

# PT-2/HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION, 2022-23

## ENGLISH

Time – 3 Hours

Class – VI

M.M. - 80

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Name of the student \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_

### **General Instructions:**

- This paper is divided into four sections.
- All questions are compulsory.
- Separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary. Read these sections very carefully and follow them.
- Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

### **SECTION – A (Reading) 15 marks**

#### **Q.1 Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below –**

Educate a male; you educate only one person----an individual. Educate a female; you educate a family----an institution. An educated mother has a sobering, soothing and civilizing effect on her children. So the education of a woman is more important than the education of a man. No nation can think of its balanced development if the women are illiterate. They cannot move about with confidence. They can be easily duped and exploited. No child can extract undue money from his educated mother by asking for fifty rupees to buy Indian Ocean and it cannot be bought. The child cannot befool her. Likewise, she cannot be dodged by the children pretending to be studying while actually reading undesirable or irrelevant books. On the other hand, they can check their undesirable activities.

Women are generally religious and morally strong. They would infuse innate qualities of their character polished with education of tolerance, patience, love, affection, dedication and other niceties of her character. She can discuss with her children their problems and can arguably put them on the right track of life and check them from going astray. For most of the part of the day the children remain in their mother's contact. They are naturally and psychologically prone to emulate her and get infected by her qualities. So, an educated woman will be a source of good inspiration for her children. An uneducated woman could be helpless and wanting in this respect because of her illiteracy and ignorance.

#### **Choose the correct option:**

**(1x5=5)**

- Educating a woman means not merely to educate her but to educate:  
a) one person                      b) one individual                      c) a family
- Educating a woman is more important than educating a man because:  
a) she has to become a leader  
b) her education influences her children.  
c) she knows about Indian Ocean
- An educated mother cannot:  
a) easily befool her children    b) rise in life    c) be fooled by her children

- iv) No nation can think of its balanced developments:
  - a) if the women are illiterate.
  - b) if economy is good
  - c) if the administration is proper
- v) The word in the passage which means 'the ability to remain calm':
  - a) astray
  - b) prone
  - c) patience

**Q.2 Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below –**

1. Necessity forced our ancestors to invent a method of protecting their feet from nature's fury. Early footwear was made by layering leaves together and later from leather. Then came the sandal, which was a simple piece of plaited grass or leather strapped to the feet. Eventually, sandal- making became a recognized art in Egyptian history.
2. There have also been ancient pictures found in caves depicting men wearing shoes. The Egyptian and Chinese as well as other early civilizations have recorded references to shoes. The Egyptians favoured beautiful and artistic sandals. The Greeks stressed on design and beauty, while the Romans created a military sandal that enabled their armies to travel throughout the empire.
3. In many ancient cultures, shoes indicated social status. A Roman officer's rank was noted by the height of the shoe; the higher the shoe, the higher the rank. A pharaoh's sandal had a long, peaked toe to denote a king, prince or priest.
4. During the mid-1600s, the Sun King Louis XIV created a new fad of platform shoes, simply because he had the royal power to do so. The platform shoes soon became the symbol of nobility. Also during this time, women in Florence were wearing platform shoes known as chopines. The chopines were worn to increase a woman's height. They were often 24 inches off the ground and ladies had to be escorted through the streets. Some historians believe the modern day high heel originates from the chopine.

**(A) Complete the following:** **(1x2=2)**

- (i) The Romans created \_\_\_\_\_.
- (ii) The ladies had to be escorted \_\_\_\_\_.

**(B) Say whether True or False-** **(1x2=2)**

- (i) A Roman officer's rank was noted by the colour of the shoe.
- (ii) The chopines were worn to increase a man's height.

**(C) Answer the following question.** **(2x2=4)**

- i) How did the shoe story begin and how were the early shoes made?
- ii) Mention with examples how shoes indicated social status.

**(D) Choose the correct option-**

**(1x2=2)**

- (i) Which word from the passage is the synonym of 'representing':  
a) wearing            b) depicting            c) layering
- (ii) Which word from the passage is the antonym of 'lower':  
a) peace            b) higher            c) automatic

**SECTION-B (Writing) 15 marks**

**Q.3** You are Gayatri Sharma, Head girl of St. Teresa's School. Your school is organizing remedial classes for students of classes V to XII after school hours from 1<sup>st</sup> August. Students who secured less than 60% marks in the first periodic tests are required to attend these classes which will be held from 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm. Lunch will be provided to the students on request. Write a **notice** for the school notice board informing students about the classes. (60 words) **(7)**

**OR**

Recently you visited the Taj Mahal in Agra. Write a **descriptive paragraph** on this famous monument in about 80 words.

(Hints : built by Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan – symbol of love – located in Agra – magnificent building – one of the seven wonders of the world – built to honour the memory of his wife)

**Q.4** You are Yashvi / Yash Sharma of class 8th B of the St. Mary School. Write a **leave application** to the Principal stating that you need sick leaves for 4 days as you are suffering from food poisoning. **(120 words)** **(8)**

**OR**

A healthy meal leads to a healthy mind and healthy living. We always choose good things for us but when it comes to food, we get attracted towards unhealthy food. Write a **letter** to your friend telling him about harmful effects of eating junk food. **(120 words)**

**SECTION- C (Grammar) 20 marks**

**Q.5** The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect and the correct words in the blanks provided. **(1x3=3)**

	Error	Correction
A thirty-year-old man which was coming	e.g. which	who
with his family from London how he lived	a)-----	-----
for many years died all of the sudden.	b)-----	-----
A fellow passengers whom he had talked to	c)-----	-----
earlier said that he had a disease which was incurable.		

**Q.6** Rearrange the jumbled words to form meaningful sentences - **(1x3=3)**

- a) unbelievable/the/found/story/I  
b) this/yesterday/which/burgled/is/the house/was  
c) the most/city/beautiful/was /the /garden/it/in

**Q.7 Fill in the blanks with correct forms of verb- (1x4=4)**

- a) Diana \_\_\_\_ (look) for her pen. (Present Continuous tense)
- b) The Earth \_\_\_\_ (revolve) around the Sun. (Simple Present tense)
- c) The stranger \_\_\_\_ (request) the shopkeeper to give him a packet of biscuits. (Past Continuous tense)
- d) The country \_\_\_\_ (see) a change in the weather next month like it has never before. (Simple Future tense)

**Q.8 Choose the correct form of the verb that agrees with the subject. (1x4=4)**

- i) The herd of deer \_\_\_\_\_ to the river almost everyday.  
a) runs                      b) run                      c) runned
- ii) Each of these \_\_\_\_\_ been ruined.  
a) have                      b) has                      c) having
- iii) No news \_\_\_\_\_ good news.  
a) are                      b) is                      c) will
- iv) The people of the town \_\_\_\_\_ gathered to protest against the criminals.  
a) has                      b) have                      c) having

**Q.9 Identify the kind of underlined nouns in the following sentences and state whether they are common, proper, collective or abstract. (1x3=3)**

- 1. Solomon was famous for his wisdom.
- 2. Birds make their nests in trees.
- 3. A committee was appointed to study the situation.

**Q.10 Identify the type of each of the following sentences and write whether it is Interrogative, Declarative, Imperative or Exclamatory: (1x3=3)**

- a) Nita likes collecting sea shells.
- b) Will you return by book?
- c) Don't step on the grass.

### **SECTION – D (Literature) 30 marks**

**Q.11 Read the extract (Prose) and choose the correct answer from the following. (1x3=3)**

*"The poor children now had nowhere to play. They tried to play on the streets but the streets were very dusty and full of stones".*

- a) Why were the children unhappy?
  - i) They wished to play in zoo.
  - ii) They couldn't play in Giant's garden.
  - iii) They wanted to play in the playground.
- b) What problem did they face while playing on the street?
  - i) The street was dusty and full of stones.
  - ii) The street was full of water.
  - iii) The street was full of trucks.
- c) Why were the children happy in the Giant's garden?
  - i) It was lovely with the soft green grass and beautiful flowers.
  - ii) There were peach trees and birds singing sweetly.
  - iii) All of the above

**Q.12 Read the extract (Poem) and choose the correct answer from the following. (1x3=3)**

*I never get a second glance*

*Hear 'yummy' on an off chance*

*Yet, there I sit in every plate*

*Round and ready to meet my fate*

- a) Why is roti never given a 'second glance'?
- i) Roti tastes delicious whenever eaten.
  - ii) Roti does not taste spicy or yummy, hence it is never given a second glance.
  - iii) Roti makes the meal complete.
- b) What is the rhyme scheme of the above stanza?
- i) bbac
  - ii) aabb
  - iii) abab
- c) Who is the poet of the above stanza?
- i) Ruskin Bond
  - ii) Natasha Sharma
  - iii) Rudyard Kipling

**Q.13 Answer ANY FOUR questions in 20 words. (2x4=8)**

- i) What did the Giant do to stop the entry of the children?
- ii) How did Rakesh and his grandfather spend their winter evenings?
- iii) Mention three things that the flowers did in the poem "Daffodils".
- iv) What were the things kept in the trunk previously?
- v) Why should one need to be careful and not taste the 'berries' in Australia?

**Q.14 Write the antonyms of: (1x2=2)**

- i) trivial X
- ii) cramped X

**Q.15 Do as directed. (1x2=2)**

- i) It is ..... to cut sandalwood trees. (legal) (add a prefix)
- ii) The floods left many people ----- (home) (Add a suffix)

**Q.16 Make anagrams for these words (1x2=2)**

- i) seal
- ii) alter

**Q.17 Answer ANY TWO questions in 50 -60 words. (2x3=6)**

- i) How does the poet bring out the variety of tastes people have through the description of the different forms of the roti?
- ii) What things did the family decide to leave at home while packing for the trip the following summer?
- iii) Describe the beauties of Australia mentioned in the poem "Friendly Fauna".

**Q.18 Answer ANY ONE questions in 80-100 words. (1x4=4)**

- i) The Giant's heart melted'. How did he become a changed person? Highlight the character of selfish Giant.
- ii) The poem "Roti's Grudge" makes us aware of how we sometimes fail to appreciate the efforts of others for us. Explain why is it important to show appreciation towards others.

