

INDIAN SCHOOL AL WADI AL KABIR POST MIDTERM EXAMINATION

ENGLISH- ANSWER KEY

Class: VI Time: 1 Hour Date: 28-11-2023 Max. Marks: 30

General Instructions:

(i) All questions are compulsory.

(ii) 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).

(iii) Attempt one section at a stretch and then move to the next section.

(iv) Use of correction fluid (whitener) is prohibited.

Note: This question paper consists of 4 printed pages.

SECTION A- READING (10 Marks)

I Read the passage given below:

MR DUSSEL BECOMES A DENTIST

Here is an excerpt from **The Diary of Anne Frank**, the diary of a little girl which became very famous towards the end of World War II. In this excerpt, Anne describes a hilarious episode when one of the people she lived with decided to become a dentist!

Dussel has opened his dental practice. Just for fun. I'll describe the session with his very first patient. Mother was ironing, and Mrs. Van D, the first victim, sat down on a chair in the middle of the room. Dussel, unpacking his case with an air of importance, asked for some eau-de-cologne, which could be used as a disinfectant, and Vaseline, which would have to do for wax. He looked in Mrs. Van D's mouth and found two teeth that made her wince with pain and utter incoherent cries every time he touched them. After a lengthy examination (lengthy as far as Mrs. Van D was concerned, since it actually took no longer than two minutes), Dussel began to scrape out a cavity. But Mrs. Van D had no intention of letting him. She flailed her arms and legs until Dussel finally let go of his probe and ...it remained stuck in Mrs. Van D's tooth. That really did it! Mrs. Van D lashed out wildly in all directions, cried (as much as you can with an instrument like that in your mouth), tried to remove it, but only managed to push it in even farther. Mr. Dussel calmly observed the scene, his hands on his hips, while the rest of the audience roared with laughter. Of course, that was very mean of us. If it'd been me, I'm sure I would have yelled even louder. After a great deal of squirming, kicking, screaming and shouting, Mrs. Van D finally managed to yank the thing out, and Mr. Dussel went on with his work as if nothing had happened. He was so quick that Mrs. Van D didn't have the time to react. But then, he had more help than he'd ever had before: no fewer than two assistants; Mr.Van D and I performed our job well. The whole scene resembled one of those engravings from the Middle Ages entitled 'A Quack at Work'. In the meantime, however, the patient was getting restless, since she had to keep an eye on 'her' soup and 'her' food. One thing is certain: it'll be a while before Mrs. Van D makes another dental appointment!

Yours, Anne

Q1. State whether the statements are True or False:

(1x2=2)

1. Mrs. Van D had opened a dentistry.

- (a) True
- (b) False
- 2. Anne was one of the two assistants of the dentist.
 - (a) True
 - (b) False

QII. Based on your reading, answer the following questions:

(1x3=3)

a. What were the things that Dussel asked for before he began his examination?

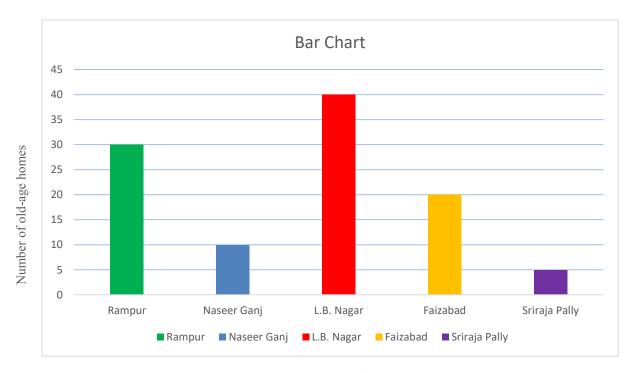
Ans: Dussel asked for <u>eau-de-cologne</u>, which was to be used as a disinfectant, and <u>Vaseline</u> which had to do for wax.

b. What did the whole scene remind Anne of?

Ans: It reminded Anne of one of the engravings from the Middle Ages titled, 'A Quack at Work'.

c. Find the word from the passage that means-pull out with force-yank

Q2. Study the following bar chart that gives the details of old-age homes in various places:



QI. Based on the data given in the bar chart, answer the following questions:

(a) Which place has the maximum number of old-age homes? L.B. Nagar (1 Mark)

(b) Which place has the minimum number of old-age homes? Sriraja Pally (1 Mark)

(c) Naseer Ganj has more old-age homes than Sriraja Pally. **True** or False? (1 Mark)

(d) State any two reasons based on your observations (which is not highlighted in the Bar Chart) about the increasing number of old-age homes in various cities.

(Any 2 appropriate answers) (2 Marks)

SECTION B- GRAMMAR (5 Marks)

Q3. Identify whether the sentence is in the Active or Passive Voice:

 $(\frac{1}{2}x4=2)$

- 1. Amit was given the trophy by the Principal. Passive Voice
- 2. Mr. Banerjee lost his wallet. Active Voice
- 3. The children gave flowers to the teachers. Active Voice
- 4. The house is being painted by the workers. **Passive Voice**

Q4. Punctuate the following sentences:

 $(\frac{1}{2}x2=1)$

- 1. You must learn the following skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing.
- 2. He's well-known in the community.

Q5. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate degrees of the adjectives given in brackets: $(\frac{1}{2}\times 4=2)$

- 1. Yasmin is a **better** artist than Priyanka. (good)
- 2. Indian literature is recognized as one of the **oldest** in the world. (old)
- 3. Jaiden is the **tallest** of the three boys. (tall)
- 4. Teaching is a **noble** profession. (noble)

SECTION C- WRITING (5 Marks)

Q6. You are the Head Boy/ Head Girl of Bhavans Vidya Mandir, Lucknow. Draft a notice informing the students of your school about the upcoming Inter-School Quiz Competition. Provide the date, time, venue and other relevant details. (Format- 3 Marks; Content- 2 Marks)

SECTION D- LITERATURE (10 Marks)

Q7. Answer these questions with reference to the context.

(1x3=3)

- 1. 'You are old,' said the youth, 'and your jaws are too weak....'
- a) Who is the 'youth' being referred to?

Ans: The youth being referred to here is Father William's son.

b) Why is the 'youth' amazed?

Ans: Father William is old and eats only suet pudding because of his weak jaws. The son is amazed because his father has eaten up a whole goose with all the bones and even the beak.

c) What reason does the listener give for his strong jaws?

Ans: Father William says that constantly arguing with his wife in his youth had helped to make his jaws strong.

Q8. Match the following:

 $(\frac{1}{2}x5=2\frac{1}{2})$

COLUMN A	COLUMN B	
(i) suet	(d) fat of an animal	
(ii) enticed	(e) persuaded someone	
(iii) exquisite	(f) extremely beautiful	
(iv) supple	(b) able to bend into different positions	
(v) incessantly	(a) continuously	
	(c) a slippery fish that looks like a snake	

Q9. Answer these questions:

(1x3=3)

1. Who built Shantiniketan? How was the place used initially?

Ans: Maharishi Devendranath Tagore built Shantiniketan. It was initially used as an ashram.

2. How has Father William kept his limbs supple?

Ans: Father William had regularly used a particular ointment on his limbs in his youth and this has helped him to keep his limbs supple.

3. What are on display in the art village?

Ans: Tribal murals and other artworks from most tribal regions of India are on display in the art village.

Q10. Answer the following question in detail: (ANY ONE)

 $(1x1\frac{1}{2}=1\frac{1}{2})$

1. Briefly describe the history of Shantiniketan.

Ans: Shantiniketan was set up by Maharishi Devendranath Tagore in the 1860s. Tagore decided to

build a house on land that belonged to his family and call it Shantiniketan. It became an ashram that people visited for meditation and spiritual pursuits. Then, Devendranath's son Rabindranath Tagore set up a small school at Shantiniketan. Later, the school grew into the Viswa Bharti University.

OR

2. Why does Father William stand on his head without any fear?

Ans: The young people often accuse the older ones of losing their brains. Father William is very old and he feels sure that he no longer has any brain in his head to protect. So, he stands on his head without any fear.
