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Subject-ENGLISH
Class-VIII

Total Marks-80
Time : 3 Hours

Instructions

1. This question paper consists of five sections A, B, C and D

Section- A	Reading - 20 Marks
Section -B	Writing - 20 Marks
Section -C	Grammar - 15 Marks
Section -D	Literature - 25 Marks

2. Attempt all the questions

3. No electronic gadgets are allowed inside exam room.

Section- A (Reading) 20 Marks

1. Read the following passage carefully:

VEGGIE DELIGHT

Young people are going vegetarian with a vengeance. Indeed, “eat healthy” is the new buzz. The fact that celebs from Madonna to John Abraham endorse the fad has only boosted the trend.

A vegetarian diet is more than complete in itself, asserts Maneka. Meat, eggs and milk only cause disease from acne to cancer. Alternatives like soya bean provide adequate amounts of calcium, protein and vitamins. Besides, meat gives you no fibre.

Moreover, increasing awareness about cruelty towards animals too is having an impact. Manjusha Chatterjee, a student of LSR, says:” I gave up meat after seeing chicken being pulled out of their cages, their necks snapped and wings torn before being sold.”

But don't let that make you think vegetarians are a weak lot. “Look at cane-eating elephant and grass-eating horse if you think a veggie diet doesn't give you strength,” says actor Jackie Shroff.

On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions.

- a) According to Maneka how can milk be substituted? **(1 Mark)**
- b) What forced Manjusha Chatterjee to give up non-vegetarian diet? **(1 Mark)**
- c) Find the word in the passage which means support somebody or something (Para1) **(1 Mark)**
- d) “Vegetarians are a weak lot”. Who denies this statement and why? **(1+1=2 Marks)**

2. Read the following poem carefully and answer the questions that follow

(1X5 =5)

The sorrows of the blind world afflict me,
Drowning me in the ocean of deep pathos.
Blood of humans' flow like a stream of water;
Cries of old and anguish rend the still air,
Like the dust of storm, sins of man rise upwards.
The wondrous blue sky is darkened with grief
The holiness and aura of man is damned,
Stars no longer twinkle to charm one's eye,
The sun and moon lie eclipsed to mourn the loss
Of God's creation, destroyed by selfish man.

- a) What afflicts the poet much?
- b) What rends the still air?
- c) According to the poet what rises upwards and how?
- d) Who destroyed the God's creation?
- e) What is darkened with grief?

3. Read the passage given below

Wilma Rudolph was born into poor home in Tennessee. At age four, she had double Pneumonia with scarlet fever, a deadly combination of which left her paralyzed with polio. She had to wear a brace and the doctor said she would never put her foot on the earth. But her mother encouraged her; she told Wilma that with God-given ability, persistence and faith she could do anything she wanted. Wilma said "I want to be the fastest woman on the track on this earth. "At the age of nine, against the advice of the doctors, she removed the brace and took the first step the doctors had said she never would.

At the age of 15 she went to Tennessee State University where she met a coach by the name of Ed Temple. She told him, "I want to be the fastest woman on the track on this earth. "Temple said, "With your spirit nobody can stop you and besides, I will help you". The day came when she was at the Olympics and at the Olympics you are matched with the best of the best Wilma was matched against a woman named Jutta Heine who had never been beaten. The first was the 100 meter race. Wilma beat Jutta Heine and won her first gold medal. The second event was the 200 meter race and Wilma beat Jutta a second time and won second gold medal. The third event was the 400 meter relay and she was racing against Jutta one more time. The first three people ran and changed the baton easily. When it came to Wilma's turn, she dropped the baton. But Wilma saw Jutta shoot up at the other hand; she picked the baton, ran like a machine, beat Jutta a third time and won her third gold medal. It became history: That a paralytic woman became the fastest woman on this earth at the 1960 Olympics. What a lesson to be learned from

Wilma! It teaches us that successful people do it in spite of, not in the absence of, problems.

A) On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following questions by choosing the correct option.

(1X5=5)

a) History was created when

- i) Wilma beat Jutta Heine
- ii) a paralytic woman became the fastest woman on this earth at the 1960 Olympics
- iii) Wilma anchored her team
- iv) Wilma went to Tennessee State University

b) Wilma was determined to

- i) walk
- ii) remove her braces
- iii) become the fastest woman on the track on this earth
- iv) remain paralyzed

c) One's success depends on

- i) the absence of problems
- ii) doing things without problems
- iii) doing things in spite of problems
- iv) All of the above

d) Who told Wilma that with God-given ability, persistence and faith she could do anything she wanted

- i) mother
- ii) doctor
- iii) coach
- iv) Jutta

e) Persistence means

- i) continuing obstinately
- ii) being obsessive
- iii) lasting forever
- iv) faith

B) Answer the following questions

(1X5=5)

- a) Where was Wilma born?
- b) What did Wilma do against the advice of the doctors?
- c) What happened to Wilma when she was four?
- d) How did Wilma managed to win the 400-meter relay at the 1960 Olympics?
- e) Whom did Wilma beat to win her first Olympic gold medal?

Section-B (Writing)- 20 marks

4. You are Mohan/Mohini, the Cultural Secretary of your school. Your school is organizing an Inter-House Fancy Dress Competition in the school auditorium. Write a notice, asking the students to participate in it. Provide all the details and write your notice in a box. **(5 Marks)**

5. Recently, you topped successfully in English Olympiad. You were congratulated by your friends and teachers. This made you very happy and excited. Record your feelings in a Diary Entry in about 100 words. **(7 Marks)**

6. It was a bright day and you were reading a book in your lawn. Suddenly a man threw a bag in your garden and ran away. You called him out but.....

In about 200 words, write a story using some of the phrases given below:

Bag looked suspicious, called police, parents concerned, neighbours gathered, bomb squad called, opened the bag, full of old used clothes. **(8 Marks)**

Section-C (Grammar)-15 marks

7. The following passage has not been edited. There is a word missing in each line. Write the missing word along with the word which comes before it and the one that comes after as shown in the example.

(½ X6=3)

	Before	word	After
There was a rich old man who in a palace.	e.g .	who <u>lived</u>	in
There also lived nearby poor man in a hut.	(a)-----		
He lived on crumbs of food given others.	(b)-----		
But he cheerful and never complained.	(c)-----		
Once it so happened that poor man	(d)-----		
had nothing eat for a long while. So he	(e)-----		
went to the rich old man help.	(f)-----		

8. Read the conversion below and complete the passage that follows

(1X 3=3)

Captain: Do you know how to play cricket?

Nitesh: I have never had a chance to learn it.

Captain: In this school every student has to learn it.

Nitesh: Give me a chance

The captain asked Nitesh(a)-----..Nitesh replied (b)-----..The captain then told Nitesh that every student had to learn it in that school. Nitesh requested the captain(c)-----

9. Do as directed

(1X 7=7)

a) When the zoo was flooded, there was a lot of -----(confuse)and many animals escaped into the countryside. (Use the correct form of the word given in the brackets)

b) My bicycle was stolen. (Change the sentence into active voice)

c) He -----repair his cycle yesterday. (Fill in the blank using 'has to'/'have to'/'had to')

d) He -----(write) to a publisher last week. (Fill in the blank with the correct form of the verb given in the bracket.)

e) The patient------(die)before the doctor------(come).(Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb given in the brackets)

f) My friend has invited me to the party. (Change the sentence into passive voice)

g) vanished/The car/seemed to/into thin/have/air (Rearrange the words to make a meaningful sentence)

10. Use the following words/phrases/idioms in sentences of your own.

(1X2=2 marks)

a) light up

b) carry on

SECTION D (Literature)-25 marks

11. Choose any one of the two extracts given below and answer the questions that follow

(1X3=3 marks)

a). "In the heat of the mid-day the houses stood
with shut doors.

I wandered along the crooked lane.

An old man came out with his bag of gold.

He pondered and said, "I will hire you with my money"

He weighed his coins one by one, but I turned away

- i) Why were the houses shut?
- ii) What did the poet want?
- iii) Which word in the poem means 'thought deeply'?

b). But go to school in a summer morn,

O! it drives all joy away;

Under a cruel eye outworn,

The little ones spend the day,

In sighing and dismay.

- i) Name the poem and the poet
- ii) What doesn't he like to do in a summer morning?
- iii) How does the school boy spend his day?

12. Who said this to whom and when:

(1X2=2 marks)

- a) 'You told me you'd come by Christmas'
- b) 'Do you remember what my last job was?'

13. Answer any four of the following questions in about 30 words each.

(2X4=8 marks)

- a) Do you think the Indian princess were short-sighted in their approach to the events of 1757?
- b) Who is Macavity? Which law does Macavity break?
- c) Why was Dr Chanda puzzled? What was unusual about Bepin Babu's loss of memory?
- d) How did tsunami affect the life of Sanjeev?
- e) The cricket says," Oh! What will become of me?" When does he say it and why?

14. Answer any four of the following questions in about 30 words each.

(2X4=8 marks)

- a) Why did Velu travel without a ticket? How did he escape the ticket collector's attention?
- b) What is Hafeez Contractor's definition of Mathematics?
- c) Why is the Giant called selfish?
- d) Where did the Djinn find the camel? What was he doing?
- e) How was Hafeez Contractor punished in school for not minding his studies?

15. 'Games and sports are good ways of resolving conflicts between countries'. Explain this in the context of the lesson 'The Best Christmas Present in the World'.

OR

Taking ideas from the lesson 'The Selfish Giant', write a paragraph on 'Owning things is human; sharing them is divine'

(4X1=4 marks)

