

MAR THOMA RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL, THIRUVALLA

Class : 6

**Second Terminal Examination December, 2018
Paper I –English Language**

**Time: 2 hours
Marks: 80**

Question: 1

Write a composition (200-250 words) on :

A picnic with my family

(15)

Question: 2

a) Write a letter to your friend in another school, about the club you are a part of in your school and why you chose it. **(10)**

b) Write a notice about the interschool cricket match to be held at your school. **(5)**

Question: 3

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

(15)

Not many know that along with the athletic contests held for men at ancient Olympia, there was a separate festival for women athletes. This was in honour of Hera, the wife of Zeus. This festival was held in the very stadium where the men's Olympics were staged. It was organised and supervised by a committee of 16 women of the same age. The race was shortened for them by about a sixth of the distance set for men.

The Hera games were a serious athletic event. The victors were well honoured. The girls, if victorious, were given crowns of olive and could have an image of themselves placed in the sacred grove at Olympia. The first woman Olympic champion was a Spartan princess called Cynsica. She won in the four-horse chariot race. She was also the first woman to become a champion horse-trainer when her horses and chariot competed and won in the Ancient Olympic Games.

Cynsica was the sister of king of Sparta, Agesilaus II. While most women in ancient Greek world were not allowed to learn any kind of skills in sports, riding or hunting, Spartan women on the other hand were brought up from childhood to excel at these things and to look down upon household work. Cynsica was encouraged by her brother Agesilaus. He, however, did not think victory mattered in the chariot race because the owner of the horse played no part in it.

Centuries later, in the first modern Olympics, women were not allowed to take part, but there was an unofficial competitor in the marathon, a Greek woman Stamiti Revithi. She was not allowed to compete in the men's race, but ran by herself the next day. The final lap was completed outside the stadium as she was not allowed to enter the stadium. She is remembered even today for her extraordinary feat.

- a) Why was there a separate festival for women athletes?
- b) Who were in charge of the Herea games?
- c) Who was Cynsica?
- d) How were the winners honoured in Herea games?
- e) What was the difference between Greek and Spartan women?
- f) Who was Stamiti Revithi? Why is she remembered even today?
- g) Give one word from the passage which means the same.
 - i) regard with great respect
 - ii) participate

Question : 4

1. Fill in the blanks with reflexive pronouns.

- a) The boy drew the picture _____.
- b) Sheela washed the clothes _____.
- c) I _____ drove the car up the hill.
- d) The children _____ cleaned their rooms.

2. Identify the verbs in these sentences and write whether it is transitive or intransitive.

- a) My mother baked a cake.
- b) The sun set.
- c) The child broke the glass.

3. Fill in the blanks with suitable conjunctions.

[both...and, but, as well as, while, because, if, either...or, so]

- a) Make hay _____ the sun shines.
- b) Mohan is poor _____ honest.
- c) Drink _____ tea _____ coffee.
- d) _____ my father _____ mother are teachers.
- e) It was cold _____ I wore a sweater.
- f) I will give you a gift _____ you score good marks.

4. Replace the underlined phrasal verbs with the given verbs and rewrite the sentences:

[forget, quit, met, refused, examine, deceive]

- a) She turned down my invitation.
- b) I will look into the matter and give you my answers.
- c) It is difficult to get over a great loss.
- d) I came across my childhood friend at the market.

5. Rewrite the sentences in indirect speech.

- a) Tom said, "I wrote the exam well."
- b) Mr. Khan said, "I am late for the meeting."

- c) She says, "I like to play in the rain."
- d) Teena said to me, "My mother will come tomorrow."
- e) The teacher said, "The Earth is spherical in shape."

6. Arrange the words given in the brackets in the correct order using **past perfect tense** and **rewrite** the sentences. (5)

- a) (i / after / my / eat / breakfast), I went to school.
- b) Seena wrote the exam well (since / prepare / she / well)
- c) (examine / evidence / the / detective / the) before he solved the case.
- d) (reach / father / home) before mother came.
- e) (dinner / the / prepare / i) before the guests arrived.

7. Combine the following sentences using **conjunctions** and **rewrite**. (5)

- a) Jim can speak English. Jim can speak French.
- b) I am fat. My sister is fatter.
- c) He was late. He missed the bus.
- d) She failed in the test. She didn't study well.
- e) She didn't write the notes. She didn't read the text.

8. Rewrite each sentence in **present perfect** and **present perfect continuous tense**. (8)

- a) The cows ate the grass.
- b) John was painting the wall.
- c) Mohit waters the plants.
- d) She will sing a song.