

I PERIODIC EXAMINATION: 2021-22
CLASS-IX (CBSE)

Time : 2 hrs.

SUBJECT- ENGLISH

M.M.: 50

General Instructions:

- i. This paper has two Parts A and B.
- ii. Read all the instructions carefully and follow them.
- iii. Do not exceed the prescribed word limit.

PART- 'A' (READING SKILLS)

- Q.1 Read the passage carefully and answer the questions by picking the most appropriate option: [10]

As a child, I was fascinated with everything Chinese: Chowmein, fireworks, silk. I was particularly spellbound by a picture of the Great Wall in my class 3rd history book. China was, however out of bounds for tourists but that only served to enhance its mystery quotient. Recently, I happened to visit China and I immediately grabbed the opportunity to go and see the Great Wall. Most tourists encounter The Great wall at Badaling, its most photographed manifestation, 70 KM northwest of Beijing. The wall at Juyongguan, 50 km northwest of Beijing, represents a rather steep climb and people generally take a few hours to complete the strenuous circuit. The Great wall can be attributed to Qin Shi Huang, the first emperor of China and founder of the Qin dynasty. Born in 259 BC, ascended the throne at the age of 13. He introduced significant reform by building an extensive network of roads and canals and standardising the Chinese script. To keep out invaders, he ordered General Meng Town to rebuild and connect the defensive wall of the hubstates he had conquered into the Great Wall of China. Over 3,00,000 people were reportedly mobilised to build the wall. Most parts of the Badaling Great wall were built and reinforced during the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644) to defend the capital against the intrusion of the Mangols. Unlike the Qin fortifications, the Ming construction was stronger because of the use of bricks and stones.

The wall stretched over 6,700 km at the end of the Ming dynasty. However, earthquakes and erosion have taken their toll and almost a third of it has reportedly gone. People compare the Badaling Great Wall to dragon winding its way along mountain ranges. It adds drama to an already spectacular landscape. No wonder, it reportedly attracts 10 million visitors every year. There is a cable car that takes tourists two-third of the way up to the top. Priced at 60 yuan per person, the cable car trip certainly doesn't come cheap. However, most visitors prefer the easy way out rather than use the gently sloping steps to walk all the way to the top.

1. The narrator was fond of:
 - a. Only Chowmein
 - b. Only Fireworks
 - c. Everything Chinese
 - d. Branded items
2. The tourists could not visit the Great Wall of China:
 - a. Easily
 - b. Twice
 - c. In winter
 - d. In summer
3. The Great Wall at Badaling is:
 - a. Quite dull
 - b. Quite traced
 - c. Monotonous
 - d. Crumbling
4. Badaling is about:
 - a. 70 KM southward of Beijing
 - b. 75 Km northward of Beijing
 - c. 70 KM northward of Beijing
 - d. none of these

5. The wall at Juyongguan is quite:
 - a. Steep
 - b. Flat
 - c. Normal
 - d. Peculiar
6. The first builder of the Great Wall was:
 - a. General Meng Tian
 - b. Qin Shi Huang
 - c. Badaling
 - d. None of the above
7. The wall of Badaling was reinforced to:
 - a. Repulse attacks
 - b. Attract tourists
 - c. Satisfy the whims of the emperor
 - d. None of the above
8. The Qin fortifications were not:
 - a. Strong
 - b. Very strong
 - c. Durable
 - d. Very weak
9. The Badaling Great Wall has suffered a lot because of:
 - a. Foreign invasions
 - b. Storms
 - c. Earthquakes
 - d. Pollution
10. Most of the tourists prefer to see the Badaling Wall.
 - a. On foot
 - b. By cable car
 - c. By car
 - d. By train

LITERATURE TEXT BOOK

Q.2 Reference to Context: [3]

"Margie even wrote about it that night in her diary. On the page headed 17 May 2157, she wrote, "Today Tommy found a real book!"

It was a very old book. Margie's grandfather once said that when he was a little boy his grandfather told him that there was a time when all stories were printed on paper.

- a. Which year has the story been set in?_____
 - i. 2057
 - ii. 2157
 - iii. 1957
 - iv. None of the above
- b. Who are Margie & Tommy? _____
 - i. Cousins
 - ii. Friends
 - iii. brother and sister
 - iv. None of the above
- c. Who is the author of this chapter?
 - i. Katherine Mansfield
 - ii. Margie Morgot
 - iii. Issac Asimov
 - iv. None of the above

Q.3 Reference to Context: [3]

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood
 And sorry I could not travel both
 And be one traveller, long I stood
 And looked down one as far as could
 To where it bent in the undergrowth:

- a. What does the poet's decision of taking less travelled road signify?
 - i. Poet's risk taking habit.
 - ii. arrogance of the poet
 - iii. Poet's curiosity
 - iv. Poet's negligence
- b. What do the words "long I stood" mean in the poem?
 - i. Poet's dilemma
 - ii. Poet was in relaxing mood
 - iii. Poet was enjoying the nature
 - iv. Poet's unconscious mind
- c. What is the dilemma of the poet?
 - i. Whether he will be able to come back to the second road or not
 - ii. Whether he will get time for himself
 - iii. Whether he will be successful
 - iv. Whether he will be able to walk

PART- 'B' (GRAMMAR)

- Q.4 Answer the following by choosing the correct option: [9]
- a. by the next month, we shall _____ the project.
 - i. has completed
 - ii. completing
 - iii. completed
 - iv. have completed
 - b. Back in my native place, I _____ a smartphone.
 - i. did not have
 - ii. do not have
 - iii. did not had
 - iv. do not had
 - c. Choose the correct sentence.
 - i. When I woke up, he already eaten breakfast.
 - ii. When I woke up, he had already eaten breakfast.
 - iii. When I had woken up, he had already ate breakfast.
 - iv. When I had woken up, he has already ate breakfast.
 - d. Akram _____ there for 7 years now
 - i. has being taught.
 - ii. have been taught
 - iii. has been teaching
 - iv. none of the above
 - e. Teacher said that the earth _____ on its axis.
 - i. rotate
 - ii. rotates
 - iii. rotated
 - iv. None of these
 - f. The mango _____ sweet.
 - i. taste
 - ii. tastes
 - iii. is tasting
 - iv. has tasted
 - g. Rearrange the words and phrases given below to form meaningful sentences, and choose the most appropriate option:
 - 1. gathers/a/ rolling stone/ moss/ no
 - i. A moss gathers no stone rolling
 - ii. A rolling stone gathers no moss
 - iii. No stone gathers a rolling moss
 - iv. None of the above
 - 2. Know for / are /love/unconditional/ dogs/ their
 - i. Dogs their are known for unconditional love
 - ii. Dogs are known for their unconditional love
 - iii. Unconditional dogs are known for their love
 - iv. For their love dogs are known unconditional
 - 3. the orphan/ child/ the/ court/ guardian/ appointed/ of him
 - i. the court appointed him child of the orphan guardian
 - ii. the court appointed him the guardian of orphan child
 - iii. the court appointed him guardian of the orphan child
 - iv. none of the above

WRITING

- Q.5 You are Raju/ Ranjana of Sanskriti Public School, New Delhi. You are motivated by the 'Clean India Campaign' of the Prime Minister and participated in it in your own way in your colony. Write a diary entry on the subject. [5]

OR

Your brother Rahul, who lives in a hostel has been neglecting his studies off late because of which his grades are falling. You are quite disappointed to hear this and decide to write him a letter telling him the importance of studies. Write the letter in not more than 150 words. [5]

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Q.6 Very Short Answer Type Questions: (20-30 words) [4]
1. What was Evelyn determined to do?

OR

What is the message of the poem 'Wind'?

2. What did the child do when he got no response on the part of his parents?

OR

Why did grandfather decide to include Toto monkey in his private zoo?

Q.7 Short Answer Type Questions (40-50 words) [6]

1. Describe kezia's father as she sees him. Why was she afraid of him?

OR

What is the single major memory that comes to the poet? Who are the "darling dreamers" he refers to?

2. What are the things the child sees on his way to the fair? Why does he lag behind?

OR

Why was Toto sold at such a cheap rate? Give reasons.

Q.8 Long Answer Type Questions (100-120 words) [5]

Draft a character sketch of Albert Einstein.

OR

Justify Bismillah Khan as a true Indian. Why did he refuse to start a Shehnai school in the U.S.A.?

Q.9 Long Answer Type Questions (100-120 words) [5]

How does the behaviour of the child before and after his separation from the parents show that he has great love for his parents?

OR

How was Toto an expensive deal for the author's family? Did it teach grandfather a lesson? Elucidate in light of chapter 'The Adventures of Toto'.
