

ST. MARGARET SR. SEC. SCHOOL MID TERM EXAMINATION 2024-25 SUBJECT: ENGLISH

CLASS: VII

Time: 2.5 Hrs SAMPLE PAPER M.M: 60

This paper is divided into 3 sections:

Section A: Reading - 10 marks

Section B: Writing & Grammar - 25 marks

Section C: Literature - 25 marks

General Instructions:

- Answer all questions.

- All questions must be correctly numbered as in the question paper.
- Attempt all questions in each section before going on to the next section.
- Internal choice has been given in a few questions, answer accordingly.

Section A: Reading

Q1. Read the passage carefully.

- 1. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle introduced the world to the brilliant detective Sherlock Holmes in the late 19th century. The character quickly became one of the most iconic figures in literature, blending keen deductive reasoning with a masterful understanding of forensic science. Dr. John Watson, Holmes's loyal friend and chronicler, narrates many of the detective's adventures.
- 2. Holmes resides at 221B Baker Street, London, where he consults with clients from various walks of life. His methods are often unconventional, relying on careful observation, logical analysis, and an exceptional ability to connect seemingly unrelated details. Holmes's smart observations and razor-sharp intellect enable him to solve even the most perplexing mysteries.
- 3. One of Holmes's most famous cases is "The Hound of the Baskervilles," where he investigates a supernatural legend surrounding the Baskerville family on the desolate moors of Dartmoor. The detective's logical approach ultimately reveals a more earthly explanation for the family's misfortunes.
- 4. Holmes's deductive prowess often leads him to solve cases that baffle Scotland Yard and other law enforcement agencies. His collaboration with Inspector Lestrade, a recurring character in the stories, showcases the tension between Holmes's unconventional methods and the more traditional approaches of the police. Despite occasional clashes, Holmes's brilliance ultimately earns the respect of many in the law enforcement community.
- 5. Holmes is often depicted with his trademark magnifying glass, a tool he employs during investigations to scrutinize evidence and uncover hidden clues. Holmes's adventures cover a wide range of cases, from mysterious disappearances and intricate thefts to more sinister crimes like murder. The enduring appeal of Sherlock Holmes lies not only in the clever solutions to mysteries but also in the charismatic and enigmatic personality of the detective himself.

On the basis of your reading of the passage, choose the correct answers for the following questions. (1x10=10)

A. Who created the character Sherlock Holmes?

- a) Agatha Christie b) Arthur C. Clarke c) Sir Arthur Conan Doyle d) Edgar Allan Poe
- B. In which century did Sherlock Holmes make his first appearance?
- a) 18th century b) 19th century c) 20th century d) 21st century

C. Who is Holmes's loyal friend and chronicler?

a) Inspector Lestrade b) Mrs. Hudson c) Dr. John Watson d) Mycroft Holmes

F. What is the title of one of Holmes's most famous cases involving a supernatural		
E. What are some of Holmes's methods for soa) Magic and illusionc) Careful observation, logical analysis, and forens	b) Superhuman strength	
D. Where does Sherlock Holmes reside in Lona) 221A Baker Street b) 221C Baker Street c) 2		

al legend?

- a) "The Adventure of the Speckled Band"
- b) "The Hound of the Baskervilles"

c) "The Sign of Four"

d) "The Final Problem"

G. Where does "The Hound of the Baskervilles" take place?

- a) London's East End b) The Scottish Highlands c) The moors of Dartmoor d) Buckingham Palace
- H. In collaboration with which recurring character does Sherlock Holmes often work, showcasing the tension between his unconventional methods and traditional police approaches?
- a) Mrs. Hudson b) Dr. John Watson c) Inspector Lestrade d) Mycroft Holmes
- I. What is one of Holmes's famous accessories?
- a) A monocle b) A top hat c) A magnifying glass d) A walking cane
- J. Assertion: The enduring appeal of Sherlock Holmes can be due to the diverse range of cases he investigates.

Reasoning: Holmes's adventures cover mysterious disappearances, intricate thefts, and more sinister crimes like murder, captivating audiences with the versatility of his detective skills.

Options:

- a) Both the assertion and reasoning are true, and the reasoning is a correct explanation of the assertion.
- b) Both the assertion and reasoning are true, but the reasoning is not a correct explanation of the assertion.
- c) The assertion is true, but the reasoning is false.
- d) The assertion is false, but the reasoning is true.

Section B: Writing and Grammar

- **Q2.** You are Karan / Kiran residing at 150, Kedarnath Apartment, Rohini, Delhi. Write a letter of apology to the Principal of your school expressing regret and acknowledging responsibility for using offensive language with your classmates and violating school rules. (6)
- Q3. (A) You are Anne. Write a diary entry in 80-100 words expressing your thoughts and emotions when Marilla was surprised to see you.

(4) OR

(B) You are Vipin/ Veena, Head Boy/ Head Girl of Jesus and Mary School. Write a notice in about 50 words inviting students of classes VI- VIII to subscribe for The Times of India Newspaper. Give necessary details.

Q4. Fill in the bla	nks using appropriate form of verbs as directed.	(½ x 6=3)
a. Mr. Verma	the thief. (see) (Simple Past tense)	
b. He	a new novel for the last one year.(write)(Past perfec	t continuous)
c. Sugar	sweet. (taste) (Simple present tense)	
d. They	a movie before they leave for shopping.	(watch)
(Future perfect cor	ntinuous)	

e. By the end of this week, I	here for five years	s.(work)
(Future Perfect tense)		
f. It a pleasan	nt day yesterday. (be)	
a. He look after h	ropriate modals as directed. his parents (must/ought to / could) (moral of ork. (must / could/ might) (compulsion)	
c. Rohan join yo	oga classes.(should/ must/ can)(suggestion)).
d. She drive the car.(
e. When I was young, I	climb trees. (can/ could/ may) (ability in	past)
f I pay the bill?(may/ o	can/ ought to)(informal)	
Q6. Choose the appropriate ver a. Anu, along with her parents	rb that agrees with the subject met the Principal.(has/ have)	(½ x 6=3)
b. One thousand rupees	a big amount. (is/ are)	
c. Each student in the unifo	orm. (was / were)	
d. The committeet	the chairman every year.(meet/ meets)	
e. Neither of them	signed the form.(has / have)	
f. Neither Tarun nor his friends	to be interested in playing chess. (seem/ seems)
Q7. Replace each underlined was a. Let's confess our mistake. (syn		(½ x 6=3)
b. This room is spacious . (antony	m)	
c. We must follow the instruction	<u>ıs</u> given by our teacher. (synonym)	
d. Why did you collect the clothe	es? (antonym)	
e. We have enough food for the g	juests. (synonym)	
f. He feels secure when you are a	round. (antonym)	
Q8. Underline the verbs and sta a. She was sitting happily in the pa	ate whether they are transitive or intranark.	nsitive. (1x3=3)
b. The animals ran very fast.		
c. A doctor treats patients.		
	Section C: Literature	
Q9. Answer these questions w		(1x4=4)
-	the yard labour, an amiable bunch.	(144-4)
a. Who liked the yard labour?		
b. Whom does the poet call 'ar	n amiable bunch'?	
c. The poet says that Gum was	s not much of a guard dog. Why?	
d. Why did Gum get fat?		

Q10. Answer any six of the following questions.

(2x 6=12)

- a. Whom did Mrs Spencer adopt? What was the colour of her hair?
- b. What does it mean to be "in the depths of despair," according to Anne?
- c. How did the woman lose her husband? Name the poet of this poem.
- d. What did the merchant's wife say to dissuade him?
- e. What finally made the woman weep?
- f. What did the merchant find in the jar of olives? What punishment was given to the merchant in the mock trial?
- g. Who is compared to champion athlete? Why?

Q11. Answer <u>any three</u> of the following questions.

(3x3=9)

- a. 'Stole a maiden from her place'
- (i) What does the verb 'stole' imply here?
- (ii) What did the maiden do?
- (iii) Who put the child on the woman's knee?
- b. What was Anne's reaction when she realised that she had been brought to home by mistake? What did Anne wish to be called?
- c. What do you know about Gum? How did the burglar describe Gum in his confession? What was the irony in this confession?
- d. Bring out the difference in the character of the merchant and his wife.