

**SECOND YEAR HIGHER SECONDARY SECOND TERMINAL EXAMINATION
DECEMBER- 2023**

Subject: English

Code: SY-01

Q No	Answer Key/ Value Points	Score	Total Score
Questions 1 to 3			
1	Mending Wall	1	1
2	Poet's Neighbor	1	1
3	In these lines, the poet suggests that his neighbor has some kind of kinship with darkness, but not just the darkness caused by the shade of trees in the forest. He still wanders in the darkness of those outdated norms and ideas of this society.	2	2
4	The Grandfather of Sudha Murthy	1	1
5	A Horegallu is thanked by everyone because it helps people to unburden their loads of life and gives them relief to continue their journey of life.	1	1
6	Sudha Murthy	1	1
7	To the City	1	1
Questions 8 to 9			
8	Break out	1	1
9	Run out	1	1
10	Was difficult- a degraded- to a scramble- may culminate	1x4	4
Questions 11 to 16 (Any Five)			
11	Even though matchboxes have enough gunpowder to set a hundred Lankas aflame, they sit around meek and innocent, in the kitchen, in the pantry, in the bedroom, here, there, anywhere. This is similar to the case of women in our country. They tend to be meek and submissive in the hands of a male dominated society.	4	4
12	Any sensible suggestions like: Introducing more job-oriented courses in the degree level/ Promoting startups and other self-employment schemes/ Better orientation and guidance for youths in selecting right careers/ Promoting agriculture and its wider possibilities in earning income.	4	4
13	Through these lines, the poet tells about the divine significance of stammering. According to him <i>each time we stammer we are offering a sacrifice to the God of Meanings. God of Meanings</i>- Collection of words. This collection increases in an individual as his offering (stammer) increases. <i>When whole people stammer, stammer becomes their mother tongue: as it is with us now</i>- the whole humanity on this earth stammers as their words and its meanings differ according to personal differences.	4	4
14	When a rickshaw puller approaches Sammaan- going through a Verification Process- given training- providing financial help to buy their own rickshaws with the support of banks- generating a sense of empowerment in the rickshaw pullers- an id-card and is required to wear a uniform- thus they become a part of the Sammaan family.	4	4

15	A short, engaging and concise summary of the book read. It should have: -An attractive line or a catchy situation from the story to grab the reader's attention- a brief overview of the plot or main idea – the main characters or themes- try to maintain the suspense of the story.	4	4
16	Amigo Brothers- Antonio Cruz and Felix Vargas- Felix gong to watch a movie-walking down the streets- stayed in his Aunt Lucy's apartment to be away from Antonio. Antonio practiced in his rooftop- he prayed for victory via a quick clean Knockout in the first round without making his best friend suffer more pain.	4	4
Questions 17 to 23 (Any Five)			
17	Speech Organization of ideas: (Wangari Mathai- a Kenyan Environmentalist, Political activist/ a true lover of nature who fought for its nurturing and development/ Nobel Peace Prize Winner in 2004/ Founder of Green Belt Movement.) Clarity of Presentation and Language Logical Sequencing of Ideas	2 2 2	6
18	Blog on Impact of Drug Abuse Organization of ideas: (Drug Abuse and its lasting impact upon the society/ how drugs effect the mind and body of modern youths/ the physical and mental influences of Drug/ the pathetic condition of a drug addict in the society/ how to overcome this menace- suggestions.) Clarity in presentation Appropriateness of language	2 2 2	6
19	Character Sketch of Robert Baldwin Comprehensiveness of the character traits in Robert Baldwin Relevance of the traits discovered: (honest, soft-spoken, dedicated and a loving family man/ upholds to his values even while facing the adverse situations of life/ rewarded for his sincerity and honesty) Organization of ideas	2 2 2	6
20	Satirical Elements of the poem Rice-The following points can be considered- Comprehensiveness of the content: (The clash between expectation and reality depicted by the poet / Blind chase behind making quick profit, ignorant about the impending disaster / The foolish change of mind in the farmers and the Government to replace all food crops with cash crops for easy money/ An inevitable consequence of this madness resulting in a social tragedy.) Organization of ideas Appropriate use of language	2 2 2	6

21	Reply Speech Organization of ideas: (Introducing the activities engaged in by the Club to consider for this award/ Acknowledging the support and able guidance extended by different individuals and organizations in this regard/ A message for the society regarding the need to conserve Nature/ Thanks giving.) Clarity in presentation Appropriateness of language	2 2 2	6
22	Email Format Creative presentation of ideas (Inviting Ratna citing her importance of being a <u>Human Horegallu</u> and extending a hand of help to many in distress/ connecting her commendable services to the goals of Souhrida Club.) Appropriate use of language	2 2 2	6
23	Interview Questions with Answers Any related Questions and answers from the text- -When and Why did you consider India to pursue your dreams? (Different experiences and sights of inequality and human discriminations in this country turned her mind to take this decision.) - How did the concept of Akanksha evolve? (Her attempts to get admission St Xavier's- wandering through the slums for better learning experiences- meeting the poor and talented students of these slums- providing education.) - What were the difficulties you faced while setting up Akanksha? (All kinds of difficulties she faced to setup Akanksha foundation – being ridiculed and denied help- her urge to move to a better place due to various constraints.)	2 2 2	6
Questions 24 to 26 (Any Two)			
24	Article Writing Title Organization of ideas: (Need for Women Empowerment- Advantages of women empowered nation- how can we make women empowered according to Christine Lagarde- The 3Ls of Empowerment- Role of Learning in women empowerment.) Clarity in presentation Comprehensiveness of ideas Appropriateness of language	1 2 2 2 1	8
25	Job Application letter and Bio-data Format Proper Communication of ideas Appropriateness of language	4 2 2	8

26	Comparative Analysis Comprehension of the poem 'Any Women' by Katherine Tynan. Comprehension of the given poem 'A Mother's Love' by Helen Steiner Rice *Both poems discuss about the importance of Mother in a family- Mother as the unavoidable element of any family which cannot be replaced by anything.) Compare and contrast both poems- identifying the poetic devices used in both poems, rhyme scheme- theme and poetic feel) Quality of language used	2 2 2 2	8
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