APEEJAY COMMON EXAMINATION, 2012  
CLASS - VI  
ENGLISH (MCQ)  
SET-I  
SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT II

TIME ALLOWED : 15 Min.  
MAXIMUM MARKS : 10

1. Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow by ticking the right answer:

(a) “Nothing short of a miracle would make Jane leave before her self- allotted fortnight is over.”

(i) Who says these words and to whom?
   (a) Sturridge to Mrs Beau whistle
   (b) Mrs Beau whistle to Louis
   (c) Mrs Beau whistle to Sturridge

(ii) Why does the speaker want Jane to leave?
   (a) because the speaker does not want her to stay anymore.
   (b) because a new guest is coming to stay with the speaker.
   (c) because Jane had been staying for a long time.

(iii) Who promises the miracle to happen? Does the miracle happen?
   (a) Sturridge; the miracle does not happen.
   (b) Louis; the miracle happens.
   (c) Louis; the miracle does not happen.

(b) “We thought it might happen, and it did so one day.”

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(ii) What happened and why?
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2. Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow by ticking the right answer:
   (a) "One more night of this will send me to the madhouse. Besides being a thorough gentleman, I think Mr. Dorset is generous for making us such an offer. You aren't going to let the chance go, are you?"
      (i) Who is the speaker of these lines? (1 mark)
         (a) Sam
         (b) Bill
         (c) Johnny Dorset
      (ii) Why do you think Mr. Dorset is referred to as a generous man? (1 mark)
         (a) He had agreed to pay the ransom to the kidnappers.
         (b) He had offered extra dollars to the kidnappers for not harming his son.
         (c) He had demanded just two hundred and fifty dollars for bringing his son back home.
      (iii) What do these lines tell you about the mood of the speaker? (1 mark)
         (a) He is delighted and hopeful.
         (b) He is tired and anxious.
         (c) He is comfortable and relaxed.
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(b) "He frantically looked for it all over his coat and on the ground. It had completely vanished. With an uneasy feeling he joined the group."

(i) Who is referred to as ‘he’ in these lines? (1 mark)
   (a) Gopal
   (b) The drill master
   (c) The Principal

(ii) Why was he feeling uneasy? (1 mark)
   (a) He was feeling very tired.
   (b) He wanted to be in the first row to welcome the Viceroy.
   (c) He could not locate the ant anywhere.

(iii) The word ‘frantically’ means: (1 mark)
   (a) calmly
   (b) anxiously
   (c) merrily
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General Instructions:
1. Attempt all the questions.
2. Answer must be correctly numbered as in the question paper.
3. Questions for each section must be answered together.

Section-A (Reading) (16 marks)

1. Read the following poem carefully.

THE STARGAZER

A stargazer out late at night,
With eyes and thoughts turned both upright,
Tumbled by chance into a well
(A dismal story this is to tell);
He roared and sobbed, and roared again,
And cursed the 'Bear' and 'Charles's Wain'.
His woeful cries a neighbour brought,
Less learned, but wiser far in thought:
'My friend', quoht he, 'you're much misled,
With stars to trouble thus your head:
Since you with these misfortunes meet,
For want of looking to your feet.'

1.1 On the basis of your reading of the poem, complete the summary of the poem given below. Write the option you consider the most appropriate in your answer sheet.
The poem relates the (a). ............... story of a (b). ............... . One night, he was walking and (c). ............... at the stars lost in his (d). ............... . By (e). ............... he (f). ............... into a well. For a long time nobody heard his (g). ............... and sob. He (h). ............... himself for being foolish enough to (l). ............... at stars and constellations absentmindedly. After quite sometime, a (j). ............... happened to hear his (k). ............... cries for help. He came and fished the stargazer out. He couldn’t help commenting that the (l). ............... was getting into all sorts of (m). ............... because he was (n). ............... unnecessarily at the (o). ............... whereas he should have looked to his (p). ............... all the time.

2. Read the passage carefully: (8 marks)

JUST ENOUGH

1. Joseph, the tailor, always dreamt of making something special for himself. For many years he saved each penny and finally, one day he made a warm, grey coat with gold, silver and some crimson threads. Joseph loved his coat – it was warm, colourful and admired by all.

2. Seasons passed. One evening, Joseph saw a young woman shivering in a thin shawl. He took off his coat and gave it to her. Later he got to know her and soon the two were married.

3. Joseph continued to wear the coat till the day it was worn out.

One day, he held up his coat and said, "This coat means so much. It was my first dream. It helped me meet my wife. But now there is nothing left." But then he laughed, "There is something left. Just enough." He took the coat and by morning he had made a jacket.

4. Soon he had twin girls. One night when the first snowflakes fell, he picked them, tucked one into each side of his jacket and said, "Let's taste the first snowflakes of winter." Joseph was happy with his children. He wore the jacket for years till it was worn out. He held the jacket up. "This jacket means so much to me. There's nothing left now." But then he stopped, "There is just enough." He took the jacket and by morning he had made a cap.

5. When his girls were 13, there was a famine. Joseph's family had very little to eat. One day they went into the forest to collect firewood when they saw ripe berries. The family stuffed their mouths with berries, but there were more. And so Joseph's cap was filled with black berries.

6. Joseph continued to wear the cap until it was worn out. Again he felt, "There's just enough." He took the cap and by morning he had made a bow tie. He wore the bow tie everywhere - to his daughters' weddings and births of his grandchildren.

7. But one day, the bow tie was lost. Everyone knew of his bow tie, but no one had seen it. That day Joseph went to bed without dinner. Next day, Joseph said, "I am
too sad, I have lost my bow tie and so many memories." His daughters said,  
"Your grandchildren do not know the stories. Tell them about the cloth, dad."

8. So he told them about making the coat, meeting his wife, dancing in the snow  
with his babies, the berry pie...... As he recalled tears fell down his cheeks.

9. His eldest grandchild chimed in, "Your bow tie was a butterfly, grandpa. Maybe it  
flew away." Joseph sighed, "Yes, the bowtie flew but I realize that the memories I  
have can not fly away. There are just enough memories left to make a story. The  
story will never be lost if you help me keep it." He hugged his family close and got  
out of bed. His story was passed down through many generations.

2.1 On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following  
questions. Write the option you consider the most appropriate in your  
answer sheet:  (5 marks)
(a) What was Joseph's dream?
   (i) he dreamt of getting a beautiful wife and a good family.
   (ii) he dreamt of having a warm coat for himself.
   (iii) he dreamt of beautiful dresses for his two daughters.

(b) What was the importance of the coat for Joseph?
   (i) he saved each penny for years and it was very costly.
   (ii) it was his first dream and it helped him to meet his wife.
   (iii) it was warm and colourful and was admired by all.

(c) How did Joseph react to the snowfall?
   (i) he was very happy and enjoyed it with his children.
   (ii) he was very annoyed and got into his home with his family.
   (iii) he was very annoyed because his jacket got wet.

(d) Why did Joseph's family go to the forest?
   (i) they went to collect the firewood.
   (ii) they went to collect berries.
   (iii) they went to stay in the forest as there was famine in the town.

(e) What consoled Joseph after he had lost his bow-tie?
   (i) he thought that he would get it back one day.
   (ii) he thought that he had just enough memories to make a story.
   (iii) he thought that though he had lost the bowtie, yet he was close to his  
   family.

2.2 Find words from the passage which mean the same as the following:  (3 marks)
(a) of deep red colour (para1)
3. **Arrange the biography of Late Mother Teresa in a sequential order:** (4 marks)

(a) Mother Teresa was born on 27th August 1910 to Albanian parents in Skopje, in the former Yugoslavia.
(b) She opened the first slum school in Kolkata in 1948.
(c) She was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for her work in 1979.
(d) In 1971, she was awarded the Pope John XXIII Peace Prize by Pope Paul VI.
(e) She became a Roman Catholic nun and entered in Loretto Abbey in Ireland in 1928.
(f) She was awarded the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian award in 1980.
(g) She arrived in India to begin novitiate training and also taught Geography at a convent school in Kolkata in 1929.
(h) She died of a massive heart attack on September 5, 1997.

4. Sonal is getting her parcel registered. She follows the following steps. As Sonal, write out the instructions in a paragraph for her younger brother telling him how to get a parcel registered. The instructions are as follows: (5 marks)

(a) Visit the Post Office.
(b) Buy the requisite stamps.
(c) Go back to the registered parcel counter.
(d) Stick the stamps on the parcel.
(e) Collect a receipt after handing over the parcel.

5. You are Vandana / Vaibhav, the Head girl/boy of ‘Aastha’ school. You have been asked by the Principal of your school to write a notice (in 50 words) inviting students to give articles, poems and drawings for the annual school magazine. Do mention details such as the last date of submission and stress on originality of ideas. (5 marks)

6. You are Amar / Amrita of New Delhi. Write a letter to your friend who lives in Jaipur telling him/her about how you intend to spend your upcoming summer vacation. Also invite your friend at your place. (10 marks)

**Hints:**
- Games – watching T.V. – also join the summer camp – hobby classes.
Section–C (GRAMMAR) (12 marks)

7. Fill in the blanks with suitable modals given in the brackets:
   (should, have to, must, ought to, may, would, mustn’t, used to)
   (4 marks)
   (a) My grandmother .................. often take me to the temple when she was alive.
   (b) People ...................... talk on their cell phones at a petrol pump.
   (c) He ....................... be in the library now.
   (d) You ..................... improve your spellings.
   (e) Rita and Smita ................. burn the midnight oil as it is their exam tomorrow.
   (f) We ......................... obey the traffic rules.
   (g) It ......................... rain tomorrow.
   (h) When we were young, we ..................... have a lot of fun at our uncle’s place during vacations.

8. Fill in the blanks by adding suitable suffix or prefix to the words given in the bracket.
   (4 marks)
   Our (a)....................... (depend) on cars is (b)....................... (danger) to the environment because they emit gases which are (c)....................... (harm) for the air.
   This has become a serious problem today as our metro cities are (d)....................... (polluted).
   Our transport policy needs to be revised at the earliest.

9. Complete the given sentences using present perfect continuous tense and the words given in the brackets.
   (4 marks)
   (a) A doctor has been called to see my grandfather as his stomach
       (ache) ....................... 
   (b) The Indian cricket team is resting these days as it (tour)
       ....................... a lot lately.
   (c) Students have been given a day’s off after the Annual Day as they (toil)
       ....................... a lot.
   (d) The temperature in the Capital has come down as it (snow)
       ....................... in Kashmir.

Section–D (Literature) (18 marks)

10. Answer the following questions in 30–40 words each:
    (6 x 2 marks)
    (a) Why did Gopal start playing with the ant? What made this experience enjoyable for him?
(b) What was the condition of the cricket when he went to the ant asking for help? Why did the cricket not collect any food during the summer season?
(c) Why does the poet describe the caged bird as 'a crippled thing'?
(d) Why did Sam and Bill plan a kidnapping? What amount did they ask for ransom?
(e) Why did people stare at John?
(f) Was the ant right in sending the cricket away? Why do you think so?

11. Imagine you are Louis. Write a diary entry expressing your disappointment for not getting any reward from Mrs. Beau whistle.

OR

Imagine you are Johnny Dorset. After reaching home, write a diary entry describing your stay with the kidnappers. Also describe your mischievous behaviour with them.

(6 marks)