

**DEVAMATHA CMI PUBLIC SCHOOL**  
**HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION 2017 - 2018**

**ENGLISH**

Std. V

Time : 2 h.

Marks : 50

SECTION A - READING

I Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

As Nelson walked to Queensbridge Middle School he vowed that he'd put an end to the torment. Big Reggie, known as Big, was the tormentor in school; he had a big mouth also. With Nelson, it started when Big saw him in gym class wearing shorts. "What's your name? Bird Legs Nelson." The name stuck to Bird legs by popular demand. The bell rang, and the boys headed for the gym. They quickly changed into their gym shorts and Nelson knew that the insult was on its way when Big looked him. "Hey, Bird Legs, I know why your head's so big and your legs so skinny," Big fired first. Nelson walked out of the locker room into the gym without saying a word. Nelson was a superb basketball player. He'd practiced his bank shots and could bounce the ball off the backboard at an angle that made the ball drop right into the basket. "I want to go on the other team, coach," he told the gym teacher. Nelson played like a champion. After the game, the teacher locked the door. One of the players realized, "Hey, we're locked out here in the school yard," he said. Nelson saw a space though between the locked gates and called the others. He easily slipped through the opening. Big squeezed through the opening too, but he got stuck. "Hey, man, get me some help." Tears rolled down Big's face. Nelson waved goodbye. "Lose some weight." Nelson stopped then gave one, last hard push and Big was free. Big rubbed his leg and limped to the back door. Nelson owned the name, Bird Legs. When he was on the basketball court during games kids from his school yelled, Go Bird Legs! Go Bird Legs!

Answer the following questions in a sentence each:

(1x5=5)

1. Who was Big Reggie?
2. Was Nelson a superb basketball player?
3. What did happen when the game was over?
4. Who did get stuck and how Nelson helped him?
5. Did Nelson own the name 'Bird Legs'?

SECTION B - LITERATURE

I Give one word for the following:

(1/2x2=1)

1. disturbed situation
2. ability to guess what will happen in the future.

II Give the meanings of the following words:

(1/2x2=1)

1. obsession
2. prevalent

III Fill in the blanks using the most appropriate word:

(1/2x2=1)

1. Vallabhai Patel did not \_\_\_\_\_ any injustice and would stop people from doing wrong.
2. Col. Vasanth stood by his beliefs and \_\_\_\_\_ his values in the men he commanded.

- IV Who said these words to whom: (1x2=2)
1. "My branches are not very thick."
  2. "I realise he is no longer mine. But you might atleast take a suggestion or two from me."
- V Frame sentences using the given words: (½x2=1)
1. frantic
  2. evacuated
- VI Write the Antonym of the following: (½x2=1)
1. provide
  2. appreciate
- VII Answer the following: (2 x5=10)
1. How did Col. Vasanth show great courage in Uri encounter?
  2. What qualities should a person have to be called a hero?
  3. State any two aspects of freedom that the poet mentioned in 'Where the Mind is Without Fear'
  4. What did Gavaskar like to do whenever he went to Madhav Mantri's house? Why?
  5. Why was Sardar Vallabhai Patel called 'The Architect of United India'?
- VIII Quote the first six lines from the poem 'Be a Friend': (3)

#### SECTION C -GRAMMAR

- I Rewrite the words in proper order to make a meaningful sentence. Put capital letters and fullstop where required.
1. school next week the will onam vacation close for. (1x1=1)
- II Read the following sentences and state whether they are Declarative, Interrogative, Imperative and Exclamatory: (½x4=2)
1. Open the door
  2. Where have you been all these years?
  3. You are so kind!
  4. My friend is writing in his diary.
- III Pick out the Noun, Adjective, Pronoun, Verb, Adverb, Preposition, Conjunction and Interjection: (2)
1. Wow! the hungry cat chased the mouse under the table and quickly ate it.
- IV Fill in the blanks with 'am', 'is', 'are', 'was', 'were', 'has', 'have' wherever necessary: (2)
1. I \_\_\_\_\_ Mahesh
  2. You \_\_\_\_\_ a brilliant person.
  3. She \_\_\_\_\_ an active girl.
  4. Our teachers \_\_\_\_\_ very co-operative.
  5. My uncle \_\_\_\_\_ an army officer and retired last year.

6. Jinto and Pinto \_\_\_\_\_ good friends till last year.
7. Sonali \_\_\_\_\_ a new i-pad.
8. Mr. Manoj and his wife \_\_\_\_\_ new mobiles.

V Match the Common Nouns with groups of Proper Nouns: (1/4x4=1)

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|---------------|-----------|----------|----------|
| 1. Oceans     | Hockey,   | Cricket, | Football |
| 2. Festivals, | Atlantic, | Pacific  | Indian   |
| 3. Leaders    | Christmas | Ramzan,  | Onam     |
| 4. Games      | Nehru,    | Tagore,  | Gandhi   |

VI Separate the Subject and Predicate in the following sentences: (1x2=2)

1. In that forest lived a sage.
2. Mother cooks food in the kitchen.

VII Write the Feminine Gender of the following: (1/2x2=1)

1. headmaster
2. he-goat

VIII Pick out the suitable suffixes from the brackets to make these Nouns Plural: (1/2x2=1)

[ es, ves, ies]

1. calf
2. tomato

IX Use appropriate words from the brackets: (1/2x2=1)

1. Rakesh is the \_\_\_\_\_ of all his siblings.  
(young, younger, youngest)
2. This gift box is \_\_\_\_\_ than all others.  
(large, larger, largest)

X Use apostrophe in the following groups of words: (1/2x2=1)

1. the birthday of Kamal
2. the house of Viswas.

XI Identify the Adjectives in the given sentence below and mention their types: (1/2x2=1)

1. I don't like such people
2. We should return the library books after two days.

XII. Circle the Pronoun and identify its type: (1x2=1)

1. These are the new games.
2. I myself did the job.

XIII Identify the sentence given below as a Transitive or Intransitive: (½x2=1)

1. The girl laughed
2. The students played football.

XIV Rewrite the sentences given without grammatical errors. (1x2=2)

1. Give me a sugar
2. He is the intelligent boy.

#### SECTION D - CREATIVE WRITING

I. Observe the picture carefully and write a paragraph (not less than 5 sentences): (2½)

2. Write a biography of Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam. (2½)