

VVM's RMS Higher Secondary Margao Goa
Mid Term Examination
Communication Skills

Subject: Communication Skills
Std: XI(Voc)

Duration: 1 hour
Marks : 20

Instructions

The question paper consists of questions from 1 to 16
All questions are compulsory.

- 1 From the alternatives given below, choose the most appropriate synonym for 01
underlined word:
Ten thousand rupees has been donated to the school bank fund by ex students.
● granted
● supplied
● lend
● contributed
- 2 From the below provided alternatives, choose an appropriate antonym of the 01
underlined word.
The company will receive a package to the supplier today.
● away
● offer
● send
● take
- 03 Answer the following question in not more than 10- 15 words. 01
Who can practice Rain water harvesting?
- 04 Answer the following question in not more than 25-30 words 02
What memory does Gairwar Singh share with Milkha Singh?
- 05 Answer the following question in not more than 10-15 words. 01
No nightingale did ever chant
More welcome notes to weary bands
Of travellers in some shandy haunt
Among Arabian sands
What is the significance of the phrase 'weary bands' in the context of the poem?
- 06 Where does the scene described in the poem took place? 01
- 07 What does the poet imagine the reaper's song is about? 01
- 08 Rewrite each of the following sentences as per the instructions given in the brackets. (01)
The movie ___ (start) within a few minutes . (use simple present tense start)
- 09 ___ dresses look beautiful and comfortable. (insert determiner) (01)
Read the passage carefully
Every year a larger number of Siberian cranes come to bird sanctuary at Bharatpur.

Year after year in the beginning of winter these birds come thousands of miles from Siberia in the north of Russia to come to Bharatpur, and then, as winter ends, they once again return to their original habitat, without making any mistake in the direction they have to take in their long flights. It is surprising how these birds find their way over such long distances, especially when vast stretches of land happens to be covered with clouds so that familiar landmarks, which could have guided them are not even visible.

The same phenomenon has been observed in other parts of the world as well. By way of experiment, light metal rings with specific information are put on the legs of some migratory birds, and it is observed that they keep returning to the winter sanctuary year after year without fail.

Pigeons are well known for finding their way back home in spite of all odds. At one time, it was believed that they could find their way with the help of familiar landmarks which they had seen and remembered. In an experiment, some pigeons were carried to a considerable distance in cages covered with black cloth so that they could not see anything on the way. However, when they were released, they still managed to come back to the place from where they had been taken away in a covered cage. One possibility is that these birds somehow sense the direction of the magnetic poles of earth and use that to find their direction.

On the basis of your reading and comprehending the above Passage, answer the following questions given below in complete sentences in 10-15 words.

- 10 How do Siberian cranes travel during their migration? 01
- 11 Why do some migratory birds return to the same winter sanctuary year after year? 01
- 12 What remarkable navigational abilities do pigeons possess? 01
- 13 How do pigeons manage returning even when transported a considerable distance in a cage covered with black cloth? 01
- 14 From the alternatives provided below, choose the most appropriate of the word given below. 01
- Habitat
- around
 - similar
 - closer
 - locality
- 15 The alternatives provided are words from the passage, choose the correct alternative that best matches the meaning given below. 01
- Event
- Phenomenon
 - Landmark
 - original
 - possibility
- 16 Write a descriptive paragraph on The Abandoned Mansion. Explore the eerie atmosphere of an old deserted home.. (50-60 words) 04