



V & C Patel English School
Half Yearly Exam

Std.: VI
Subject: English

Max. Marks: 80
Date: 22/09/2017
Time: 3hrs

General Instructions:

(1) This paper has 5 questions

(2) All questions are compulsory.

Section A – Reading 20 Marks

Section B - Writing 15 Marks

Section C - Grammar 15 Marks

Section D - Literature 30 Marks

(3) You may attempt any section at a time.

(4) All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.

SECTION A [READING]

Q.1 [A] Read the passage carefully and answer the questions:

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Sardar Patel went to England to study law and returned to India in 1915. After returning he met Gandhi and soon joined him in many issues of the day including one in which he represented workers in a dispute with mill owners in Ahmedabad in 1918. Patel had a successful law practice, but as he became more influenced by the ideas of Gandhi he gave it up and threw himself into the campaign for Indian independence. In 1931, Patel was elected President of the Indian National Congress. Gandhi vested great confidence in him through all the years of their friendship. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was one of the leaders of the Indian National Congress and one of the founding fathers of the Republic of India. He took active part in the struggle of India.

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[1] Answer the following questions in one or two lines

(6)

1. Write full name of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel?
2. Who were Sardar's mother and father?
3. Why did Sardar go to England?
4. Who was founding father of republic India?

5. Who was India's first Home Minister?
6. How did Sardar form one united country India?

[2] Answer the following questions in detail

(4)

1. How did Sardar become iron man of India?
2. How did Gandhiji influence Sardar?

[B] Read the passage carefully and answer the questions:

Independence Day is celebrated by the people of India every year on 15th of August as a National Holiday to honor the independence of India from the Kingdom of Great Britain on 15th of August in 1947. At this day, people of India pay heartily homage to the great leaders in the leadership of whom India became free forever. At this day, people celebrate in their own way by buying tricolour Flag, watching movies based on freedom fighters, listening patriotic songs, bonding with family and friends, participating in special contests, programs, and articles organized by the broadcast, print and online media to promote the awareness about day.

Jawaharlal Nehru became our first Prime Minister after the independence of India on 17th of August 1947 who raised the Flag at Lahore Gate of Red Fort in Delhi and given a speech. This phenomenon is followed by the other succeeding Prime Ministers of India where flag hoisting ceremonies, parades, march past, salute by 21 guns and other cultural events are organized. Other people celebrate this day by raising national flag on their clothes, homes or vehicles. On the midnight of 15th August in 1947, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru had announced the independence of India by reading out his speech on "Tryst with destiny". He said that after long years of slavery, it is the time when we will redeem our pledge with the end of our ill fortune.

India is a country where millions of people live together whether they belong to various religion, cultures or traditions and celebrate this special occasion with great joy. At this day, as being an Indian, we should feel proud and must take an oath to keep ourselves loyal and patriotic in order to save our motherland from any type of attack or humiliation by other countries.

[1] Answer the following questions in one or two lines

(6)

1. Why do we observe national holiday on 15th August?
2. What do you mean by 'try colour' flag?
3. Who gave first speech from Red fort after independence?
4. What was the name of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's speech?
5. Who hoists the flag on Red fort on 15th August since 1947?
6. Why we should take oath?

[2] Answer the following question in detail

(2)

1. How do people celebrate Independence Day?

[3] Choose correct options from the following

(2)

1. Heartily homage (paragraph 1)
 - a) Wholeheartedly respect
 - b) By heart disrespect
 - c) Respect
2. Succeeding (paragraph 2)
 - a) Chronology
 - b) Following
 - c) Numbers
3. Ill- fortune (paragraph 2)
 - a) Bad-luck
 - b) Not well
 - c) Good luck
4. Humiliation
 - a) To give respect
 - b) To bring honour
 - c) Disgrace

SECTION B [WRITING]

Q2. A) Write a paragraph on "Importance of English" with the help of given points.

(5)

It is foreign language- brought to India by- International language- India is developing country-in world of competition importance of English- helpful to get all kind of technological, cultural, historical etc... knowledge.

Or

Use the following information to write a biographical sketch on "Mother Teresa"

Born-26 August, 1910-Real Name- Early Life- devout Christian- joined Loreto Nuns in Dublin-came to India-joined Loreto convent as teacher-pity on poor -started her mission- Career-free school for poor children- new religious order 'Missionaries of charity'- became mother-Nirmal Shisu Bhavan- Awards- Padma-Shree- The Nehru- Magsaysay-The Pope Jhon XXII-Nobel price for peace-Death- 5th September, 1997 Kolkata.

B) An interhouse debate competition is to be held in St. Paul's School. The topic of the competition is 'English should be our national language'. As the head boy/ head girl of the school, write a notice not more than 50 words giving all necessary details. (5)

C) You are a member of the school team which secured first position in football match at district level and bagged the trophy. You have been asked to draft a report about the event for your school magazine. Use following points to write report.

No. of participants team and school-teams in semi-final and final- from how many points you won the final match and team name- organisers, sponsors and facilitators- teachers who helped you prepare.

Or

Below you can see a conversation between Sunil and Soham. On the basis of the conversation, write the message in 50 words. (5)

Sunil : Hello! May I talk to Suresh please?

Soham : I'm sorry, he is not home right now. I am his elder brother Soham. Is there any important message for him?

Sunil : Yes, I am his friend Sunil. Suresh has my English note book. Please tell him to bring the note book with him while coming for tuition. Also tell him to bring his notes of History. I have to take down some notes from it.

Soham : Anything else?

Sunil : No. Thank you.

Soham : I'll inform him.

SECTION C [GRAMMAR]

Q.3 A) Identify parts of speech of underlined words from the paragraph given below

(3)

Vijayalakshmi is a multidimensional personality. She is working in various areas. She gives marvels speech on education system. On 21/ 7/2017 there was workshop in which she was resource person. She gave her speech on time management and problems of today's pupil. Oh! I found her excellent in her speech. It was worth listening to her.

B) Fill in the blanks using: (some, many, any, few, all, both, every, either, neither)

(4)

1. I can't buy _____ of the two books as I don't have much money with me.
2. There were _____ students who were not in uniform so the teacher made them stand.
3. There is _____ milk in the jug.
4. _____ of the two brothers could make it to the final.

5. _____ the sisters worked hard but failed in the examination.
6. There isn't _____ water in the bucket.
7. The window glass was broken by _____ the boys.
8. The Cricket World Cup takes place _____ four years.

C) 1) The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write The incorrect word and the correction.(Use simple and continuous) (2)

	Incorrect	Correct
Many people are got addicted to a drugs.	e.g got	getting
If a person addict is prevented from taking regular	_____	_____
doses of a drug, he will suffered severe physical problems.	_____	_____
People are addicted to alcohol, tobacco.	_____	_____
Avoid to became addict person.	_____	_____

2) Change the following sentences in to past continuous tense (2)

1. She is dancing fearlessly on the stage.
2. He is fighting like a lion in the battle field.

D) 1) Change the following sentences into indirect speech. (2)

1. The teacher said, "The sun is a star."
2. He said, "please forgive me."

2) Change the following sentences into direct speech. (2)

1. Rehan told me that he was in Delhi.
2. The teacher said that the students were writing well in exam.

SECTION D [LITERATURE]

Q.4 (A) Read following extracts and answer the questions that follow.

1. Kalpana was born in Karnal, Haryana, but was a naturalised U.S. citizen, married to flight instructor Jean- Pierre Harrison. Besides being an astronaut, she was licensed fly single and multi-engine land airplanes, single-engine seaplanes and gliders. She was also certified flight instructo

- a) To whom does Kalpna marry? (1)
- b) Where does Kalpna born? (1)
- c) Why does Kalpna become naturalise citizen of U.S.? (1)

2. And do they pick their noses

The same as you and me?

Do they live with other people

Have they mums and dads?

And were they ever children

And were they ever bad?

- a) In the passage 'they' refers to whom? (1)
- b) By whom the poet is impressed in the passage? (1)
- c) What do you mean by phrase 'pick nose' (1)

(B) Answer the following questions in not more than 30 to 40 words. (10)

1. Who did the dog finally choose as his master and why?
2. How does finally Patrick get his A's?
3. Why did Taro run in the direction of a stream?
4. Describe the poem 'Quarrel' in your own words.
5. The poet says 'Beauty is heard' what do you mean by this?

(C) You are part of miss Beams school which role will you select to play and why? (4)

Q.5 [A] Answer the following question in not more than 70 words (6)

1. Explain the theme 'one knows by the company one keeps' with help of 'A Tale of Two Birds'.
2. Draw a character sketch of 'The Shepherd'.

[B] Write the correct meaning of given idioms

1. A piece of cake.
2. Speak of the devil.
3. Once in a blue moon.
4. Step up your game.

=== Best Of Luck ===

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