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Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade : VI

Marks: 80

Subject : English

Roll no: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: 2.5 hrs

## General Instructions:

- Candidates are allowed additional 15 minutes for only reading the paper.
- They must NOT start writing during this time.
- Attempt all questions.
- You should begin each answer on a fresh page.

### Question 1

a) Write a diary entry on a time when I overcame a challenge. (8)

b) Write a story, in about 250-300 words, using the following outline. (8)

An old farmer had four sons \_\_\_\_ the sons were lazy \_\_\_\_ the farmer got worried about them \_\_\_\_ on his death-bed, summons his sons \_\_\_\_ tells them a treasure lies buried in the long-neglected fields \_\_\_\_ the old man dies \_\_\_\_ the sons go to the fields looking for the treasure \_\_\_\_ dig hard \_\_\_\_ rains fall \_\_\_\_ they sow the seeds \_\_\_\_ reap a good harvest \_\_\_\_ the discover the real treasure.

### Question 2 Any 2 (14)

- Write an application to your class teacher requesting her to grant you a week's leave.
- Construct an argumentative essay on whether Technology is a Boon or Bane? in about 250-300 words.
- Pen a letter to a close friend, sharing your thoughts and feelings about a recent life decision or dilemma you're facing.

### Question 3 (16)

a) Complete the following sentences using an appropriate form of the verb given in the brackets. (4)

- Bread and butter \_\_\_\_\_ my favourite breakfast. (is/are)
- Anand and his friends \_\_\_\_\_ the ushers for the evening service. (is/are)
- Many around him \_\_\_\_\_ staring at him. This made him realize that he had worn different shoes on both feet. (was/were)
- This bull and those calves \_\_\_\_\_ to the same farm. (belong/belongs)

b) Fill in the blanks with the correct forms of the adverbs given in the bracket: (4)

- Sachin will win the match \_\_\_\_\_. (easy)
- \_\_\_\_\_, he escaped unhurt by the lion. (lucky)
- The rain was falling \_\_\_\_\_. (heavy)
- She drives the car very \_\_\_\_\_. (careful)

c) Complete the table with appropriate degree of comparison:

(4)

large		
		fastest
Good		
	wiser	

d) Match the idioms with their meanings:

(4)

1	Hit the nail on the head	Take on too much work
2	Know someone inside out	Decide to stop doing a task
3	Bite off more than one can chew	Do or say exactly the right thing
4	Call it a day	Know someone very well

Question no. 4

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow:

Penguins are one of the world's most interesting birds. They waddle when they walk, and have flippers instead of wings. The bones in a penguin's flippers are heavier and more solid than those in the wings of a flying bird. This helps the penguin 'fly' through the water. The penguin's black back and white front has an important function, too – camouflage in the water. Penguins blend in with the sea from above and with the sky from below. This makes it harder for predatory birds, leopard seals, sea lions, orcas and sharks to see them. Many people think all penguins live in the cold and ice of Antarctica. However, only 6 of the 17 species of penguins live in Antarctica. The others live in parts of New Zealand, Australia, South Africa and South America and on the Falkland and Galapagos Islands. The Emperor penguin is the world's largest penguin. Its oily outer feathers help keep it dry. Its dense inner down feathers and thick fat layer helps keep it warm. Emperor penguins also often huddle in groups to conserve heat. A mother Emperor penguin lays only one egg at a time. After the mother Emperor penguin lays the egg, she travels to the open sea to feed on fish, squid and krill (shrimp-like ocean crustaceans). The father stays behind with the egg. He keeps it warm and protected by balancing it on his feet and covering it with feathered skin called a brood pouch. The mother returns two months later, regurgitates food for the newly-hatched chick, then stays with it while the father goes out to sea to feed.

A. Choose the correct options.

(4)

- Penguins are fascinating animals because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - They waddle when they walk
  - They have flippers instead of wings
  - They can 'fly' through water
  - All of the above
- The penguin's black back and white front \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Makes it look cute
  - Keeps it warm in the icy waters
  - Acts as camouflage in the water
  - Helps it in swimming
- Of the 17 species of penguins, only \_\_\_\_\_ are found in the Antarctica.
  - 4
  - 5
  - 6
  - 7

4. Emperor penguins often huddle in group's \_\_\_\_\_.
- To preserve heat
  - Because they are very social by nature
  - As a game
  - None of the above

**B. Answer the following questions. (6)**

- What helps penguins fly through water?
- Do you think human beings have something to learn from the way Emperor penguins take care of their babies? Give reasons for your answer.
- Describe the character sketch of penguin.

C. Find from passage the opposite of 'disperse'. (1)

D. Find the synonym of 'holding your attention'. (1)

### Question 5

**Answer the following questions: (Any 6) (6x3=18)**

- How did Tommy describe the old school and its teachers to Margie?
- Why are the animals in the woods unafraid of humans?
- What does the speaker of the poem 'The little Green Orchard' feel amidst the sounds and the silence in the orchard?
- Was the sculptor able to portray the character of Ozymandias along with his physical features? How?
- Why did Bob's hands tremble as he read Jimmy's note?
- Why do you think Anne said that paper had more patience than people? Do you agree with her? Give reasons for your answer.
- Why did Margie feel it necessary to write about the 'real' book in her diary?

### Question 6

**Complete the lines of the poem: (4)**

Someone is always \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ green orchard.

**All the Best**