

No. of Page : 4

No. of Q. : 20

नामांक

ROLL NO.

SP-12

अर्द्ध वार्षिक परीक्षा, 2019-20

कक्षा-10

समय : 3¼ घण्टे

विषय - अंग्रेजी

पूर्णांक : 70

Instructions :

- (i) All questions are compulsory.
(ii) All Marks are in front of the questions!

Section - A (Reading)

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

Pandit Ravishankar the brilliant sitarist, has done a single service to the country by carrying the banner of Indian Music across the world. He has done more than any other musician to arouse the interest of the westeners in Indian music, thus earning himself, the title 'India's musical ambassador'.

Born in Varanasi in 1920, Ravishankar began as a ballet dancer with his elder brother Uday Shankar's troupe. But he left the troupe to learn the sitar under Ustad Allaudin Khan of Maihar. He went under rigorous training practising for nearly eighteen hours a day to gain command over the instrument. Ravishankar toured Europe and America in the 1960's where he gave several recitals.

- (i) What title has Pandit Ravishankar done for the country? 1
(ii) What title has he earned for promoting Indian music? 1
(iii) When and where was Pandit Ravi Shankar born? 1
(iv) Why did he leave his brother's troupe? 1
(v) (a) Find from the passage the word which is opposite of 'dull'. 1
(b) Write the word from the passage which means 'Singing in a group'. 1

2. Read the following carefully and answer the questions that follow:
There was a man who had four sons. He wanted his sons to learn not to judge things too quickly. So he sent them each on a quest, in turn, to go and look a pear tree that was a great distance away. The first son went into the winter, the second in the spring and the youngest in the fall. When they had all and come back, he called them together to describe what they had seen. The first son said that the tree was ugly, bent and twisted. The second son said "No, it was covered with green buds and full of promise." The third son disagreed : he said "it was laden with blossoms that smelled so sweet and looked so beautiful, it was the most graceful thing he had ever seen. The last son disagreed all of them, he said "it was ripe and dropping with fruits, full of life and fulfilment. P.T.O.

- (i) When did the youngest son go to the pear tree? |
- (ii) What did the third son say about the pear tree? |
- (iii) When did the man call his sons together? |
- (iv) What did the man want his sons to learn? |
- (v) (a) Find the word from the passage which means : |
'a long search for something'.
- (b) Find the word from the passage which is opposite of |
'beautiful'.

3.

Section - B (Writing)
 Suppose you are Manisha Rathore living at 18, Vardhman Nagar, Rani. Write a letter to your friend Renu describing about your new school. You may use following points :
 (i) The building, classroom etc.
 (ii) The Principal, the staff, the students.
 (iii) The other facilities of computer, games etc.

OR

Imagine that you are Arvind reading in Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Bhitwara. Send an email to your Principal requesting him to give exemption in school Fees. The email address is principal ghssbhitwara@gmail.com.

4.

Write a Paragraph in about 60 words with the help of the outline given below :
 An election scene tents political parties
 giving slips came by vehicles One presiding officer three polling officers electronic voting machine mark on finger stopped.

OR

5.

Write a Paragraph on 'Importance of Trees' in about 60 words.
 Write a Paragraph in about 75 words on the personality shown in the picture.



OR

Write a Paragraph in about 75 words on 'A Visit to a Zoo'.

Section - C (Grammar)

6.

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs given in brackets: 4×1=4

- (i) She exercises on tenses now. (do)
- (ii) Please a noise. (do not)
- (iii) Anita Marathi for three years. (learn)
- (iv) I (show) you documents tomorrow.

7.

Join the following sentences using the words given in the brackets: 2×1=2

(i) Piyush helps the needy people. he is liked by everybody.
(who)

(ii) I woke up. It was raining hard. (when)

8. Change the following sentences into Passive Voice : 2-1-2

(i) They will thank us.

We

(ii) Who opened the door? http://www.rbseonline.com

By whom

9. Change the following sentences into Indirect Speech : 2-1-2

(i) Teacher said to the students, "Have you done your home work?"

(ii) Doctor said to the patient, "Take these medicines twice a day".

10. Fill in the blanks choosing Suitable Modals from brackets : 2-1-2
(Can, Should, Must, Could)

(i) People not waste their time.

(ii) Soldiers wear a uniform.

11. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow : 4-1-4

2 [We should remember that a contented mind and healthy living can help to keep us free from many diseases. In some ways, it is easier for the people in developing nations to achieve positive health, because they have more close knit social system, with better communication between people, than do many people in wealthy and developed nations, with very little by way of resources or sophisticated medical facilities. We can achieve positive health for the majority of individuals in our communities.

(i) What can keep us free from diseases?

(ii) Why it is easy in developing nations to achieve positive health?

(iii) Which two types of countries are being compared?

(iv) Pick out from the passage the word which means - 'Highly develop'.

12. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow : 4-1-4

Any amount of repetition of Ramanama is futile; if it fails to stir the soul. It is better in prayer to have a heart without words than words without a heart. And I am giving you a bit of my experience, and that of my companions when I say, that he who is experienced the magic of prayer may do without food for days together, but not a single moment without prayer, for without prayer there is no inward peace.

(i) In which case is any amount of repetition of Ramanama futile?

(ii) What does Gandhiji mean when he says that it is better in prayer to have a heart without words than the other way about?

- (iii) What can not exist without prayer?
(iv) Find out the word from the passage which means 'useless'.
13. Explain any one of the following stanzas with reference to the context : 3
- The person who risks nothing, does nothing,
has nothing, is nothing and becomes nothing
They may avoid suffering and sorrow, but they
can not learn, feel, change, grow, love, live.
- OR
- Good people all, of every sort
Give unto my song,
And if you find it wondrous short
It cannot hold you long.
14. Answer any one of the following question : (60 words) 4
- (i) How did Bishnois save the trees in Khejadali?
(The Tale of Bishnois)
- (ii) What is freedom according to the author?
(The Betrayal of Faith)
15. Answer any one of the following questions in about 30-40 words:3
- (i) What was the different system of judgement of the king?
(The Lady or the Tiger)
- (ii) What is positive health? (Positive Health)
16. Answer any two of the following questions in about 30-40 words: 2=1/2=3
- (i) What was the cause of quarrel between the lily and the rose? (The Lotus)
- (ii) What is an elegy? (An Elegy on the Death of A Mad Dog)
- (iii) Why did poet feel disappointed? (My Good Right Hand)
17. Answer any one of the following questions in 80 words : 4
- (i) Draw a character sketch of Uttanka?
(Uttanka's Gurudakshina)
- (ii) How can you say that Harisingh was a successful thief?
(The Thief's Story)
18. Answer any one of the following questions in 30-40 words : 3.
- (i) Why was Rashida's kite different? (High Maharaja)
- (ii) Why did Bholi refuse to marry Bishamber? (Bholi)
19. Answer any one of the following questions in 20-25 words : 3.
- (i) Who was Rasamand and where was she walking?
(The Purple Jar)
- (ii) What animals had the old man left behind?
(Old man at the Bridge)
20. Write a short speech in about 80 words on 'Use of Mobile phones while driving'. 4

OR

What are the eligibilities for learner licence and permanent licence.

