

उत्तरमध्यमा द्वितीयखण्ड (12वीं) वार्षिक परीक्षा 2025-26

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1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the following questions :

Old people say that childhood is the best part of life. They look back at their childhood and remember all its happy days, the jolly games, the fun they had at school, the sweets and cakes they used to eat, jokes they used to play and endless discussions they had among friends about almost every topic. Perhaps these old folks are right. And yet they forget many things that were not so pleasant in their childhood. There is a funny story that tells of a boy, who was crying because he had to go back to school after the holidays and the father scolded him and said, "Why, I only wish I could be a boy and go to school again. And all in a moment the father was little boy and his son was a grown-up man like his father. And the father, in the shape of a little boy, had to go to school, and I can tell you he did not like it at all. A child's troubles may seem small to grown-ups but they are very big to him.

Questions :

(A) What are the joys of childhood ?

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(i) games, work hard and fun

(ii) labor and work only

(iii) eating cakes only

(iv) games, fun eating sweets and cakes

(B) Give the opposite of 'forget' :

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(i) dark

(ii) dull

(iii) remember

(iv) call

(C) Would old people be happy, if they became children again ?

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(i) Yes

(ii) May be

(iii) May not be

(iv) No

(D) What wish did the father make ?

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(i) He had been a child again

(ii) He would become an old-man

(iii) He would become a young boy

(iv) He would become a rich man

- (E) Give meaning of 'little'. 1
- (F) Give Adjective form of (II and III form degree)—'Good'. 1
- (G) Why was the boy crying ? 1
- (i) He wanted a lollipop
- (ii) He did not want to go to school
- (iii) He had not done his homework
- (iv) He was hurt
- (H) To whom does a child's troubles seem big ? 1
- (i) to a mother
- (ii) to a father
- (iii) to a child
- (iv) to a teacher

(I) What were the things which were not pleasant in the childhood ? 2

2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the following questions : 6

Pollution is the fouling of the environment, land, water and air by waste, smoke, chemicals and other harmful substances. The most serious pollution occurs where there are large cities and many factories. As factories produce new goods for people to buy old ones are thrown out with household rubbish. Burning the refuse pollutes the air, dumping it in rivers and seas pollute the water and rubbish tips are unpleasant sights and take up much needed space. Getting rid of plastics is particularly difficult. Wood and paper decay after some time but plastics never decay.

The world's oceans have been used as dustbins with millions of tonnes of rubbish being dumped into the sea every year harming marine life. If too much untreated sewage is poured into the seas, lakes and rivers from sewers, the water can no longer dilute it. All the oxygen in the water is used up and the fish die.

Smoke from factories, chimneys and exhausts, gases from motor vehicles pollute the air. Chemicals in the air combine with moisture to make acids which eat away stone and brick and so damage buildings. Carbon monoxide gas and other substances given out by the engines of cars and buses can damage people's health. Ridding our world of pollution is an unimaginably big task.

On the basis of your reading the above passage, make notes on the above topic and give a suitable title also.

3. Madam Mrs. Kavita Tiwari, Vice-Principal has invited names of the students who want to take part in the English debate competition to be held in Govt. Higher Secondary School, Berkheda Nathu. The last date for submitting the names has been fixed as January 24th, 2026. In this connection, she has put up a notice on the school notice-board. Write her notice in about 40-50 words. Try to make the notice such as to catch everyone's attention.

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Or

You are Ragini Saini of Bhopal. You want to let out a house. Write out an advertisement to be published in the classified column of a newspaper.

4. You are Rajesh Batham of Govt. Sandipni Higher Secondary School Deori, Raisen. Write an application to the Principal of your school requesting him to issue you books from the book bank.

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Or

You are Sadhana Sharma, have passed XII class. Write an application to the Principal of Govt. H. S. School, Dewas, M.P. to issue you School Leaving Certificate as you have to join for higher studies in other cities.

5. Your school organised The Republic Day Celebration last month. Write a report of this event for your school magazine giving details like :- Schedule, Venue, Flag Hoisting, Programmes, Winners etc.

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Or

Write a short paragraph on any *one* of the following topics :

- (1) Importance of English
- (2) Wonders of Science
- (3) A Train Accident
- (4) The Value of Games
- (5) Annual Day Celebration.

6. Fill in the blanks (any *ten*) :

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- (1) Ram is N.C.C. Cadet. (a/an/the)
- (2) They have mangoes. (any/enough/much)
- (3) There are mangoes trees in our garden.

(some/little/any)

- (4) of the two boys were present. (Every/Neither/Many)
- (5) "..... knowledge is a dangerous thing."
(Little/A little/The little)
- (6) cows have horns. (Every/Each/All)
- (7) He speaks different languages. (few/many/little)
- (8) The weather was cold but there was wind.
(no/any/none)
- (9) spring arrives, the flowers bloom.
(Till/As soon as/When)
- (10) They prefer milk tea. (than/with/to)
- (11) We are going a match today. (play/playing/to play)
7. Do as directed (any ten) : 10
- (1) Sohan his work before I reached there.
(Correct form of 'finish')
- (2) We (live) here since 1952.
(Correct tense of Verb)
- (3) The building was down.
- (a) falling
- (b) fallken
- (c) flew
- (d) fall

(4) They do their duty.

(Rewrite in negative)

(5) No sooner did the students see the Principal, they entered the classrooms.

(Rewrite the sentence using 'As soon as')

(6) They play cricket.

(Change into Past Perfect)

(7) The film was very interesting. I saw the film yesterday.

(Combine into a complex sentence using a relative clause)

(8) Raju / write / can / either / with / hand /.

(Make meaningful sentence)

(9) Ashok is absent from the class.

(Change into Present Perfect Tense)

(10) We do not hate the poor.

(Change the Voice)

(11) If he had worked hard, he in the examination.

(a) would pass

(b) would have passed

(c) passed

(d) passes

8. Read the following passage carefully and answer the following questions : 5

The injured man was an American. As his cap fell off, they saw his wet, yellow - coloured hair which had not been cut for a long time. He was young, his face had such marks which indicated that he had been tortured. He had a rough, unkempt yellow - coloured beard. As he had fainted, he did not know of the presence of Sadao and Hana. Now Sadao remembered the wound, and with his expert fingers he began to search for it. Blood flowed freshly at his touch. On the right side of his lower back Sadao saw that a gun wound had been reopened. The flesh was blackened with powder. Sometime, not many days ago, the man had been shot and had not been tended. It was bad chance that the rock had struck the wound.

Questions :

- (1) Who was the injured man ?
 - (a) British
 - (b) American
 - (c) Japanese
 - (d) Indian
- (2) How did the man get injured ?
 - (a) by gun
 - (b) by stones
 - (c) by sword
 - (d) none of the above

(3) Who was Sadao ?

(a) a soldier

(b) a fisherman

(c) a doctor

(d) a farmer

(4) The face of the injured man indicated :

(a) that he was in pain

(b) that he was tortured

(c) that he was old

(d) that he was handsome

(5) What did fall of him ?

(a) the cap

(b) the mask

(c) the wig

(d) none of the above

9. Read the following extract carefully and answer the following questions : 5

"Driving from my parent's home to Cochin last Friday

morning. I saw my mother, besides me,

doze, open mouthed, her face ashen like that

of a corpse and realised with pain

That she was as old as she looked but soon

Put that thought away."

Questions :

- (1) Which day is described in the above extract ?
 - (a) Monday
 - (b) Tuesday
 - (c) Friday
 - (d) Sunday
- (2) Who was sitting besides the speaker of the poem ?
 - (a) Her mother
 - (b) Her father
 - (c) Her brother
 - (d) Her sister
- (3) Give the opposite of the word "soon" :
 - (a) Early
 - (b) Hurry
 - (c) Quick
 - (d) Late
- (4) The poetess is coming from :
 - (a) Cochin
 - (b) Airport
 - (c) Her parent's home
 - (d) Delhi
- (5) Name of the poet is :
 - (a) Kamla Das
 - (b) Robert Frost
 - (c) Pablo Neruda
 - (d) John Keats

10. Answer the following questions in about 30 words (any six) : 12

- (1) What did Franz notice that was unusual about the school that day ?
- (2) What makes the city of Firozabad famous ?
- (3) What message does the author William Douglas want to convey through 'Deep Water' ?
- (4) From where did the peddler get the idea of the world being a rattrap ?
- (5) Why did Gandhiji go to Muzaffarpur ? Where did he stay there ?
- (6) Why was the legal adviser referred to as the opposite by others ?
- (7) What kind of a girl Jansie is ?

11. Answer the following questions in about 30 words (any five) : 10

- (1) What did the letter reveal about Sam ?
- (2) How did the Maharaja save his kingdom ?
- (3) How long did the writer travel to reach Antarctica ?
- (4) Who was Dr. Sadao ? Where was his house ?
- (5) Who is Mr. Lamb ? How does Derry get into his garden ?
- (6) How did Zitkala-Sa react when Judewin told her that her hair would be shortened ?

12. Answer the following questions in about 30 words :

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- (1) What is the kind of pain and ache that the poet feels ?
- (2) What does the poet mean by 'exotic moment' and how can man achieve it in the poem 'Keeping Quiet' ?
- (3) What do you mean by a roadside stand ?
- (4) What does 'Wedding band' stand for ?
- (5) For Aunt Jennifer what do the tigers symbolise ?

13. What is the message of the poem 'A Thing of Beauty' ?

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Or

Write the summary of the poem 'Aunt Jennifer's Tigers'.