POST-MIDTERM QUESTION PAPER (2023-2024)

Class: VII	ENGLISH	Marks :30
Date : 5-12-2023	ANSWER KEY	Time : 1hr

Instructions:
  I.   *All questions are compulsory.*
  II. *Please write down the serial number of the question before attempting it.*
  III. *The question paper consists of four sections. Section A-Reading (10 marks), Section B –Grammar (5 marks), Section C- Writing (5 marks), and Section D- Literature (10 marks).*
  IV. *Attempt one section at a stretch and then move on to the next section.*
  V.   *Use of correcting fluid (whitener) is prohibited.*

*Note: This paper consists of **5** printed pages.*

SECTION A – READING (10 Marks)

Q 1. Read the passage carefully:

1. William Wordsworth, the famous British poet, was one of the most important poets of the Romantic Movement in English Literature.

2. He was born on 17 April 1770, in the scenic region of north-west England called the Lake District. The beautiful landscapes of the region had an enduring influence on Wordsworth's imagination, creating in him, a love for nature. This can be seen in most of his poems. Wordsworth lost his mother when he was eight and at the age of thirteen, his father. Of his four siblings, Wordsworth was most attached to his younger sister, Dorothy. Several of his poems are addressed to his beloved sister.

3. Wordsworth began attending St. John's College, Cambridge in 1787. He often spent his holidays on long walking tours, visiting places famous for the beauty of their landscape. In 1790, he took a nearly three-thousand-mile walking tour of Europe, during which he toured the Alps extensively, and also visited nearby areas of France, Switzerland and Italy. The following year, he graduated from Cambridge without distinction.

4. In 1843, Wordsworth was made the Poet Laureate of England. A Poet Laureate is the official poet of the King of England. By this time, Wordsworth was considered one of the greatest poets of his age. However, when his daughter Dora died in 1847, Wordsworth stopped writing poetry altogether. He died, three years later, on 23 April 1850.

5. Wordsworth was one of the first poets to actively reflect on the beauty and glory of nature and the power of imagination. His poems continue to be read all over the world by children and adults alike.

 Choose the correct options. (1x5=5)

1. What developed love for nature in Wordsworth?
    a. The beautiful landscapes of the region.
    b. His love for travelling places.
    c. The motivation from his friends and family.

2. How did Wordsworth spend his holidays?
    a. relaxing at his home and writing poetry
    b. long walking tours, visiting places famous for the beauty of their landscape.
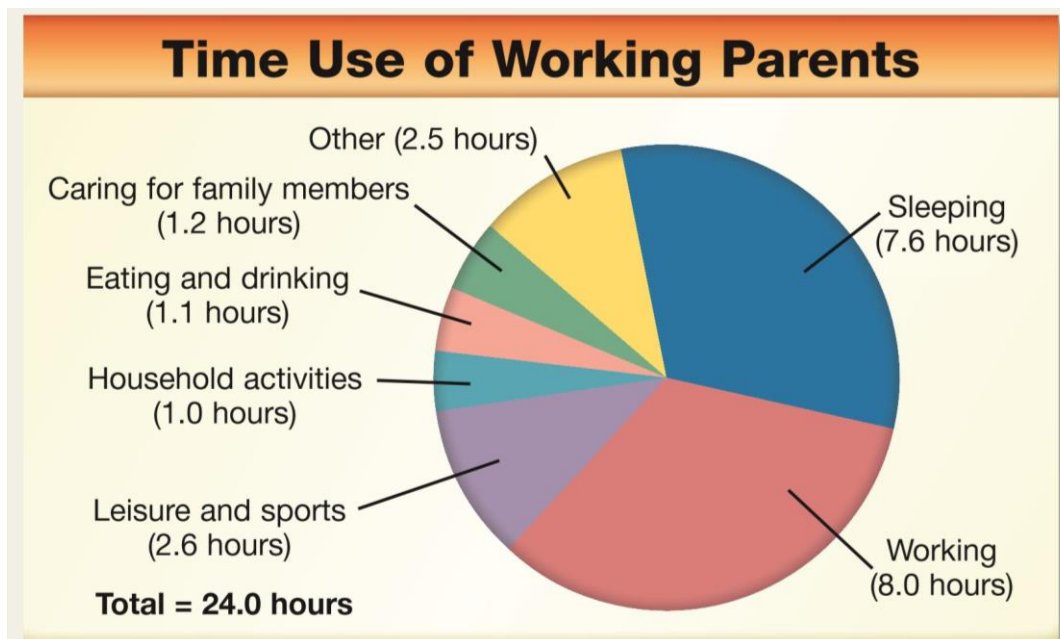   c. studying most of the time as a graduate

3. What position of honour was given to Wordsworth?
a. the famous British poet
b. the poet laureate of England
c. the official poet

4. When did Wordsworth's daughter die? What was her name?
a. 1770, Dorothy
b. 1710, Dora
c. 1847, Dora

5. Find words from the passage which mean the same as:
a. Scenery (para 2) - **landscapes**
b. Fame (para 5)- **glory**

Q 2. Analyse the pie chart and answer the questions that follow: (1x5=5)

Time Use of Working Parents

Other (2.5 hours)
Caring for family members (1.2 hours)
Eating and drinking (1.1 hours)
Household activities (1.0 hours)
Leisure and sports (2.6 hours)
Sleeping (7.6 hours)
Working (8.0 hours)
Total = 24.0 hours

1. What is the chart about?
a. employed people with children
b. employed people without children
c. unemployed people with children
d. none of the above

2. Which activity do these people spend the least time doing?
a. caring for family members
b. eating and drinking
c. household activities
d. none of the above

3. Which activity do these people spend the most time doing?
a. eating and drinking
b. leisure and sports
c. working
d. none of the above

4. Which statement is true?
a. people spend less time working than eating, drinking and sleeping combined.
b. people spend more time working than eating, drinking and sleeping combined.
c. people spend as much time working as eating, drinking and sleeping combined.

d. none of the above

5. On which activities do you spend more time than the pie chart shows? Give a reason.
Ans: Answers may vary

SECTION B – GRAMMAR (5 Marks)

Q 3. Change the following sentences as directed. (½ X 5 = 2 ½)

   a. Robert ate all the cookies. (Present Perfect Tense)

Ans: Robert has eaten all the cookies.

   b. I have finished my assignment. (Past Perfect Tense)

Ans: I had finished my assignment.

   c. Priya shall finish her stitching by then. (Future Perfect Tense)

Ans: Priya shall have finished her stitching by then.
   d. He will have thought about this. (Change into present perfect tense)

Ans: He has thought about this.

   e. He will not pass the test. (Change into future perfect tense)

Ans: He will not have passed the test.

Q4. Change the following sentences into reported speech. (½ X 5 = 2 ½)

a. "Dance with me!" Maria said to me.

Ans: Maria told me to dance with her.

b. "I am going to the store," said Sarah.

Ans: Sarah said that she was going to the store.

c. "We are going to the beach tomorrow," announced Mary.

Ans: Mary announced that they were going to the beach the next day /the following day.

d. Suman said, "I am busy now."

Ans: Suman said that she was busy then.

e. He said, " Humans are social animals."

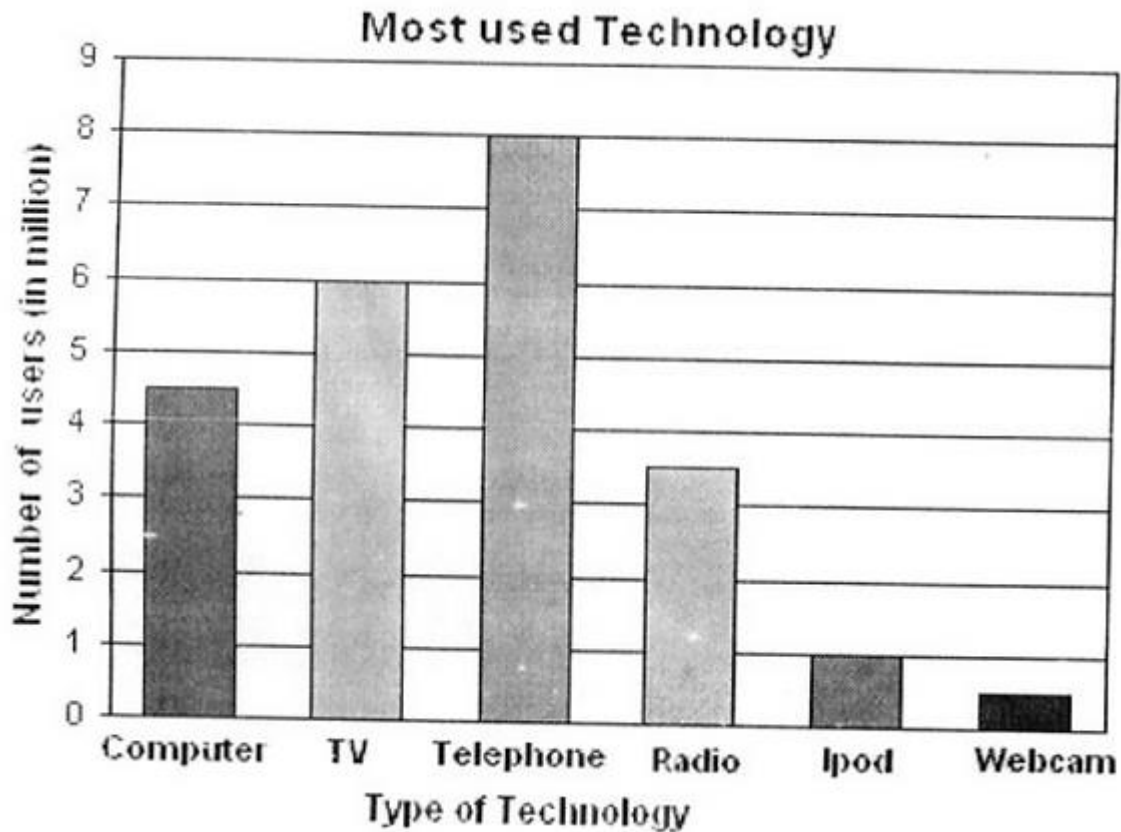**Ans: He said that humans are social animals.**

SECTION C - WRITING (5 Marks)

Q5. The bar graph given below contains data related to technology used extensively nowadays. Study the data carefully and summaries it in 100-150 words.
Value points:
• Number of users
• Types of users
• Total%
(FORMAT-2; CONTENT-3)

Most used Technology

SECTION D - LITERATURE (10 Marks)

Q6. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow: (1X3=3)

1. *"We can challenge a lot of teams, including our School Eleven."*
a) Who said these words and to whom?
Swaminathan said these words to Rajam.
b) Which school does the 'School Eleven' team belong to?
School Eleven team belongs to the Board School.
c) Why does the speaker want to challenge the 'School Eleven'?
The speaker wanted to challenge School Eleven because this team thinks that they can't be beaten easily.

Q7. Match the following words with their meanings: (½x4=2)

	Column A		Column B
a)	wares	i.	very tired, both physically and mentally
b)	fatigued	ii.	moving about in car
c)	motoring	iii.	objects
d)	aeons	iv.	contagious disease
		v.	extremely long period of time

Ans: a-iii, b-i, c-ii, d-v

Q8. Answer <u>ANY TWO</u> of the following questions in one or two sentences.: (1x2=2)

a.What was Swaminathan doing when Rajam arrived?
Ans: When Rajam arrived, Swaminathan was sitting in a dark corner of the house trying to make a camera with a cardboard box and a spectacle lens.

b. What happened to the face on the wall?
Ans: The face on the wall was faintly visible and then suddenly disappeared.

c. How is a pedlar different from a vendor?
Ans: A vendor sells the things from his shop, while a pedlar roams from place to place in the bazaar.

Q 9. Answer <u>ANY TWO</u> of the following question in detail: (1.5x2=3)

1. What did the people at Dabney's ask the little man to do? What was his reply?
Ans: The people at Dabney's begged the little man to share the occurrence that had happened to him personally and which was stranger than fiction. In response, he began narrating the story.

2. Why did Rajam want to buy three bats? Who objected to it and why?
Ans: Rajam wanted to buy three bats so that if in case one of them broke, they would not have to stop playing. Mani objected to it as he did not want to waste money.

3. Where are the merchants selling their wares? What are they selling?
Ans: The merchants are selling their wares in a bazaar of Hyderabad. They are selling turbans of crimson and silver, tunics of purple brocade, amber-panelled mirrors and jade-handled daggers.

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