



PANCHSHEEL PUBLIC SCHOOL

10+2 Senior Secondary School (Affiliated & Recognized by CBSE)

Jaitpur, Badarpur, New Delhi-44

Sample Examination-2022-2

TIME: 3 HOURS

SUBJECT: ENGLISH

Class: VIII

M.M. – 50

Q1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:



One of the greatest mysteries of bird life is travelling. Every year during autumn and early winter birds travel from northern regions of Asia, Europe and America to the southern warmer lands. They make the return journey again during spring and early summer. They are punctual unless they are delayed by bad weather. They face many dangers and hardships while travelling long distances through the air, over hills, forests, plains and large stretches of water. Sometimes sudden storms arise and drive them far out of course. Often they are blown right out to sea and are drowned in the wild waves. At night bright lights attract and confuse the birds. They cannot fly at their fastest. The migration speed is usually from 48 to 64 km an hour and rarely exceeds 80.

Answer the following questions:

(1 X 6 = 6 Marks)

Q 1) When do the birds travel from northern regions to southern warmer lands and why?

Q 2) What danger do they face when they are flying over the sea?

Q 3) What happens to these birds at night when they see the lights?

Q 4) When do the birds make their return journey?

Q 5) What is the migration speed of the birds?

Q 6) Which is the greatest mystery?

Q2. Read the extract given below and answer the following questions: (4)

Oh! Defenders of borders

You are great sons of my land

When we are all asleep

You still hold on to your deed.

Windy season or snowy days

Or scorching sun's sweltering rays

You are there guarding all the time awake

Treading the lonely expanses as Yogis.

Climbing the heights or striding the valleys

Defending the deserts and guarding the marshes

Surveillance in seas and by securing the air

Prime of your youth given to the nation!!

Wind chimes of my land vibrate your feat

We pray for you brave men!!

May the Lord bless you all!!

Answer the following questions:

1. The poem is dedicated to.....
2. What do they sacrifice for the nation?
3. Which figure of speech is used in 'Treading the lonely expanses as Yogis.'
4. What does Dr. Kalam express through the last two lines ?

WRITING

Q3. Write an application to the Principal of your school for requesting transport facility.

Or

Write an application to the Principal of your school for issuing new ID Card. (5)

Q4. You are Anil/Anvita, a journalist with 'The Times of India'. You were at a gas filling station when you saw armed robbers firing at the manager and running away with a bag full of cash. Write a report in 100-125 words.

Or

Write a biography in about 300 -350 words of a person you admire. (5)

GRAMMAR

Q5. Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the verbs in brackets. (2)

My little sister is very naughty. When she ____ (come) back from school yesterday, she had torn her dress. We ___ (ask) her how it had ____ (happen). She said , she ____ (have, quarrel) with a boy.

Q6. Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct options.(2)

1. Each of the bottles ___ the expiry date mentioned on it (has, have)
2. Salt and pepper __ added to soups for flavour. (are,was,is)

Q7. Do as directed. (7)

1. The driver drove them everyday. (Passive Voice)
2. The plants are watered everyday by Hemal. (Active Voice)
3. " Do not forget to carry your keys" said Kavita. (indirect speech)
4. The doctor said to me that I should not eat fried food.(Direct speech)
5. The children said," Please let us perform the experiment." (Indirect speech)
6. Some people are standing on the river side and they are fisherman.(Compound sentence)
7. The library has books by famous authors. (Complex sentence)

Q8. Punctuate the following: (2)

he said why do you come and disturb me what a nuisance you are why cant you play somewhere else can't you see that i want to work go away at once and do not come here again.

Q9. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions (2)

- a. Fill __ the form first ___ pencil so that you can rectify a mistake.
- b. I live in that tower block __ the two blocks of houses.

LITERATURE

Q10. Read the given lines properly and answer the questions that follow.(5)

- a. And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
 - i) What does better claim really mean?
 - ii) Why did it have a better claim?
 - iii) What is the inner meaning of Wanted Wear?

b..... smiling back/ at the woman she'd be just an instant before.

i) What according to you, had the skater been just an instant before?

ii) Why does the skater smile at her own self?

Q11. Answer the following questions. Do any three. (2×3=6)

1. What did he do as he stood there?

2. What is the Sagarmatha's crown and why did Bachendri kiss it?

3. Annie describes Mr Keesing as a fogey. What opinion did you form about Mr Keesing? Why?

4. His piece of land never failed him. Explain the meaning of this sentence.

Q12. Write the meaning of following words. (Any Two) (1)

a. Trait b. Anchored c. Snappy d. Trodden

Q13. Which of the spellings are correct? (1)

b. Separate, separate, separate

c. Privilege, privilege, privelege

Q14. Choose the correct option. (2)

i. The road in the poem stands for

a. Challenges in life

b. Suffering in life

c. Choices in life

d. Progress in life

ii. Yet knowing how way leads on to way. The line means that

a. One profession leads to another.

b. One city takes you to another.

c. One choice leads to another.