

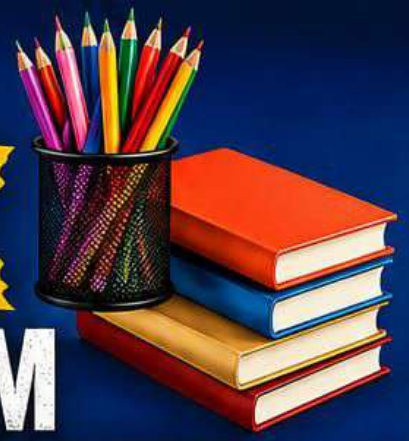


10TH STD

ENGLISH

1ST MID TERM

QUESTION PAPER - 2026&27



COMMON FIRST MID TERM TEST 2026

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Time Allowed : 1.30 Hours]

ENGLISH

[Max. Marks : 50

PART - I SECTION - I

Answer all the questions:

I. Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words:

9x1=9

1. The mother seagull *swooped* upwards
(a) Rushed (b) Ascended (c) Moved quickly (d) Leapt
2. The cops were *reluctant* to leave
(a) Bold (b) Certain (c) Rash (d) Hesitant
3. His father was *preening* the feathers
(a) Cleaning (b) Clearing (c) Dirtying (d) Colouring

Choose the appropriate Antonyms for the italicised words:

4. 'Nothing' he said *gruffly*.
(a) Sadly (b) Roughly (c) Joyfully (d) Plainly
5. His mother had swooped *upwards*
(a) Side wards (b) Out wards (c) Inwards (d) Downwards
6. Then a *Monstrous* terror seized him
(a) released (b) Grasped (c) Snatched (d) Conquered
7. Choose the Plural form of the word *Lorry*
(a) Lories (b) Lorrys (c) Lorries (d) Lorys

8. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate Article.

- _____ earth goes round the sun.
(a) an (b) e (c) the

9. Fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate preposition phrase from the given options.

- Children are given toys _____ sweets on children's day.
(a) on top of (b) in addition to (c) due to

PART - II SECTION - I

3x2=6

II. Answer any Three of the following questions.

10. Why did the Seagull fail to fly?
11. What made the young Seagull go mad?
12. What Woke up the Mother?
13. Who used to Zither and how?

SECTION - II

III. Read the following sets of Poetic lines and answers any Three of the following.

14. *Let me but live my life from year to year,
with forward face and unreluctant soul;*
(a) Whom does the word 'me' refer to
(b) What kind of life does the poet want to lead?

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15. *So let the way windup the hill or down
O'er rough or smooth the journey will be joy*
a) How is the way of life? b) How should be the journey of life?
16. *There's a family nobody likes to meet;
They live, it is said, on complaining street*
a) Where does the family live?
b) Why do you think the street is named as complaining street?
17. *Let us learn to walk with a smile and a song
No matter if things do sometimes go wrong*
a) What does the poet expect everyone to learn?
b) What should we do when things goes wrong sometimes?

SECTION - III

2x2=4

IV. Answer any Two of the following.

18. Complete the following sentences using appropriate modals.
a) I _____ win this singing contest.
b) you _____ do as I say.
19. Change the following sentences to the Other Voice.
Rosy will solve the Problem.
20. Punctuate the following sentence.
we had ghosts i said.

PART - III SECTION - I

2x5=10

V. Answer any Two of the following.

21. Describe the Struggles underwent by the young Seagull to overcome the fear of Flying.
22. Describe the Journey of life as depicted in the poem 'Hoardry van Dyke'.
23. Describe the Funny incident that caused the confusion in the House.

SECTION - II

1x5=5

VI. Answer the following.

24. Prepare an Attractive Advertisement using the Hints Given below.
Home appliances - Aadi sale - 20-50% special combo offers -
Muthusamy & Co, Raja Street, Trichy.

SECTION - III

1x5=5

VII. Quote from memory.

25. Let me but |
..... in fear.

SECTION - IV

1x5=5

VIII. Look at the following Picture and Express your views on it in a paragraph of Five Sentences.

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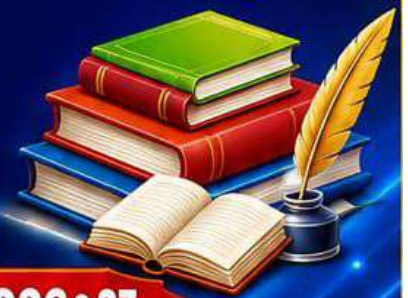
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i) Answer all the questions. ii) Choose the most suitable answer and write the code with corresponding answer.

1) Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicized words: 7x1=7

- 1) When school began, there was a *bustle*.
a) rush b) chaos c) noise d) confusion
- 2) He said in a *hopeless* tone of a *despondent* beagle.
a) angry b) affluent c) despairing d) strong

2) Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicized words:

- 3) She picked up a shoe and *whammed* it through the window.
a) tapped b) threw c) struck d) pulled
- 4) Herman *slammed* the door.
a) opened b) locked c) closed d) banged

3) Choose the correct plural form of "lady":

- a) ladies b) ladyes c) ladies d) ladies

4) Form a derivative by adding suffix to the word 'slave'.

- a) -esh b) -ish c) -sh d) -ash

5) Choose the correct expansion of the Abbreviation "CRY".

- a) Child Rights and yourself b) Children Rights and you
c) Child Rights and you d) Child Rights or you

6) Answer ANY TWO of the following questions in a sentence or two: 2x2=4

- 7) What prompted the young seagull to fly finally?
8) Why did Herman and the author slam the doors?
9) Who used the Zither and how?

7) Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer ANY ONE of the following: 1x2=2

- 10) "Let us learn to walk with a smile and a song,
No matter if things do sometimes go wrong."
a) What does the poet want everyone to learn?
b) What should we do when things go wrong?

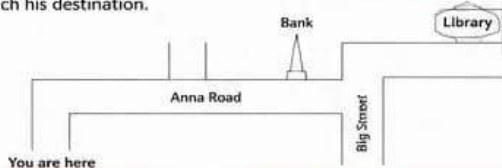
- 11) They growl at that and they growl at this;
Whatever comes, there is something amiss:
a) What does the word 'growl' mean here?
b) Why do they find everything amiss?

8) Answer ANY ONE of the following: 1x2=2

- 12) Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice:
Please do not use mobile phones here.
13) Punctuate the following sentence.
may i take zigzag to school papa arvind

9) Answer the following question: 1x2=2

- 14) A stranger wants to visit the library. Write the steps to guide him to reach his destination.



10) Answer ANY ONE of the following in utmost 10 lines: 1x5=5

- 15) Describe the struggles undergone by the young seagull to overcome its fear of flying.
16) Narrate the extensive search operation made by the policemen in the house.

11) Answer ANY ONE of the following: 1x5=5

- 17) Describe the journey of life in the poem: "LIFE"
18) Read the following stanza and answer the question given below:

They growl at that and they growl at this
Whatever comes, there is something amiss
And whether their station be high or humble,
They are all known by the name of Grumble.

- a) Identify the rhyme scheme of given lines.
b) Identify the rhyming words of the given lines.
c) Identify the figure of speech employed in the above lines.
d) Pick out the alliterating from the above line.

12) Answer ANY TWO of the following: 2x5=10

- 19) Home made taste - Hygiene - Family Restaurant - Fresh juice - free home delivery - card accepted - No. 1, Raja street - Madurai.
20) You are Tharvin / Tharshini Head boy / Head girl of your school. Write a Notice for your school notice board informing the students about the "Fancy Fete" that is going to be organised in your school campus on the 10th of next month.

21) Look at the following picture and express your views on it in about five sentences:



22) Quote from memory: 1x5=5

So let the way
..... of the quest.

23) Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints: 1x8=8

- a) Prospero - Duke of Milan - art of magic - Antonio - King of Naples - his daughter - in island - good spirit - created - storm - enemies - the ship - to came - Miranda and Ferdinand - attracted - forgave - realized - dukedom. (OR)
b) Dr. Ashok - Pet bird - children excited - it can speak - 21 language - zigzag with heavy stone - no peace at - Mrs. Krishnan - not happy - Dr. Krishnan writes - to solutions - no reply - turn of event - zigzag - take - care - orderliness - very quiet - zigzag commands - T. Krishnan happy - if not sleep - family - is happy with his presence.

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