

SUMMETIVE ASSESSMENT - 2015

CLASS-X ENGLISH MODEL PAPER

PAPER - II

[Time: 2 Hours 45 Minutes

Marks: 40]

Note :

1. This paper contains three sections: A,B and C. All the sections are compulsory.
 2. 15minutes are allotted exclusively for reading the question paper and 2.30 hours for writing the answers.
 3. Answer all the questions on a separate answer booklet.
 4. Make use of the last pages of the answer booklet for rough work, if necessary, while answering the questions under Section-C.
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Section – A - Reading Comprehension

(Questions 1- 5) Read the following passage given below.

At Hardwar, the first thing that hits the eye, is the presence of the Ganga. It certainly appears to be a big river. But look around and away from the water and the second thing that will strike the eye, is the amount of constructions on the riverside and the ghats. There are bridges, pillars, staircases that seem to lead to nowhere in particular and some of them even seem to stick out of the river water for no discernible reason! The third thing is the ads for vests and briefs. It seems almost mandatory, like a dip in the river.

To take a dip in the river hang on to the chains that have been fixed to the stairs, duck and pray that the slush beneath your feet does not make you lose your balance. That is the holy dip taken by 98% of visitors, in a nutshell.

But I am one of the two percent who travel further upriver and camp on white beaches. I go to sleep in a tent listening to the tinkle of the river. Next morning, along with a few other campers, we prepare to hand over our lives to rubber dinghies, paddle muscles and river guides, in a bid to enjoy the white water rafting sport on the Ganga. White water rafting one of the most religious and extreme sports around, especially when you encounter one of the rapids on the course. Then it seems the river wants to convey a message. She does not respect you too much and seems to tell you that she has complete power over you.

Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet. 3 x 1 = 3 Marks

1. At Haridwar which of the following is not visible?

- (i) The presence of Ganga.
- (ii) The constructions on the riverside and the ghats.
- (iii) The advertisements of luxury hotels.
- (iv) Ghats and bridges.

2. There are chains fixed to the stairs.

- (i) They protect the visitors from losing their balance while taking a holy dip.
- (ii) They liberate the visitors from their sins.
- (iii) They keep the river clean.
- (iv) They ease the dip.

3. Which word in the passage means “visible or noticeable” –

- (i) discernible
- (ii) appears
- (iii) mandatory
- (iv) slush

Answer the following question in one or two sentences:

2 x 1 = 2 Marks

4. What precautions to be taken to take holy dip?

5. “Seems to tell you that she has complete power over you” What does this sentence mean?

(Questions 6-10) Read the following Poem.

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;

Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same ...

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.

Now, answer the following questions. Each question as four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet. 2 x 1 = 2 Marks

6. "A yellow wood" means

- (A) yellow coloured wood
- (B) A forest where trees have yellowing and falling leaves
- (C) yellow coloured forest
- (D) An under growth in yellow

7. The road that the poet chose was

- (A) covered with hay
- (B) full of obstacles
- (C) less travelled by people
- (D) narrow

Answer the following question in one to two sentences:

3 x 1 = 3 Marks

- 8.** Why do you think the poet says this, "with a sigh"?
- 9.** What do you think the word 'roads' symbolize?
- 10.** Why did the poet stand there for long?

(Questions 11- 15) Read the following passage given below.

Abraham Lincoln writes to the Headmaster of his son's school

"He will have to learn, I know, that all men are not just, all men are not true. But teach him also that for every scoundrel, there is a hero and that for every selfish politician, there is a dedicated leader. Steer him away from envy, if you can, teach him the secret of quiet laughter... Teach him, if you can, the wonder of books... but also give him quiet time to ponder over the eternal mystery of birds in the sky, bees in the sun, and flowers on a green hillside."

"In school, teach him that it is far more honorable to fail than to cheat... Teach him to have faith in his own ideas, even if everyone tell him they are wrong... Teach him to be gentle with gentle people, and tough with the tough. Try to give my son the strength not to follow the crowd when everyone is getting on the bandwagon. Teach him to listen to all men, but teach him also to filter all he has heard on the screen of truth, and take on the good that comes through it."

"Teach him, if you can, how to laugh when he is sad... teach him there is no shame in tears. Teach him to scoff at cynics, and to beware of too much sweetness... Teach him to sell his brawn and brain to the highest bidders, but never to put a tag on his heart and soul. Teach him to close his ears to the howling mob... and to stand and fight if he thinks he's right."

"Teach him gently, but do not cuddle him, because only the test of fire makes fine steel. Let him have the courage to be impatient... Let him have the patience to be brave. Teach him always to have sublime faith in himself because then he will always have sublime faith in mankind."

Now, answer the following questions. Each question as four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet. 3 x 1 = 3 Marks

11. Abraham Lincoln writes a letter to his son's headmaster because ...
(A) he wants his son to be educated in the best possible manner.
(B) he is very apprehensive about his son's welfare.
(C) he wishes to assert his views on education.
(D) he does not approve of the way the headmaster runs the school.

12. Reading books is important for students, but it is equally important...
(A) for them to be quiet, and to think and introspect.
(B) to make them appreciate the mysteries of nature.
(C) to make sure they listen to their fellow beings.
(D) to make them dedicated leaders.

13. Students must understand it is honorable to fail than to cheat because...
(A) they are being watched by God.
(B) by cheating they lose self-respect.
(C) they develop the habit of cheating.
(D) they will have to live with failure.

Answer the following question in two or three sentences: 2 x 1 = 2 Marks

14. Everyone is getting on the bandwagon. What does this phrase mean?

15. Abraham Lincoln does not want the headmaster to cuddle his son .Why?

SECTION-B: Vocabulary & Grammar

(Questions 16-18) Read the passage given below focusing on the parts that are underlined and answer the questions given at the end as directed. Write the answers in your answer booklet. 3 x 1 = 3 Marks

Smiling at them, Tenali Raman said, “Thank you, dear friends for watering all the plants in my garden. You have worked very hard indeed. **(16)** What do you want me to pay you for your labour?”

(17) The thieves were too shocked to say anything. They fell at Tenali Raman’s feet and begged for his forgiveness. Tenali Raman took them to the king’s court and told them to promise that they would never steal again.

(18) When the king came to know how Tenali Raman had caught the thieves, he rewarded him with many gifts.

Now answer the questions :

16. Rewrite the sentence beginning from : Tenali Raman asked _____

17. Rewrite the sentence replacing in the word ‘too’ with ‘so’.

18. Rewrite the sentence beginning it with: Coming _____

(Questions 19 – 22): Complete the passage choosing the right word from those given below it. Each blank is numbered and each blank has four choices (A), (B), (C) and (D). Choose the correct answer from these choices and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet.

4 x 1/2 = 2 Marks

Father was quiet for some time. He ----- **(19)** looked at the sun for a moment, and then his eyes ----- **(20)** on the can of home-made wine that I was carrying. ----- **(21)** his lips with his tongue he said in a matter-of-fact manner, ‘I am thirsty’. I ----- **(22)** him the can of wine.

19. (A) thought (B) thoughtfully (C) think (D) taught

20. (A) fall (B) fallen (C) falls (D) fell

21. (A) wet (B) watering (C) wetting (D) wetted

22. (A) gave (B) give (C) got (D) given

(Questions 23-28) Read the following passage and fill the blanks choosing the correct words from the brackets and write them in your answer booklet.

6 x ½ = 3 Marks

The human body is like a machine containing.....**23** (several/ more) systems.**24** (to carry/ carry) out the processes.....**25** (for/ with) life. Each system is.....**26** (made/ make) up of organs.....**27** (that/ those) consists of.....**28** (specialised/ specialise) cells and tissues.

(Questions 29-32) Read the following passage and fill in the blanks with the appropriate form of word given in the brackets.

4 x ½ = 2 Marks

The government sent relief teams as early as possible ... **29** (distribute) the emergency relief supplies like food, drinking water and clothing among the flood survivors. The relief teams reached some of the worst-hit areas and ... **30** (find) that the people had ... **31** (lose) their whole lives, their memories, homes and loved ones. Thousands of people were misplaced from their homes. All of them were in need of food and drinking water. They were ... **32** (look) on with wide open eyes for some help to meet their needs.

SECTION – C : Creative Writing (Discourses)

(Question 33)

You have recently attended a Crafts Mela in Exhibition Grounds, Nampally Hyderabad. There were stalls selling crafts from all over India. There were food stalls, too, selling food from different states. Write a letter in about 120 words to your friend describing the Mela and your experience. Tell her/him why such Fairs and Events are useful.

You may include:-

How many stalls you visited.

Type of handicrafts they were selling.

Various food stalls and what you ate / liked/ disliked.

10 Marks

OR

The district Educational officer of your district is organizing an elocution competition on the topic given below and you are representing your school.

Now-a-days the use of electronic gadgets like Television, Mobile and computer has become a part of human life. Most of the children are addicted to these electronic gadgets and are spending more time with them. Due to this children are neglecting their studies and are physically becoming weak. We need to check this.

Now, write a speech script on the topic suggested here.

(Question 34)

5 Marks

Imagine you are Sachin, the son of Mohan . Your father bought a new house. Your family decided to move into the new house at Road No:4, SVN Street, Warangal on 12th October, 2015 at 6.30 a.m. Design an invitation card on behalf of your father to invite your relatives and friends to the house warming ceremony . Include the necessary details.

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