

**FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT – FIRST MID TERM****EXPRESSIONS IN ENGLISH****Max. Marks: 50****Std - VIII****Time: 2 Hrs**

<b>Name of the School:</b>	<b>Name of the Student:</b>
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**I. a) Give the meaning for the given words. 1½**

1. dismounted                      2. jarring                      3. proclaimed

**b) Give the opposites in the given words. 1½**

1. mysterious                      2. suspended                      3. revenge

**II. Write prefixes to make opposites. 6 x ½ = 3**

1. tied                      2. connect                      3. fortune  
4. close                      5. ordinary                      6. danger

**III. Rewrite the sentences explaining the meaning of the highlighted phrases. 2 x 1 = 2**

1. We were in the midst of cooking dinner when the power went out.  
2. The girls marriage was delaying as she didn't have blue blood in her veins.

**IV. Write two sentences for each situation conveying urgency. 2 x 1 = 2**

1. a passer by bitten by a stray dog.  
2. a player (school boy) hit by a football on his back.

**V. Change the following adjectives into the degrees indicated. 5 x 1 = 5**

1. little - (into superlative degree)  
2. best - (into positive degree)  
3. hotter - (into superlative degree)  
4. easiest - (into comparative degree)  
5. bad - (into comparative degree)

**VI. Write a short paragraph on any one of the topics: 4**

1. Sea life                      2. Forests

**VII. Find the analogy in the pairs for the given word: 6 x ½ = 3**

1. Clock : Time :: Thermometer : \_\_\_\_\_  
2. Moon : Satellite :: Earth : \_\_\_\_\_  
3. Influenza : Virus :: Typhoid : \_\_\_\_\_  
4. Muslims : Mosque :: Hindus : \_\_\_\_\_

5. Mumbai : Maharashtra :: Trivandrum : \_\_\_\_\_
6. Grass : Green :: Sky: \_\_\_\_\_

**VIII. Write any six compound words.**

**6 x ½ = 3**

**IX. Complete the following sentences.**

**5 x 1 = 5**

1. When the mother in the text 'A couple of Misers' touched her son's nose it \_\_\_\_\_
2. The character Tyl in 'The mysterious picture' wanted the gold cord on the captains coat to \_\_\_\_\_
3. According to the text 'The Three Questions' the King requested the hermit to \_\_\_\_\_
4. Many men in the text 'The Three Questions' answered the King's questions, but \_\_\_\_\_
5. Tyl asked for thick curtains in 'The Mysterious Picture' to be hung on the walls to \_\_\_\_\_

**X. Who said this to whom and why was it said. (refer to the texts mentioned)**

**5 x 1 = 5**

1. 'Did you admire my lamp'. ('The Nightingale and Glow worm')
2. 'Sir painter', make me look young and beautiful'. ('The Mysterious Picture')
3. "My lord, you are the most generous of master". ('The Mysterious Picture')
4. 'You are tired, let me take the spade and work a while for you. ('The Three Questions')
5. For the last time, I pray you to answer my questions. ('The Three Questions')

**XI. Answer any five of the following:**

**5 x 3 = 15**

1. Why did the nightingale in the poem release the glow worm?
2. What is the message that we get from the story 'The Three Questions'?
3. What were the answers of the hermit to the three questions according to the text 'The Three Questions'?
4. Why did all the courtiers in the passage 'The Mysterious Picture' praise the painting?
5. What caused the captain's attitude towards Tyl to change in the passage 'The Mysterious Picture'?
6. What are the duties assigned to the nightingale and the glow worm according to the poem?
7. Why did the King go to the hermit in the passage 'The Three Questions'?