

Half-yearly Examination - 2016-2017
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time : 2 Hrs. + 15 min
F. M. : 80

Std. : IV

1. Write a composition on any one of the following topics. (The composition should be of atleast 200 words, and should be written in atleast three paragraphs). (15)
- a) Rainy Season
 - b) How I would like to spend my free time.
 - c) A visit to an interesting place
 - d) How my friends and I can help to keep the city clean.

2. Write a letter on any one of the following: (10)
- a) Write a letter to the Principal of your school requesting her to organise a picnic for your class.
 - b) Write a letter to your class teacher requesting her to change your place in the class.
(State reasons for your request).

3. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow: (25)

One afternoon, when the lessons had ended, Anjan and Ravi Das did not go home. They stayed in school to help their teacher. Their teacher was arranging a pile of old clothes, old books and extra stationery to be donated to poor children. They worked till late evening. Then the teacher said, "Thank you, boys. We will finish the work tomorrow. Now you must go home." When the boys reached home, it was seven o'clock. It was dark outside but there was a light inside their home and the door was open. They could see a man inside.

"Who can it be?" said Anjan. "Mother and father have gone to do some shopping. They won't be home until eight o'clock".

When the man saw Anjan he looked frightened. Then he smiled and said, "Come in! You don't know me but I am your father's friend. He has asked me to fetch some money for him." The man did not see Ravi.

Anjan went inside and began talking to the man but Ravi did not. He quickly but quietly went off to fetch a policeman. He soon found one and brought him back to their home. The man was still there but when he saw the policeman, he tried to run off. The policeman stopped him and held his arm.

Just then the boys' parents returned.

"Is this man your friend?" The policeman asked Mr. Das.

"No" said Mr. Das. "He is a thief. He wanted to steal my money. I am glad that you have caught him."

- A. Answer the questions below : (10)
- (i) Are Anjan and Ravi brothers? Pick up one phrase or sentence to prove this.
 - (ii) What did Ravi and Anjan help their teacher to do?
 - (iii) Where were the boys' parents when they reached home from school? At what time would the parents return?

- (iv) What did Anjan and Ravi do when they saw a stranger in their house?
- (v) Was the man Mr. Das' friend? Why had he come to their house?
- B. Pick out words or phrases from the passage which mean the same- (5)
- (i) organizing
 - (ii) afraid
 - (iii) bring
 - (iv) came back
 - (v) to take something which does not belong to one
- C. Make sentences with - (4)
- (i) found
 - (ii) afternoon
- D. Write the antonym of
- (i) inside (ii) quietly
 - (iii) quickly (iv) there (4)
- E. Pick out one pronoun and two adjectives from the passage. (3)
4. Do as directed: (10)
- a) Is that your cap or _____? (Fill in a suitable pronoun).
 - b) What is your opinion (Punctuate the sentence).
 - c) My parents gave me _____ unexpected surprise when I came back from _____ school . (Fill in articles).
 - d) The Governor with all his staff _____ (has, have) arrived. (Fill the correct form of the Verb given in the brackets).
 - e) I saw a _____ dog this morning. (Fill in adjective).
 - f) The village schoolmaster taught in his little school. (Underline the subject and circle the predicate).
 - g) Our _____ of players won the match. (Fill in collective noun).
 - h) Children are reading _____ the library. (Fill in preposition).
 - i) Lata Mangeshkar is a great singer. (Change to an interrogative sentence).
 - j) The children were bitten by mosquitoes. (Change the sentence from plural to singular).
5. Fill up the blanks with the correct form of the verb given in the brackets: (5)
- a) All the boys in the village _____ (go, goes) to the river to swim.
 - b) The quality of the mangoes _____ (is, are) not good.
 - c) All work and no play _____ (make, makes) Jack a dull boy.
 - d) Atul, the tallest of all the boys in our class, _____ (is, are) strong.
 - e) Later in the day a large crowd of people _____ (was, were) seen gathering near the police station.

6. Change the gender of the underlined words in the sentences below- (4)
- The lion killed the daughter of a washerman.
 - The bridegroom was a young man riding on a white horse.
 - His nephews and brothers came to see him.

7. Complete the table below filling the correct degree of adjective- (4)

Positive	Comparative	Superlative
important		
pretty		
good		
smart		

8. Fill up the blanks with the correct tense given in the brackets below : (5)
- Some birds _____ (fly) to warm places during extreme winter. (simple present tense)
 - She _____ (wear) a diamond ring yesterday. (simple past tense)
 - It _____ (rain) heavily. (present continuous tense)
 - When I looked out of the window, they _____ (cut) down the tree. (past continuous tense)
 - Harita _____ (go) to school tomorrow. (simple future tense)
9. Underline the common noun and circle the proper noun in the following sentence: (1)
- Subarnarekha is the name of a river in Jamshedpur. _____