

SECOND YEAR HIGHER SECONDARY EXAMINATION, MARCH - 2024

Subject: English

Code: SY-501

Q No	Answer Key/ Value Points	Score	Total Score
Questions 1 to 8 (Answer all questions)-----8x1=8			
1	Robert Baldwin	1	1
2	Misappropriation of fund in the bank/ Stealing the depositor's money/ Financial mismanagement.	1	1
3	John Gresham	1	1
4	To give evidence in his favor/ to tell a lie, "I don't remember"/ to pretend having poor memory.	1	1
5	Poem- Mending Wall Poet- Robert Frost	1	1
6	Mending/ repairing the wall	1	1
7	The neighbor has pine trees on his side and the poet has apple orchard on his side, so surely there will not be any dispute between them over their possessions.	1	1
8	Personification	1	1
Questions 9 to 12 (Any Three)----- 3x2=6			
9	(a) Look forward to (b) Put up with	2	2
10	Any sensible response- You should not cuddle/pamper your child. / You should not give your child too much freedom etc. Don't forget to give punishments according to their age/ Don't forget to teach your child values (social and moral)	2	2
11	Any sensible response based on the context- According to the poet K Satchidanandan, stammer is not a handicap, but a mode of speech. It is the silence between a word and its meaning etc.	2	2
12	(a) Devastate (b) Continue	2	2
Questions 13 to 19 (Any Five)-----5x4=20			
13	noticed- notice by a – by the meager- meager to dal- of dal	1x4	4
14	Style of presentation Relevance of the content (Explaining the elements of laughter in the play- the Time Bomb incident/ Mentioning those valuable life lessons discussed in this play- workmanship and dedication towards one's duties- importance of festivities like Christmas in making people more socialized- sending parcels to our loved ones etc.) Clarity of presentation	1 2 1	4
15	Any 4 appropriate arguments for and against the topic- "Indian system of education tends to prioritize theoretical knowledge over practical skills". Consider points like- FOR: Theoretical knowledge forms a strong foundation for advanced learning./ Theoretical knowledge helps to perform well in exams./Certain areas of learning like history and culture are heavily based on its theoretical background/ Theoretical knowledge is the first stage of an effective		

	learning application. AGAINST: Lack of practical skills effects problem-solving and thinking skills/ Lack of practical skills effect quality workmanship in workplaces. / Lack of practical skills result in scarcity of experimental learning and inventions/ lack of practical skills reduce the scope for vocational skills in students.	4x1	4
16	Irfan Alam said that he was very thirsty and asked/requested the rickshaw puller whether/if he could give him some water. The rickshaw puller apologized and told him that he didn't carry water bottles in his rickshaw. Then Irfan Alam told him that he would buy eight bottles of water and keep it in his rickshaw. He suggested that for every bottle the rickshaw puller sold, they would make a profit of two rupees which they would split in half	4	4
17	Style of presentation Relevance of the content (The poet explains the importance of Mother in a family through these lines/ these lines tell about her duties at home/ she is in charge of making the family-home comfortable and enjoyable for the other family members/ Her absence can create problems in the family.) Clarity of presentation	1 2 1	4
18	Any 4 appropriate and meaningful points related to the context: A woman needs to get empowered in life through learning, labor and leadership. An <u>Empowered woman</u> is not just an asset to her family but to the entire nation. / An <u>Assertive woman</u> can confidently express her thoughts, feelings and needs before the world and overcome her challenges of life/ <u>Adaptability</u> in changing and challenging situations help a woman in facing them./ <u>Confidence and Courage</u> provide in a woman the fuel to overcome challenges.	1x4	4
19	Style of presentation Relevance of the content (This African adage tells about the importance of giving education to girls/ when a boy is educated, its benefits are enjoyed by himself, however educating a girl helps in influencing her family- community and future generations. / This adage tells about the need for empowering world communities through education where girls-women have the power to spread its benefits compared to boys/men.) Clarity of presentation	1 2 1	4
Questions 20 to 25 (Any Five)-----5x6=30			
20	Narration Relevance of the content: (Explaining her knowledge about the financial misappropriation in the bank where her husband worked/ the bank crash and the subsequent imprisonment of John Gresham/ how Gresham tried to bribe Baldwin to tell a lie favouring Gresham/ Martha's words praising her husband's honesty/ the reward her husband received as a compliment for his honesty and truthfulness.) Organization of ideas Use of appropriate tense forms	3 2 1	6
21	News Paper Report Heading Comprehensiveness of the content: (the incident of time bomb spotted inside a Christmas parcel in the London post office/ Investigation and the hunt for the culprit launched by the Scotland Yard officials/ All post offices in the country cautioned regarding another possible attack/ So all parcels need to be carefully inspected and any cases of suspicion need to be reported etc.)	1 3	

	Organization of ideas Use of appropriate tense forms	1 1	6
22	Character sketch of Ajit Style of presentation Relevance of the content: (a Stereotype male chauvinist who never cares the sentiments of his opposite sex- a man of ego and pride- a man with dual identity- vulgar inside and a gentleman outside the family) Logical organization of ideas Clarity of presentation	1 3 1 1	6
23	Interview Questions and Responses Any 4 appropriate and meaningful questions with its responses like: Q.1- What makes you a good listener? Q.2- Do you find this job really challenging and a big responsibility? Q.3- Do you think that your role as a horegallu can really help people in distress? Q.4- What made you to take this responsibility of listening to the problems of people? Q.5- Do you find the need for more people like you in this world? Q.6- Have you ever received such support of a passive listener in your life? A.(1-6)- Patience and a Caring mind/ It is a great responsibility and I consider myself blessed for this role/ It definitely help people mentally, physically and emotionally / the help offered to one of my colleague helped her a lot, I realized the ability in me / more people like me can help in healing the innumerable minds in distress/ my mother after I became an adult.	1x6	6
24	Letter to the Editor Format Presentation of ideas (the reason for concern- Drug Abuse/ the far-reaching impacts of drug abuse in youths and in society/ mention about any recent incidents related to drug abuse in the society/ Suggest feasible ways to handle this serious issue- political and social interventions/ role of Souhrida clubs and its volunteers/ Effective rehabilitation and rebuilding measures for the survivors etc.) Appropriateness of language	1 3 2	6
25	Expectations v/s Reality in the poem RICE Comprehensiveness of the content: (A conflict between expectations and reality portrayed in the poem. The poet expects to eat a meal of Athikkira rice after his return from North India but in reality his father considers rice cultivation worthless and foolish/ all the beautiful sights he dream about his village turn scary in reality. etc) Relevance of the points Clarity of presentation	2 2 2	6
Questions 26 to 28 (Any Two)-----2x8=16			
26	Job Application letter and Resume Format of the letter and Resume. (*In the ADDRESS part of the letter, E-mail address can also be considered.) Proper communication of ideas- (incorporating applicant's interest on the working concept of SammaN foundation and Irfan Alam's entrepreneurial success/ Introducing the personal qualities of the applicant) Appropriate use of language- (Formal and appropriate to the context- Use of appropriate salutations/ titles/ sub-titles etc in the Letter and Resume)	4 2 2	8

27	Script of a Speech Format Presentation of ideas (Topic: Nurturing a sensitive and reverential love for Nature- The need for conserving Nature- Significance of the day- the harmful impacts upon Nature- Deforestation-Mining- different kinds of Pollution etc- Role of Nature in holding this planet safe and secure for all- the larger family of life- need to restore the lost biodiversity- Afforestation- Green Revolution etc.) Logical organization of ideas Appropriate use of language	1 3 2 2	8
28	Comparison of two poems Comprehension of the given poem: (The poem Neighbour by Iain Crichton Smith explores the theme of boundaries and human relationships/ both the poet and his neighbour are disconnected with each other though they live very close/ the poet voices the breakdown of human attachments that only Nature can repair./ The poet believes in this miracle to happen.) Comprehension of 'Mending Wall' by Robert Frost Critically compare and contrast both poems: (Poetic devices like simile, metaphor, alliteration, assonance, symbolism, tone and mood of the poems given/ common theme to be shared- the essentiality of Walls/Gates in this world.) Quality of language used.	2 2 2 2	8

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