

# PT4/ANNUAL EXAMINATION, 2023-24

ENGLISH

Time – 3 hrs.

Class – VII

M.M. – 80

Name of the student \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Date - 15.02.2024 (Thursday)

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

- Q1. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below by choosing the most appropriate options. (1x5 = 5m)**

### **THINK, OR ELSE THAT TONGUE WILL BRING TROUBLE**

Have you ever got angry with someone over what they had said? Have you ever yourself felt the regret of saying something you later realize you should not have? We all have been in such situations. Words carry a lot of power. They cannot be touched but they can be felt, that too very deeply. More than how a person looks or walks, her/his personality is shaped up by what she/he says. Is it not the tongue then, the most important organ of the body?

Harsh words can do damage to an unknown extent. They can bring down a person and subject her/him to humiliation and ridicule. They can wage wars, break families and even lead to self-destruction. On the other hand, well thought out expression attracts admiration and trust. Take the comparison often done between the former US Presidents Barack Obama and Donald Trump. Obama's intelligence and appeal reflected in his well-crafted words while Donald Trump, despite being an acclaimed businessman continued to be criticized for the verbal excess.

The only difference between the two is the ability to assess the impact of one's words. It applies to the Prime Minister of India as well, whose grip on words, far outweighs any of his contemporaries. From interviews for jobs to negotiating peace amidst wars, words decide people's futures.

- (a) What makes tongue as the most important organ of the body?**
- i) It is used to smell all the delicacies.
  - ii) It is immovable.
  - iii) It is used to utter words that carry a lot of power.
- (b) How do harsh words affect a person?**
- i) It makes the person feel insulted.
  - ii) It makes the person feel happy.
  - iii) It makes the person feel proud.
- (c) What should be done in order to attract admiration and trust?**
- i) Insensitive and illogical points can attract people.
  - ii) Well thought out expression.
  - iii) By providing others job.
- (d) Find out a word from the passage which is NOT the synonym of 'humiliation'.**
- i) shame                      ii) disgrace                      iii) happy
- (e) According to the passage which quality of Prime Minister of India far outweighs any of his contemporaries?**
- i) His grip on words.                      ii) His political party.                      iii) His clothing style.

**Q2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.**

We give undue importance to our health and the treatment of diseases. A large number of medicines treat only the symptoms of the disease, and not the root cause. In fact, the cause of many chronic ailments is still being researched. It is here that Yoga therapy comes to our assistance. Yoga emphasizes the treatment of the root cause of an ailment. It works in a slow, subtle and miraculous manner. Modern medicine can claim to save a life at a critical stage, but, for complete recovery and regaining of normal health, one must believe in the efficiency of Yoga therapy. The Yogic way of life includes a code of ethics, regulations, discipline and more, combined with prayer and meditation.

Even a discussion of these subjects helps one relieve mental tensions and change attitudes. Simple Asanas help to stretch and relax the whole body and neutralize tensions. The sincere practice of Yoga postures benefits all levels of experience. Through continued practice, Yoga postures can have a profound effect on the inner dimensions of life, establishing deep calm, concentration, emotional stability and confidence. Man is physical; mental and spiritual being; yoga helps promote a balanced development of all the three. Other forms of physical exercises, like aerobics, assure only physical well-being. They have little to do with the development of the spiritual body.

- (i) Is yoga better than physical exercises? How? (2x1=2m)
- (ii) Fill in the blanks. (1x 2= 2m)
- a) Yoga postures can have a \_\_\_\_\_ effect on the inner dimensions of life.
- b) A large number of medicines treat only the \_\_\_\_\_ of the disease.
- (iii) Answer the following questions. (1x2= 2m)
- a) What does a Yogic Way of life include?
- b) What is the advantage of simple asanas?
- (iv) Complete the following statements. (1x2=2m)
- a) The sincere practice of Yoga postures benefits \_\_\_\_\_ and confidence.
- b) \_\_\_\_\_ being; yoga helps promote a balanced development of all the three.
- (v) They have little to do with the spiritual body. (1m)
- (Identify the part of speech used in the underlined word.)
- i) adverb                      ii) verb                      iii) adjective
- (vi) Choose the synonym of the word 'confidence'. (1m)
- i) faith                      ii) distrust                      iii) doubtful

**SECTION - B (WRITING – 15 MARKS)**

- Q.3** You are Abhay Sharma / Anita Desai, Sports Secretary of St. Xavier's School, Raipur. **Write a letter** of Permission in **100-120 words** to the Principal for conducting an Interschool Volleyball Competition. Mention all the necessary details such as date, duration and venue. (5M)

**OR**

You are Madhuri Shah of 2-A Surya Marg, Hyderabad. **Write a letter** to your friend in **100-120 words** explaining him about importance of learning foreign language. Use the hints given below.

- opens up a world of job opportunities
- helps to communicate and connect with others
- develops cultural understanding

- boosts your confidence
- One participates more effectively and responsibly in a multi-cultural world
- Creativity is increased

**Q.4** You are Raju/Ranjana of Delhi Public School, New Delhi. You are motivated by the 'Clean India Campaign' of the Prime Minister and participated in it in your own way in your colony. Taking help from the inputs **write a diary entry in 80-100 words.** **(5m)**

**Hints:** • PM's 'Swachha Bharat Abhiyan' • motivated millions of young men and women • called a meeting of all young boys and girls • request to volunteer • started removing dirt • bought new bins • distributed pamphlets • enlightened public • good results • appreciable change in the mind sets • things in the right direction • I feel proud of myself and my companions.

**Q.5** You are Smrithi Saran of Victoria Public School, Hyderabad. Your school has organized a Science Exhibition. **Write a notice** in not more than **50 words** inviting students to participate in it. Provide all the necessary details. **(5m)**

**OR**

Create a **poster** promoting the reduction of plastic usage and the importance of recycling. **(50 words)**

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

**Q6.** The given passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet. **(1/2x4=2m)**

	<b>Incorrect</b>	<b>Correct</b>
Helen Keller is aged two when	e.g. is	was
an illness took away her sight but	(a) _____	_____
hearing. She also lose the ability	(b) _____	_____
to spoke. Communicating with other people	(c) _____	_____
will hard for her as she could not see or hear.	(d) _____	_____

**Q7.** Rearrange the following words to frame meaningful sentences: **(1x 2= 2m)**

- a) we / always / to do / him / the / homework / push / have to  
 b) a story / a biography / is / of / someone / a person / written / by / else

**Q8 A. (i) Choose the sentence having intransitive verb:** **(1x2=2m)**

- a) The moon shimmers at night.  
 b) I borrowed a book from her.  
 c) I recited a poem.

**ii) Choose the sentence having transitive verb:**

- a) The young man walks fast.  
 b) I saw a movie last night.  
 c) She laughed heartily.

**B. Transform the following sentences into indirect speech.** **(1x2=2m)**

- a) Aakash said to me, "I was awarded with first prize."  
 b) They said to me, "You have done well."

**Q9. (A) Fill in the blanks with either subordinating or coordinating conjunction: (1x2=2m)**

i) He dressed so quickly \_\_\_\_\_ he put his shoes on the wrong feet.

a) because                      b) or                      c) that

ii) It was his birthday \_\_\_\_\_ we decided to buy him a present.

a) so                      b) because                      c) but

**(B) Fill in the blanks with correct tense. (1x1= 1m)**

It was raining when I \_\_\_\_\_ (get) up this morning.

**Q10. Identify whether the underlined verbs are finite or non-finite: (1x2=2m)**

i) I found that I had forgotten the keys.

ii) I don't like to watch horror movies.

**Q11 Join the pair of sentences to form complex or compound sentences: (1x2=2m)**

i) I had no ticket. I was able to get in. (Subordinating conjunction)

ii) We all respect him. He is an honest man. (Coordinating conjunction)

**Q12. Identify the tense of the following sentence: (1x1=1m)**

Indian Army has a great role in maintaining peace in the country.

**Q13. (A) Identify the following sentences as simple, complex or compound: (1x2=2m)**

i) I can never forget the day when I got the trophy for the first time.

ii) You have answered the questions quite well.

**(B) Transform the following sentences as directed: (1x2=2m)**

i) Reeta is not as tall as Seeta. (Positive)

ii) It is too hot to go out. (Negative)

#### **SECTION – D (LITERATURE-30 marks)**

**Q14. Read the extract and answer the questions that follow: (1x3=3)**

*"I admire your uniform. I think both of you really look very handsome in it".*

a) Who is the 'I' in the above line?

i) Amrita                      ii) Aman                      iii) Vishal

b) Whose uniform is the speaker referring to ?

i) uncle Naren and uncle Vikrant                      ii) Aman's friends                      iii) his neighbours

c) What does the word "admire" mean ?

i) ridicule                      ii) sad                      iii) praise

**Q15. Read the extract and answer the questions that follow: (1x3=3)**

*"But a bird that stalks down his narrow cage*

*Can seldom see through his bars of rage."*

a) What does the phrase "bars of rage" mean ?

i) It refers to the bird's cage.

ii) It refers to the bird's anger.

iii) It refers to the bird's happiness.

b) Identify the figure of speech used in the line "*Can seldom see through his bars of rage.*"

i) anaphora                      ii) alliteration                      iii) simile

- c) Which feeling of the caged bird is expressed through the above stanza?  
i) Helpless and frustrated                      ii) elated and jovial                      iii) confused

**Q16. Answer in 20 words. (any 4)**

**(1x 4= 4m)**

- i) Why did Swami sleep under the bench?  
ii) What did Jimmy Wells tell to Silky Bob about his profession in the story "After Twenty Years"?  
iii) What did the speaker in the poem "Mother and the Mouse" fear might have happened to her mother when she heard her loud scream?  
iv) How many ships and aircrafts does the Indian Navy have?  
v) What legend did the people of Aamod believe in?

**Q17. a) Choose the correct synonym of the word "extensive"**

**(1m)**

- a) enlarged                      b) abundant                      c) considerable

**b) Mention the part of speech of the underlined word in the following sentence:**

**(1m)**

The novelist spoke politely.

- i) adverb                      ii) verb                      iii) noun

**c) Which idiom means "discourage someone from doing something".**

**(1m)**

- i) test the waters                      ii) hold water                      iii) pour cold water on something

**d) Fill in the blanks using the words given in the bracket.**

**(1x2= 2m)**

(acquisition, shackles, transcended)

i) \_\_\_\_\_ are the chains, either literal or in your mind, that stop you from achieving what you want to achieve.

ii) \_\_\_\_\_ is the process of buying something or obtaining it in some other way.

**e) Fill in the blanks by adding correct prefix.**

**(1m)**

She has an \_\_\_\_\_ fear of insects. (logical)

- i) unlogical                      ii) illogical                      iii) inlogical

**Q18. Answer in 50- 60 words. (Any3)**

**(2x3 = 6m)**

- a) Why does the caged bird sing with "a fearful trill"?  
b) When is courage referred to as strength?  
c) In the story 'When the Water Spoke', why did the teacher suggest that students should carry placards and posters to the beach?  
d) Who did Dr. Kalam acknowledge as great teachers who helped him in learning leadership?

**Q19. Answer in 80-100 words. (Any 2)**

**(4x2= 8m)**

- a) Sakhu's character in the play "Garland from Heaven" expresses deep compassion and empathy. Do you agree? Explain.  
b) Dr. Kalam was a great thinker and an inspiring personality. What are the qualities of him you would like to incorporate in your behaviour?  
c) How does the poet contrast the free bird and the caged bird in the poem "Caged Bird"?