

I SEMESTER EVALUATION-2017-18

SUBJECT : English

STD: VIII

TIME:

DATE: 12.10.2017

MARKS: 50

Q1) Read the following passage and answer the following questions. 6

The Sardar Sarovar Dam is the second largest in the world in terms of volume and size. It comes second to the Grand Coulee Dam in the US considered the largest going by its volume.

Believed to be the life line of Gujarat, the 12 km long dam, which is 163 metres will irrigate over 18 lakh hectares of land in the state

The dam expected to be shared among the three states Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra ,and Gujarat was initiated in 1946. However, the project was halted several times due to an interstate river water sharing dispute and protests against the human and environmental implication it would have.

The Narmada Bachao Andolan led by social activist Medha Patkar has been protesting against the project raising several environmental concerns.

They allege that millions of people displaced due to the dam project were not adequately compensated . The Supreme Court later allowed work to resume with conditions to rehabilitate the displaced villagers.

Questions

- a) On what is the passage about?
 - b) Which is the leading dam in terms of volume ?
 - c) Which states is going to benefit by the dam?
 - d) Do you agree that dams are temples of Modern India?
- a) of water to land or crops by means of channels b) to begin an action on

- d) The Supreme Court later allowed work to resume with conditions to rehabilitate the displaced villagers (. Frame question suitable for the answer.

QII) Read the following seen passage and answer the following questions. 6

When Duryodhana , the jealous cousin of the Pandavas , saw the Hall of Assembly for the first time, he was consumed with envy. He had arrived with his brothers, other princes and kings for the opening of the hall. Even before he entered the hall he was bedazzled with its grandeur and splendor. Upset and disturbed in his hearts of hearts ,he entered into the hall. As he walked down the corridors, he saw the beautiful pool in which lotuses bloomed and goldfish gleamed. He gathered the fold of his garment before stepping into what he thought was water only to discover that it was hard crystal flooring. Bhima laughed aloud to see him thus confused However , Duryodhana suffered his humiliation in silence, and moved ahead

Questions

- a) Name the hall which Duryodhana was entering?
.b) Who accompanied Duryodhana?
c) Describe the Hall in 2-3 sentences
d) Make sentences with the following Phrases
a) Hearts of heart b) suffer in silence.

QIII) Read the following seen poem and answer the following questions 6

Then the chestnut hears, and comes out into bloom
White, or pink, to the tip- top boughs-
Oh ,why not grow higher, there is plenty of room,
You beautiful tree, with the sky for your house?

Then like music they seem to burst out together,
The little and the big with a beautiful burst
They sweeten the wind, they paint the weather,
and no one remembers which was the first.

Questions

- a) Which tree comes to bloom?
- b) In what way is the race unique?
- c) Give the Rhyme scheme of 1st stanza.
- d) Name the figure of speech in the 2nd stanza
- e) Explain the term " they sweeten the wind"

QIV) Read the passage and answer the following question

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In India the custom is that bridegroom goes to the house of the bride with great pomp and show , with a number of friends and followers and the ceremony of Kanyadhan (giving away the girl) takes place at the bride' house.

The number of the people who go with the bridegroom depends largely upon the means of the bride's party, because the guests who come with groom are to be fed and entertained in the right regal style. It is this feeding and entertaining the guests that makes a daughter's marriage so costly in India, to certain extent.

Questions

- a) Which custom is mentioned in the passage?
- b) Who accompanies the bridegroom?
- c) How are guests supposed to be treated?
- d) Give the noun form of 1) entertain
- e) Give the adverb form of regal

V) Do as Directed.

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- a) The driver forgot to take the _____(Keys/ Keyies) .
- b) Alexander the Great came to India.(change to interrogative sentence)
- c) You shall make a promise (Change the voice)
- d) Give the abstract noun of a) safe b) ability.
- e) Give the partitive nouns of
 - a) A bag of _____
- f) The child could not control his _____(fill with abstract noun)
- g) The whole class wanted _____(fill with uncountable noun)
- h) River Bhramputra bigger than Yamuna.(Transform to other two degrees)
- i) The doctors spoke softly to the patient .(add question tag)
- j) They abandoned the building after caught fire. (identify the main and subordinate clause)

VI) An idle mind is devil s workshop .Expand the given proverb.

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VII) Write a letter to your Municipal Commissioner on making the use of cloth bags mandatory and banning plastic bags in any form in Thane city .

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VIII) Complete the sentences using suitable word from the brackets.

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- 1) My sister is _____(needing / kneading) the dough.
- 2) The Post of _____(Principal/ Principle) is vacant.

IX) Give a brief report on the general HEALTH CHECK UP conducted in your school.

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Date 1/9/17

Venue School Premises.