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Marking Scheme

End-Term Exam

Class VIII English

General Instructions:

1. The Marking Scheme carries only suggested value points for the answer.
2. If a student writes an answer which is not given in the marking scheme but which is equally acceptable, full marks should be awarded.

Q1 (1x5=5)

- a. Wash hands with soap
- b. It prevents diseases
- c. Pneumonia
- d. Twice-before eating and after defecation
- e. prevent

Q2 (1x5=5)

- a (ii) replaces calcium in the body
- b (i) same
- c (iv) Both (ii) and (iii)
- d (ii) sparklers and ground spinners
- e (iv) accumulation

Q3 (1x5=5)

1 (a) By the expression 'Fame is a food that dead men eat' we mean fame is enjoyed only after death.

2 (c) Friendship is a noble thing because a man always remembers the good qualities of his friend after his death.

3 (a) Friendship is better than fame because in friendship when a man dies he lives in the memory of his friend.

4 (c) In the last line of the above poem the poet wants to convey that the faults of a man are forgotten by his friend after his death

5 (d) The word recall means to remember.

Q4 (1x5=5)

- (i) c
- (ii) c
- (iii) c
- (iv) b
- (v) c

Q5 (1x5=5)

- a (ii) 50%
- b (iii) require face coverings be worn in public
- c (iii) higher
- d (ii) it is necessary to complete immunisation programmes after autumn.
- e (i) an all time spike in cases on the fourth straight day

Q6 Any two meaningful sentences using the words given. (1x2=2)

Q7 Any two meaningful sentences using the phrasal verbs given. (1x2=2)

Q8 Error Correction (1x5=5)

	Error	Correction
1	A	The
2	him	his
3	by	on
4	are	were
5	any	a

Q9 Answer: (1x5=5)

- (a) exercise,
- (b) visiting,
- (c) to get,
- (d) living,
- (e) fascinated

Q10 Answer: (1x5=5)

- (a) Doing exercises is good for health.
- (b) These days people are more aware of their health.
- (c) In the market, many health foods are also available
- (d) Old-age home is a foreign concept.
- (e) Today's youth prefers nuclear family

- Q11 Answer: (d) disabled people 1
- Q12 Answer: (c) doing something great 1
- Q13 Answer: (d) try to get 1
- Q14 Answer: (a) Firdaus Kanga 1
- Q15 Answer: (b) the music of birds etc 1
- Q16 Answer;(d) heat 1
- Q17 Answer: (a) a grasshopper 1
- Q18 Answer: (c) comforting 1

Q19 Answer:

The snakes and rodents take shelter in roofs, attics and godowns in order to save themselves from rain water. 2

Q20 Answer:

The Great Stone Face is a work of nature, formed on the perpendicular side of a mountain by some immense rock, which had been thrown together so that when viewed at a proper distance, he resembles the face of human. 2

Q21 Answer:

Indian princes were indeed short-sighted in their approach to the events of 1757. They fought against each other and sought the help of the British. They could not see that this will eventually make the British most powerful. 2

Q22 Answer:

When the poet returned from Lyonesse he had strange glows in his eyes. It seemed as if he had magical eyes that glowed from inner radiance 2

Q23 Answer:

The writer's first question might be about Hawking's disability and how he had accepted it. 2

Q24 Answer:

The narrator didn't pay his fees because his teacher Master Ghulam Mohammed was absent that day. 2

Q25 Answer:

There are many cuts and bruises on Ranji's face and arms. Ranji finds it difficult to explain them at home. 2

Q26 Answer:

Like every amateur astronomer, Duttada had a secret ambition that one day he would discover a new comet. 2

Q27 Answer:

Framton Nuttel had been suffering from nervousness and worry. So he had come to the 'rural retreat' for cure. 2

Q28 Answer:

Comet are celestial bodies consisting of a nucleus of ice and dust and when near the Sun, a 'tail' of gas and dust particles pointing away from the sun. 2

Q29

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1. Answer:

Jim and Hans are people whose heart is full of human kindness. Serving the army, they have been a witness to all the sufferings of war. So it is natural for them to hate war. However the problems between two nations are bound to be there. A non-violent method to resolve these problems is what they desire. It occurs to them that this method could be to compete in games. So they think that games or sports are good ways of resolving conflicts.

OR

2. Answer:

The poet heard Ernest while he was talking to his audience. Ernest was speaking from the depth of his heart and mind. He felt that Ernest's own life and characters were a nobler kind of poetry than he had ever written. The poet found great similarities between the misty white clouds around the Great Stone Face and the white hairs around the brow of Ernest. So, the poet declared that Ernest himself was the Stone Face.

Q30

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1. Answer:

Manoj Dutta was so obsessed with the idea of discovery a comet. He spent his retirement amount on buying a telescope. He was so engrossed in his work that he ignored his health and spent endless night on observing the changes in the sky. He also knew that other discoverers might end up doing their duty that they might ignore the important activity in the sky. So his dedication and commitment was beyond expectations that made him successful too.

OR

2. Answer:

Our ancient education system evolved over the period and focused on the holistic development of the individual by taking care of both the inner and the outer self. The system focused on the moral, physical, spiritual and intellectual aspects of life. It emphasised on values such as humility, truthfulness, discipline, self-reliance and respect for all creations. Students were taught to appreciate the balance between human beings and nature. Teaching and learning followed the tenets of Vedas and Upanishads fulfilling duties towards self, family and society, thus encompassing all aspects of life. Education system focused both on learning and physical development. In other words, the emphasis was on healthy mind and healthy body. You can see that education in India has a heritage of being pragmatic, achievable and complementary to life.