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**INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT  
MIDDLE SECTION  
FINAL EXAMINATION 2017-18**



**ENGLISH**

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CLASS: 6

Time Allotted: 2 ½ Hrs.

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Max .Marks: 80

**General Instructions:**

1. The question paper comprises of **four 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)**

Qns	Marks
1. <b>Read the passage carefully:</b>	<b>7</b>

1. In 970 A.D, a king had a boulder placed on a roadway. Then he hid himself and watched to see if anyone would remove the huge rock. Some of the king's wealthiest merchants and courtiers came by and simply walked around it.

2. Many loudly blamed the king for not keeping the roads clear, but none did anything about getting the big stone out of the way. Then a peasant came along carrying a load of vegetables.

3. On approaching the boulder, the peasant laid down his burden and tried to move the stone to the side of the road. After much straining, he finally succeeded. As the peasant picked up his load of vegetables, he noticed a purse lying in the road where boulder had been. The purse containing many gold coins and a note from the king indicating that the gold was for the person who removed the boulder from the roadway. The peasant learned what many others never understand.

- I. **Based on the passage choose the correct answer:**

1. Why did the king have a boulder placed on a roadway?
  - a) He wanted to see if anyone would remove it
  - b) He wanted to see people's reaction
  - c) He wanted to test his people's strength
  
2. Many of the people started\_\_\_\_\_ when they saw the boulder on the road.
  - a) Returning to their homes.
  - b) Blaming the king for not keeping the roads clear
  - c) Complaining against the king's staff
  
3. The story gives us a lesson on
  - a) honesty
  - b) our civic responsibility
  - c) hard work

**II. Answer the following:**

1. Why did the king leave a purse full of gold coins near the boulder?
2. What was the reaction of the people other than peasant when they saw the boulder on the road?

**III. Find the words from the passage that has the same meaning:**

- a) a load, typically a heavy one ( para 3)\_\_\_\_\_
- b) work very hard ( para 3)\_\_\_\_\_

**2. Read the given passage and answer the questions:**

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**The Paralympic Games**

1. You may have heard of the Olympic Games, but have you heard of the Paralympic Games?

This international tournament is just like the Olympics. Athletes from all over the world compete against each other in athletics, shooting, swimming, cycling and eighteen other games. The athletes at the Paralympics have a range of physical disabilities. Some of them do not have arms or legs, and some others cannot see.

However, these athletes are determined to turn their disability into ability – something that can win them medals and do their nations proud.

2. The Paralympic Games were first conducted in 1948 in London. It was for British soldiers who had been injured during World War II. These first games were called the Wheelchair Games-they were a big success. The soldiers, who had thought that they would never be able to take part in sports again, got a chance to play and win.

3. Since then, the Paralympic Games have grown. Today, over 3900 athletes from 146 countries participate in them. Every four years, when the Olympics are held, the Paralympics are held too. India took part in the Paralympic Games for the first time in 1968. Murlikant Petkar gave India its first gold medal in the Games in 1972. Petkar had been a soldier in the Indian army. He had been seriously injured by gunfire during a war but Petkar did not give up on his love for sports. He took up swimming and won the gold medal in the 50m race. Petkar's win inspired many others with disabilities and now, India takes part regularly in the Paralympic Games.

**I Complete these sentences:**

- a) The Paralympic Games is an international sports competition for \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Here the athletes compete against each other in \_\_\_\_\_
- c) These athletes turn their disability into an ability by \_\_\_\_\_
- d) The Paralympic Games were first conducted in \_\_\_\_\_

**II Answer the following questions:**

- a) Who is Murlikant Petkar?
- b) Was the wheel chair Games a success? Why?
- c) How did Murlikant Petkar's win inspire others?

**III Give one word for:**

- 1. To be involved, take part ( para 3)\_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Having made a firm decision ( para 1)\_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION B - WRITING (20 MARKS)**

- 3. **Write a factual description of your school's New Multipurpose Hall in 50 words.** 4
- 4. **Given below is a telephonic conversation between Meeta and Mr. Ritik.** 4

**Complete the dialogue :**

Ritik : Hello a) \_\_\_\_\_ ?

Meeta : I am his daughter, Meeta speaking.

Ritik : Hello Meeta , I am Ritik, your dad's colleague. Can I talk to him please?

Meeta : b) \_\_\_\_\_. Can I take the message?

Ritik: ok. Please tell dad c) \_\_\_\_\_

Meeta : Don't worry uncle, d) \_\_\_\_\_ the message to Dad.

Ritik : Thank you. Bye.

**5. Given below are notes on the life, works and achievements of Robert Frost. 4**

**Write a short Bio-Sketch of Robert Frost in about 80-100 words:**

Name: Robert Frost

Birth : 26 March, 1874, San Francisco , California

Education : Graduation from Lawrence High School in 1892

First Poem : My Butterfly

Famous works: Mending Wall, The Road Not Taken.

Achievements : Nature Poet of America, Pulitzer Prize (The Pulitzer Prize is an award for achievements in newspaper, magazine and online journalism, literature, and musical composition in the United States)

**6. Develop the following outline into a meaningful short story. Remember to write a suitable title. 8**

A Jackal wants crabs on the other side of a river - wonders how to get across - tells camel - there is sugarcane the other side - camel agrees to carry him across the river - They cross - jackal finishes his meal - plays trick on camel - runs around the field howling - villagers rush out - see camel in sugarcane - beat him with sticks - camel runs to river - Jackal jumps on his back - while crossing, camel asks jackal why he played such trick - Jackal says he always howls after meal - camel replies he always takes bath after a good meal - camel rolls in the river - jackal nearly drowned - tit for tat.

OR

**You are Saran/ Sandhya. Write a letter to the Vice Principal requesting leave for**

**your ward who has fractured his/her leg while playing football. The doctor has advised him/her bed rest for two weeks.**

**SECTION C - GRAMMAR (20 MARKS)**

**7. Complete the exercises with the help of the clues given in the brackets. 3**

1. Sheena reads a lot of books, \_\_\_\_\_ ? (Question tag)
2. Children don't like examinations, \_\_\_\_\_ ? (Question tag)
3. It's my father's birthday today. This day is \_\_\_\_\_. (Pronoun)
4. You are a great writer. I read so many articles of \_\_\_\_\_. (Pronoun)
5. My mother is the \_\_\_\_\_ lady I have even seen. (adjective)
6. I can run \_\_\_\_\_ than Arjun. (adjective)

**8. Fill in the blanks with the tense form of the verbs given in brackets: 3**

1. The doctor \_\_\_\_\_ the clinic soon. (simple future tense , reach)
2. Plato and Aristotle \_\_\_\_\_ prominent teachers. (simple past , be)
3. The policeman \_\_\_\_\_ the robber (past continuous , chase)
4. They \_\_\_\_\_ our group tomorrow. (future continuous, join)
5. Manas \_\_\_\_\_ a bright yellow shirt. (simple past, wear)
6. They \_\_\_\_\_ photographs of the monuments. (present continuous, take)

**9. Fill in the correct verb that agrees with the subject: 3**

1. Either your uncle or your aunt \_\_\_\_\_ sent this parcel. (has/have)
2. My sister \_\_\_\_\_ a long time to read story books. (take/takes)
3. Each one \_\_\_\_\_ a prize. (gets/get)
4. The noted writer and social worker \_\_\_\_\_ passed away. (has/have)
5. Time and tide \_\_\_\_\_ for none. (wait/waits)
6. The aeroplane with its passengers \_\_\_\_\_ marooned on the island. (was/were)

**10. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions from the box given below. You can use the preposition only once: 3**

in front of	beside	on	around	between	for
through	at	in	to	besides	after

- i. This house is \_\_\_\_\_ sale but the one \_\_\_\_\_ it is not. ( for/ on/ at)
- ii. My cousin was born \_\_\_\_\_ the year 2005 \_\_\_\_\_ my place.
- iii. Both the boys stood \_\_\_\_\_ the mirror and combed their hair pushing their little sister who was standing \_\_\_\_\_ them.

**11. Combine the sentences using suitable conjunctions:**

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1. The teacher came. She taught us a new activity.
2. Look ahead. You might trip and fall.
3. I completed my project. I can't find it now.
4. I'm not wearing this dress. It does not look good.

**12. Do as directed:**

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1. I like to be a business man. ( Frame a wh-question for the underlined answer)
2. We will go to the Airport at 9 a.m. ( Frame a wh-question for the underlined answer)
3. The owner takes care of his puppy. ( Change the following into question form using Do/did/does)
4. That lady went to Kashmir last summer. (Change the following into question using do/did/does)

**SECTION D- LITERATURE (25 MARKS)**

**13. Read the given reference to context and write the answer choosing the right option:**

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"He hears the last voice at night,  
The patrolling cars,  
And stares with his brilliant eyes,

At the brilliant stars.”

1. ‘He’ refers to the \_\_\_\_\_  
a) Poet      b) tiger      c) friend      d) the watchman
  2. The tiger stares at the stars \_\_\_\_\_  
a) To enjoy the twinkling stars      b) to look at the shooting star  
c) as it reminds him of his free life in the forest.      d) he remembered a son
  3. The last voice he heard was that of \_\_\_\_\_  
a) patrolling cars      b) howling of the tigers  
c) shooting of the hunters      d) the watchman
  4. Name the poet  
a) Rabindranath Tagore      b) Leslie Norris  
c) Ruskin Bond      d) William Shakespeare
14. “He took a rest and then took a deep breath and started groaning very loudly. Sid slept on. He was aggravated. He said , ‘Sid, Sid!’ and shook him. This seemed to work well and Tom began to groan again.” 3
1. Who said this? How was Sid related to the speaker?
  2. Why did Tom shake Sid?
  3. What was wrong with the speaker? Why was the speaker groaning?
15. **Answer any SIX of the following questions in 30 to 40 words:** 12
1. Why did Tom not like Monday mornings?
  2. What were the first few things the family did on reaching the island?
  3. What do you think the poet means by ‘quiet rage’ in the poem ‘The Tiger’?
  4. How did Lensey’s family eat their vegetables in China and Why?
  5. Why was the Swiss family exhausted? What did they do then?
  6. What do you understand by the term ‘Good Habit’? Why is it important to cultivate a good habit?
  7. Why does the poet refer to both the tiger’s eyes as well as the stars as brilliant?

16. **Answer any ONE from the questions given below in 100 to 120 words?**

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1. How did Robinson's family prove to be a team during the crisis. What family values does it teach?

OR

2. Do you think the narrator and her family enjoyed the dinner at Gleason's house? Give reasons for your answer?