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**Subject: English Class : 7**

**Time:3hrs. M.M. 90**

**General instructions:**

* ***This paper consists of 4 sections.***
* ***All questions are compulsory.***
* ***Ensure that questions of each section are answered together.***
* ***All the answers must be correctly numbered.***

***Section A Reading (20 marks)***

***Q1. Read the following passage and answer the questions a, b, c, and d given below:***

*We have been brought up to fear insects. We regard them as unnecessary creatures that do more harm than good. Man continuously wages war on them, for they contaminate his food, carry diseases or devour his crops. They sting or bite without provocation, they fly uninvited into our rooms on summer nights, or beat against our lighted windows. We live in dread not only of unpleasant insects like spiders or wasps, but of quite harmless ones like moths. Reading about them increases our understanding without dispelling our fears. Knowing that the industrious ants live in a highly organized society does not prevent us from being filled with revulsion when we find hordes of them crawling over a carefully prepared picnic lunch.*

*No matter how much we like honey, or how much we have read of the uncanny sense of direction which bees possess, we have a horror of being stung. Most of our fears are unreasonable, but they are difficult to erase. At the same time, however, insects are strangely fascinating. We enjoy reading about them, especially when we find that like the Praying Mantis, they lead perfectly horrible lives. We enjoy staring at them, entrance as they go about their business, unaware -we hope – of our presence. Who has not stood in awe at the sight of a spider pouncing on a fly, or a column of ants triumphantly carrying home an enormous dead beetle?*

*Last summer, I spent many days in the garden watching thousands of ants crawling up the trunk of my prized peach tree. The tree has grown against a warm wall on a sheltered side of the house. I am specially proud of it, not only because it has survived several severe winters, but because it occasionally produces luscious peaches. During the summer I noticed that the leaves of the tree had begun to wither. Clusters of tiny insects called Aphids were to be found on the underside of the leaves. They were visited by a large column of ants which obtained a sort of honey from them. I immediately embarked on an experiment which, even though it failed to get rid of the ants, kept me fascinated for twenty four hours. I bound the base of the tree with sticky tape, making it impossible for the ants to reach the Aphids. The tape was so sticky that they did not dare to cross it. For a long time, I watched them scurrying around the base of the tree in bewilderment. I even went out at midnight with a torch and noted with satisfaction and surprise that the ants were still swarming around the sticky tape without being able to do anything about it. I got up early next morning to find the ants were climbing up the wall of the house and then on to the leaves of the tree. I realized sadly that I had been completely defeated by their ingenuity. The ants had been quick to find an answer to my thoroughly unscientific methods.*

***(a)******Three words or phrases are given below. Give the meaning of each word as used in the passage. One word answer or short phrases will accepted.******[3]***

*i.  Dispelling ii.   Pouncing iii.   Ingenuity*

*(b****)   Answer the following questions briefly in your own words.****[10]*

1. *What is our attitude towards insects?*
2. *Why does man try to exterminate insects?*
3. *Why does the writer say that knowing about insects does not make man change his attitude towards insects?*
4. *What was the reason that the leaves of the tree were beginning to wither in summer?*
5. *What did the writer do to prevent the ants from reaching the Aphids? Was it successful?*

***(c)   Give an apt title to your summary and justify the choice of the title.                                 [2]***

***Q2. WELL RESCUED (5 marks)*** *Ulhas Mandlik, 35, a power-loom owner from Ichalkaranji, Maharashtra, and his mother were homeward-bound one evening when heavy rain forced them to take shelter beneath a bridge. Not far away, a small group of labourers huddled together under a part of the cement housing above a 16 metre deep well used to pump water for irrigation.*

*Suddenly, Mandlik and his mother heard the labourers scream. When the two got to the well, they were told that a five year old boy named Hariya had fallen in through a side opening in the structure. Ignoring his mother's fears, Mandlik quickly knotted together lengths of flimsy rope belonging to the labourers and asked them to lower him into the dark well. "I hope the rope holds," he thought. As he descended, Mandlik noticed the metal rungs on the wall of the well. He grabbed hold of one and started climbing down, when he saw the boy clinging to a pipe running up the well's centre. Grabbing the child, Mandlik started to climb praying that the old rungs wouldn't give away and plunge them both into the churning water below. Their luck held and within a few minutes, Mandlik clambered to ground level and handed over Hariya to his sobbing father.*

*The man fell at Mandlik's feet and offered him some money as a reward. Refusing the cash, Mandlik took Hariya and his family to a nearby eatery and offered them steaming tea to warm them up. Several organisations have honoured Mandlik for his bravery and presence of mind on that wet day three years ago. "I am happy I was at the right place at the right time," he says," and was able to return a little boy to his family."*

*Read the questions given below and write the option you consider the most appropriate in your answer sheet.****(a) What first drew Ulhas and his mother to the well?*** *(i) shelter from the heavy rain. (ii) the return journey home.  
(iii) news of a small boy's fall. (iv) the labourer's screams.*

***(b) What were Ulhas' mother's fears really associated with?*** *(i) the rusted rungs inside the wall. (ii) the risk to the life of the rescuer.  
(iii) the churning water inside (iv) doubts about the safety the well. of the boy.*

***(c) Which of the following could be a learning from the report?*** *(i) it is best not to involve oneself (ii) one should not take shelter even in situations involving others. beneath a bridge in the rain.  
(iii) one cannot predict when an (iv) metal rungs alongside the wall of accident may befall any person. a well may not always be useful.*

***(d) Which of these expressions best describes Ulhas in view of this incident?*** *(i) disregard for an elder's (ii) disbelief in one's own abilities. warnings.  
(iii) faith only in prayers for (iv) concern for others with no success. expectations.*

***(e) Which of these did Hariya's father express on receiving his son?*** *(i) gratitude. (ii) relief.  
(iii) anxiety. (iv) peace.*

***Section B Writing Section (25 marks)***

1. *Write a letter to your father to take permission to go on a historical trip. 10*
2. *Write a notice in not more than 50 words to make students aware about a Trip to Shimla. 5*
3. *Give a description of your school. 5*
4. ***Complete this dialogue conversation between two friends ( 5)***

*Ram: Have you ever been to Amritsar?*

*Sham: Yes,\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*Ram: Great! Then you must have visited Golden Temple.*

*Sham: Ofcourse\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*Ram: What other places have you visited there?*

*Sham\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

***Section- C (Literature) 20 marks***

*1* ***Answer the following questions: 2\*5=10***

1. *How was grandmother convinced to keep TUTU as a pet?*
2. *Describe Swami’s feelings in the office room at night?*
3. *Why did Manjula need extra money?*
4. *Why did Manjula tear her paintings into pieces?*
5. *What type of world is being dreamt by the poet?*

***2. Extract:***

*A feather of necklace round and round*

*That I wont sell for thousand pounds! (3)*

1. *What is the necklace offered by the child made of?*
2. *What is the necklace that the bird has made of?*
3. *Which necklace does the bird prefer and why?*

***3. Would you call Swami a hero? Why/Why not?*** *(4)*

***4. Wrte Jeweller’s diary entry describing how he felt at Tutu’s mischief? (5)***

*Make sentences after writing the meanings of following words –*

*Enthusiasm , Gesticulations , Pacify*

***Section- D (Grammar )***

***A)Fill in the blanks with suitable words*** *– (4 X ½ =2)*

1. My father is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_honest man . ( a / an )
2. Would you like \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_cold drink . (a/an)
3. I saw \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_unicorn in my dream .( a / an )
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Himalayas is having \_\_\_higest peak , mount everest .(a/an)

**B)Underline the subject in the sentences given below: (1)**

1. whatever the reason , one should never lie .
2. Over the fields the horse galloped .

**C)Punctuate the following sentences – (2 X ½ =1)**

1. Who is knocking at my door .
2. this is a beautiful building .

**D)Unscramble the following – (2 X ½ = 1 )**

1. seaside / the / love / I .
2. it / is / where / ?/

**E)Pick out errors rectify –(5) Error correction**

The navy has changed its rules but\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Appointed two women to be incharge

Of warships but look after twelve \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Crew members . Both women is in their \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_

Late twenties or have considerable \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_

Experience . There are now about

Too women at sea but discussions \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Are talking place as to whether

They are to be allowed to serve

On board submarines and keep

To the warships only . \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**F) Underline adverb classes- (2X ½ =1)**

1. They can win the match if they work hard .
2. Pratinav will remain where he is .

**G) Underline adjective clauses – ( 2 X ½ = 1)**

1. a)The family that lives next door is from Australia .
2. b) I have a dog that follows me everywhere .

**H)Underline the noun clause – ( 2 X ½ =1 )**

1. I fear it is going to rain .
2. What we need is good sleep .

**I)Read the following incomplete dialogue between Randeep and Shireen . Complete it in any Suitable way. (4)**

**Randeep** : Would you like to join French classes ?

**Shireen :** ………………………………….

**Randeep :** They would be conducted on weekends .

………………………………………….

**Shireen :** In that case I can spare time . But still I’d like

to consult my parents .

**Randeep** : Let me know ………………………………

**Shireen** : When do you want me to tell you ?

**Randeep** : As soon as it is possible because ………………………………………………..

**Shireen** : All right , I’ll tell you over the phone in the

evening .

**J)Read the following statements write ‘T’ for transitive and ‘I’ for Intransitive –**

a) He returned to his home .( )

I returned his pen yesterday . ( )

b) She broke a glass . ( )

The old glass broke into pieces .( )

c)He speaks slowly .( )

I always speak the truth . ( )

**(k) Passive Voice:**

(a) Indian Hockey team wins champion’s Trophy.

The Indian hockey team \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the final match against Pakisatn.

(b) Teachers awarded National prizes.

The President \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for their outstanding performance.

(c) Tourist attacked by Locals

Around 35 tourists in srivas city \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ while the y were visiting a holy shrine.