

INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT

MIDDLE SECTION

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

Class 7 First Mid Term Exam – ENGLISH - ANSWER KEY

SECTION A - READING (15 MARKS)

I. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

(5 marks

(ii) pressure (i) love (iii) free (iv) talking (ii) tiredness

II. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

(5 Marks)

1. Robert Falcon Scott and his men were caught in a fierce blizzard and perished while returning to their base camp after reaching the South Pole

2. he and his colleagues were spending their time singing songs and pleasant conversation.

3. Shackleton handed over the letter to Sir James Barrie

4. Sir James developed a defect in his right hand because of which he could not hold a pen. The author was in despair because he felt he would never be able to write again.

5. If Scott and his men could remain cheerful in the face of certain death, could he not learn to face adversity bravely?

III. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

(5 Marks)

1. State if the following statements are True or False:

i) False (ii) True (iii) true

2) Fill in the blanks:

(i) train (ii) it was Derby Day (iii) general knowledge

3) Choose the correct alternative:

i) b) he was above the usual age of entry

ii) a) lonely and homesick.

4) Give one word for – (i) stranger (ii) high spirits

SECTION – B (WRITING) 20 Marks

IV. Diary entry (4marks): format -1 mark , content – 1 mark, expression – 2 marks

V. Bio - sketch (4marks): format -1 mark , content – 1 mark, expression – 2 marks

VI. Dialogue writing (4marks): format -1 mark , content – 1 mark, expression – 2 marks

VII. Email writing: OR Letter writing: (8marks) : content -3marks, fluency -2marks, accuracy -3marks

SECTION – C (GRAMMAR) 20 MARKS

VIII. 1. Rewrite the sentences as directed: (3 marks)

- a) I **had reached** the stadium long before the match started.
- b) The children **are going** to school.
- c) My mother **will be joining** her office tomorrow.

2. Rewrite the following sentences in the indirect speech: (3 marks)

- a) Sumit told me that he was happy to see me there that evening.
- b) Joel asked if / whether anyone had seen his watch.
- c) The teacher says that the discipline in class has to be maintained.
- d) Nithin asked me where I had been for the last one month.

3. Fill in the blanks using the most appropriate modals: (4 marks)

- a) must b) might c) was playing d) shall e) has written f) mustn't
- g) would have stayed h) could

4. Editing the passage: (3 marks)

- a) was - were (b) fourth - four (c) is - was (d) excitement - excited
- (e) parent - parents (f) for - to

5. Omission passage : (3 marks)

- a) are places that (b) less than 25cms (c) dry for years (d) deserts are burning
- (e) cold at night (f) apart from hot

6. Rearrange the words and phrases given below to form meaningful sentences: (2 marks)

- a) One of the best thirst quenchers in summers is / the watermelon.

- b) In Africa, it was used by the travellers when they travelled across a desert.
 c) Some researchers say that this fruit was grown about 5000 years ago in Africa and India.

SECTION – D (LITERATURE) 25 MARKS

IX. Read the following extract and choose the correct alternative given: (4 marks)

1. (i) b) Rajaram ii) b) collecting porcupine quills iii) c) He snatched the umbrella and ran away
 iv) a) she wanted to get back her umbrella

X. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow. (3 marks)

- i)to pierce the clouds and soar away
 ii) That the fronds are its wings iii) Palm Tree / Rabindranath Tagore

XI. Answer any SIX of the following questions briefly. (2x6=12 marks)

1.her pockets fullwould go around the fields, hills open places, throwing seeds of lupine flowers.....highways, country lanes.....school house.....back of the church.....hollows ...stone walls.
2.to get rid of something.disaster of losing 800 meter race.....tough competition....Suvira ...favourite of the school.....narrator....new place, new school and very little support from school mates.
3. Robert Frost. Passing through the woods.....stopped to admire the beauty of the woods..... no farm house nearby.....frozen lake.....cold and dark evening..
4. hesitant and nervous.....attracted to the blue umbrella.....cast a spelldrawing her forward against her will.
- 5.....slowed a bit.....old trick in racingcut back on pace.....opponent too takes the pressure off....there was no guarantee that Suvira was better than her....have her best shot...surged forward.
6. yes.very often ---big dreams about our future.....try to be like others....imitate others.....poet saysalways good to be realistic, humble.....appreciative of our roots.
7. changed circumstances.....father resigning from his job.....family moved to a new city....challenges to face in the new place.....make new friendsnew school.....she hoped that the change would happen for the better...turn out to be beneficial to her and her family.

XII. Answer any ONE of the following questions in 80 – 100 words. (6 marks)

1.live in another city far from the sea and the salty air.worked in a library.....went to tropical island.... Walked on long beaches.....made new friends.....met Bapa Raja.....gave her Mother-of-pearl shell.....bird of paradise..... climbed mountains.....went through jungles and across deserts.....lions playing...kangaroos jumping.....made friends everywhere....finally found a place by the sea.

2.villagers ...envious....no one else had anything like that.....made excuses and consoled themselves....secretly admired it..... umbrella would not keep the rain out.....would shrivel.....harsh sun.....collapse in heavy wind....attract lightning.....prove unlucky.