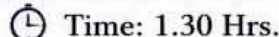
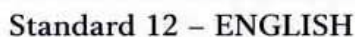




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COMMON FIRST MID TERM TEST – 2026

PART – I

Answer all the Questions

Choose the most appropriate Synonyms for the underlined words:

1.under the spout to catch the stray leaves.
- a) fresh b) loose
c) gathered d) harmful
2.my interest was again provoked by their remarkable demeanour.
- a) behaviour b) rudeness
c) awareness d) modesty

Choose the most appropriate Antonyms for the underlined words:

3. Predicting the arrival of visitors.....
a) journey b) migration
c) departure d) persuasion
4. The driver was very cautious.
a) wary b) vigilant
c) needful d) reckless
5. Form a new word by adding suitable suffix to the root word **familiar**.
a) -ing b) -ise
c) -let d) -ed
6. Scientists predict that by 2050, man _____ (land) on Mars.
(Use the correct form of the given verb)
7. You _____ not prepare for that.
(Use a semi modal)
8. Fill in the blank with the suitable preposition.
We shall meet tomorrow evening _____ 6 pm.
a) since b) after
c) during d) within
9. Choose the appropriate linker.
I could not attend the party _____ I had to take care of my ailing mother.
a) Although b) until
c) otherwise d) because
10. The protruding _____ (route / root) of the tree obstructed our way.
(Use the correct homophone)

PART – II

SECTION – I

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any two.

11. The giant wears the scarf and flowers are hung
In crimson clusters all the boughs among.
a) Why is the scarf colourful?
b) Mention the alliterated words in the second line.
12. We watched the mowers in the hay
And the enemy half a mile away.
a) Who are mowers?
b) Where were the enemies?
13. Sometimes, and most in winter – on its crest
A gray baboon sits statue-like alone.
a) What is a baboon?
b) Where was it sitting?

SECTION – II

Answer the following as directed: (any two)

14. Prem said to Karthick, "I bought a new watch yesterday."
(Change into indirect speech)
15. Report the following dialogue.
Rohin: What are you searching for?
Janani: I have kept my purse somewhere.
16. A library is a public place. We see a number of books kept there for reading.
(Combine the sentences using "where")

PART – III

SECTION – I

Explain the following lines with reference to the context:

17. "They seemed no threat to us at all."
18. "It is the tree's lament, an eerie speech..."

SECTION – II

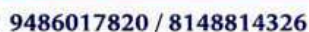
Answer any two of the following:

19. What is the second golden rule in the preparation of tea?
20. How did the narrator help the boys on Sunday?
21. How does adding sugar affect the taste of tea?

PART – IV

Answer the following in a paragraph.

22. a) What was the driving force that made Nicola and Jacopo do various jobs?
(or)
b) Summarise George Orwell's ideas in "A Nice Cup of Tea."
23. a) Human greed led to the mighty fall of the Citadel. Explain.
(or)
b) "The poet immortalizes the tree." – Elucidate.
24. a) Describe the life of Assianonov in prison.
(or)
b) Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper about the nuisance created by the roadside vendors blocking the pavements and occupying the parking zone.





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Standard – XII

ENGLISH

Part – I

Time: 1.30 hrs

Answer all the questions:

Marks: 50

Choose the most appropriate synonyms of the words underlined in the following sentences.

- Nicola was glaring at his young brother in vexation.
a) happiness b) annoyance
c) silence d) calmness
- China tea has virtues which are not to be despised nowadays.
a) Loved b) Hated
c) Declared d) Denied

Choose the most appropriate antonyms of the words underlined in the following sentences.

- Everything is so difficult now, food so scarce and dear.
a) rare b) insufficient
c) abundant d) sentimental
- Teapots are fitted with baskets under the spout to catch the stray leaves.
a) strong b) loose
c) gathered d) harmless

Choose the correct expansion of the following abbreviations.

- GPS:
a) Global Positioning Service
b) Geographical Positioning System
c) Government Publication Service
d) Global Positioning System
- ICU:
a) Intensive Careful Union
b) International Care Union
c) Intensive Care Unit
d) India's Care Unit

Choose the Plural form of the following.

- Apparatus:
a) apparatuses b) apparati
c) apparatusis d) apparatuses
- Syllabus:
a) Syllabuses b) syllable
c) syllabi d) syllabus

Fill in the blanks with the suitable homophones.

- Our _____ is a man of _____.
(principle / principal)

Choose the tetra syllabic word from the following.

- a) accompaniment b) monument
c) particular d) testament
- a) personality b) possibility
c) productivity d) technology

PART – IV

Answer the following in not more than 30 words. (Answer any two) (2×2½=5)

- What were the various jobs undertaken by the little boys?
- How did the narrator help the boys on Sunday?
- What are the author's views on China tea?

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Form a derivative by adding a suitable prefix to the root word.

12. Patient

- a) Un b) Im
c) dis d) be

Form a derivative by adding a suitable suffix to the root word.

13. Manage

- a) ly b) ment
c) mis d) ful

Fill in the blanks with the suitable modal verbs.

- The rich _____ help the poor.
a) will b) shall
c) should d) might
- We _____ drive carefully on the highway.
a) would b) should
c) will d) could

PART – II

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any three. (3×2=6)

- All through that summer at ease we lay,
And daily from the turret wall
a) What does "we" refer to?
b) How did the soldiers spend the summer days?
- Our gates were strong, our walls were thick
So smooth and high, no man could win.
a) How safe was the Castle?
b) Were the walls short?
- Like a huge python, winding round and round
The rugged trunk, indented deep with scars,
Up to its very summit near the stars.
a) What wound round and round like a python?
b) What is compared to a huge python?
- A creeper climbs, in whose embraces bound
No other tree could live.
a) Which tree is referred to in the above lines?
b) How does the poet describe the creeper?

PART – III

Explain the following with Reference to the Context. (1×3=3)

(or)

- How can this shameful tale be told?
- Dear is the Casuarina to my soul.

PART – V

Answer the following in a paragraph. (4×5=20)

- Justify the title of the story "Two Gentlemen of Verona".
- Describe the capture of the Castle.
- Write an application for the post of Personal Secretary to the Managing Director of a company. Include the following details: Educational Qualification, Experience, Various other Qualifications required for the post.
- Make notes of the following passage.

The Brihadeeswarar Temple, also known as the Tanjore (Thanjavur) Periya Kovil or Tanjore Pragaadeeswar Temple, is a magnificent example of ancient Dravidian architecture located in Tamil Nadu, India. Built by the great Chola king Raja Raja Chola I in the 11th century, the UNESCO World Heritage Site stands as a testament to the grandeur and precision of Chola engineering and artistry. Dedicated to Lord Shiva, the temple is renowned for its massive central vimana (tower), which rises over 200 feet and is crowned by a single granite stone weighing around 80 tons. The temple complex features detailed sculptures, frescoes, and inscriptions that provide insight into the cultural and religious life of the Chola period.

It is one of the largest temples in India and an architectural marvel of South India. The temple walls are adorned with intricate carvings depicting mythological stories and daily life. The Nandi (sacred bull) statue at the entrance is carved from a single stone and weighs about 25 tons. Even after a thousand years, the temple continues to attract devotees, historians, and tourists alike.