

**Standard 9**

Time: 1.30 Hrs.

**ENGLISH**

Marks: 50

**SECTION - I****10×1=10****Choose the appropriate synonym of the underlined word:**

- 1) Winning the one-rupee coin used to give me immense satisfaction.  
a) great                      b) little                      c) small                      d) tiny
- 2) She was tired of pruning rose bushes.  
a) trimming                      b) cutting                      c) marking                      d) changing
- 3) He slithered down into a flowerbed.  
a) slipped                      b) fell                      c) broke                      d) crack

**Choose the appropriate antonyms of the underlined word:****3×1=3**

- 4) Don't waste your time playing insane games with these kids.  
a) wise                      b) mad                      c) clever                      d) practical
- 5) The present owners must also be receiving the tree's blessings.  
a) shade                      b) happiness                      c) cursings                      d) sadness
- 6) Sir would place a one rupee coin on top of the stumps.  
a) side                      b) above                      c) bottom                      d) near
- 7) Form a derivative by adding right prefix to the word 'conscious'.  
a) sub                      b) dis                      c) re                      d) ir
- 8) Form a derivative by adding right suffix to the word 'sudden'.  
a) ly                      b) er                      c) ness                      d) ist

**Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate preposition given below:**

Vimal generally goes to his workplace \_\_\_\_\_ bus.

- a) on                      b) in                      c) by                      d) at
- 10) Write an ANAGRAM for the word 'LEMON'.

**SECTION - II****Answer ANY TWO of the following questions:****2×2=4**

- 11) Who were Sachin's favourite players?
- 12) What was coach Achrekar's first impression on Sachin?
- 13) Does the narrator still live in the house?
- 14) Who is the owner of the house now?

**Read the following set of poetic lines and answer ANY THREE of the following:****3×2=6**

- 15) **He will not see me stopping here  
To watch his woods fill up with snow.**  
a) Whom does 'he' refer to?  
b) Identify the season in these lines.
- 16) **The woods are lovely, dark and deep  
But I have promises to keep.**  
a) How are the woods?  
b) Whom does I refer to?
- 17) **And it grew both day and night  
Till it bore an apple bright.**  
a) What does it refer to?  
b) What grew both day and night?
- 18) **And I watered it in fears  
Night and morning with my tears.**  
a) What does 'it' refer to?  
b) How is it watered?

**SECTION - III****Answer ANY ONE of the following in utmost 10 lines:****1×5=5**

- 19) Achrekar was a sincere coach substantiate.  
 20) What were the visitors reminiscences of his youthful days of the old house?

**Answer ANY ONE of the followings:****1×5=5**

- 21) **Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below:**

**He gives his harness bells a shake****To ask if there is some mistake****The only other sounds the sweep****Of easy wind and downy flake.**

- i) Identify the rhyming words from the above line.  
 ii) Write the rhyming scheme of the given stanza.  
 iii) Pick out the alliterating words in the first line.  
 iv) What is the figure of speech used in the first line.  
 22) How did the poets anger with his friend end?  
 23) **Quote from memory:** **1×5=5**  
 "Whose woods these .....  
 ..... think it queer".

**SECTION - IV****Answer ANY ONE of the following:****1×5=5**

- 24) a) Write a letter to your friend describing the joy of celebrating festivals in a village. **(OR)**  
 b) Your friend who lives in another town / city has won his / her championship trophy in the recent sports meet. Write a letter congratulating him / her.  
 25) **Look at the following picture and express your views on it in a paragraph of five sentences:** **1×5=5**

**SECTION - V**

- 26) **Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:**

**1×5=5**

Margie did so with a sigh. She was thinking about the old schools they had when her grandfather's grandfather was a little boy. All the kids from the whole neighbourhood came laughing and shouting in the school yard, sitting together in the school room going home together at the end of the day. They learned the same things so they could help one another with the homework and talk about it. And the teachers were people ..... The mechanical teacher was flashing on the screen. When we add  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  .....

1. What was Margie thinking about?
2. Who came to the school?
3. Did they learn the same thing in the school?
4. Who were the teachers?
5. Who was flashing on the screen?

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