

Reg. No. :

FY-301

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FIRST YEAR HIGHER SECONDARY MODEL EXAMINATION – 2021

Part – I

Time : 2½ Hours

ENGLISH

Cool-off time : 20 Minutes

Maximum : 80 Scores

General Instructions to Candidates :

- There is a 'Cool-off time' of 20 minutes in addition to the writing time.
- Use the 'Cool-off time' to get familiar with questions and to plan your answers.
- Read questions carefully before answering.
- Write answer to the specific number of questions as instructed.
- Keep in mind, the score and time while answering the questions.
- Electronic devices are not allowed in the examination hall.

(Questions 1 - 8 : Answer any 4 questions. Each carries 1 score.)

(4 × 1 = 4)

Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.

The garlands wither on your brow;
Then boost no more your mighty deeds !
Upon Death's purple altar now
See how the victor-victim bleeds.

1. Write the name of the poem from which these lines are taken.
2. Name the poet.
3. What does 'Death's purple altar' refer to ?
4. Identify one figure of speech used in these lines.

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow :

It is not surprising that this astonishingly vital man, full of self confidence and an unusual kind of power, standing for equality and freedom for each individual fascinated the masses of India and attracted them like a magnet.

5. Who is the 'man' mentioned in this passage ?
6. What kind of unusual power does he have ?
7. Pick out a word from the above lines which means 'full of energy'.
8. From which lesson is this passage taken ? Who is the author ?

(Questions 9 - 12 : Answer any 2 in about 30 words. Each carries 2 scores.) (2 × 2 = 4)

9. Imagine the words that the mother of the young sea gull could use to motivate him to fly. Write 2 sentences for the mother.

You may begin in this way :

You should really

You ought to

10. Choose the correct alternative from the brackets and fill in the blanks :
 - (a) Eight miles _____ not a short distance (is, are)
 - (b) Cycling is a good exercise. _____ it helps you save money. (However, Moreover)
11. APJ Abdul Kalam enjoyed interacting with students.
If you had a chance to ask questions to Dr. Kalam what would you ask him ? Write 2 questions.
12. Change the following conversation into reported speech.
Greta : I thought you could make real peaches.
Dad : No, you have to go to the store for those.

(Questions 13 - 20 : Answer any 4 questions in 60 words. Each carries 4 scores.) (4 × 4 = 16)

13. Write a character sketch of 'Maggie' in the story 'The Price of Flowers'.
14. The details of Stephan Hawking's life and achievements are given below. Read carefully and prepare a profile of the great scientist.

Born : 8th January, 1942
School Education : St. Alban's School, Westfordshire
College Education : Oxford University, Cambridge University.
Career : Theoretical Physicist
Book : A Brief History of Time
Awards & Honours : Presidential Medal of Freedom (2009)
: BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Award (2015)
: Pride of Britain Award 2016
Died : March 14, 2018 (aged 76)

15. Comment on the bravery shown by the crew and the bond as the Titanic Sank.
16. An online debate on the topic 'Digital classes are superior to regular Education' is being organized for your class.

Write 4 arguments either favouring or opposing this idea.

17. Imagine you are a lady reporter allowed to report the rituals of the women on the Island of Kadavu. Draft a live – TV report.

18. Maggie in the story 'Price of flowers' says to Mr. Gupta.
'I want work that will make me use my head, brain work'
What kind of a job do you want ?
How will you achieve it ? Write a short paragraph.

19. The passage given below contains a few errors. Edit the passage.

In the end, our society need to grow. Growing up means understanding that there is no perfect answers. We haven't created a perfect society of earth and won't has one in cyberspace either.

20. 'Then, he completely forgot that he had not always, been able to fly and commenced to dive and soar, shrinking shrilly.'

The young sea gull goes through a wide range of emotions and feelings before and after his first flight.

Write a paragraph on the various feelings that he experienced before and after his first flight.

(Questions 21 - 28 : Answer any 4 questions, each in about 70 to 80 words. Each carries 5 scores.)

(4 × 5 = 20)

21. Gupta, on returning to India, narrates his experience of meeting Maggie and her family in London, to his friends. Write the narration for Mr. Gupta.

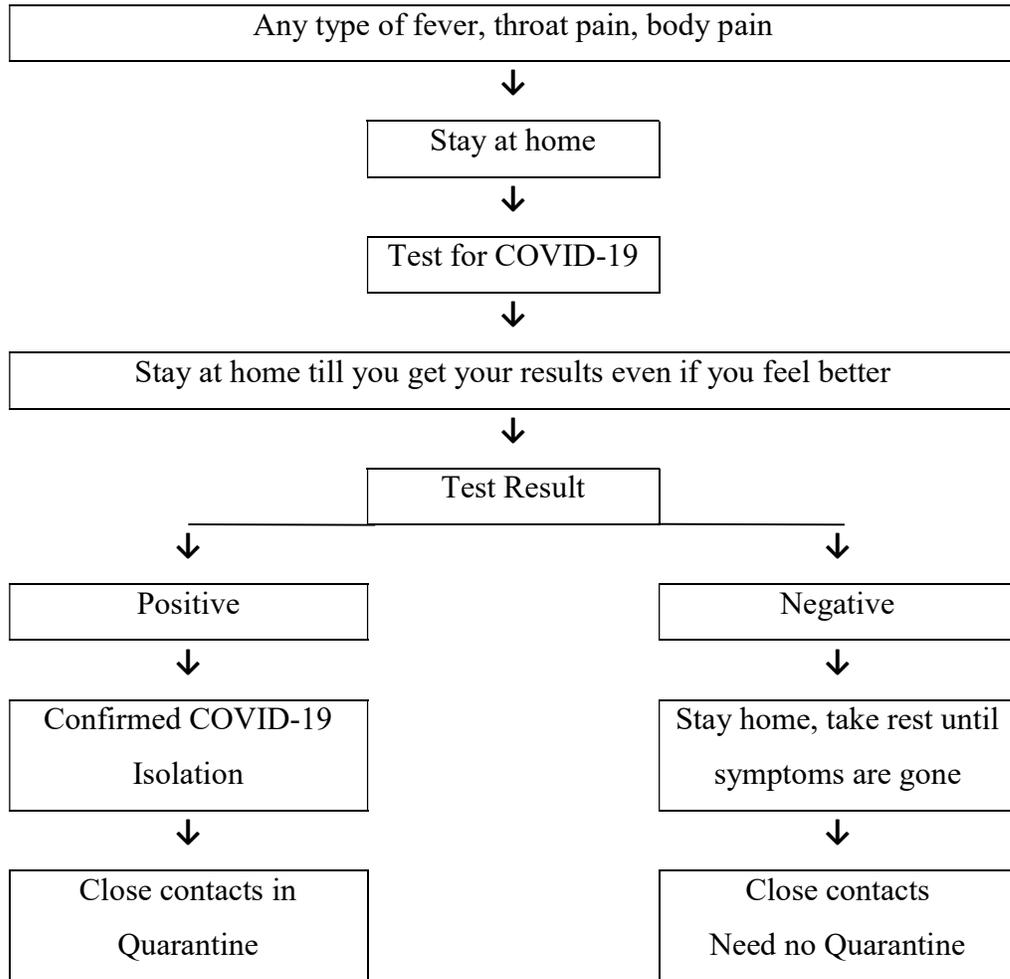
22. Deeds speak louder than words. Good deeds will be remembered forever. Justify this statement.

23. A.J. Cronin returns home after his voyage in Ranagangi. He later makes a courtesy call to Hassan. Write the telephone conversations.

24. As we stood together, I saw that the Serang's cheeks were wet with tears.

What trait of Hassan is highlighted in this line ? Attempt a character sketch of Hassan.

25. 'To sleep' by William Wordsworth describes the poet's difficulty in falling asleep. How does he describe his experience of a sleepless night ? Write a short essay.
26. The UN has declared Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam's birthday, October 15th, as World Student's day. Prepare a write-up to be published in the UNESCO journal on the topic 'Dr. Kalam's call to the youth to become a unique you'.
27. At the end of the voyage of Ranagangi the captain of the ship calls a meeting to Honour Hassan. As the chief guest Hassan talks about the difficulties that they had successfully overcome. Draft the script of the speech.
28. Given below is a flow-chart for COVID-19 testing based on symptoms. Prepare a report.



(Questions 29 - 32 : Answer any 2 in about 100 words. Each carries 6 scores.) (2 × 6 = 12)

29. Suraj Venjaramoodu, the cine actor bagged the State award for the best actor in 2020 for his role in the movie ‘Android Kunjappan’.

You get the chance to interview him. Prepare 6 questions for the interview.

30. The Lockdown has confined us to our homes. But it is important to be physically fit and active. Write a magazine article on the topic, ‘The Importance of Physical Exercise for Good health’.

31. Your younger brother is at your aunts house. Write a letter to him giving him tips on growing up to become a good man. You may refer to the ideas from the poem ‘If’ by Rudyard Kipling.

32. “I feel ashamed to face Mrs. Clifford. So I wrote a letter to them, announcing my departure and bidding them good-bye.”

These are Gupta’s words, in the story ‘The Price of Flowers’. Write an e-mail that Gupta would have written to Mrs. Clifford.

(Questions 33 - 38 : Answer any 3 in 120 words. Each carries 8 scores.) (3 × 8 = 24)

33. You visited a hill station during your Summer holidays. Write a travel essay to be published in your school magazine about the place you visited.

[Hints : Description of the place, Journey there and back, climate, historical importance, special attractions etc.]

34. Almost all children have access to phones and internet in present times. But these sometimes do more harm than good. Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper on the ‘Advantages and disadvantages of Internet use by children’.

35. 'The Sacred turtles of Kadavu' describes the story of two women who had been attacked by outsiders. Do you think women in our society too face similar problems. Draft the script of the speech you will deliver in your school assembly on women's day, on the topic "Problem's faced by women in our society".
36. Kerala has faced many disasters like floods, landslides, and epidemics in recent times. However we have always overcome the crisis successfully. Write an article to be published in the newspaper on the topic 'Be prepared to face any disaster'.
37. A seminar is to be conducted in your class on the topic. 'The relevance of Gandhian values in the present time'. You are one of the participants. Write the paper for the seminar.
38. Read the following poem and write an appreciation :

Success is counted sweetest
By those who never succeed
To comprehend a nectar
Requires sorest need.

Not one of all the purple host
Who took the flag today
Can tell the definition
So clear of victory

As he defeated dying –
On whose forbidden ear
The distant strains of triumph
Burst agonized and clear

- Emily Dickinson
