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INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT

FIRST PERIODIC TEST

ENGLISH CORE

CLASS: XI

Sub.Code: 301

Time Allotted: 50 mts.

14.09.2022

Max. Marks: 20

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Read the instructions carefully and attempt all questions.
2. Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

1. Read the extract given below and attempt the questions that follow

1x4=4

The farmer looked into the mouth of the horse.

Tooth for tooth, he said. I would swear it is my horse if I didn't know your parents. The fame of your family for honesty is well known to me.

i) The phrase 'look into his mouth' has been used in the extract. In which of the following 'look into' has NOT BEEN USED similar to as used in the extract.

- a) Look into the well b) look into the problem
c) look into the room d) look into the desk

ii) Name the farmer who inspected the mouth of the horse.

iii) Name the tribe that is well known for its honesty.

iv) Select the appropriate ANTONYM for the word 'fame':

- a) well known b) renown c) prominence d) disgrace

2. Read the extract given below and attempt the questions that follow:

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She hobbled about the house in spotless white with one hand resting on her waist to balance her stoop and the other telling the beads of her rosary. Her silver locks were scattered untidily over her pale, puckered face, and her lips constantly moved in inaudible prayer.

i) Which figure of speech has been used in the 'pale, puckered face'?

- a) simile b) metaphor c) alliteration d) zeugma

ii) What does the word 'hobble' mean?

- a) walk quickly b) limp c) rush d) hasten

iii) Explain the line - ' Her silver locks were scattered untidily'

iv) Describe the character of the grandmother in the chapter.

3. Answer ANY THREE of following in 40-50 words

3x3=9

i) In short explain the meaning of the line 'Both wry with the laboured ease of loss' in the poem 'A Photograph'.

ii) When the grandmother was taken ill, how were her views different from the doctor's?

iii) What did farmer mean when he said, "A suspicious man would believe his eyes instead of his heart"?

iv) Briefly evaluate the poet's attitude towards life as seen in the last stanza of the poem, 'A Photograph'.

4. Unlce Khosrove has been missing for a week. Create a classified advertisement to be published in 'The Indian Express' missing column. You are Aram / Mourad. Olive Avenue in Armenia. Include all pertinent information about the missing person. Word limit 50.

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- i) Find a word from the extract which means 'lasting only for a short time'?
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iv) Why was the grandmother distressed by the education imparted in the city school?

- 4. Your horse is missing for a week. Write an advertisement to be published in the missing column of classified advertisements in 'The Indian Express'. You are Mourad/Aram. Include all necessary details about the lost horse to establish your claim. Word limit 50.**

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iii) When the grandmother was taken ill, how were her views different from the doctor's?

iv) Describe the incident which confirms that the narrator's uncle Khosrove was indeed crazy.

4. You are Shirley Toulson of 202, London, United Kingdom. You lost your briefcase which contains 'The Photograph' of your mother. Draft an advertisement in not more than 50 words to be published in 'The Indian Express'. Include all necessary details about the lost briefcase to establish your claim. **3**

The End of the Question Paper