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#### PORTION FOR YEAR 7 ENTRANCE TEST - April 2023

#### **SUBJECT: ENGLISH**

### Reading

<u>Comprehension</u>: Questions on extracts from fiction or non-fiction texts will be given to assess comprehension and understanding of ideas, events, situations, characters, vocabulary, grammar, punctuation, writer's use of language, structure and literary techniques to create various effects.

### Questions will focus on:

- Identifying and explaining main ideas
- Summarising ideas using own words
- Deducing and inferring information, ideas, characters' feelings, thoughts, reasons for actions with evidence from the texts.
- Justifying inferences with examples from the given texts.
- Expressing opinions and preferences about characters, situations, events with evidence from the texts.
- Justifying opinions and viewpoints with reasons and evidence
- Explaining the meaning of words from context.
- Explaining writer's use of figurative language simile, metaphor, personification, alliteration
- Awareness of grammar and usage nouns, pronouns, verbs, adverbs, prepositions, conjunctions, adjectives.
- Present tense, past tense, future tense. Active and passive voice.
- Types of sentences statements, questions, imperative sentences, exclamatory sentences.
- Simple, compound, complex sentences

• Awareness of punctuation - capital letters, full stops, commas, question marks, exclamatory marks, apostrophe, dash, ellipsis, inverted commas or speech marks (direct speech).

### Writing

Writing questions will focus on a topic.

Writing questions will focus on any of the following:-

- Writing about personal experiences; autobiographical recounts.
- Writing journal entry or diary entries, describing their experiences, their thoughts, feelings about a given situation.
- Letter writing formal and informal letters
- Writing descriptions of a place, a person, an event
- Writing arguments for or against a given topic expressing views
- Writing to advice; Writing to persuade
- Travel writing

## Writing questions will assess students ability to:-

- communicate variety of ideas, descriptive details, informative details;
- organise ideas into meaningful sentences; paragraphs; use appropriate connectives
- use accurate grammar, punctuation, spelling
- use neat, legible joined handwriting