



INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT
SECOND PERIODIC TEST

ENGLISH

CLASS: XI

Sub.Code: 301

Time Allotted: 50mts.

10.01.2023

Max .Marks: 20

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- Attempt all the questions.
- Use the same system of numbering as used in the question paper.
- Do not shuffle the sequence of the sub-questions.

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

1x4=4

Father and son, we both must live
On the same globe and the same land,
He speaks: I cannot understand
Myself, why anger grows from grief.
We each put out an empty hand,
Longing for something to forgive

- a. How can 'living on the same globe and land' help?

- (i) It can spread happiness
- (ii) It may help enjoy each other's company.
- (iii) It may help repair the broken relationship.
- (iv) It will decrease sorrow

- b. What does 'empty hand' signify?

- (i) It signifies the unwillingness to reconcile
- (ii) It signifies the failure of the father and the son to understand each other
- (iii) It signifies hopelessness
- (iv) It signifies the bad behaviour of the son

- c. What causes anger?

- d. Which line indicates a deep yearning in the stanza?

2. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow.

1x4=4

Never in all your life. It's the ruin of them as well as you. Husbands, sons, daughters should be taking notice of wives an' mothers, not giving 'em orders an' treating 'em like dirt. An' don't tell me you don't know what I mean, for I know more than you've told me.

a. Which literary device has been used in 'treating 'em like dirt'?

- (i) Alliteration
- (ii) Metaphor
- (iii) Simile
- (iv) Transferred epithet

b. What does Mrs. Fitzgerald 'mean'?

- (i) Mrs. Pearson loves her family
- (ii) Her children are immature
- (iii) Her husband is quarrelsome
- (iv) Mrs. Pearson is ill-treated

c. What would ruin her and her family?

d. What had Mrs. Pearson told her?

3. Answer any 3 out of 4 questions in 40 -50 words:

3x3=9

- a) Why was doctor Andrew in dilemma?
- b) How was Mrs. Pearson dissimilar to Mrs. Fitzgerald?
- c) 'This child is built to my design, yet what he loves I cannot share.' Explain the irony.
- d) What were the only sounds that Andrew heard in the thick of the night?

4. Fill in the blanks.

1x3=3

a. Jonny - "I played this game last week. Do you have anything new?"

Jonny said that he (i) _____ and enquired (ii) _____ anything new.

b. All the expenses for the scientific explorations in the area are (iii) _____ (bear) by a number of private institutions.

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Silence surrounds us. I would have
Him prodigal, returning to
His father's house, the home he knew,
Rather than see him make and move
His world. I would forgive him too,
Shaping from sorrow a new love.

- a. The stanza is an example of –

- (i) generation gap, hatred,
- (ii) generation gap, efforts to reconcile,
- (iii) father's negligence, son's misbehaviour
- (iv) self-centeredness, need to stay together

- b. Pick out the figure of speech used in the second line of the stanza.

- (i) Alliteration,
- (ii) Simile
- (iii) Allusion
- (iv) Oxymoron

- c. What does the father bemoan in the above stanza?

- d. How does the father plan to renew the old ties with his defiant son?

2. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow.

1x4=4

Now you listen to me. You admitted yourself you were spoiling 'em -and they didn't appreciate you. Any apologies-any explanations-an' you'll be straight back where you were.

a. The adjectives that we can associate with Mrs. Pearson's character are

- (i) submissive, bold, demanding
- (ii) submissive, docile, unsure
- (iii) bold, confident, strong
- (iv) supportive, strong and active

b. The message of the extract is _____.

- (i) treat everyone equally
- (ii) everyone is important
- (iii) one should stand for his/her own rights
- (iv) women should do household work

c. How were 'they' spoilt?

d. What was the need for an apology?

3. Answer any 3 out of 4 questions in 40 -50 words:

3x3=9

- a) 'This child is built to my design, yet what he loves I cannot share.' Explain the irony.
- b) What were the only sounds that Andrew heard in the thick of the night?
- c) How did Doris react to her mother's behavior towards her?
- d) Why was doctor Andrew in dilemma?

4. Fill in the blanks.

1x3=3

a) Reena said, "I'm ready for my exams. They are starting next week.

Reena told that she (i)_____ and added that they (ii)_____.

b) The detective reached the spot but the gang (iii)_____ (leave).

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Yet have I killed
The seed I spent or sown it where
The land is his and none of mine?
We speak like strangers, there's no sign
Of understanding in the air.

a. Why does the father use 'I' in the second line?

- (i) To acknowledge his role in the communication gap.
- (ii) To let his son know his importance
- (iii) To acknowledge himself
- (iv) To make himself realize the problem

b. Choose the figure of speech used in the second line of the extract.

- (i) Alliteration
- (ii) Personification
- (iii) Metaphor
- (iv) Simile

c. What is the father's self-analysis?

d. How does he evaluate this relationship?

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2. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. 1x4=4

It's always beaten me why you should want to spend so much time at a place where they're always laughing at you behind your back and calling you names. Leaving your wife at home, night after night. Instead of going out with her, who doesn't make you look a fool...

a. How does the author describe George Pearson?

- (i) fifty-ish, pompous, solemn
- (ii) solemn, decent, esteemed
- (iii) self-important, pompous, well-regarded
- (iv) solemn, self-important, stout

b. How did George react to what Mrs. Pearson told him?

- (i) He confirmed with Cyril and shouted at him
- (ii) He had tears in his eyes
- (iii) He didn't believe anyone
- (iv) He was shocked and confirmed with Cyril

c. What was George called at the bar?

d. What had caused Mrs. Pearson to speak in this manner?

3. Answer any 3 out of 4 questions in 40 -50 words: 3x3=9

- a) What problem does Mrs. Pearson face? Who was responsible for her condition?
- b) Why was the doctor in dilemma?
- c) 'I do not understand this child' How does the father hold himself responsible for this situation?
- d) What were the only sounds that Andrew heard in the thick of the night?

4. Tara- "The book is quite interesting but I found the movie more thrilling." 1x3=3

- a) Tara said that the book (i) _____ but she (ii) _____ the movie more thrilling.
- b) I (iii) _____ (visit) the museum in 2015.