

This was the 8th grade final exam, Salina. KS – 1895

Each student had to pass this test to graduate 8th grade.

Grammar

(Time, one hour)

- 1) Give nine rules for the use of Capital Letters.
- 2) Name the Parts of Speech and define those that have no modifications.
- 3) Define Verse, Stanza and Paragraph.
- 4) What are the Principal Parts of a verb? Give Principal Parts of do, lie, lay and run.
- 5) Define Case, Illustrate each Case.
- 6) What is Punctuation? Give rules for principal marks of Punctuation.
- 7-10. Write a composition of about 150 words and show therein that you understand the practical use of the rules of grammar.

Arithmetic

(Time, 1.25 hours)

- 1) Name and define the Fundamental Rules of Arithmetic.
- 2) A wagon box is 2 ft. deep, 10 feet long, and 3 ft. wide. How many bushels of wheat will it hold?
- 3) If a load of wheat weighs 3942 lbs., what is it worth at 50 cts. per bu., deducting 1050 lbs. for tare?
- 4) District No. 33 has a valuation of \$35,000. What is the necessary levy to carry on a school seven months at \$50 per month, and have \$104 for incidentals?
- 5) Find cost of 6720 lbs. coal at \$6.00 per ton.
- 6) Find the interest of \$512.60 for 8 months and 18 days at 7 percent.
- 7) What is the cost of 40 boards 1 inch thick, 12 inches wide and 16 ft. long at \$20 per mbf?
- 8) Find bank discount on \$300 for 90 days (no grace) at 10 percent.
- 9) What is the cost of a square farm at \$15 per acre, the distance around which is 640 rods?
- 10) Write a Bank Check, a Promissory Note, and a Receipt.

U.S. History

(Time, 45 minutes)

- 1) Give the epochs into which U.S. History is divided.
- 2) Give an account of the discovery of America by Columbus.
- 3) Relate the causes and results of the Revolutionary War.
- 4) Show the territorial growth of the United States.
- 5) Tell what you can of the history of Kansas.
- 6) Describe three of the most prominent battles of the Rebellion.

- 7) Who were the following: Morse, Whitney, Fulton, Bell, Lincoln, Penn, and Howe?
- 8) Name events connected with the following dates: 1607, 1620, 1800, 1849, and 1865?

Orthography

(Time, one hour)

- 1) What is meant by the following: Alphabet, phonetic orthography, etymology, syllabication?
- 2) What are elementary sounds? How classified?
- 3) What are the following, and give examples of each: Trigraph, subvocals, diphthong, cognate letters, linguals?
- 4) Give four substitutes for caret 'u'.
- 5) Give two rules for spelling words with final 'e'. Name two exceptions under each rule.
- 6) Give two uses of silent letters in spelling. Illustrate each.
- 7) Define the following prefixes and use in connection with a word: Bi, dis, mis, pre, semi, post, non, inter, mono, super.
- 8) Mark diacritically and divide into syllables the following, and name the sign that indicates the sound: Card, ball, mercy, sir, odd, cell, rise, blood, fare, last.
- 9) Use the following correctly in sentences, Cite, site, sight, fane, fain, feign, vane, vain, vein, raze, raise, rays.
- 10) Write 10 words frequently mispronounced and indicate pronunciation by use of diacritical marks and by syllabication.

Geography

(Time, one hour)

- 1) What is climate? Upon what does climate depend?
- 2) How do you account for the extremes of climate in Kansas?
- 3) Of what use are rivers? Of what use is the ocean?
- 4) Describe the mountains of N.A.
- 5) Name and describe the following: Monrovia, Odessa, Denver, Manitoba, Hecla, Yukon, St. Helena, Juan Fernandez, Aspinwall and Orinoco.
- 6) Name and locate the principal trade centers of the U.S.
- 7) Name all the republics of Europe and give capital of each.
- 8) Why is the Atlantic Coast colder than the Pacific in the same latitude?
- 9) Describe the process by which the water of the ocean returns to the sources of rivers.
- 10) Describe the movements of the earth. Give inclination of the earth.