

**QUARTERLY EXAMINATION-2024****Class-X<sup>th</sup>****Time : 3:00 Hrs****Subject – English****M.M.-75**

Note . Attempt all questions.

**Section A****Q. 1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the question given below it:**

Indira Gandhi was the first woman prime minister of India he was born in Allahabad on November 19, 1917 .She was the only child of Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru and Kamla Nehru. Indira was the lovely child so her parents and grandparents called Indra Priyadarshini. They lived in a big house its name was Anand Bhavan. Little Indra had a many dolls some of them were from foreign. She loved to play with them. She dressed them like bride and bridegrooms or Raja and Rani or satyagrahi and policeman. At the age of 4 Indira went to Gandhiji's ashram at Sabarmati. There she slept on the floor and ate simple food.

**Questions:**

- (a) Indira Gandhi lived in..... 1  
 i. Kamla Bhavan      ii. Nehru Bhavan      ☒ iii. Anand Bhavan      iv. Gandhi Bhavan
- (b) At what age, Indira Gandhi went to Gandhi Ashram? 1  
 (i) 8      ☒ (ii) 4      (iii) 10      (iv) 6
- (c) Gandhiji's ashram was at. 1  
 (i) Allahabad.      (ii) Lucknow      (iii) Delhi.      ☒ (iv) Sabarmati
- (d) Who was the first woman prime minister of India? 1
- (e) Which word in the passage means ' newly married man' ? 1

**Q. 2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it:**

The national emblem of the Government of India is the symbol of peace and Goodwill to the world. It was the royal Insignia of emperor Ashoka . It was taken from the pillar at Sarnath. The pillar was primarily intended to commemorate the great wheel with 24 spokes. The four animals carbed in relief in the abacus of the wheel the elephant, horse ,bull and lion symbolise the four quarters of the universe. The boldly designed finally proportion and well conceptualized architecture draws the admiration of the beholder and recalls the first sermon by lord Buddha at Sarnath. A group of four lions surmount the Sarnath capital ,each facing the cardinal direction. The pose of their limbs and tense muscular anatomy speak of the imagination of an accomplished master craftsman.

**Questions:**

- (a) How many spokes are there in the great wheel of the pillar? 1  
 (i) 7      (ii) 10      ☒ (iii) 24.      (iv) 15
- (b) The four animals carved in the abacus of the wheel symbolise. 1  
 (i) The four powers      (ii) The four days      ☒ (iii) The four quarters      (iv) The four forests
- (c) The national emblem has been taken from the..... 1  
 (i) The pillar of qutub minar      (ii) The pillar at Sarnath      (iii) First sermon      (iv) Government
- (d) The national emblem recalls the first sermon by..... at Sarnath. 1
- (e) Give the noun form of 'Great'. 1

Section - B

Q. 3. Read the following passage carefully make notes and supply a suitable title: 4

Games and sports are an important part of education. They help in the development of the physique and mind of the student. A sound body possesses a sound mind. If we are weak and sick we cannot have a fertile brain. Games and sports keep us healthy. They keep us active and make us smart. Mere bookish knowledge would not lead to be blended in a suitable proportion so that the student can have the best of them. They should not only develop the mind but also the body. Both are essential for a wholesome personality.

Games and sports have great value in student life. The foundation for a virtuous is laid in school. The sports arena teaches many things to the students given them discipline. It develops, there sportsman spirit, mental Outlook, cheerful nature, strong physique. All these are important traits of successful life.

Q. 4. You are Neha/Naveen, studying in Govt. H. Sec. school Rewa. Write an application to your principal for issuing you books from the book Bank. 4

Or

You are Manas /Mansi, studying in Higher Secondary School Balaghat. Write an application to your principal for issuing you school leaving certificate.

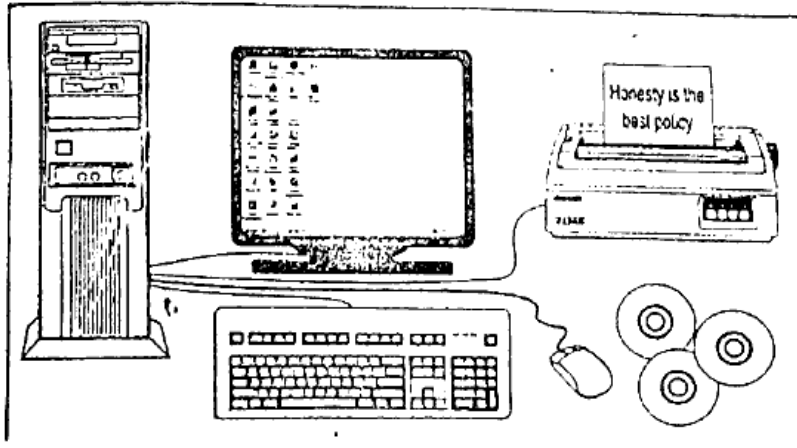
Q. 5. Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 150 words: 5

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|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Importance of trees | 2. Wonders of science |
| 3. My hobby            | 4. Any festival       |

Or

Write a paragraph in about 150 words on "To save water".

Q. 6. Look at the visual input given below and produce a small description about it. Write in 75 words. 3

Section C

Q. 7. Fill in the blanks ( any five):

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- (1) ..... I come in the classroom, sir? (can, may, need)
- (2) They ..... football in the evening. (play, plays, playing)
- (3) He has .... one rupee note. (a, an, the)
- (4) July comes ..... August. (before, after, with)
- (5) Ashoka was one of ..... greatest king of India. (a, an, the)
- (6) Ritu has ..... friends. (much, many, any)

Q. 8. Do as directed (any five):

- (1) He is very fast . He cannot run fast. (Use so.... that)
- (2) I did it. (Change into negative)
- (3) Hobby/ my /games/ playing /is (rearrange the words in a meaningful sentence)
- (4) He is old . He works hard. (Combine with "and" or 'but')
- (5) Lalit eats a mango. (Change into past perfect tense)
- (6) We shall buy a car. (Change into interrogative sentence)

### Section D

Q. 9. Choose the correct option:

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1. Lencho wrote a letter to..

- (a) Post master                      (b) God                      (c) His wife                      (d) Postman

2. The lesson 'His first flight' is about a..

- (a) Pilot                      (b) Parrot                      (c) Mothe                      (d) Seagull

3. The women in the control centre looked at the narrator.

- (a) Angrily                      (b) Strangely                      (c) Happily                      (d) Joyfully

4. What was the name of the Anne's diary?

- (a) Betty                      (b) Kitten                      (c) Kitty                      (d) Mitty

Q. 10 (a) Read the extract carefully and answer the questions given below it:

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The moon was coming up in the east, behind me and stars were shining in The clear sky above me. There wasn't a cloud in the sky. I was happy to be alone high up above The sleeping country side. I was flying my old Dakota aeroplane over France back to England .I was dreaming of my holiday and looking forward to being with my family .I looked at my watch 1.30 in the morning.

Questions:

(i) How was the weather when pilot started flying aeroplane?

- (a) Clear                      (b) Foggy                      (c) Rainy                      (d) Sunny

(ii) Pilot was going to.....

- (a) France                      (b) India                      (c) USA                      (d) England

(iii) The above passage is taken from which lesson?

- (a) His first flight                      (b) Black Aeroplane                      (c) A letter to God                      (d) Glimpse of India

(b) Read the extract carefully and answer the questions:

What is the boy now who has lost his ball.

what ,what he to do I saw it go

Merrily bouncing ,down the street, and then

Merrily over- there it is in the water

No use to say 'o there are other balls'.

**Questions:**

(i) What has happened to the boy?

(a) The boy was sleeping

(b) The boy was happy

(c) The boy was sad

(d) The boy was cheerful

(ii) Which word means the same as "merrily"?

(a) Happily

(b) Cheerlessly

(c) Angrily

(d) Strangely

(iii) Where did the ball go?

(a) In the water

(b) In the garden

(c) In the house

(d) In the market

**Q. 11. Answer the following questions in 30 words (any six):**

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(i) What did Lencho hope for?

(ii) Who are what did Lencho have faith? What did he do?

(iii) Why were two national anthems sang?

(iv) Why was the young seagull afraid to fly?

(v) What compelled young seagull to take his first flight?

(vi) What made the women in the control centre look at the narrator strangely?

(vii) Why does Anne want to keep our diary?

(viii) Why was Mr. kissing annoyed with Anne? What did he ask her to do?

**Q. 12. Answer the following questions in 30 words (any two):**

2x2=4

(i) What do 'fire' and 'ice' stand for in the poem "Fire and Ice"?

(ii) Is Amanda an orphan? Why does she say so?

(iii) Where are the trees in the poem? What do their roots, their leaves and their twigs do?

**Q. 13. Answer the following questions in 30 words (any two):**

2x2=4

(i) Why is Mrs Pumphrey worried about Tricki?

(ii) How is Ausable different from other secret agents?

(iii) How did The invisible man first become visible?

**Q. 14. Why does the postmaster send money to Lencho? Why does he sign the letter "God"?**

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Or

Do you think Mr kissing was a strict teacher? Why?

**Q. 15. What is the "epistemology of loss" which is the poet describes in "The Ball Poem"?**

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Or

What do the 'crow' and 'Hemlock' represent Joy or sorrow? What does the dust of snow that the crow shakes off a hemlock tree stand for?

**Q. 16. Why does Mrs. Pumphrey think the dog's recovery is 'a triumph of surgery'?**

Or

Did Horace Danby get the jewels? Then why did the police arrest him?