

Half Yearly Examination, 2026-27
English
Class-IX

Time : 3 Hrs.

(M.M. : 70)

Note –

- (i) This question paper is divided into two sections: Section 'A' contains multiple choice questions. Choose the correct option to answer. Section 'B' contains descriptive answer type questions.
- (ii) All the questions are compulsory.
- (iii) Marks are indicated against each question.
- (iv) Writing should be neat and clean.

Section-A

Read the following paragraph carefully and answer the following three questions–

Trees are one of the most valuable gifts of nature. They provide us with oxygen, fruits, wood, medicines, and shade. They also help to control pollution and maintain the balance of nature. Unfortunately, many trees are being cut down for roads, buildings, and industries. Therefore, we should plant more trees and protect the forests to make our environment clean, green, and healthy.

1. What do trees provide us with ?

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- (a) Oxygen
 - (b) Plastic
 - (c) Petrol
 - (d) Iron
- 2. Why are many trees being cut down ?** **1**
- (a) For festivals
 - (b) For roads and buildings
 - (c) For sports
 - (d) For schools
- 3. What should we do to protect the environment ?** **1**
- (a) Cut more trees
 - (b) Waste water
 - (c) Plant and protect trees
 - (d) Increase pollution
- 4. What did Tommy get ?** **1**
- (a) a mobile phone
 - (b) a computer
 - (c) a book
 - (d) a pen
- 5. Evelyn Glennie was a ...girl.** **1**
- (a) blind
 - (b) dumb
 - (c) lame
 - (d) deaf
- 6. Einstein was a ...** **1**
- (a) Doctor
 - (b) Engineer
 - (c) Teacher
 - (d) Scientist
- 7. Poem 'Wind' is written by** **1**

- (a) Subramania Bharti
 - (b) Corrie Ten
 - (c) Douglas James
 - (d) Coates Kinney
- 8.** The boy was lost in a ... **1**
- (a) market
 - (b) zoo
 - (c) fair
 - (d) school
- 9.** Grandfather bought Toto for ...rupees. **1**
- (a) three
 - (b) four
 - (c) five
 - (d) six
- 10.** They have ...doing their work for two days. **1**
- (a) are
 - (b) is
 - (c) does
 - (d) been
- 11.** He is ...M.A. **1**
- (a) some
 - (b) any
 - (c) a
 - (d) an
- 12.** Find the correctly spelt word– **1**
- (a) school
 - (b) schul
 - (c) skul
 - (d) skool
- 13.** Find the wrongly spelt word– **1**

- (a) friend
 - (b) behavior
 - (c) honest
 - (d) poor
- 14. Find the correct antonym of 'beautiful'– 1**
- (a) untidy
 - (b) improper
 - (c) ugly
 - (d) filthy
- 15. Find the correct synonym of 'error'– 1**
- (a) wrong
 - (b) right
 - (c) mistake
 - (d) incorrect
- 16. Kezia's father took his child in his ... 1**
- (a) arms
 - (b) lap
 - (c) car
 - (d) drawing room
- 17. Bismillah Khan was a player of: 1**
- (a) guitar
 - (b) flute
 - (c) sitar
 - (d) shehnai
- 18. Einstein's mother was bothered by the intelligence of: 1**
- (a) Mileva
 - (b) Einstein
 - (c) Elsa
 - (d) Margie
- 19. At what age did Einstein die ? 1**

- (a) 77
- (b) 76
- (c) 75
- (d) 74

20. How did the doctor's wife actually look like ? **1**

- (a) Thin
- (b) Fat
- (c) Short
- (d) Tall

Section-B

21. Write a letter to the District Magistrate to ban the use of loudspeakers during the Board Examinations. **8**

OR

Write an application to the Principal of your school requesting him to issue the school leaving certificate.

22. Write an essay on any one of the following topics: **8**

- (a) Your favourite Hobby
- (b) Your favourite Leader
- (c) My School

23. Translate the following into English: **8**

भारत हमारा प्यारा देश है। यहाँ विभिन्न धर्मों और भाषाओं के लोग मिल-जुलकर रहते हैं। हमें अपने देश की एकता और अखंडता की रक्षा करनी चाहिए। हमें अपने देश को स्वच्छता और सुंदर बनाने में योगदान देना चाहिए।

24. Do as directed— **2 × 3 = 6**

- (a) we our respect should elders (Reorder the Sentence) **2**

(b) Who helped you yesterday ? (Change into Passive Voice)
2

(c) Hari said to me, "Where do you live ?" (Change into Indirect)
2

25. Write the central idea of any one of the following poems: **4**

(a) The Road not Taken

(b) Wind

(c) Rain on the Roof

OR

Write four lines of any of the poems from your text book.

26. Answer any one of the following questions in about 60 words—

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(a) Why did Einstein write a letter to Franklin Roosevelt ?

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(b) What two "important" and "earth-shaking" decisions did the doctor take while he was looking into the mirror ? **6**

27. Answer any one of the following questions in about 25 words—

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(a) Why does the lost child lose interest in the things that he had wanted earlier ? **4**

(b) Why does the author say, "Toto was not the sort of pet we could keep for long" ? **4**

28. Answer any one of the following questions in about 60 words—

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(a) Why was Kezia afraid of her father ? **6**

(b) How does Iswaran describe the uprooted tree on the highway ? What effect does he want to create in his listeners ? **6**
