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	INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT MIDDLE SECTION FIRST PERIODIC TEST 2022 - 23	
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	<u>SUBJECT – – SET A</u>	Code: MZEN04
CLASS: VIII		Time Allotted: 40 minutes.
24.05.2022		Max. Marks: 20 Marks obtained: <input style="width: 50px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>

General Instructions:

1. **All** questions are **compulsory**.
2. **All** answers should be written in the space provided in the question paper.

Q.NO.	SECTION A (5 Marks) <u>Read the following passage and answer the following questions based on your understanding of the passage:</u>	
	<p>An elderly carpenter was ready to retire. He told his employer of his plans to leave the house building business and live a more leisurely life with his family. He would miss the pay cheque, but he needed to retire. The employer was sorry to see his good worker go and asked if he could build just one more house as a personal favour. The carpenter said ‘yes’, but in time it was easy to see that his heart was not in his work. He resorted to shoddy workmanship and used inferior material. It was an unfortunate way to end his career.</p> <p>When the carpenter finished his work, his employer handed over the key of the house to the carpenter— “This is your house, my gift to you.”</p> <p>What a shock! What a shame. ! If he had only known he was building his own house, he would have done it all so differently! Now he had to live in a poorly built house. So, it is with us. We build our lives, a day at a time, often putting less than our best into the building. Then, with a shock, we realize we have to live in the house we have built. If we could do it over, we would do it much differently. But, you cannot go back. You are the carpenter, and every day you hammer a nail, place a board, or erect a wall. Someone once said, your attitude, and the choices you make today, help build the “house” you will live in tomorrow. Therefore, build wisely!</p>	
	Based on your reading of the above passage answer the following questions.	Marks
1	Choose the most appropriate option and circle it. Choose the word nearest in meaning from the passage for ‘low in quality’	1

	a. unfortunate b. resorted c. inferior d. workmanship	
2	<p>Choose the most appropriate option and circle it.</p> <p>“This is your house, my gift to you.”</p> <p>The gift was from the.....</p> <p>a. elderly carpenter b. carpenter c. employer d. None of the above</p>	1
3	<p>Complete the following sentences.</p> <p>i. The personal favour the employer asked was _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>ii. Had the carpenter known that he was building the house for himself _____</p> <p>_____</p>	1
4	<p>State whether the statements are true or false.</p> <p>i. The choices we make today will reflect our tomorrow- _____</p> <p>ii. The carpenter resorted to careful workmanship and used superior materials to build the house- _____</p>	1
5	<p>Answer the following question-</p> <p>Why was the gift a ‘shame’ for the carpenter?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	1
<u>SECTION B- GRAMMAR (2 Marks)</u>		
6	<p>Rearrange the words to form a meaningful sentence. Choose from the options given below and write the correct option in the blank provided.</p> <p>have/ I / risk / taken / saving / her / a / in / great.</p> <p>a. I taken have a great risk in saving her.</p> <p>b. A great risk have I taken in saving her.</p> <p>c. Her have taken I a great risk in saving.</p> <p>d. I have taken a great risk in saving her.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	1

7	<p>Rearrange the words to form a meaningful sentence and write it in the blank provided.</p> <p>other/people/with/ dealings/be/honest/should/ in/we/our</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	1
<u>SECTION C- LITERATURE (13 Marks)</u>		
8	<p>Read the lines given below and answer the questions that follow:</p> <p>“Some five years ago, I made the acquaintance of the well-known Irene Adler.”</p> <p>i. Who is “I” referred to in the above line?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>ii. What was “I” trying to retrieve from Ms. Irene Adler?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>iii. What was the word used by the King of Bohemia to describe Irene Adler?</p> <p>Choose and circle the correct option.</p> <p>a) An actress b) Authoress c) Adventurer d) Adventuress</p>	3
9	<p>Answer the following question in about 30-40 words:</p> <p>i. What steps had been taken by the King to get the photograph back from Irene Adler?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>ii. What did Holmes learn about Irene Adler from the ostlers?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	4

	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	
10	<p>Match the words with their contextual synonyms and circle the correct answer.</p> <p>i. Evidently- a. obviously b. doubtfully c. improbably</p> <p>ii. Deduce- a. comprehend b. follow c. track</p> <p>Write the appropriate meaning of the words given below, with reference to the lesson.</p> <p>i. Menaced- _____</p> <p>ii. condescend- _____</p>	2
11	<p>Fill in the blank with the suitable option:</p> <p>i. Sherlock's plan was to get invited into Irene Adler's home. Once inside, he would signal his friend Watson to _____</p> <p>a. call him on the telephone.</p> <p>b. knock on the door.</p> <p>c. throw a smoke bomb through the window.</p> <p>d. start a fight.</p> <p>ii. The King slipped an emerald ring from his finger and _____</p> <p>a. held it out upon the palm of Sherlock's hand.</p> <p>b. gave it to Irene Adler.</p> <p>c. held it out upon the palm of Watson's hand.</p> <p>d. kept it in the safe custody of Mr. Godfrey Norton.</p>	1
12	<p>Write the antonym of the given words:</p> <p>a. seldom- _____ b. immense- _____</p>	1
13	<p>Choose the correctly spelt word from the options given and underline it.</p> <p>i. a) desiraus b) desirus c) desiarus d) desirous</p> <p>ii. a) authenticity b) outhenticity c) authentisity d) othentisity</p> <p>iii. a) accomplise b) accomplice c) acomplise d) accomplase</p> <p>iv. a) dainteist b) daintiest c) dayntiest d) daintiesst</p>	2