

Half Yearly Examination 2019-20

Class 8th

English

Time: 2.30

M:M 80

General Instructions:

The paper consist of three sections

Section A Reading 20 marks

Section B Writing and grammar 30 Marks

Section C literature 30 Marks

Section A Reading

Q.1 Read the following passage carefully and answers the questions which follow by choosing the correct options. 1x8

Healthy diet is a diet which contains all nutrients such as proteins, fats, vitamins, carbohydrates, roughage and water in appropriate proportion. A healthy diet is one that helps to maintain or improve overall health. The need for a healthy diet can be met from a variety of plant based or animal based foods. A healthy diet supports energy needs and provides health body to human beings. It avoids the risk of weight gain or toxicity.

Various nutrition guides are published by medical or government institute to educate individuals on what they should be eating to promote health. In some countries it is compulsory to stick labels of nutrition facts of the products. This way consumer can choose their required components before buying.

The idea of diet therapy i.e. using diet choices to maintain health and improve poor health is quite old and is used in modern life also.

Complete the following statements:

(a) A healthy diet is a diet

(b) Healthy diet help also

- (c) We can meet the need of healthy diet from or
- (d) A healthy diet gives a body to human beings.
- (e) If we take healthy diet, we avoid the risk of
- (f) Nutrition guides are published by
- (g) Labels of nutrition facts help consumer to
- (h) The word In the passage means suitable.

Q.2 Read the passage given below and answers the questions that follow:

Swami Vivekanand was known as Virehwar of Narendranath Datta. He was born in Calcutta on 12th January, 1863 on Makar Sankranti Day. His mother was a very pious lady. She dreamt that Lord Siva would be born a her child. Later when the child was born, the mother fondly named as Vireshwar.

Narendra had the habit of giving alms to the needy especially the monks. There were incidents when he had to be locked up in a room by his parents to prevent him from giving away things or money to beggars or needy. Still he would manage to drop things through the window to help the beggars.

Naraendra was very naughty and temperamental by nature. When he became intolerable, his mother would pour cold water on his head and utter Siva, Siva. Surprisingly that would calm the little. Narendra.

Narendra was born in a Yogi and an expert at medication. His power of concentration was very high. One day when Narendra was doing medication, a cobra crawled over his body, but he was unaware of the happening. He was deeply lost in his medication.

2.1 Answer the following questions briefly.

- (a) Why was Narendra also named Vireshwar?
- (b) What was the habit Narendra? How did parents stop him from doing so?
- (c) What kind of child was Narendra? How did his mother control him when he became intolerable?

(d) What happened when Narendra was meditating? (The Cobra Incident)

2.2 Find words from the passage mean the same as given words or phrases:

(a) With affection/love

(b) The one who begs

(c) Not knowing

(d) Something can't be tolerated

Section 'B' Writing and Grammar

Q.3 You are Kamal Jeet/Kavita of class 8th 'A' incharge of activity club of your school. A tour to Delhi is being organized by the school. Write the notice inviting students to join the tour. Put the notice in the box. (Words limit 40)

1x5

Q.4 Write a letter to the health officer of your town complaining about the insanitary condition in your locality. 1x6 = 6 Marks

OR

Write an application to the principal of your school requesting him to grant you full fee cocession to continue your studies. You are Rajeev Kumar student of DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL, Nirala Nagar Lucknow.

Q.5-- Using the hints given below, create a story in about 120 words. Give your story a suitable title and moral. 5+1+1 = 7

Marks

Outline: An old man--four sons were quarrelling—the farmer gave a stick to his youngest son to break it—he broke it—then he gave a bundle of sticks to his eldest son to break it—he failed—the farmer tught them the value of unity.

1x3 =

Q.6 Change the given sentences into indirect narration.

Marks

- (a) He says to Ram, "I am your teacher".
- (b) Rani says to Sheela, "We went to Agra".
- (c) Doctor said, "health is your wealth".

1x3 =

Q.7 Change the voice of the following sentences.

Marks

- (a) We teach Maths.
- (b) I am cooking the beans.
- (c) Bell invented the phone.

Q.8 Rearrange the following words and phrases to make meaningful sentences.

1x3=

Marks

e.g. life / is / precious / in one's / time/ very

Time is very precious on one's life

- (a) many / has / rising / advantages / early
- (b) our / beginning / a / good / day / gives / it / to
- (a) make us / of it / is / how / we / important

Q.9 There is an error in each line. Write the error and the correction in the answer sheet as given below:

1/2x6= 3 Marks

My day begins on five o'clock in the morning

It has been so since the last forty years

Except for the two years which I was

Very ill, I wake up at the sound of an alarmclock

alarmclock

Incorrect	Correct
(a) ...on...at.....
(b)
(c)
(d)

Literature Text Book 30 marks

Q.10 Read the extracts given below and answer the questions which follow.

1x4 = 4 Marks

Macavity's a Mystery Cat he is called the hidden Paw for he is the master criminal who can defy the Law.

He is the bafflement of the Scotland Yard the flying Squad is despair for when they reach the scene of crime—Macavity's not there.

- (a) Name the poet and the poem.
- (b) What is the other name of mystery cat?
- (c) Who reaches the crime scene?
- (d) Find the meaning of the word disobey from the above lines.

Q.11 Read the given passage carefully and answer the question that follow:

Movement directly in front of him startled him so that he tumbled backward. The fawn lifted its face to his. It turned its head with a wide, wondering motion and shook him through with the stare of its liquid eyes. It was quivering. It made no effort to rise or run. Jody could not trust himself to move.

- (a) Write the name of the lesson.
- (b) What did the fawn do?
- (c) Why was Jody Startled?
- (d) What did Jody do?

Q.12 2x4 = 8 Marks

- (i) What jobs did Hans Wolf and Jim Macpherson have when they were not soldiers?
- (i) Why did Tilly's family come to Thailand?
- (i) How did the East India Company subdue the Indian princes?
- (i) What are the three qualities that played a major role in the author's climb?
- (i) Who was Chunilal? What did he want from Bepin Babu?
- (i) Why was the young Cricket called silly?

Q.13 Answer the following questions. (Any Four)

2X4 = 8 Marks

- (a) Why did the camel live in the middle of the desert?
- (b) Velu travelled without a ticket. Why?
- (c) Why is the Giant called selfish.
- (d) How did Hafeez contractor help fellow students who had lost the button?
- (e) The King had a peculiar habit. What was it? Why is it called peculiar?

Q. 14 Answer any one word limit 100 to 120

Why did Ranji and warrior have a quarrel? How did it end and in friendship?

OR

Write the story of the Duck and the Kangaroo in your words. 1x6= 6 marks

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SECTION 'A' READING (20 Marks)

Q.1 **1x8 = 8 marks**

- (a) Which contains all nutrients such as proteins, fats, vitamins, carbohydrates, roughage and water in appropriate proportion?
- (b) Maintain or improve overall health.
- (c) A variety of plant based or animal based food.
- (d) Healthy.
- (e) Weight gain or toxicity.
- (f) Medical or government institutes.
- (g) Choose the required components before buying.
- (h) Appropriate.

2.1 **2x4 = 8 marks**

- (a) His mother had dreamt that Lord Siva would be born to her as a child.
- (b) The habit of giving alms to the needy especially to the monks. His parents stopped him by locking him up in a room.
- (c) Narendra was a very naughty and temperamental child. When he became intolerable, his mother would pour cold water on his head and utter Siva, Siva.
- (d) One day when Narendra was meditating a cobra crawled over his body. But Narendra was so lost in his meditation that he was unaware of it.

2.2 **1x4= 4 marks**

- (a) fondly
(b) Beggar
(c) Unaware
(d) Intolerable

Q.3

- 1) Format **1 marks**
2) Containt **3 marks**
3) Fluency /accuracy **1 marks**

Q.4

- Containt **3 marks**
Format **1 marks**
Expression **2 marks**

Q.5

- Title **1 marks**
Expression **4 marks**
Fluency
Accuracy **1 marks**
Moral **1 marks**

Q.6 **1x3 = 3 marks**

- (a) He tells Ram that he is his teacher.
(b) Rani tells Sheela that they went to Agra.
(c) Doctor told that health is your wealth.

Q.7 **1x3 = 3 marks**

- (a) Maths is thought by us.
(b) The bens are being cooked by me.
(c) The was invented by Bell.

Q.8

- (a) Early rising has many advantages.
(b) it gives a good beginning to our day

(c) How we make use of it is important.

Q.9 **1/2x 6 = 6 marks**

	Incorrect	correct
(b)	since	for
(c)	which	when
(d)	wake	woke

Q.10 **1x4 = 4 marks**

- (a) Macavity---The mystery cat ---- T.S Eliot
- (b) The hidden Paw.
- (c) The flying squad.
- (d) Defy

Q.11

Prose extracts **1x4 = 4 marks**

- (a) This is Jody's fawn.
- (b) the fawn lifted its face, turned its head with a wide, wondering motion and shook Jody with the stare of its liquid eyes.
- (c) Jody on seeing the fawn got startled.
- (d) Jody picked the fawn in his arms.

Q.12 **2x4 = 8 marks**

- (a) To celebrate the Charismas.
- (b) East India Company was equipped with superior weapons which fascinated Indian princes to settle their rivalries against each other. Does they became depended on the East India Company .
- (c) Endurance, persistence, and willpower.
- (d) Chunilal was an old friend of Bepin Babu he wanted Bepin Babu to arrange a job for him.
- (e) The young Cricket was called silly because he did not think for winters and sang throughout summer and spring.

Q.13 **2x4 = 8 marks**

- (a) Because he did not want to work.
- (b) Because he had no money to buy a ticket.
- (c) Giant has a beautiful garden. But he does not want to share it with anybody.
- (e) Hafeez contractor was an expert. He made a button out of a piece of chalk. The button looked like a real. And the students would get past dinner with a full neat uniform.
- (e) He gave away gifts on his birthday instead of accepting presents like other kings.

Q.14 **1x6 = 6 marks**

The warrior had been coming to the pool no one as came there he had begun to think that he was the owner of the pool. When he saw Ranji swimming in the pool he was angry he wanted to bully him. But Ranji gave him a good fight the warrior realised that he could not beat Ranji next day he was not in a serious mood to fight soon he was impressed by Ranji's skills in diving and swimming in the water he thought he could learn something useful from Ranji.