



Baroda High School, ONGC- Primary Section

Morning Shift (2023-24)

Std: - VIII

TERM-1 Revision

Sub: Eng

PROSE SECTION

Q1. Choose the correct answer.

1. What does the poet, A.P. Herbert, expect from the woman behind him at the theatre?
 - i) She should not reveal the suspense beforehand. iii) She should ask her niece to keep silent.
 - ii) She should not breathe upon his neck. iv) All of the above.
2. What kind of work do we find in the embroidery work of umbrellas?
 - i) Beadwork iii) Patch work
 - ii) Mirror work iv) Both I & II
3. A young Koli plans to impress the boys at the fair.
 - i) She wears black zimi. iii) She wears red zimi.
 - ii) She makes colourful handkerchiefs. iv) She holds embroidering exquisite designs umbrellas.
4. The narrator felt indignant because..
 - i) The tiger was scrutinizing the arrangement. ii) All along he was acting on the defensive.
 - ii) He was safe in his stockade. iii) None of the above.
5. Tarnetar Fair is based on...
 - i) Sita's Swayamwar iii) Draupadi's Swayamwar
 - ii) Draupadi's Chirharan iv) Subhadra's Apharan
6. The dance-form performed by Rabari women of Zalawad is known as..
 - i) Rahado iii) Garba
 - ii) Lavni iv) Bhagda
7. Which was the muddled moment for the writer?
 - i) When he was seeing a dream. iii) When a tiger was pushing himself in the room.
 - ii) When the station-master was coming in. iv) When the writer was reading a book.
8. What was the tiger startled by?
 - i) The writer's presence. iii) The sound made by the writer.
 - ii) The noise coming from his backside. iv) The clattering noise of furniture.
9. "I've had to compete with some of the sharpest wits going to get my pile." The meaning of the underlined phrase is:
 - i) To earn money iii) To collect people
 - ii) To win races iv) To win races
10. The policeman on the beat has been termed as..
 - i) Guardian of Peace iii) A vigilant officer
 - ii) An accomplice of the criminal iv) Staunchest old chap
11. Who is referred to as 'Man from the West'?
 - i) Bob iii) Jimmy Wells
 - ii) Joe Brady iv) Police Officer
12. 'I ever saw it till today'. The poet means to say..
 - i) I saw it just today. iii) I haven't seen it till today.
 - ii) I saw it previously. iv) I will see it in future.
13. 'And the surprise now must be small' means...
 - i) The play has little suspense. iii) the element of surprise in the play should be big.
 - ii) The play has serious note. iv) The surprise of the play will not interest at all.

Q2. Answer the questions.

- i) What did the writer see against the star-lit sky?
- ii) Describe the tiger as was seen by the writer when he opened his eyes.
- iii) Who was defeated at the end of the story? What proof did the writer talk about his victory?
- iv) What combination creates a memorable scene at the fair?
- v) How do people get entertainment in the fair?
- vi) How is every state of India 'a unique state'?
- vii) What custom was started by the Kolis of Suvarashtra?
- viii) What is the difference between novel and novella?
- ix) What does the merit of the drama lie in?
- x) Why did the poet get annoyed?
- xi) Who is Ornithologist?
- xii) How did the two friends part twenty years ago?
- xiii) How did Jimmy's friend make his fortune in the West?
- xiv) How was Jimmy according to Bob?

Q3. Make sentences.

spontaneous, exquisitely, tie the knot, startled, at a hair's breadth, hideous, on the beat, get into a groove, stalwart, infer, amuse, seek

Q4. True or False.

- i) The writer felt like he was dreaming when he saw the tiger for the first time.
- ii) The writer climbed up the table to save himself from the tiger.
- iii) The Tarnetar Fair is a celebration of ethnic Gujarat's folk-dance, music, costumes and arts.
- iv) Numerous Sadhus and bhajan mandalis also sing on continuously accompanied by folk instruments.
- v) The poet did not want anybody's assistance to understand the play.
- vi) The merit of the play lies in the tragic effect of the play.
- vii) Jimmy Wells arrested Bob.

Q5. Read the following lines of the poem and write the summary. Summary includes following:

Name of the poem and poet and explanation of the following lines in your own words.

The author seeks to keep from me
 The murderer's identity,
 And you are not a friend of his
 If you keep shouting who it is.

GRAMMAR SECTION

Q6. Do as directed:

1. The weight of these boxes _____ higher than the allowed limit. (is/are)
2. Not only her books but also her laptop are stolen. (Correct the error and rewrite)
3. To play chess is an excellent exercise for the brain. (Use Gerund and rewrite.)
4. Your friend is using abusive language. (Give advice using appropriate modal)
5. My father has taught me how to ride a bicycle. (Change into Present Perfect Continuous)
6. Water was entering the ship at an alarming speed. (Change into Past Tense)
7. She will suffer if she neglects her health. (Change into Future continuous)
8. My mother supervised the cleaning of the apartment. (Change into Passive)
9. Who teaches you art and craft? (Change into Passive)
10. Please come early tomorrow. (Change into Passive)
11. Plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables must be eaten by you to keep yourself healthy. (Change into Active)
12. I want Sarah to give him the news. (Change into Passive)

Q7. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions.

The system of education in our country is defective. It is not keeping pace with the passage of time. It follows the pattern which was valid five decades ago. The aim of education is to prepare students for the tough battle of life. The basic needs of life are a sound mind in a sound body, and skill to make a living. It widens the sphere of knowledge and builds our character. In short, education should turn out a strong team of responsible citizens.

Education has to be related to life and also the needs of the nation. Not gold but only men of character make a nation great and strong. It is unfortunate that our policy-makers give little importance to moral education and noble values. They set up schools and colleges only to turn out an army of graduates, good for nothing. We need men with brain, we need good scientists and technicians, and we need tough soldiers for the army.

Education for all sounds sweet. But mere slogans and schemes on paper won't take us far. Our leaders don't have the will to serve the nation. Also schemes fail at the ground level.

Questions

- (a) Why do you think that our education system is wrong?
- (b) What is the aim of education?
- (c) Why do all our experiments fail to improve the quality of education?
- (d) What do our policy makers give less importance?
- (e) Can we achieve our aim only through slogans and schemes?
- (f) Complete the sentence
 - i. Men of strong character alone make
 - ii. Education should turn out a strong
- (g) Find a word from the above passage that is opposite to soft/delicate
- (h) Find a word from the above passage that is similar to honest

WRITING SECTION

- Q8.A) Write a letter to your friend living in Delhi about the Tarntar Fair celebrated in Gujarat.
- Q8.B) Write a letter to your class teacher, apologizing for the misconduct of the class in the absence of the teacher.
- Q8.C) Write an email to your friend living in Australia inviting him/her for Navratri festival.
- Q8.D) You are head girl/head boy of your school. Write a message warning against littering within the school premises during recess and its consequences.
- Q8.E) Write a classified looking for paying guest accommodation in an area close to your college campus. Mention other requirements.
- Q8.G) Create an advertisement for the sale of home-made chocolates in different flavors.