

TERM 1 EXAMINATION 2022-23

ENGLISH VI

Class 06 - English

Time Allowed: 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 80

SECTION A-READING

1. **Read the following passage carefully and answer the following questions:** [12]

1. The white tiger is an offspring of Bengal tiger, which has the necessary gene for white colouring. It has beautiful black stripes on a white coat. This species of animal has blue eyes and a pink nose.
2. A pure white tiger is totally white without any stripe, which is due to the presence of double recessive allele in the genetic code. It happens only in the Bengal tiger subspecies, and only one in 10,000 births can have it naturally. White tigers are rarely seen in the wild, and only twelve of them have been spotted in India since the last one-hundred years. Tigers have a life-span of 10-15 years. They are solitary animals and are fond of hunting at night. Their diet consists of any animals that they can catch and can eat up to 40 pounds of meat at one time. After such a big meal, they usually remain away for several days from eating again.
3. They are slow runners, but good swimmers. They are poor climbers and cannot climb a tree easily. They live in an area ranging from 10 to 30 square miles depending upon the availability of prey, water and shelter. Habitat loss, poaching and expansion of human population have together contributed to their being endangered. They are widely hunted for their body parts, which are used in traditional Chinese medicines.
4. Genetic inbreeding is another reason for their endangerment. Due to shortage in their number, this species of animal has been subjected to inbreeding. It has resulted in high mortality rates and severe disabilities. About 80 percent of the white tiger cubs are born with serious birth-defects related to inbreeding, and they soon die-off.
5. The critical condition of this animal has attracted the attention of conservationists worldwide. World Wildlife Federation (WWF), defenders of wildlife, and many other wildlife organizations are working with the support of the government for the cause of protecting them from becoming extinct. Once they become extinct, it will not be possible to bring them back to life.

Answer the following questions briefly. Attempt any six only

- a. How is the pure white tiger different from the white tiger in its physical appearance?
- b. What is the scientific reason behind the pure white tigers having no stripes?
- c. A big meal affects the tiger. How?
- d. What are the essential features of the place where the tigers live?
- e. What factors have put tiger's species in the category of the endangered animals?
- f. Why are they widely-hunted?
- g. How has genetic inbreeding affected the tigers?

2. **Read the passage given below carefully and answer the questions that follow:** [6]

Like a joy on the heart of a sorrow,
The sunset hangs on a cloud;
A golden storm of glittering sheaves,

Of fair and frail and fluttering leaves,
The wild wind blows in a cloud.
Hark to a voice that is calling
To my heart in the voice of the wind;
My heart is weary and sad and alone,
For its dreams like the fluttering leaves have gone,
And why should I stay behind?

- i. How does the poetess describe the wind in the poem?(1mark)
 - (a) Fair
 - (b) Wild
 - (c) Weary
 - (d) Furious
- ii. With what does the poetess compare the dreams of her heart?(1mark)
 - (a) Fluttering leaves
 - (b) Glittering sheaves
 - (c) Golden storm
 - (d) The hanging sunset
- iii. What is the hanging of the sunset on a cloud being compared within the poem?(1mark)
 - (a) A storm of fluttering leaves
 - (b) The voice of the wind
 - (c) A voice that is calling
 - (d) Happiness on a sad, gloomy heart
- iv. Give a word which is opposite in meaning to 'happiness'. (1mark)
 - (a) Weary
 - (b) Soft
 - (c) Sorrow
 - (d) Wild
- v. Why do you think the poetess has called the storm, 'golden storm'? (2marks)

SECTION B- WRITING & GRAMMAR

3. Vikram Kumar of class IX-A is the Secretary of the Holy Christ School Geography Forum. The geography teacher has asked Tapan to put up a notice to invite the students of geography to participate in the Geography Quiz Contest to be held after a fortnight in St. Anthony's School. The first prize carries 1000 and a Trophy. **Write this notice, using not more than 30 words.** Try to make the notice catch all the students' attention. [5]

OR

Write a Paragraph in about 100-150 words on the topic 'A Visit To Rajghat'.

4. **With the help of the given outline, develop a short story:** [7]
A crow finds a piece of cheese____flies to a tree____ a hungry fox sees the crow____ thinks of a plan____praises him____ requests him to sing____ the crow very pleased ____ open its beak____ the cheese fell down____fox picks up ____ runs away.

OR

Water is one of the most precious gifts of nature. But it is unfortunate that we don't understand its worth and

overexploit this resource for our selfish purposes. It is a matter of serious concern that water must be conserved at all costs. Write an article for your school magazine, urging the fellow students to save water. You are Mohit/Mohita.

5. Fill in the blanks with suitable option (any five): [5]
- (i) There are five.....in my box
- a) pen b) pencil
c) eraser d) pencils
- (ii) We get wool from sheep.
Which word is a material noun?
- a) wool b) get
c) from d) sheep
- (iii) Choose the appropriate article:
Shall we go out for _____ meal this evening?
- a) no article required b) the
c) an d) a
- (iv) Choose the correct articles for the below sentence:
Put _____ books on _____ table.
- a) a, the b) a, a
c) the, the d) the, a
- (v) You can keep itin the room.
- a) there b) everywhere
c) here d) anywhere
- (vi) He was tired that he could barely stand.
- a) very b) too
c) so d) also
6. **Re-arrange the following words/phrases to make meaningful sentences: Attempt any four** [4]
- i. person / a / healthy / exercise / makes
ii. important / in / life / it / one's / is
iii. exercises / physical / person / make / physically / a / fit
iv. mental / makes / fresh / the / exercise / mind
v. mind / it / sharp / makes / the / too.
7. **Complete the sentence choosing correct tense form of the word given in bracket** [1]
The children(play)in the park.
- a) playing b) play
c) are playing d) plays
8. **Choose the appropriate tense:** [1]
The birds _____ a nest.
- a) building b) builds

c) are building

d) build

SECTION C-LITERATURE

9. **Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow: (1x5=5)** [5]

The story of Taro and his magic waterfall reached the Emperor of Japan. He sent for the young woodcutter, and rewarded him with twenty pieces of gold for having been so good and kind. Then he named the most beautiful fountain in the city after Taro. This, said the Emperor, was to encourage all children to honour and obey their parents.

- i. What was the story of Taro and his the magic waterfall?
- ii. For what did the Emperor of Japan reward Taro?
- iii. What did Taro receive from the Emperor as a reward?
- iv. What was the Emperor's motive behind rewarding Taro?
- v. Find a word from the above extract that means the same as to 'respect'?

OR

- Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow: (1x5=5)**

Then one day he found his cat playing with a little doll and he grabbed it away. To his surprise, it wasn't a doll at all, but a man of the tiniest size. He had a little wool shirt with old fashioned britches and a high tall hat much like a witch's. He yelled, "Save me! Don't give me back to that cat. I'll grant you a wish. I promise you that."

- i. Why was Patrick surprised?
- ii. What did the tiny man look like?
- iii. What was his problem?
- iv. How did Patrick help the tiny man?
- v. Which word in the passage means **caught**?

10. **Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow . Attempt any four** [4]

What is a house?

It's brick and stone
and wood that's hard.

Some window glass
and perhaps a yard.

It's eaves and chimneys
and tile floors

and stucco and roof

and lots of doors.

- i. According to the poet, a house is
 - a. different from a home same as home
 - b. only brick and stone
 - c. only furniture
- ii. A house is made of
 - a. people
 - b. emotions
 - c. love
 - d. material

iii. Brick, stone, wood etc. are required to make a

- a. home
- b. house
- c. family
- d. neighbours

iv. A house becomes a home with

- a. roof
- b. windows
- c. doors
- d. the people

v. The word 'stucco' means the same as

- a. walls
- b. furniture
- c. plaster
- d. floor

OR

Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow. Attempt any four

I quarrelled with my brother

I don't know what about,

One thing led to another

And somehow we fell out.

The start of it was slight,

The end of it was strong,

He said he was right,

I knew he was wrong!

i. The Passage has been taken from the poem

- a. A House, A Home
- b. The Kite
- c. The Quarrel
- d. Beauty

ii. The author of the above poem is

- a. L.M. Halli
- b. Harry Behn
- c. Eleanor Farjeon
- d. Y-Yeh-Shure

iii. It seems that the brothers quarrelled on

- a. a petty matter
- b. some very important matter
- c. money matter
- d. property

iv. Both the brothers felt that the other was

- a. right
- b. wrong
- c. honest
- d. dishonest

v. The phrase 'fell out' means that the brothers

- a. fell on the ground
- b. fell from the roof
- c. fell on the road
- d. became unfriendly

11. **Answer any SIX of the following questions in 30-40 words each:** **[18]**

- (i) Why did the Dog decide to become the servant of the strongest?
- (ii) Why did the Dog finally decide to stay with the man? Do you think his decision was right?
- (iii) How did Kalpana Chawla become an astronaut? What gave her the idea that she could be an astronaut?
- (iv) Describe Kalpana Chawla's first mission in space. Write your answer in the context of An Indian American Women in Space.
- (v) How did the little elf do Patrick's homework?
- (vi) How did Taro get the magic sake for his father?
- (vii) How does the kite look in the sky? **[A Kite]**
- (viii) Describe the upward movement of a kite. (A Kite)

12. **Answer any four of the following questions in 30-40 words each:** **[12]**

- (i) What did the second bird say to him? Write your answer in the context of A tale of two birds.
- (ii) Did the farmer's wife repent her hasty action? How does she show her repentance? [The friendly mongoose]
- (iii) Why didn't the farmer's wife want to leave the baby alone with the mongoose?
- (iv) Why did the king reward the shepherd twice in the story? **(The Shepherds Treasure)**
- (v) Why did the shepherd always carry his old blanket with him?