

**INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT
MIDDLE SECTION
MODEL QUESTION PAPER - FIRST TERM EXAMINATION (2017 – 2018)
ENGLISH**

CLASS: V

MARKS: 80

TIME : 2 hrs 30 mins

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Read all the questions carefully.**
- 2. Answer all the questions on the answer sheets provided.**
- 3. Do not copy the questions and statements.**
- 4. Number the answers correctly.**
- 5. Do not exceed the word limit.**

SECTION A: READING (15 MARKS)

I. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions:

A fruit trader was carrying a huge bag of juicy fruits to a nearby village on a horse. On the way, he met a small boy. “How long would it take to reach the nearby village?” he asked. The boy replied, “ If you patiently take your horse, you would reach the village in one hour. If you rush, you would take not less than four hours!”

The man thought the boy was trying to fool him. “How can I reach late if I travel fast?” he thought himself. The road was quite bumpy and the journey seemed endless. He hurried his horse which started galloping at high speed.

After a little distance, the horse slipped on a stone. The trader received a huge jolt and the fruit bag went flying high. Some of the fruits smashed and rolled into the mud. The entire bag of fruits was scattered all over the ground. The trader took more than three hours to gather what remained and loaded the horse.

Alas! It was too late to realize what the boy had warned about.

Choose and write the correct answer:

(5 marks)

1. How did the trader commute to the village?

- a) on a horseback b) by walk c) by a bullock cart d) by a car

2. How long did the boy say it would take to reach the nearby village?

- a) 4 hours if the trader was patient and 1 hour if he rushed.
b) 4 days if the trader was patient and 1 day if he rushed.

- c) 1 hour if the trader was patient and 4 hours if he rushed.
 - d) 1 day if the trader was patient and 4 days if he rushed.
3. The journey seemed endless because
- a) the road was in a bad state.
 - b) the nearby village was far off.
 - c) the trader had to carry the heavy bags of fruits on his shoulders.
 - d) the horse refused to move further on.
4. Why did the trader reach the nearby village very late?
- a) He walked slowly.
 - b) His horse slipped and it took the trader a long time to gather the scattered fruits.
 - c) He had taken the boy's warning seriously.
 - d) He lost his way.
5. How long did the trader take to reach the nearby village?
- a) 1 hour
 - b) 3 hours
 - c) 4 hours
 - d) 5 hours

II. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions:

My grandmother and I were good friends. My parents left me with her when they went to live in the city and we were constantly together. She used to wake me up in the morning and get me ready for school. She said her morning prayer in a monotonous singsong while she bathed and dressed me in the hope that I would listen and get to know it by heart. I listened because I loved her voice but never bothered to learn it.

Then she would fetch my wooden slate which she had already washed and plastered with yellow chalk, tiny earthen ink-pot and a red-pen, tie them all in a bundle and hand it to me. After a breakfast of thick, stale chappati with little butter and sugar spread on it, we went to school. She carried several stale chappaties with her for the village dogs.

A. On the basis of your reading the passage answer the following questions: (4 marks)

- 1. Where had the narrator's parents gone?
- 2. What did the grandmother do in the morning?
- 3. Why did the narrator listen to his grandmother's prayer?
- 4. Why did the grandmother carry stale chappaties?

B. Find the word which means the same: (1mark)

- 1. never changing and therefore boring. (para 1)

III. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions:

Once there was a small boy named Bert who was naughty and playful. He was just nine years old. One day Bert's mother wanted him to go to the market. She called him and said, " Bert, go to the market and get some sugar from the grocer's shop. Go fast or it will start raining. Don't get caught in the rain.

Bert quickly put on his new clothes and rushed along towards the market. When he reached near the bridge, it started raining. Bert stood there thinking what to do, as there was no place to take shelter. He remembered his mother's advice, "Don't get caught in the rain." He thought for a moment and then jumped into the shallow river flowing below the bridge. He took shelter under the bridge with only his head out of water. He stood there under the bridge till the rain stopped. Then he came out of the water and went home.

When he reached home all wet, his mother said, "Bert, I told you not to get caught in the rain and look you are fully wet."

"Yes mother," said Bert, "You told me not to get caught in the rain, so I jumped into the river,"

A. Complete the following : (2 marks)

1. When Bert reached near the bridge, _____
2. He took shelter under the bridge _____

B. State whether true or false: (2 marks)

1. Bert's mother sent him to the market to buy grocery from grocer's shop. _____
2. Bert was a naughty and playful boy. _____
3. Bert put on his old clothes and rushed towards the market. _____
4. Bert's mother told him to get wet in the rain. _____

C. What did Bert do so as not to get wet in the rain? (1 mark)

SECTION B: WRITING (20 MARKS)

IV. Write a factual description of your cousin in 50 words: (4 marks)

V. Write a paragraph on " How I spent my Summer Vacation?" in not more than 50 words: (4 marks)

VI. Write a story by arranging these sentences in the proper order: (4 marks)

1. One day he saw a funeral procession.

2. Aurangzeb was the last of the Great Mughals.
3. One of them replied, 'Music, Your Majesty.'
4. He asked his courtiers, "Who has died?"
5. 'Bury it deep,' said Aurangzeb, 'so that it may not raise its head again.'
6. Aurangzeb was curious.
7. He hated music.
8. People were crying bitterly.

VII. Write a story with the help of the picture and the outline given below in about 80-100 words. Give a suitable title and moral: (8 marks)



A woodcutter-----crossing a river-----axe fell into-----very sad -----cried-----fairy rose from the river -----gold axe ----- said no ----- silver axe -----said no-----iron axe ----thanked----fairy gave --- all the three axes-----went happily ----home.

SECTION C: GRAMMAR (20 MARKS)

VIII. A . Fill in the blanks with suitable pronouns given in the bracket against each sentence: (4 marks)

1. The new Honda City car is _____. (my/ theirs / him)
2. _____ is a present I received from my aunt today. (these/ this/ those)
3. It was _____ who called you up in the morning. (me/ I / its)
4. The book that is _____ has a sticker on its cover.(mine / me /it)
5. Raj collects stamps. _____ is his hobby. (they / it / ours)

6. The tourists were pleased with the helpful service provided to _____ by the guide.
(theirs/ them / his)
7. This chair is wobbly because _____ one leg is shorter than the rest. (it/ its/ that)
8. _____ are rotten fruits. Throw it in dustbin. (this/ those/ they)

B. Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions from the box: (4 marks)

Between	in	among	from	of	into	for	by	over	on
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1. My grandmother is fond _____ chocolates.
2. We start our winter vacation _____ December.
3. Please distribute these sweets _____ the children.
4. The assignments must be submitted _____ 10 a.m tomorrow.
5. We should not take anything _____ strangers.
6. Today my teacher praised me _____ my excellent English essay.
7. Jheel sat _____ Sia and Ria.
8. The cat jumped _____ the wall.

C. Identify the Subject and the Predicate in the following sentences: (3 marks)

1. Lovely roses are blooming in the garden.
2. The picture of the chicks were cute.
3. The children danced in a circle.

D. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles 'a', 'an' or 'the': (3 marks)

1. We are leaving on _____ fourth of October.
2. What _____ pity that you can't come for _____ party tomorrow !.
3. _____ French are very proud of their cuisine.
4. _____ elephant and _____ mouse can never be friends.

E. Fill in the blanks using the correct form of Adjectives given in the bracket:

1. The harder you study, the _____ you learn. (many)
2. The sky is _____ after a heavy rain shower. (blue)
3. I like Indian food _____ than Lebanese but I like Italian food the _____. (good)
4. Cats are the _____ faithful of all pets. (less)
5. She chose the _____ toy in the shop. (expensive)

F. Punctuate the following sentences:

(3 marks)

1. have you seen the latest movie
2. john likes to play volleyball
3. I didnt complete my homework

SECTION D: LITERATURE (25 MARKS)

IX. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

(3 marks)

“Strap me in the time machine
let the motors whirr
switch controls to speed of light
make my senses blur”

1. Where does the poet want to be strapped?

- a) switch b) time machine c) light

2. Explain the phrase ‘ make my senses blur’.

- a) become less clear due to speed b) become less clear due to dark c) become clear due to speed

3. In which year does the poet want to go?

- a) 2000th year AD b) 3000th year AD c) 5000th year AD

X. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

(4 marks)

“The wind screamed on outside the cave. The headman started to sing a hymn. It made me feel a little better, sitting by that small fire in that cave.”

1. Who is ‘me’ in the above lines?

2. Who started to sing a hymn?

3. What did the people in the cave do to remain cheerful??

4. Where did they make a shelter?

XI. Answer any 'SIX' of the following questions in about 30-40 words: (12 marks)

1. Why were the narrator and the others taking shelter in the cave?

2. Why does the poet want to go back to the year 2000? How will he go there?

3. Why did the mother owl attack the narrator and his grandfather?

4. How did the owlets come into the narrator's house?

5. How did Swaminathan feel as soon as he stepped out of the examination hall? Why did he feel uneasy afterward?

6. What made Tapu and the narrator stop and stare?

7. In the beginning , whose fault did speaker think it was? Whose fault did he think it was later? Why did he think so?

XII. Answer any 'ONE' of the following questions: (6 marks)

Describe the storm that broke out when the narrator was on a visit to Tapu's village. How were they affected by the terrible storm?

OR

Describe how Swaminathan ended the paper.
