

** SINDHI HIGH SCHOOL, HEBBAL**

**HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION [2023-24]**

**SUBJECT – English**

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

**Roll No: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Class/Sec: III \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Max. Marks: 40**

**Date: 05.10.2023 Reading time: 8:30 am to 8:45 am**

**No. of sides:** 4  **Writing Time: 8:45 am to 10:45 am**

**General Instructions:**

* Write your Name, Roll number & Section.
* Read all the Questions carefully.
* Answer all the Questions and write neatly.

**SECTION A: READING**

**I. Read the passage given below and answer the questions.**

The butterfly is a beautiful insect. Its large, colourful wings are covered with scales. These scales give the butterfly its bright colours and patterns. A butterfly’s wings are also very thin and delicate, which helps it fly through the air.

Butterflies begin their lives as caterpillars. They spend most of their time eating leaves and growing. When they are ready, the caterpillar spins a cocoon around itself and goes through a stage called metamorphosis. Inside the cocoon, the caterpillar’s body changes into a butterfly.

After a few weeks, the butterfly emerges from the cocoon. It pumps fluid from its body into its wings to make it strong enough to fly. The butterfly then uses its wings to fly from flower to flower, sipping nectar for food.

1. **Answer these questions. (1x7=7)**

Q1. What do the scales on a butterfly’s wings do?

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Q2. How are the butterfly’s wings?

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Q3.How do butterflies start their lives?

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Q4.What does a caterpillar do when it is ready to turn into a butterfly?

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Q5. How does the butterfly get its wings ready to fly?

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Q6.Find the synonym of the word whose meaning is ‘comes out’.

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Q7. Give the antonym of ‘delicate’.

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**SECTION B:**

**WRITING AND GRAMMAR**

A) Write a descriptive paragraph on the topic

**“My favourite toy” (1x5=5)**

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**B) Identify the nouns from the sentences given below and mention their kind. (½x10=5)**

**(common, proper, collective or abstract)**

1. My dog’s name is Rex. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. I enjoy watching Superman’s movies. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. The teacher likes Kumar for his ‘honesty.’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. There is a bunch of keys on the table. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. This is a big bouquet of flowers. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**C) Complete the following dialogue with suitable possessive pronouns.**

**(½x4=2)**

**Sanjay:** this puppy belongs to me. It is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Is that kitten \_\_\_\_\_\_?

**Ravi:** No, I think it belongs to Saket. It must be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Sarita:** No, it is not Saket’s. It belongs to the girl in blue dress. It is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**D) Fill in the blanks with suitable articles. (½x4=2)**

1. There is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ insect on my chair.

2. Bats can fly easily in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dark.

3. Mr. Nair has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ beautiful house on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ hills.

**E) Read the description of a stranger and fill in the blanks with suitable adjectives. Use the words given in the help-box. (1x5=5)**

**(Round, bushy, long, big, sharp)**

He is a tall man. He has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ eyebrows. His ears are small and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .He has a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ moustache. His nose is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. He has a mole on his left cheek.

**F) Join the Subject under column A with the Predicate under column B to frame meaningful sentences. Write the sentence in the lines given below. (1x2=2)**

**A B**

1. The market a. has lost his pencil

b. are playing in the garden

2. Diya and Priya c. Taj mahal in Agra

d. is near my house

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**SECTION C : LITERATURE**

**A. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions. (1x3=3)**

“He had no paper, but he found a piece of cardboard. He had no pencil but he found a piece of black charcoal.”

Qi) Whom does ‘He’ in the above lines refer to?

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Qii) What was he doing at that time?

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Qiii) What did he do with the cardboard and charcoal?

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**B. Answer the following questions.**

Q1. Why did the King feel sorry for the bird? **(1m)**

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Q2.”Suddenly, the golden bird saw a large eagle.”

What did the monkey, the snake and the chameleon do? **(2m)**

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Q3. Why does the speaker in the poem ‘The Brook’, like to watch the brook pass by? **(2m)**

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Q4. Why do you think Noi and his father took the baby whale back to the sea? **(2m)**

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Q5. In the poem “A Frog a the well”, what does the speaker think about the world? **(2m)**

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