live in Antarctica. It's too cold! Most of the time, bees are nice to humans. If you do not bother them, they will not bother you. Have fun watching the bees this summer.

- A. On the basis of your reading, choose the correct option:** **2**
- (i) What are bees?
(a) Mammals (b) Birds (c) Reptiles (d) Insects
- (ii) Where do bees live?
(a) North America (b) Asia (c) Antarctica (d) Both a and b
- (iii) How many legs do bees have?
(a) two (b) four (c) six (d) eight
- (iv) What is the stinger used for
(a) to eat food (b) to defend against enemies (c) both a and b (d) none
- B. State whether the following statements are true or false:** **2**
- (i) Bees use their legs to stand and climb.
- (ii) Bees can fly because they have wings.
- (iii) Bees do not live in Asia as it is very cold there.
- (iv) Bees can only fly fast.
- C. Complete the following sentence:** **1**
- (i) If you do not bother _____.
- (ii) Bees are of three colours yellow, _____.

D. Write the synonym of the word 'protect from harm or danger' (refer to para 3) 1

E. Answer the questions in one sentence: 2

(i) Name the three main parts of bees.

(ii) Why do bees need to fly?

SECTION B (WRITING) 18 marks

Q.3 Write a factual description on 'My Favourite Actress' in not more than 50 words: 4

Q.4 Write a paragraph on 'My Birthday Party'. 4

Q.5 Given below are a few jumbled sentences. Read them carefully, rearrange the given sentences and write a meaningful PARAGRAPH. Provide a suitable TITLE also: 4

1. One day, Janie went to give a little boy named John three wishes.

2. The lion was very big and crushed all of John's toys.

3. Once there was a genie named Janie.

4. John's second wish was that his sister would be gone.

5. One rainy day, John wished he had his sister to play with.

6. John's first wish was for a lion.

7. John learnt the lesson 'be careful what you wish for'.

Q.6 Look at the pictures given below and frame a story with the help of the given outline. Provide a suitable TITLE and a MORAL. 6



Once...lived a red hen...had three friends...a duck, cat and a dog...lived happily... red hen found a wheat seed...asked who wants to plant the seed...all three refused...she planted and watered...it grew quickly...asked who wish to harvest the field...all three turned their back..the hen worked all day long...had two bags of wheat...asked for help to grind the wheat...all three refused...she ground alone...baked bread...asked who wants to eat the bread...all three came merrily...she said, 'none of you can have a bite'...she enjoyed the bread...

SECTION C (GRAMMAR) 20 marks

Q.7 Pick out the subject and the predicate in the given sentences and write in the answer sheet 2

a) Jack was singing in the park.

b) The teacher corrected our notebooks.

Q.8 Rewrite the following sentences using the correct punctuation marks: 3

- a) when is your birthday
- b) hurrah we won the match
- c) she enjoys sweets chocolates ice-creams and pastries

Q.9 Rewrite the following sentences by changing the gender of the underlined nouns: 1

- a) My aunt is teaching her daughter.
- b) Her nephew sings very well.

Q.10 Fill in the blanks with the Abstract nouns formed from the words given in the brackets: 1

- a) We should always speak the _____. (true)
- b) Raj's _____ was awarded. (brave)

Q.11 Fill in the blanks with the correct pronouns: 2

- a) You and I live in this house. The house is _____. (its/ours)
- b) My neighbour has an expensive car. The car is _____(their/theirs)
- c) What can _____ tell me about your family? (you/his)
- d) _____ is the toy which my father bought for me. (this/these)

Q.12 Choose the correct preposition : 2

- a) My brother's birthday is _____ the 5th of November. (in, on)
- b) The mother is standing _____ her son and daughter. (between, among)
- c) What are you doing _____ the afternoon? (in, on)
- d) The train will leave _____ 8 a.m. (on, at)

Q.13 Fill in the blanks with the articles(a, an or the): 2

- a) We have ___ beautiful garden. _____ garden is full of roses.
- b) I lost ___ one rupee coin yesterday.
- c) Can you give me _____ envelope, please?

Q.14 Fill in the blanks with the appropriate adjectives: 2

- a) The painting was _____.
- b) John went to the store to buy _____ apples.
- c) The _____ man walked in the store yesterday.
- d) I could not lift the _____ bag.

Q.15 Identify whether the given sentences are declarative, imperative, exclamatory or interrogative: 2

- a) Where were you yesterday?
- b) My aunt lives in Singapore.

Q.16 Rearrange the given words to frame a meaningful sentence: 3

- a) sun/ the/ on the/ shining/ was/ farm
- b) planted seeds/ grew / the farmer/ the seeds/ and/ plants/ into
- c) enjoyed/in the/ working/ the farmer/ farm

SECTION D (LITERATURE) 27 marks

Q.17 Write the meanings of the given words: 2

- a) drowsily-
- b) deafening-

- c) bill-
d) snuggled-
- Q.18 Write the antonyms of the given words:** **1**
- a) comfortable x
b) remember x
- Q.19 Read the given extract and write the answer choosing the right option:**
- A. Tapu and the others were collecting rocks to make a shelter within the cave to build a fire. I helped them and we collected all the firewood in the cave before night fell. We built a fire and sat around it.** **3**
1. How many people were there in the cave?
(a) two (b) three (c) more than three
2. Tapu and his friends built a shelter
(a) to keep out of the rain (b) to cook a meal (c) for warmth and light
3. Who is 'I' referred to in the above extract?
(a) headman (b) tribesmen (c) the narrator
- B. "They loved to have a bath in a shallow dish provided by Grandmother. During the day, they dozed on the hat-stand. After dark, they would roam freely and catch beetles. With their sharp eyes and powerful beaks, they were excellent pest destroyers."** **3**
1. Who is 'they' referred to in the above extract?
2. What did 'they' do during the day?
3. What made them excellent pest destroyers?
- C. Strap me in your time machine
Let the motors whirr
Switch controls to speed of light
Make my senses blur** **3**
1. Name the poem and the poet of the above extract.
2. What does the poet mean by the phrase 'make my senses blur'?
3. Where does the poet want to go?
- Q.20 Answer any THREE of the following questions in 30 to 40 words:** **9**
1. How did the owlets come into the house?
2. What was the sixth question in the paper? What answer did Swaminathan finally write?
3. Why did Tapu and the narrator stop and stare?
4. In the poem 'A Minor bird', whose fault did the speaker think it was in the beginning? Whose fault did he think it was later? Why did he think so?
- Q.21 Answer any ONE from the questions given below in 60 to 80 words:** **6**
1. Describe the scene of the examination hall in the lesson 'Testing Times'.
OR
2. Why were the narrator and the others taking shelter in a cave? Describe the outside scene after the terrible storm as seen by the narrator.
- End of the question paper.