

Directorate of Curriculum, Assessment and Research Sindh, Jamshoro
Standardized Achievement Test (SAT) for the session 2018 - 19

(MODEL PAPER)

Time: **90 Minutes**

Subject: **English**

Grade: **VIII**

Total Marks: **75**

Part-A

A man was carrying two sacks of wheat to the market on his donkey. On the way, he become tired and rested under a tree. When he woke up from his sleep he could not see the donkey and started searching everywhere. On the way, he met a boy, he asked the boy, "Have you seen my donkey?" The boy asked, "Is the donkey's left eye blind, his right foot lame and is carrying a load of wheat?" The man become happy and said, "Yes, exactly! Where have you seen it?" the boy answered "I haven't seen it." This made him very angry and he took the boy to the village chief for punishment. The judge asked, "Dear boy, if you had not seen the donkey, how you could describe it?" The boy answered, "I saw the tracks of a donkey and the right and left tracks were different. From this I understood that the donkey passed, was limping. And the grass on the right side of the road was eaten but the grass on the left was not. From that I understood that his left eye was blind. There were wheat seeds scattered on the ground and I understood that it must have been carrying a load of wheat. The judge understood the boy's cleverness and told the man to forgive the boy.

NOTE: Read the above text and choose the correct options.

- 1). **The theme of the above text is:**
(a) lazy man (b) clever boy (c) lame donkey (d) honest judge
- 2). **From which sign the boy found that donkey is lame:**
(a) track (b) Road (c) grass (d) wheat
- 3). **The word scattered means:**
(a) joined (b) Threw (c) spread (d) gathered
- 4). **After hearing the answers of boy, the judge ordered for:**
(a) punishment (b) pardon (c) penalty (d) Prove
- 5). **What did they see around a bend?**
(a) insects (b) green field (c) Large fence (d) thin gap
- 6). **Man lost his donkey due to:**
(a) long root (b) deep sleep (c) shady tree (d) strange way
- 7). **The above story teaches us that we should not be so quick to recognize:**
(a) people (b) animal (c) Judge (d) donkey
- 8). **"I haven't seen it" this tense is:**
(a) simple past (b) past continuous (c) present perfect (d) past perfect
- 9). **"The man rested under a tree." The underlined word is a/an:**
(a) adjective (b) adverb (c) preposition (d) conjunction
- 10). **The boy told that donkey is blind through the mark of:**
(a) left track (b) right track (c) right side grass (d) left side grass

Fairs and festivals are commonly held in villages and cities. Some are concern with specific fields such as animal fairs, mango festival, book festival, agricultural fairs, village industry fairs, vegetables fairs, literature festival, bee-keeping or dairy product fairs, etc. Fairs of specific kinds are not as common as the general fairs. The largest number of people visits only the general fairs. When we talk of a village fair, it means a general fair. A village fair is a gathering of village people. It is usually held annually or periodically at certain places. It is generally held in an open space or on the bank of the river or near a banyan tree. Children wait for a long time for the fair. They count down the days and make a list of buying goods from the fair. Different forms of entertainments including circus show, mock fight, magic show, puppet show amuse the villagers. Ours is a big village. It is surrounded by a number of small villages on all sides. It is situated at a long distance from the main city. A fair is also organized there. The villagers have been eager to buy beautiful product, common households and have fun and enjoyment. It is for this reason that a fair is held outside our village on the last Sunday of every month. It is held in the vast open ground our village. The people from the adjoining villages all converge on the fair in large numbers.

NOTE: Read the above text and choose the correct options.

- 11). **Which topic is mainly focused in the above passage?**
(a) mango festival (b) book festival (c) specific fair (d) general fair
- 12). **Great number of common people likes to gather at:**
(a) animal fair (b) fruit festival (c) book festival (d) general fair
- 13). **Who usually wait keenly for the general fair?**
(a) villagers (b) jokers (c) children (d) buyers

14). In which day village fair is held in every month?	(a) Friday	(b) Saturday	(c) Sunday	(d) Monday
15). The word <u>eager</u> means:	(a) excited	(b) Bored	(c) tired	(d) interested
16). Antonym of the word “periodically” is:	(a) always	(b) Rare	(c) seldom	(d) time to time
17). Farming Machines, automobiles, tractors etc are placed in:	(a) general fair	(b) industrial fair	(c) agricultural fair	(d) animal fair
18). “Hurrah () we have won the match.” Which punctuation would be appropriate?	(a) (!)	(b) (?)	(c) (:)	(d) (;)
19). Children have been waiting to see fair _____ three months.	(a) till	(b) For	(c) since	(d) from
20). The superlative degree of near is:	(a) nearer	(b) more nearer	(c) nearest	(d) more nearest

Part-B

Q11. Write a letter to your father informing him about safe journey. (10 Marks)

Q22. Write a simple paragraph on the topic: “Advantages of library in the city.”

Q23. Look at the picture and describe it in ten simple sentences? (10 Marks)



Q24. Create a story with the help of following words on the topic ‘The lion and the mouse’.

shade, thanked, mercy, awakened, struggled, angry, kill, free, trap, failed, gnaws, sleep, pity, trouble

Q25. Explain the following lines of poem in your own simple words (10 marks)

Fertile plains, fields of grain all around
 Where meet five mighty rivers renowned
 A land of tales and legends profound
 Where simple people work the year around
 Oh my lord, keep them all safe and sound.

Q26. Use the following words in your own sentences? (05 marks)

- 1) Tease
- 2) Scare
- 3) Hang
- 4) Launch
- 5) Disobey

The End