Appendix I

ACHIEVEMENT TEST

Std XI / XII

English

Time : 3 hrs         Marks : 100

(A) Choose the most accurate of the four given contexts :  2 x 1 = 2

1. He **extolled** it as a moral courage.
   a) We should not condemn courage.
   b) Criticising morality is bad.
   c) The teacher praised him very much.
   d) They explained morality and courage.

2. The sun raises doubts about feasibility.
   a) There is a possibility of rain today.
   b) To arrange a feast one needs ability.
   c) The impossibility of building a house disheartened him.
   d) Enjoy the good music.

B) Choose the most accurate of the four given contents.   2 x 1 = 2

1. Woman’s marvellous power is lying dormant.
   a) ordinary  b) magnificent  c) bright  d) dull

2. His pain and anger are evident.
   a) clear  b) hidden  c) seen  d) good
C) Answer any Five of the following.  
1. From compound word: Noun + Noun
2. Noun + verb
3. Use the compound word ‘lifetime’ in your own sentence.
5. Write a sentence using the plural form of ‘medium’.

II (A) Fill in the blanks:  
1. In the army soldiers ______ obey their officers. (use a modal verb)
2. If I ______ (be) a millionaire I would help the blind. (use the given verb in a suitable form)
3. ______ being poor, she always helped others. (use a phrase)
4. Frame a sentence: SVOA
5. Rare plants are found in the silent valley. (write the kind of passive voice)

B) Transform the following sentences:  
1. Mohan: Congratulations! You have passed in the first class.  
   David: Thank you very much. (Report the dialogue)
2. If I had known the truth I would have told it. (Begin with ‘Had’)
3. It was too cold for us to go out. (Rewrite as complex sentence)
4. Though he is poor he is honest. (Rewrite as simple sentence)
5. Unless you tell the truth I shall not let you go. (Rewrite as compound sentence)
III) (A) Identify each sentence with the field:  

(Sports, Music, Education)

1. Anthem, Rahman Style.

2. India – Aussie series going to be tough.

(B) Read the following passage and answer in your own words the Question given below:

Cats are independent animals. They are domestic animals like dogs, but they are not so completely so domestic as dogs. They like to keep some secrets. They have their own private lives. The domestic cat is very much a hunter and a wanderer like her bigger sisters, the lion and the tiger. The ancient Egyptians, were probably the first people to keep cats hit they not keep them as pets. The cat it is an interesting fact that the English people usually refer to cats as female the male cat get’s a special name. He is a ‘tomcat’. In the English language the woman is called a ‘cat’. If she say’s unkind things around the other women but we do not call a man ‘cat’. If he says unkind about the other men. If a man is not very nice to call him a ‘dog’ or ‘rat’.

Question:

1. Why are cats not completely domestic animals?

2. Who are the elder sisters of a cat? What do they do in common?

3. Who were the first people to keep cats? How did they regard cats?

4. How do the English refer to cats? How do they call a male cat?

5. What do we call a woman or man if she or he talks ill of others?
IV (A) Answer any one of the following in a paragraph of about 100 words:

1. How do you relate ‘Ahimsa’ and ‘satyagraha’ to women?
2. Critically analyse the funeral oration of Mark Antony.
3. Describe the final leg of the trek to Suraj Kund.

(B) Write an essay in about 250 words on any one of the following.

1. Trekking to the land of snow.
2. Gandhi was no advocate of blind adherence to tradition – Explain.
3. The making of Johnson’s Dictionary of the English Language.

V (A) Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions given below each of them.

1. “You ripened into nectar in fruit jars
That hung like clustered stars”
   (a) What does ‘you’ refer here?
   (b) Give the meaning of the word ‘cluster’.

2. “The spoils of ages, global merchandise
Mingling in your strains”.
   (a) Explain ‘global merchandise’
   (b) Who is musing continuously?
3. “O winged seed! you crossed the furrowed
   seas To nestle in the warm and silent earth”.

(a) Mention the figure of speech used in these lines.
(b) Which crossed the seas?

C) Explain any one of the following with reference to the context:

1. “To live unknown beyond the cherished circle which we can bless
   and aid”.

2. “I mark’d where on a little promontory it stood isolated”.

D) Answer any one of the following questions in about 100 words:

1. How does the poet compare the human soul to the spider?
2. What is H.W. Longfellow’s philosophy of work?
3. How does the poet define “Women’s Rights”? 

(V)
VI (A) Write a paragraph by rearranging the following sentences in the correct sense.

1) - He shouted angrily at them.
    - The children used to go and play in the ‘giants’ garden.
    - The giant had been to visit his friend the Cornish Ogre.
    - It was a lovely garden with beautiful flowers.
    - When he returned, the giant saw children playing in it.
    - He was a selfish giant.

B) Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

At the end of the day, the man called the Horse and the Dog and the Ox together and said, “Three, O Three, I’m very sorry for you; but that Humph-thing in the desert can’t work, or he would have been here by now, so I am going to leave him alone, and you must work double-time to make up for it.”

That made that three very angry and they held a Palavar and an indaba and a panchayat and a pow-wow on the edge of the Desert; and the Camel came chewing on milk weed – most scruciating idle, and laughed at them. Then he said “Humph” and went away again.

(VI)
Questions
a) Whom did the man call at the end of the day?
b) What is the humph thing in the desert?
c) What was the man’s advice to the three animals?
d) What was the reaction of the animals?
e) Who came there and what did he do?

VII. A. Answer the following  
1. What is a thesaurus?
2. What facility does the reprography section in a library contain?
3. How should a reader conduct himself in a library?
4. Mention a complete e-mail ID of any women’s organisation.
5. Arrange two names of the authors John Milton and Ernest Hemingway as found in the library catalogue.

B. Read the following, spot the errors and correct them.  
1. If I was you, I would reply immediately.
2. Could you lend me one of your pen?
3. Although he came late, but he finished the work in time.
4. A group of twelve students are travelling together.
5. Rini is best student in the class.

VIII. A. Write the summary of the following passage in about 100 words.

The Great Wall of China is said to be the one structure built by man on earth which is visible to those who look at it from the moon. The wall covers a distance of 1,500 miles from Liotung Peninsula Westward to the last fortress in Central Asia, it crosses all the northern provinces of China. But its actual course, twisting and turning, sweeping across deep
valleys, covers over 2,000 miles. In the eastern section, the height of the wall varies from 13-15 feet and its width from about 25 feet at the bottom to 15 feet at the top, where there is a pathway wide enough for six horsemen, to ride side by side protected by parapets. When the wall was first built, it had about 25000 towers, each 40 feet square and 40 feet high, projecting from it every few hundred yards with holes from which the defenders could shoot at attackers. Thousands of these towers are still standing.

B. Respond the following advertisement considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified.

| MAGIC NIGHT |  |
| Mosquito Coil, Pooja Agarbathies, Magic Masala | requires |
| SALES OFFICERS | |
| Chennai based well established company requires well experienced graduates having capacity to appoint distributors and also having fluency in English can courier their Bio-Data immediately. | |

FMCG INDIA

128/30, Senthil Nagar, 100 Feet Road,

Chennai - 94
IX. A. Match the proverbs with their meanings. 3 x 1 = 3

1. Experience is the best teacher – Start early and you will succeed.

2. Slow and steady wins the race – A work should not be entrusted to many people.

3. Too many cooks spoil the broth – One has to learn by doing.

B. Match the slogans with their suitable products. 3 x 1 = 3

1. Airways - change your view

2. Glasses - no more waiting

3. ATM - the joy of flying.

X. Write a general essay about 200 words on any one of the following. 1 x 10 = 10

1. I am proud of my country.

2. The importance of learning English.

3. Need to preserve the environment.
Appendix II

BIO-DATA

(To be filled in by the candidate)

Name of the student : 

Name of the school : 

Type of Institution : Boys/Girls/Co-education

Nature of Institution : Minority/Private/Govt./Management Aided

Medium of Instruction : Tamil / English

Standard : XI / XII

Group of Study : I Group/ II Group / III Group

Educational Qualification of Father :

Educational Qualification of Mother:

Occupation of Father : 

Occupation of Mother : 

Quarterly Exam Marks : / 200

(to be filled in by the Investigator)

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(X)
ENGLISH

XI & XII

Max Marks : 100

Time : 2 Hrs

Answer All the Questions

1. Respond the following advertisement considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified.

   WANTED
   Computer Operator
   The applicant should be a graduate in Computer Science with minimum two years experience in the field. Apply to
   Box No.1712
   C/o The Hindu
   CHENNAI – 2

   1 x 20 = 20
2. Write an essay in about 200 words on any ONE of the following.

1 x 20 = 20

a) My country b) My ambition in life c) My school
3. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below.

The Vatican is the world’s smallest country which became independent in 1929. It occupies 109 acres in the Italian capital, Rome. It has been the spiritual and administrative centre of the Roman Catholic Church. At the heart of the Vatican is St. Peter’s Basilica, the world’s largest Christian church. Inside the Vatican palace are the living quarters of the Pope and the offices where the officials work. The palace includes chapels, a library and museums. Vatican city state has its own small ‘army’ of soldiers called the Swiss Guard, who maintain order and protect the Pope. About 1000 people live here. All the people here are Christians and speak Italian.

Questions

a) What is the specialty of Vatican?

b) Describe the location of the Vatican city?

c) What is St. Peter’s Basilica? Where is it?

d) What can one see in the city of Vatican?

e) What is ‘Swiss Guard’? What is its duty?
4. Transform the following as instructed. 
   \[5 \times 4 = 20\]
   i) Ram : Where are you going?
       Ravi : I am going to the library.
   (Report the dialogue)
   ii) Walk fast otherwise we will miss the train.
       (Rewrite into a complex sentence)
   iii) If you study well you will pass
       (Rewrite into a simple sentence)
   iv) Inspite of being rich he is not happy.
       (into a compound sentence)
   v) If I had worked hard I would have earned more.
       (Being with ‘Had’)

5. Grammatical Applications
   \[10 \times 2 = 20\]
   a) They ............... come to meet me tomorrow. (use a model verb)
   b) He ............... (go) for a walk daily. (use the given verb in a suitable form)
   c) If I ............... (be) a bird I would fly. (use the given verb in a suitable form)
   d) After he ............... (complete) the work he want to paly. (use the given verb in a suitable form)
   e) Milk ............... (be) white. (use the given verb in a suitable form)
   f) ............... seeing the police, the thief ran away (use a phrase)

(XIV)
g) Letters are delivered by the postman. (Write the kind of passive voice)

h) I prepared well ............. I went to attend an interview (use a suitable link word)

i) Frame a sentence of the pattern : SVO
   Ans :

j) Identify the sentence pattern :
   My father is a farmer.