

PVG's
Muktangan English School & Jr College
Formative Written Test - II (2024-25)
STD VIII

Subject : English
Date : 31.01.2025

Marks - 20
Time : 8.15 am - 9.30 am

Q1. Do as directed (Any 4)

(4)

1. The mother beams with joy at the words of her daughter.

(Identify the prepositions from the above sentence)

2. These are not our coats.

(Underline the pronoun from the above sentence and state its type)

3. There was a colony where many struggling artists lived.

(Identify the main clause and subordinate clause)

4. As a matter of fact, mother is the fountain of love in a family.

(Underline articles from the above sentence)

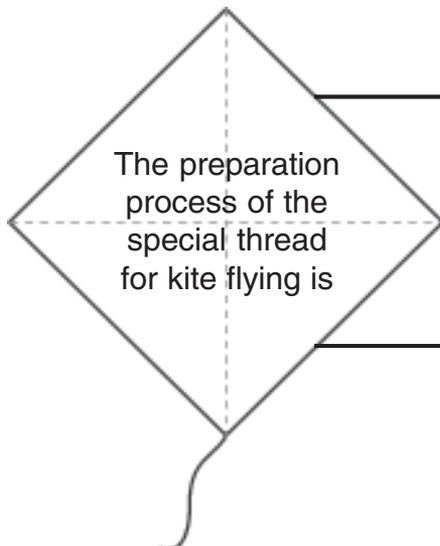
5. A large drop of water fell on him.

(State the word class of the underlined words)

Q2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the following questions given below it.

1. **Complete the following.**

(2)



Passage -

This popular festival attracts international kite-flyers, who demonstrate their skills in flying exotic kites and local champions as well. Little Indian paper-kites compete with those from Japan, USA, UK and other countries. Excited spectators watch in awe as marvellous shapes such as eagles and snakes soar into the skies.

One of the highlights of this festival is the Patang or Kite Bazar, in the heart of Ahmedabad, which is open twenty-four hours a day, for a whole week. A visit to this bazar in the middle of the night is enough to prove that the entire city is obsessed with kites. People crowd the streets and buy their stocks, haggling through the night.

Skilled craftsmen demonstrate age-old kite-making skills and how to prepare the special thread used for kite-flying. Mixtures of glue and ground glass cover the lines, which are dried and rolled onto reels known as 'firkees'. These lines are so sharp that, carelessly used, they can cut a finger!

The excitement does not end with nightfall. Now, it is time for illuminated box-kites, often strung on one line, to be launched into the sky. Called tukals, they add a grand beauty to the dark sky and compete with the brilliance of the stars.

2. Answer the following questions. (2)

- 1) With whom did the little Indian paper-kites compete?
- 2) What does a visit to the Patang Bazar prove?

3. Find one word from the passage which means - (1)

bargaining -

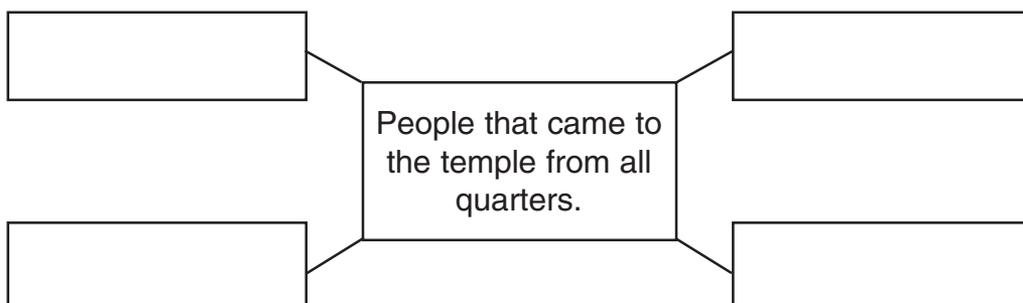
4. The excitement does not end with nightfall. (1)

(Identify whether the underlined part of the sentence is a phrase or a clause)

5. Do you think kite-flying is an interesting festival? Give reasons for your answer. (2)

Q3. Read the following extract and answer the following questions given below it.

1. Complete the following web (2)



Extract

One day there fell in great Benares' temple-court
A wondrous plate of gold, whereon these words were writ;
To him who loveth best, a gift from Heaven.'
There at

The priests made proclamation: At the midday hour,
Each day, let those assemble who for virtue deem
their right to Heaven's gift the best; and we will hear the
deeds of mercy done, and so adjudge.'

The news

ran swift as light, and soon from every quarter came
nobles and munshis, hermits, scholars, holy men,
and all renowned for gracious or for splendid deeds,
Meanwhile the priests in solemn council sat and heard
what each had done to merit best the gift of Heaven.
So for a year the claimants came and went.

2. Who could claim the plate of gold? (1)
3. **Identify the figure of speech of the given line.** (1)

The news ran swift as light.

Q4. Writing skills (4)

A) Report writing

Prepare a report to be published in your school magazine based on the following topic.

Muktangan English School celebrated Sports Day.

Make a use of the following points.

- Day and date of the function.
- Speech of the chief guest.
- The excitement and enthusiasm of all four houses of the school.
- Prize distribution ceremony.
- End of the program.

OR

B) Expand the following idea into 80-100 words. (Any one)

- i) 'All that glitters is not gold'
- ii) 'A friend in need is a friend indeed'



