

**Grade: VIII**

**SCHOOL**

**English II**

**Time: 2 hrs**

**Assessment-I**

**M.M: 35**

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

Read the question paper carefully. Write neatly and legibly with correct question numbers.

**I. Dictation**

**(4)**

**II. Word Meaning**

**(5)**

i) Gaunt    ii) shrills    iii) mystical    iv) slovenly    v) venture

**III. Make sentences. (Any two)**

**(2)**

i) waste my soul    ii) Intrusion    iii) in and out

**IV. Write one word for the following:**

**(1)**

i) one skilled in the knowledge of or dealing with plants/herbs.

ii) pleasures and enjoyments

**V. What is meant by the following?**

**(1)**

i) holding the head high

ii) ever-widening thought and action

**VI. Find mistakes in the following and correct them.**

**(1)**

i) I am going to the market but Meera not.

ii) You are working hard but not your friend.

**VII. Underline the adjective phrase in each of the following sentence. (1)**

i) The driver of the tractor slowed down and stopped.

ii) The artist's painting of the sea and the hills was sold for a vast sum.

**VIII. Complete the similes given below. (1)**

i) as brittle as \_\_\_\_\_ ii) as gaudy as \_\_\_\_\_

**IX. Write the idioms for the underlined words. (1)**

i) I'm snowed under at work right now because two of my colleagues are on holiday.

ii) Our science exam was a breeze. I'm sure I'll get top marks.

**X. Join these sentences using a present participle. (1)**

i) They heard a peacock. It was shrieking out loud.

ii) The boys watched the bees. They were flying into the hive.

**XI. Add suitable adjectives to the following nouns. (1)**

i) \_\_\_\_\_ terrain ii) \_\_\_\_\_ explorers

**XII. Answer the following with reference to the context. (6)**

**a) I am sick, and what on earth is the good of it all?**

i) What is the speaker sick about?

ii) What action does the speaker decide on?

**b) The train moved on, leaving the so-called son of the Saltpen-Jago family cursing furiously on the platform.**

i) What is meant by 'so-called'?

ii) Why is Bertie 'cursing furiously'?

**c) For ten days Kevin was stuck on pitch 15.**

i) What does 'Kevin was stuck on' mean?

ii) What were the consequences of getting stuck for ten days?

**XIII. Answer the following questions.**

**(10)**

- i) Who had sent Holmes the ivory box and what was in it?
- ii) Why does the Cricket's song sound to the poet like that of the Grasshopper's?
- iii) How did the Government try to capture the long-nosed man?
- iv) In what ways are the parts of the world 'hostile' to humans?
- v) What is the main topic or idea of the poem 'Where the mind is without fear'? In which part of the poem is it to be found?

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