

PVG's
Muktangan English School & Jr. College, Pune - 9
Summative Written Test - I (2024-25)
Standard - VIII

Subject - English
Date - 16-10-2024

Marks - 50
Time - 8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.

- Q.I (A) Do as directed. (Any 6) (6)**
- 1) I have three visions of India. **(Identify the type of sentence.)**
 - 2) Dick brought a cat. **(Say whether the underlined verb is Transitive or Intransitive.)**
 - 3) We are a great nation.
(Say whether the underlined part of the sentence is a phrase or a clause.)
 - 4) plant, pot, prize, prove **(Arrange the given set of words in proper alphabetical order.)**
 - 5) Reading is good for the mind and soul.
(Say whether the underlined part of the word is Gerund or Participle)
 - 6) Important **(Make minimum four letter two words from the given word.)**
 - 7) **Complete the word chain of verbs.** taste,,,,,
 - 8) The students were discussing the matter with their teacher. **(Identify the tense.)**
- Q.I (B) Do as directed (Any 1) (2)**
- 1) Competition **(Make a word register of minimum four words.)**
 - 2) They looked healthier than the other plants.
(Make negative begin your sentence with The other plants,)
- Q.II (A) Read the given passage carefully and do the activities based on it. (8)**
- 1) Who said to whom (2)**
- i) Bring me the two best things in the city.
 - ii) I am not going to Egypt.

'Goodbye, dear prince!' he said.

'I am glad that you are going to Egypt,' said the prince. 'You have stayed too long.'

'I am not going to Egypt,' said the Swallow. 'I am going to the House of God.' It fell down dead at his feet. Then there was a strange sound inside the statue. CRACK - the metal heart broke into two pieces.

Early next morning, an important man in the city was walking below with two of his friends. He looked up at the statue. 'The Happy Prince does not look very bright!' he said. 'The red stone has disappeared, his eyes are not there, and he is not golden. He looks like a beggar.'

'Yes he does!' said the man's friends.

'Here is a dead Swallow at his feet!' said the officer. 'We must make an order that birds cannot die here.'

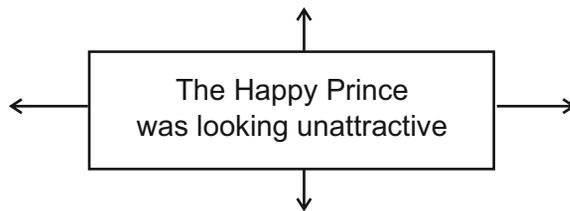
They pulled down the statue of the Happy Prince and put it in the fire. A stream of bright metal ran out.

'This is strange!' said the workmen. 'This broken piece in the middle of the statue has stayed hard. We must throw it away.' So they threw it away with the dead bird.

God said to his servants, 'Bring me the two best things in the city.' They brought Him the broken heart and the dead bird.

'Yes, you have brought the right things.' God said. 'This little Swallow will sing for ever in my garden, and the Happy Prince will stand in my city of gold.'

- 2) Complete the web. (2)



- 3) Find homophones for the given words from the passage. (1)
i) peace ii) feat
- 4) They pulled down the statue of the Happy Prince and put it in the fire. (1)
(Pick out the prepositions and write them.)
- 5) What did the workmen throw away ? Why ? (2)

Q.II (B) Read the given passage carefully and do the activities based on it. (8)

- 1) Arrange the sentences in the proper sequence as they appear in the passage. (2)
- The ship arrived at a place on the African coast.
 - What do you call this animal.
 - The captain of the ship was delighted.
 - The country is suffering from the Plague of rats.

So Dick fetched his cat and said goodbye to it sadly. The captain of the ship was delighted, for the cat was an excellent mouser and so he had no trouble with rats and mice on his voyage.

After some months the ship arrived at a place on the African coast, Barbary, where people called the Moors lived. The captain sent a message to the king to say he had fine goods for sale and he was invited to the palace to show them. While he was talking to the king and queen some dishes of food were brought in, but almost immediately rats and mice ran up and before the captain's eyes, ate all the food. The captain was astonished and asked if this is what normally happened.

"Alas, yes!" came the reply. "The country is suffering from a plague of rats and mice and we cannot get rid of them."

"I think I may have the answer on my ship," said the captain, and he sent a message asking for Dick's cat to be brought to the palace. More food was laid out and the rats and mice appeared as before. The cat immediately pounced, killing at least a dozen before they scattered. Everyone was delighted and the queen asked, "What do you call this animal ?"

- 2) Questions : (2)
- What happened when the food was brought at the palace ?
 - Why was the captain of the ship overjoyed ?
- 3) Find the antonyms for the given words from the passage. (1)
- departed X
 - disappeared X
- 4) So Dick fetched his cat and said goodbye to it sadly. (1)
(Underline the nouns from the sentence.)
- 5) Would you like to keep a cat ? Why ? (2)

Q III Read the given extract of the poem and do the activities based on it. (4)

- 1) Fill in the blanks. (2)
- The poet can see the digging the ground.
 - The lamp stands like a with one red eye.
 - The watchman swings his and walks.
 - The poet's mother sends the poet to when it starts getting dark.

I can see through the gate that house the
gardener digging the ground.
He does what he likes with his spade, he soils
his clothes with dust, nobody takes him to
task, if he gets baked in the sun or gets wet.
I wish I were a gardener digging away at the
garden with nobody to stop me from digging.
Just as it gets dark in the evening and my
mother sends me to bed,

I can see through my open window the
watchman walking up and down
The lane is dark and lonely, and the street
lamp stands like a giant with one red eye
in its head.

The watchman swings his lantern and walks
with his shadow at his side, and never once
goes to bed in his life.

I wish I were a watchman walking the street all night,
chasing the shadows with my lantern.

2) Does the poet really wish to be a gardener or watchman ? Justify. (1)

3) The watchman walking up and down. (1)

The figure of speech is Alliteration because

Q III (B) Write the appreciation of the given poem using the following points in a paragraph (4)

- Name of the poem, poet
- Rhyme scheme
- Figure of Speech
- Central Idea of the poem

A Time to Believe

"To believe is to know that
everyday is a new beginning
Is to trust that miracles happen,
and dreams really do come true.

To believe is to see angels
dancing among the clouds.
To know the wonder of a stardust sky
and the wisdom of the man in the moon.

To believe is to know the value of a nurturing heart,
The innocence of a child's eyes
and the beauty of an aging hand,
for it is through their teachings, we learn to love.

To believe is to find the strength
and courage that lies within us,
When it is time to pick up
the pieces and begin again

To believe is to know
we are never alone,
That life is a gift
and this is our time to cherish it.

To believe is to know
that wonderful surprises are just
waiting to happen,
And all our hopes and dreams are within reach
If only we believe."

-B. J. Morbitzer

Q.IV Read the given passage carefully and do the activities based on it.

1) Say if the given statements are True or False. Rewrite the statement.

- i) Bachendri Pal failed to prove that woman could foray in any field.
- ii) Bachendri Pal is revered as an icon for all aspiring mountain climbers.
- iii) Bachendri Pal achieved a big feat by scaling Mt. Everest.
- iv) Bachendri Pal always dreamt of being a corporator.

Bachendri Pal earned an important place for herself in Indian history by becoming the first Indian woman to summit the Mount Everest, the highest mountain peak in the world. A free-willing, fearless, and adventure loving girl, Bachendri always dreamt of being a mountaineer. By dint of her hard work and sheer determination, Bachendri Pal created history when she successfully submitted the Everest, thereby becoming the first Indian woman to achieve the big feat. An important public figure and a noted mountaineer, Bachendri Pal is revered as an icon for all aspiring mountain climbers. By her extraordinary fete, Bachendri Pal proved that a woman could foray into any field and become successful. She has enough sensibility and determination to work towards it. Currently, Bachendri Pal is employed with Tata Steel where she conducts high altitude training workshops for the corporate workforce. Apart from this, Bachendri Pal also works as an active guide, training women in mountaineering and river rafting.

2) Complete the statements.

(2)

- i) Bachendri Pal created history
- ii) Apart from working in Tata Steel Bachendri Pal also works as

3) Write the root word.

(1)

- i) successfully
- ii) highest

4) Bachendri Pal is an important public figure and a noted mountaineer.

(1)

(Pick out the articles and write them.)

5) Would you like to go for trekking ? Why ?

(2)

Q V Imagine you are Reema / Ramesh Joshi residing at 43, Reema Sadan, Lane No. 4, Subhash nagar, Shukrawar Peth, Pune 411 002.

(5)

Write a letter to the Principal of your School, thanking her for starting Newspaper in Education for the students.

Make use of the following points.

- Come to know about the current affairs.
- Activities conducted in various schools.
- You can see photos of your school students.
- Contains puzzles and crossword for students.

OR

Information Transfer : Verbal to Non Verbal

The paragraph given below is about how to cook food in a healthy manner. Read the paragraph carefully and write Do's and Don'ts. Give a suitable title.

Vegetables are important protective food and highly beneficial for the maintenance of health and prevention of disease. To derive maximum benefits of their nutrients, you need to follow the right way to cook food. Always start by washing your vegetables thoroughly, before chopping. Never do the vice versa; they should not be washed after chopping as they lose all the nutrients. Do not keep chopped vegetable stored for long because they lose nutrients and flavour. As once cut, they are also exposed to air (oxidation).

Vegetables should be consumed fresh as far as possible. They should be cooked for as short a time as possible. It is also advised to steam or boil vegetables in their own juices on a slow fire.

No vegetables should be peeled unless it is unpalatable. In most root vegetables the largest amount of minerals are directly under the skin and these are lost if vegetable are peeled. Reheating the food is also the

worst practice. Finally vegetables should not be cooked in aluminium utensils. Aluminium is a soft metal and is acted upon by both food acids and alkalis. There is scientific evidence to show that tiny particles of aluminium from food enter the stomach and injure the sensitive lining of the stomach, leading to gastric irritation, digestive and intestinal ailments.

Do's	Don'ts
i)	
ii)	
iii)	
iv)	

Q.VI Expand on any one of the following in about 100 words.

(5)

- 1) How beautiful is the rain !
- 2) Gardening Recreation of the mind.

OR

Narrate an incident in about 100 words. Give a suitable title.

I and my family members were going for a movie.....

