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ANNUAL EXAMINATION–MAR 2022  
SUBJECT: English Language**

**DATE: 25/03/22  
CLASS: VII**

**Written Marks: 40  
C.T & Project: 5+5  
Total Marks: 50**

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**Instructions**

- 1. Read the question paper carefully before answering.**
- 2. Write the correct question numbers as given in the question paper.**
- 3. Present a neat and legible answer paper.**

**Reading time: 11:00-11:10**

**Writing time: 11:10- 11:25**

**Upload by 12 a.m.**

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**SECTION A -10 MARKS**

**QUESTION: 1**

**Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:**

When we think of South Africa, we automatically think of elephants and lions and the grasslands. However, on a recent trip there. I went on a boat trip. To my amazement, there were many different marine animals. None of the documentaries would have prepared me for what I was about to find. “Don’t worry about being attacked by elephants or devoured by lions”, my father laughed when I asked him about the trip. “You’ll have an interesting and safe time there.”

I was doubtful about *that*, but I went along anyway: after all, I had never been to South Africa. Our first stop was at Boulders Beach. The penguin colony *there* was the biggest in the area. I stood on a raised pathway, jostling with the tourists for the best view of the penguins. From the first pair of penguins in the 1980’s, there were now more than two thousand penguins! Usually, I did not like the beach but this time it was different. The clear turquoise water was calm and inviting and I could get up close to the adorable animals as well. However, I did notice the nets. My father said that they were to warn people of the sharks. For a moment I regretted stepping into the water. Then I felt a flipper against my bare legs and I forgot about my fears. While swimming with the penguins, I noticed the three lifeguards on duty: their binoculars were trained on all of us in the bay.

The boat trip was a disappointment though we were promised sightings of majestic whales but we saw nothing that day. I saw not even a fish in the clear calm waters even though I leaned over peering into it for a long time . The trip was dull and after a while, I asked my parents if we could return to the shore. I would rather shop in the city.

My trip in South Africa lasted for about a week. On the last day of the trip, I insisted on taking another boat trip begging my parents to squeeze in the right before we rushed to the airport, I was glad that I could enjoy the peace and tranquil ride again. I enjoyed myself tremendously. I knew I would miss the place and could not wait to return.

**QUESTIONS:**

1. How did the writer learn about South Africa before his trip? ( 1 ½ )
2. Why did the writer think he may not be safe on the trip at first? ( 1 ½ )
3. Which words is similar in meaning to “very much”? (1)
4. Name two things that made boulders beach a safe and welcoming place for the writer?  
(2)
5. What do each of the words refer to- (2)  
a. that b. there
6. Why was it obvious that the writer did enjoy the boat ride? (1)
7. Give a suitable title for the passage. (1)

**SECTION B – 10 MARKS**

**QUESTION: 2**

**[5 marks]**

**Choose any one formal letter**

- a. Write a letter to your principal requesting him to grant you leave for a week to attend your uncle's house-warming ceremony.
- b. Write a letter to the Editor, The Indian Express, highlighting the effects of the air pollution in your locality.

**QUESTION: 3**

**Write a paragraph on any one topic. (100-150 words)**

**[5 marks]**

- a. Write about your favourite personality and what are the qualities you admire in him/her and why?
- b. Write a short story or a true incident which brings out the meaning of the proverb- 'Every cloud has a silver lining'.

**SECTION C- 20 MARKS**

**QUESTION: 4**

**DO AS DIRECTED**

- 1. Rewrite the following sentence correctly. **[1 mark]**
  - a. His son-in-laws looked after him in his old age.
- 2. Fill in the blanks with the right adjective. **[ ½ mark each=1]**
  - a. This is the \_\_\_\_\_ monument that I have ever seen. **[more beautiful/ most beautiful]**
  - b. A rainy day is \_\_\_\_\_ than a windy day. **[badder/ worse]**
- 3. Fill in the blanks using the pronouns given in the brackets. **[ ½ mark each=1]**
  - a. \_\_\_ of the sightseeing spots should we visit? **[interrogative pronoun]**
  - b. They arranged the picnic \_\_\_\_\_. **[Reflexive pronoun]**
- 4. Rewrite these sentences using gerunds as participles in place of infinitives. **[ ½ mark each= 1]**
  - a. To walk in the morning is a good exercise.
  - b. Girls love to eat ice cream.
- 5. Rewrite the sentences after changing the tense of the verb as mentioned in the brackets. **[1 mark each=2]**
  - a. They met us at the new restaurant. **[change to past perfect]**
  - b. They have lived here for many years. **[change to present continuous]**

6. Rewrite the sentences after transforming the adjectives into adverbs.

[1 mark each=2]

- a. He speaks in a rude manner to his friends.
- b. The smart student solved the math sums ease.

7. Rewrite the sentences by correcting the wrong prepositions.

[1 mark each=2]

- a. Humpty Dumpty sat upon a wall.
- b. They picked up a quarrel on me.

8. Choose the correct modal and fill in the blanks.

[ ½ mark each=1]

- a. Mary \_\_\_\_\_ remember her parents' anniversary this year.
- b. Rahul \_\_\_\_\_ clean his house before his parents arrive.

[can/ should]

[may/ must]

9. Punctuate the following sentence.

[1 mark]

- a. i went to the mall drank lemonade ate a samosa and bought a rowlings book. did you go out.

10. Rewrite these sentences by combining them with either coordinating or subordinating conjunctions.

[ ½ mark each =1]

- a. It is time to go home. We are getting into our car.
- b. You can read the newspaper. You can read a novel.

11. Rewrite the following sentences in the speech mentioned in the brackets.

[1 mark each=2]

- a. Priya said, "I want that biscuit."

[change to indirect speech]

- b. He said that he would have finished the project. [change to direct speech]

12. Rewrite each sentence replacing the phrase.

[1 mark each=2]

- a. My aunt bought me a comic which was interesting.
- b. These laptops that are made in China are selling like hot cakes.

13. Identify whether the following sentences are simple, compound or complex.

[ ½ mark each=1]

- a. She said that she was innocent.
- b. You must hurry or you will miss the bus.

14. Change the voice as mentioned in the brackets and rewrite the sentences.

[1 mark each=2]

- a. Close the window.
- b. The beds are being made by mother.

[change to passive voice]

[change to active voice]

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