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**INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT  
MIDDLE SECTION  
SECOND PERIODIC TEST 2022 - 23**



**SUBJECT – ENGLISH – SET B**

**Code: MYEN05**

CLASS: VII

Time Allotted: 40 minutes.

21.11.2022

Max. Marks: 20

Marks obtained:

**General Instructions:**

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

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**SECTION A**

**Read the following passage and answer the following questions based on your understanding of the passage:**

Once there was a miser who sold all his possessions and, with the money, bought a great lump of gold, dug a deep hole at the edge of the garden, and there he buried his gold. Once a day, thereafter, the miser went to the garden, dug up his gold, and embraced it lovingly. One of the miser's workmen wondered why his master spent so much time in the garden. One day, he hid behind a tree and soon discovered the secret of the hidden treasure. That night, when the miser was fast asleep, the workman crept into the garden and stole the lump of gold. When the miser found that his gold was gone, he tore his hair and cried aloud in his despair. A neighbour came running to see what the matter was, and the grief-stricken miser told him what had happened. Then the neighbours said, "Please stop your weeping. Go and find a stone. Place the stone in the hole and imagine that it is your lump of gold. The stone will serve your purpose, for you never meant to use the gold anyway." "To a miser, what he has is of no more use than what he has not."

**Choose the correct option to complete the sentence.**

Marks

- 1 Why did the narrator spend so much time in the garden?
- i) He was a nature lover.
  - ii) He liked watching children play in the garden.
  - iii) He wanted to keep an eye on his hidden treasure.
  - iv) To change the place of his hidden treasure.

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- 2 On the basis of your reading the passage, complete the following sentence. 1/2  
 The lump of gold was stolen by \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Give another word for 'hug' from the passage. 1/2  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 State if the following statements are True or False. 1/2 x2=1
- i) The miser got his lump of gold by selling all he had. \_\_\_\_\_
- ii) A miser would never use the gold, hence gold and stone have equal worth.  
 \_\_\_\_\_

5 **Answer the following questions.** 1x2=2

i) How did the miser react when he found that his lump of gold was gone?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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ii) Why did the neighbor advice the miser to place a stone in the hole?

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**SECTION B – GRAMMAR**

- 6 Choose the correct determiner to fill in the blank. 1  
 There are \_\_\_\_\_ students who submit their assignments in time.  
 a) few (b) a little (c) a few (d) the few
- 7 Fill in the blanks with the correct determiner to complete the story. 1/2 x6=3  
 Once upon a time, there lived \_\_\_\_\_ (a / the) king who was known for  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (their / his) judgements. One day two women came to him holding a  
 baby. Both claiming to be the mother of the child. The king was finding it difficult to  
 believe who was saying \_\_\_\_\_ (a / the) truth. The king asked the guards to cut

the baby in two and \_\_\_\_\_ (some / each) woman to receive half. The woman who was holding the baby accepted \_\_\_\_\_ (this / these) decision, whereas the other woman begged the king to have mercy on the baby and was willing to commit the baby to \_\_\_\_\_ (hers / her) rival. Seeing this, the king immediately understood who the real mother was.

- 8 Frame an interesting sentence using 'a lot of' as a quantifier determiner. 1

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**SECTION C – LITERATURE**

- 9 Read the following lines and answer the questions that follow. 3

“For still there are so many things that I have never seen:  
in every wood in every spring there is a different green.”

i) What things has the speaker not seen yet?

- a) The different meadows, flowers and butterflies.
- b) The different shades of green in various woods.
- c) Yellow leaves and gossamer during autumn.
- d) The good times that he spent with his friends.

ii) Why do you think that the speaker will not be able to see the many things in future?

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iii) What do these lines tell us about the speaker?

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- 10 Answer the following questions in about 20 – 30 words. 2
1. 'He looked at it, very nearly said, 'thanks,' in a bear language, then changed his mind.....' What did he do next?
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
2. What woke the narrator in the middle of the night?
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- 11 Match the words with their contextual synonyms and circle the correct answer. ½ x2=1
- i) Deliberately – (a) unintentionally (b) seriously (c) intentionally (d) angrily
- ii) Gossamer – (a) fine cobwebs spun by small spiders (b) a piece of grassland  
(c) yellow leaves in autumn (d) returning feet and voices at the door.
- 12 Choose the appropriate antonym of the word '**boisterous**' ½
- (a) Noisy (b) calm (c) active (d) sensible
- 13 Fill in the blank with the suitable option. ½
- i) The poem 'I Sit and Think' is written by \_\_\_\_\_
- a) Bilbo Baggins (b) J.R.R Tolkien (c) W.H Auden (d) C H Donald
- 14 State if the following statement is True or False. ½
- i) 'morning mist' and 'silver sun' are examples of personification in the poem 'I Sit and Think.' \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 Complete the following statement with reference to the lesson 'Travels with a Bear Cub' ½
- Four prospering traders in an ekka were returning from a \_\_\_\_\_.

## MARKING SCHEME

### SECTION A

**Read the following passage and answer the following questions based on your understanding of the passage:**

1. iii) He wanted to keep an eye on his hidden treasure.
2. The miser's workman.
3. Embraced
4. i) True (ii) True
5. i) When the miser found that his gold was gone, he tore his hair and cried aloud in his despair.  
ii) to imagine that it was a lump of gold. That would serve the purpose for the miser never meant to use the gold.

### **SECTION B – GRAMMAR**

6. (c) a few
7. a, his, the, each, this, her
8. meaningful sentence

### **SECTION C – LITERATURE**

9. i) b) The different shades of green in various woods.  
  
ii) .....he is already very old.  
  
iii) it tells us about the spirit of adventure that the speaker has. He wishes to see many places and explore the world.
10. 1) he fixed two beady eyes on the narrator, wobbled his nose and gave the saucer two frightful slaps.  
  
2) a terrible commotion in the compound woke him up. He went out to find him surrounded by 'Pi' dogs and in a very nasty temper.
11. i) (c) intentionally      ii) (a) fine cobwebs spun by small spiders
12. (b) calm
13. (b) J.R.R Tolkien
14. False
15. timber auction