

KANNUR DISTRICT PANCHAYATH

DIET KANNUR

MUKULAM – SSLC EXAMINATION, FEBRUARY 2019

ENGLISH

Time : 2½ hrs

Score : 80

Instructions

1. 15 minutes is given as cool-off time.
2. This time is to be used for reading the question paper.
3. You are not supposed to write anything during the cool-off time.
4. Attempt the questions according to the instructions.

1-5. Read the excerpt from ‘Adolf’ and answer the questions that follow.

He continued to take tea with us. He rather liked warm tea. And he loved sugar. Having nibbled a lump, he would turn to the butter. There he was shooed off by our mother. He soon learned to treat her shooing with indifference. She hated him to put his nose in the food. And he loved to do it. And so one day between them they overturned the cream-jug. Adolf, terrified, his chest deluged with cream, bounced back in terror. Adolf was seized by his little ears by my mother and bounced down on the hearth-rug. There he shivered in momentary discomfort, and suddenly set off in a wild flight to the parlour. The parlour was his happy hunting ground. He had cultivated the bad habit of nibbling certain bits of cloth in the hearth-rug. When chased from this pasture, he would retreat under the sofa. There he would twinkle in meditation until suddenly, no one knew why, he would go off like an alarm clock.

1. How did Adolf react to mother’s shooing? (1)
2. Why did the mother hate Adolf? (1)
3. What did the mother do to Adolf when he overturned the cream jug? (1)
4. Where did Adolf prefer to hunt? (1)
5. “Adolf was seized by his little ears by my mother.” Rewrite the sentence beginning with ‘My mother.....’ (1)

6-9. Read the following lines from the poem, ‘A Girl’s Garden’ and answer the questions that follow.

One day she asked her father
To give her a garden plot
To plant and tend and reap herself,
And he said, ‘Why not?’

In casting about for a corner
He thought of an idle bit
Of walled-off ground where a shop had stood,
And he said, ‘Just it.’

6. Why did the girl ask her father to give her a garden plot? (1)
7. What did the expression “why not?” mean? (1)
8. What type of land did the father provide her? (1)
9. Find out the rhyme scheme followed in the stanzas. (1)
10. Read the following lines from the poem, ‘The School Boy’ and write an appreciation

focusing on the theme, imagery and other poetic devices. (4)

I love to rise in a summer morn,
When the birds sing on every tree;
The distant huntsman winds his horn,
And the skylark sings with me:
O what sweet company!

But to go to school in a summer morn, -
O it drives all joy away!
Under a cruel eye outworn,
The little ones spend the day
In sighing and dismay.

11-13. Read the following questions and answer any One of them. (7x1=7)

11. Ray was amazed how trained animals are used in Hollywood films. He writes a letter to his friend sharing his experience at Disney studio. Draft the likely letter.

12. The narrator in the story “The Best Investment I ever Made” was so happy to know that Mr John was the same person whom he had saved from the suicide attempt twenty five years ago. He narrates the whole incidents to his wife. Prepare the likely narrative.

13-15. Read the following questions and answer any two of them. (6x2=12)

13. Vanka, in the story “Vanka,” had a miserable life in the house of Alyakin the shoe maker. As the reporter of a local daily, you are asked to prepare a report on the negation of child rights in the case of Vanka.

Draft the likely news report.

14. The principal was moved by the grand father’s observation about the scholarship jacket and invited him to participate in the award function. There the grand father was asked to deliver a speech. How would it be ?

15. In the story, ‘The Snake and the Mirror,’ Vaikom Muhammed Basheer presented the homeopath as a man of humour who maintains positive attitude towards life. Prepare a character sketch of the Homeopath.

16-18. Read the following questions and answer any two of them. (5x2=10)

16. Adolf created a lot of trouble in the house and the family was forced to send him back to the forest. But the narrator was anxious about the condition of the rabbit in the forest. That night he writes his feelings in his diary. Prepare the likely diary entry.

17. Ali, in the screen play ‘My Sisters Shoe,’ reveals his mother about the missing of his sister’s shoe. Prepare the possible conversation between them.

18. English club of your school has decided to conduct a seminar on ‘Reading Moulds A Better

Generation.’ Being the secretary of the club, you are asked to prepare a programme notice. Draft the likely notice.

19-23. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.

British cosmologist Stephen William Hawking was born in England on Jan. 8, 1942 — 300 years to the day after the death of the astronomer Galileo Galilei. He attended University College, Oxford, where he studied physics, despite his father's urging to focus on medicine. Hawking went on to Cambridge to research cosmology, the study of the universe as a whole.

In early 1963, just shy of his 21st birthday, Hawking was diagnosed with motor neuron disease. He was not expected to live more than two years. Yet, Hawking defied the odds, not only attaining his Ph.D. but also forging new roads into the understanding of the universe in the decades since.

As the disease spread, Hawking became less mobile and began using a wheelchair. Talking grew more challenging and, in 1985, an emergency tracheotomy caused his total loss of speech. A speech-generating device constructed at Cambridge, combined with a software program, served as his electronic voice, allowing Hawking to select his words by moving the muscles in his cheek.

19. Who was Stephen Hawkins? (1)
20. What did his father urge him to study? (1)
21. What was the unexpected thing that happened to Hawkins’ life on his 21st birthday? (1)
22. How did Hawkins lost his speech? (1)
23. How did he overcome his loss of speech? (1)

24-28. The table given below gives details of Golden Lotus Award. Study the table and answer the questions that follow.

Name of Award	Name of Film	Language	Awardee(s)	Cash Prize
Best Feature Film	<i>Village Rockstars</i>	Assamese	Producer: <u>Rima Das</u> Director: <u>Rima Das</u>	₹ 250,000/-
Best Debut Film of a Director	<i>Sinjar</i>	Jasari	Producer: Shibu G. Suseelan Director: <u>Sandeep Pampally</u>	₹ 125,000/-
Best Popular Film Providing Wholesome Entertainment	<i>Baahubali 2: The Conclusion</i>	Telugu	Producer: <u>Arka Media Works</u> Director: <u>S. S. Rajamouli</u>	₹ 200,000/-
Best Children's Film	<i>Mhorkya</i>	Marathi	Producer: Kalyan Rajmogli Padal Director: Amar Bharat Deokar	₹ 150,000/-
Best Direction	<i>Bhayanakam</i>	Malayalam	Jayaraj	₹ 250,000/-

24. Which film director was awarded the least cash prize? (1)
25. What is the name of the film which secured the best feature film award? (1)
26. Who is the director of the film Bahubali 2: The Conclusion? (1)
27. Which film won the best children’s film award? (1)
28. Who is the only Malayalam director mentioned here? (1)

29. Read the conversation between Ali and Zahra in the film script ‘My Sister’s Shoes’ and complete the conversation suitably. (5)

Zahra :(a)..... ?

Ali : I lost your shoe in the market.
 Zahra : You are joking,(b).....?
 Ali : No dear, I am serious.
 Zahra : I will tell this matter to dad.
 Ali : If you tell dad,(c)
 Zahra : Ok. Then how can I go to school without wearing shoe?
 Ali : You had better(d).....
 Zahra :(e).....

30. Read the following dialogue and fill in the blanks suitably.

(2)

Mr. John : Do you remember me, sir?
 Cronin : Tell me who are you?
 Mr. John asked Cronin
 Cronin asked Mr John

31. There are some errors in the passage given below which are underlined. Edit them. (4)

Martha's grandfather was a farmer that (a) worked hard in the feild (b). Martha went there and ask (c) Him to pay 15 dollars for the scholarship jacket. But grandfather said, "if you pay for it, it wouldn't (d) be a scholarship jacket.

32. Read the following passage and supply the missing words suitably (4)

He ruled(a)..... five years. In the sixth year, another king, who was stronger ... (b)..... he, waged a war(c)..... him. The city was conquered(d)..... he was driven out.
 (than, for, and, against, in)

33. Fill in the blanks with appropriate forms of phrasal verbs given below. (4)

I was a young doctor at the time and had just started (a) a practice in a working class district of London. On a foggy November night, towards one o' clock, I woke up (b) hearing a loud banging on the door. Hurriedly, I wore (c) some clothes and went downstairs. There I saw (d) a sergeant of police on the door step.
 (set up, put on, came across, got up).

34. Prepare a profile of W.B. Yeats using the hints given below. Use appropriate linkers, wherever necessary. (5)

Birth : June 13, 1865, Sandymount, Republic of Ireland
 Spouse : Georgiana Hyde Lees
 Renowned as : Poet, dramatist, senator, founder of Abbey Theatre
 Major works : Celtic Twilight, The Tower, A Vision, The Winding Stair etc.
 Key traits : Symbolism, allusive imagery
 Awards : Nobel Prize in Literature, December, 1923
 Death : January 28, 1939

35. Read the passage given below and pick out an example for a) Noun Phrase, b) Relative Clause, c) Verb Phrase and d) Prepositional Phrase (4)

I sat down on the sill of my mother's door to read the Ramayana, with a marbled paper cover, which belonged to her old aunt. Alongside stretched the verandah running round the four sides of the open inner quadrangle, on which had fallen the faint afternoon glow of the clouded sky, and finding me weeping over one of its sorrowful situations my great aunt came and took away the book from me.

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