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**SINDHI HIGH SCHOOL, HEBBAL**

**PERIODIC TEST - I (2023-24)**

**SUBJECT – English**

**Marks: 30**

**Class: VII Timings: 1 Hours 10 mins**

**Date: 07/7/2023 Reading Time: 8:05 to 8:15 am Number of printed sides: 3 Writing Time: 8:15 to 9:15 am**

**General Instructions:**

* **All the questions are compulsory.**
* **There are three sections :**

1. **Section : A ( Reading is for 5 marks.**
2. **Section B ( Writing and Grammar ) is for 13 marks.**
3. **Section : C ( Literature ) is for 12 marks.**

**SECTION A ( READING ) 5 Marks**

**Q1.Read the following passage and answer the questions:-**

**Palace of Versailles**

Versailles is the site of the Palace of Versailles, one of the most storied buildings in the

history of France. It was originally built as a hunting chateau by King Louis VIII in 1624.

In 1669, King Louis XIV began searching for a grand site where he could conduct the

affairs of France and control the government. He settled on the hunting palace and

expanded it into the world's largest palace. In addition, the King hoped to build a

governmental centre apart from Paris.

The palace took 36,000 workers fifty years to build. The palace is spread out over 280

acres and can house 20,000 people! The palace features over 700 rooms and 67 staircases.

There are dozens of unique rooms, features, gardens, and halls. One of the most renowned

rooms of the Palace of Versailles is the Hall of Mirrors. Recently restored, the Hall of

Mirrors is the centrepiece of the dazzling building. Originally added to the palace in 1684,

the Hall of Mirrors was built to be a dazzling display of the power and wealth of the

French Monarchy. The hall, which measures 73 metres in length, features 357 gold-coated

stucco mirrors, ornate paintings, crystal chandeliers, marble fixtures, a parquet floor, and

ceilings with colourful murals painted by artist Charles Le Brun. The Hall of Mirrors has

also played a prominent role in history. Both the Proclamation of the German Empire in

1871 after the Franco-Prussian War, and the signing of the Treaty of Versailles that

formally ended World War One were signed there.

**Based on the understanding of the passage, answer the questions that follow: (1 x 5 = 5)**  
**i) When was the Palace of Versailles originally built?**

a) 1624 b) 1684 c) 1786 d) 1669

**ii) Why did King Louis XIV want a grand palace?**  
 a) As a hunting chateau.  
 b) As a place to conduct his nation's business.  
 c) So he and his queen could retire comfortably.  
 d) He wanted to impress his wife.

**iii) The Palace of Versailles can hold \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people.**

a) 700 b) 280 c) 20,000 d) 50,000

**iv) What would you not find at the Palace of Versailles?**

a)mirrors b) gardens c) beaches d) stairwells

**v) The Hall of Mirrors contains \_\_\_\_\_\_ mirrors.**

a) 357 b) 573 c) 280 d) 375

**SECTION B (WRITING & GRAMMAR) 13 Marks**

**Q2. You have purchased a new audio visual equipment which you would like to show to**

**your best friend. Write a letter inviting him/her for dinner and also to see the new**

**equipment. (5 marks)**

**Q3.A. Make sentences by putting the jumbled words in order: (1 x 2 = 2)**

a) cat / fed / she / mother / when / her / out / was / her

b) I /walked/ to / out / stove / the / wood / for / collect

**B. Fill in the blank by choosing the correct collective noun from the box**. **( ½ x 4 = 2)**

**herd, brood, flock, gaggle**

i) A \_\_\_\_\_\_ of hens. ii) A \_\_\_\_\_\_ of birds.

iii) A \_\_\_\_\_\_ of turkeys. iv) A \_\_\_\_\_\_ of guinea pigs.

**C. Identify the type of sentence: (1 x 2 = 2)**

***i) I enjoy studying English.***

1. Exclamatory c. Imperative
2. Interrogative d. Declarative

***ii) What a terrible Idea!***

1. Exclamatory c. Imperative
2. Interrogative d. Declarative

**D. Find the adverb and the interjection from the following (1 x 2 = 2)**

i) The river flows swiftly.

ii) Whoa! That guy is huge.

**SECTIION C (LITERATURE) 12 Marks**

**Q4. Read the following passage and answer the questions: (1 x 3 = 3)**

The King was very happy to have made peace with the enemy so easily and to have won

him over as a friend. He not only forgave him but said he would send him servants and his

own doctor to look after him, and he promised to give back the man his property.

**i) Name the lesson from which the above lines are extracted.**

a) The Minister and his advice b) Three Questions

c) The Tiny Teacher d) The Squirrel

**ii) After forgiving his enemy, the king \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

a) gave him jewels b) was very sad

c) sent his servants to attack him d) sent his servants and his own doctor to

look after him

**iii) What promise did the king make to the man?**

a) He promised to give back the man his property.

b) He promised to take care of his family.

c) He promised to make him the king.

d) He promised to give him a horse.

**Q5. Answer the following in 30 to 40 words. (2 x 3 =6 )**

i) In what way is an ant’s life peaceful?

ii) “He liked to tease and play”. Who is teasing whom? How?

iii) Why was the king advised to go to the magician?

**Q6. Answer the following in detail.**

What were the hermit’s answers to the three questions? Which answers do you

like the most and why? **( 3)**

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