

SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER (2023-24)
ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE (Code No. 184)
CLASS-X

Time allowed: 3 Hrs.

Maximum Marks: 80

General Instructions:


- 1. The Question Paper contains THREE sections-READING, GRAMMAR & WRITING and LITERATURE.**
- 2. Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.**

SECTION A : READING SKILLS (20 marks)
Reading Comprehension through Unseen Passages

| <i>1</i> | <i>Read the passage given below.</i> | <i>10</i> |
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| <i>(1)</i> | Did you know that some people don't do their reading assignments? It's shocking, but it's true. Some students don't even read short texts that they are assigned in class. There are many reasons for this. They may be distracted or bored. They may be unwilling to focus. They may be unconfident readers. Whatever the reason, it has to stop today. Here's why. | |
| <i>(2)</i> | Reading stimulates your mind. It is like a workout for your brain. When people get old, their muscles begin to deteriorate. They get weaker and their strength leaves them. Exercise can prevent this loss. The same thing happens to people's brains when they get older. Brain power and speed decline with age. Reading strengthens your brain and prevents these declines. | |
| <i>(3)</i> | You can benefit from reading in the near-term too. Reading provides knowledge. Knowledge is power. Therefore, reading can make you a more powerful person. You can learn to do new things by reading. Do you want to make video games? Do you want to design clothing? Reading can teach you all this and more. But you have to get good at reading, and the only way to get good at something is to practise. | |
| <i>(4)</i> | Read everything that you can at school, regardless of whether you find it interesting. Reading expands your vocabulary. Even a "boring" text can teach you new words. Having a larger vocabulary will help you better express yourself. You will be able to speak, write, and think more intelligently. What's boring about that? | |
| <i>(5)</i> | Do not just discount a text because it is unfamiliar to you. Each time you read, you are exposed to new ideas and perspectives. Reading can change the way that you understand the world. It can give you a broader perspective on things. It can make you worldlier. You can learn how people live in far away places. You can learn about cultures different from your own. | |

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| (6) | Reading is good for your state of mind. It has a calming effect. It can lower your stress levels and help you relax. You can escape from your troubles for a moment when you read, and it's a positive escape. The benefits of reading far outweigh those of acting like a doofus. So do yourself a favour: the next time you get a reading assignment, take as much as you can from it. Squeeze it for every drop of knowledge that it contains. Then move on to the next one. | |
| | <i>Answer the following questions, based on the passage above.</i> | |
| i | Select the option that is an INAPPROPRIATE reason for students' dislike for reading. A. They are not confident. B. They are in shock. C. They are not interested. D. They don't want to focus. | 1 |
| ii | Select the option that corresponds to the following relation below: People get <u>old</u> , their muscles begin to <u>deteriorate</u> . A. Children become <u>lazy</u> , their grades <u>decline</u> . B. Food gets <u>scarce</u> , animals turn <u>maneaters</u> . C. Technology <u>advances</u> , comfort <u>increases</u> . D. Inflation <u>mounts</u> , hardships <u>rise</u> . | 1 |
| iii | Select the option that refers to 'workout' in the statement given below: It's like a workout for your brain (paragraph 2) A. exercise B. muscle power C. reading D. running | 1 |
| iv | Analyse the tone of the author in the line 'what's boring about that?' (paragraph 4). What makes him adopt this tone? Write your answer in about 40 words. | 2 |
| v | Reading helps us develop a much wider and better point of view. How does the author justify this advantage of reading in paragraph 5? Rationalise your response in about 40 words. | 2 |
| vi | The writer says, "Don't just discount a text because it is unfamiliar to you." Select the option that gives the appropriate meaning of the word 'discount' here: A. minimise B. reduce | 1 |

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| | C. dismiss D. acclaim | |
| vii | Supply text from the passage which implies the following: Read thoroughly whatever you are reading, get the most out of it. | 1 |
| viii | The author states, 'Reading is good for your state of mind.' Cite one reason to justify the author's claim. | 1 |
| 2 | <i>Read the passage given below.</i> | 10 |
| (1) | Lifestyle is a combination of behavioural patterns and personal habits throughout the life including nutrition, mobility, and behavioral habits which would be formed due to the socialization process of the individual; therefore, selecting the type of lifestyle and its related behaviors, besides having an essential role in individual's health, might lead to outcomes and results that could be effective in the performance and quality of physical, mental-psychological, and social health of the individual too. | |
| (2) | Many life-threatening factors could be avoided by changing and improving the lifestyle. Hence, one of the goals of the World Health Organization is to improve individuals' lifestyles. According to the history of researches on modification of lifestyle, 90% of type II diabetes, 80% of cardiovascular diseases, and 1.3% of cancers could be prevented by weight control, nutrition modification, performing physical activities, and avoiding cigarettes. | |
| (3) | Walker and Hill-Polerecky categorized the elements of lifestyle into six domains including taking responsibility toward health, physical activity, nutrition, interpersonal relations, stress management, and spiritual growth. | |
| (4) | Health does not mean merely not being sick or disabled but it also includes full physical, mental, and social welfare, so health is a relative concept and health criteria differ between different age groups and social and cultural classes. Hence, each country should be deciding based on their own norms and then search for ways to achieve the predetermined level of health. | |
| (5) | Health value means valuing the health by the individual. In other words, when one values their own health, they would express health behaviors meaning that health would have priority over other values to the individual. Improving the concept of health value in the individuals is the final goal of providing health services which would decrease the costs in the field of health services and consequently improve the performance in providing health and therapeutic care. This concept would be formed through mutual efforts between the caregivers and individuals during the entire period of receiving health-care services. | |
| | <i>Answer the following questions, based on the passage above.</i> | |

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| i | <p>Complete the following analogy appropriately, based on your understanding of paragraph 1.</p> <p>Just like deforestation is one of the causes of a deteriorating environment, similarly, a sedentary lifestyle is responsible for our deteriorating health because _____.</p> | 1 |
| ii | <p>Fill the blanks with the appropriate option from those given in brackets, based on your understanding of paragraph 4.</p> <p>The statement that , Health does not mean merely not being sick or disabled but it also includes full physical, mental, and social welfare , is _____ (a fact/ an opinion) because it is _____ (a subjective judgement/ an objective detail).</p> | 1 |
| iii | <p>Justify the following, in about 40 words.</p> <p>Modifications in lifestyle can prevent several sedentary problems like obesity, hypertension etc.</p> | 2 |
| iv | <p>Based on the conclusion, how should a country’s government search for ways to achieve the predetermined level of health ?</p> | 1 |
| v | <p>In paragraph 5, Improving the concept of health value in the individuals would decrease the costs in the field of health services.</p> <p>State any one inference that can be drawn from this.</p> | 1 |
| vi | <p>Select the option that correctly displays what ‘life-threatening’ signifies. (Reference - Paragraph 2)</p> <div style="text-align: center; border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;">  <p>(i) (ii) (iii) (iv)</p> <p>A. (i),(ii) and (iii) B. Only (ii) C. Only (iv) D. (ii) and (iv)</p> </div> | 1 |
| vii | <p>Infer the roles of the caregivers and the individuals in the entire period of receiving health-care services. (Answer in about 40 words)</p> | 2 |
| viii | <p>Which of the following is the main takeaway from the study mentioned in the passage?</p> | 1 |

| | <p>A. Sedentary lifestyle has minimal impact on our health and mind.</p> <p>B. Health means merely not being sick or disabled.</p> <p>C. Improving the concept of health value is the final goal of providing health services</p> <p>D. Lifestyle is only a combination of behavioural patterns and personal actions throughout the life</p> | | | | | |
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| | SECTION B : WRITING SKILLS & GRAMMAR (20 marks) | | | | | |
| | GRAMMAR | <i>10</i> | | | | |
| 3 | <i>Complete ANY TEN of twelve of the following tasks, as directed.</i> | <i>1x10</i> | | | | |
| <i>i</i> | <p>Fill in the blank by using the correct form of the word in the bracket, for the given portion of a letter:</p> <p>Sir</p> <p>This is with reference to your order No. 1123/DBS/23 dated 8 May 2023 _____ (regard) the delivery of a few books for our school library.</p> | <i>1</i> | | | | |
| <i>ii</i> | <p>Read the given sentence from a review report about conventional means of post. Identify the error and supply the correction in the sentence.</p> <p>Even in the age of science and technology where email is the most convenient mode of communication, letters has not lost their relevance even today.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Use the given format for your response.</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Error</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Correction</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="height: 30px;"></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Error | Correction | | | <i>1</i> |
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| <i>iii</i> | <p>The teacher was revising the Battle of Panipat for the class. Report the teacher's question.</p> <p>Did you read about the Battle of Panipat?</p> | <i>1</i> | | | | |
| <i>iv</i> | <p>Read the dialogue between Madhavi and her mentor, Payal regarding her research proposal.</p> <p>Payal: Could you speak about your topic of Research Proposal?</p> <p>Madhavi : Well my topic is “ Importance of Sports for Adults”</p> <p>Select the correct option to complete the reporting of the above dialogue.</p> <p>Payal asked Madhavi if _____ of Research Proposal.</p> <p>Madhavi exclaimed that her topic was the Importance of Sports for Adults.</p> | <i>1</i> | | | | |

| | <p>A. She could speak about her topic B. She could spoke about your topic C. She would spoke about her topic D. I could speak about her topic</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| v | <p>Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option, to complete the concluding idea . Maddie agreed with Peggy _____ (that/ then/ this) Wanda really liked them very much.</p> | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| vi | <p>Identify the error and supply correction for the given sentence from the Department of Tourism. If we wish to earn more from our tourists we must built the infrastructure. Use the given format for your response</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;"><i>error</i></td> <td style="width: 50%;"><i>correction</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </table> | <i>error</i> | <i>correction</i> | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| vii | <p>Select the option that identifies the error and supplies the correction for the closing line, from an analytical report. While technology has helped, the real challenge for the next decade will be imposed the right governance on technology itself.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 33%;"><i>Option No.</i></th> <th style="width: 33%;"><i>error</i></th> <th style="width: 33%;"><i>correction</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><i>A</i></td> <td><i>helped</i></td> <td><i>help</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>B</i></td> <td><i>decade</i></td> <td><i>decades</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>C</i></td> <td><i>imposed</i></td> <td><i>imposing</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>D</i></td> <td><i>on</i></td> <td><i>for</i></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | <i>Option No.</i> | <i>error</i> | <i>correction</i> | <i>A</i> | <i>helped</i> | <i>help</i> | <i>B</i> | <i>decade</i> | <i>decades</i> | <i>C</i> | <i>imposed</i> | <i>imposing</i> | <i>D</i> | <i>on</i> | <i>for</i> | 1 |
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| viii | <p>Complete the given narrative, by filling the blank with the correct option. Hopscotch is a game of skill that requires physical agility and _____, and tests the player’s balance and precision. A. Nimble B. Nimbleness C. Nimbility D. Nimbles</p> | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ix | <p>Report the dialogue between grandmother and the servant, by completing the</p> | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| | <p>sentence.</p> <p>Grandmother: Take the papayas to Mrs. Ghosh at the school this afternoon.</p> <p>Servant : I will take them after I water the plants.</p> <p>The grandmother asked the servant to take the papayas to Mrs. Ghosh at the school that afternoon.</p> <p>The servant answered in affirmative and explained that _____.</p> | | | | | |
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| <i>x</i> | <p>Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option to complete the live feed on the school website.</p> <p>Congratulations Arya Yuva Club</p> <p>Rotary has announced their annual awards and Arya Yuva (Interact Club) _____ the Platinum Trophy .</p> <p>A. Has won B. Win C. Will win D. Won</p> | <i>1</i> | | | | |
| <i>xi</i> | <p>Complete the line from a self composed poem on the topic technology and transparent by filling the blank with the correct option</p> <p>Data is the new gold rush of our time, And companies _____ to claim their share in the climb. But with great power comes great responsibility, And it's time for transparency to take priority.</p> <p>A. scramble B. scrambled C. scrambles D. will scramble</p> | <i>1</i> | | | | |
| <i>xii</i> | <p>Identify the error and supply correction for the following note from SPORTS MAGAZINE</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Note : Gilli danda is a street game playing in rural areas and small towns all over South Asia, Cambodia, Turkey and Italy.</p> </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Use the given format for your response</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Error</th> <th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">correction</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="height: 30px;"></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Error | correction | | | <i>1</i> |
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| | WRITING SKILLS | <i>10</i> | | | | |

Note : All details presented in the questions are imaginary and created for assessment purposes .

4A. You are Manya Lamba of K-12 Noida, UP. Three students of grade 10 from your residential complex have volunteered and helped some old people from the neighbourhood. They accompanied them to markets, banks, etc and helped them in getting their tasks done. You think that their work deserves appreciation and recognition. Write a letter in about 100-120 words to the President of the RWA, seeking recommendation for these youth, to be nominated for 'Serving Citizens' Award'. Suggest other ways in which such acts of kindness could be recognised and awarded in the future.

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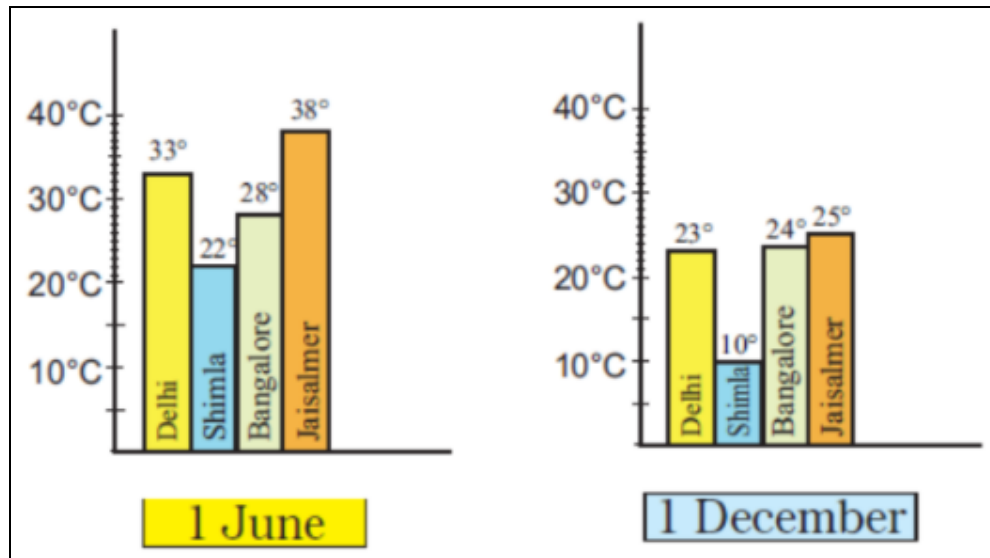
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4B. Last year you purchased the Tata Voltas AC from the Electronic Paradise, Kohat Enclave, Delhi. The AC is not functioning properly. The service center people are not even able to repair, therefore you have asked for the replacement. You are Rajesh/ Riya Duggal of AP-34, Pitampura.

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5A You are a conscious meteorologist and studied the temperature of different cities for the months of June and December 2022. You prepared a bar graph to analyze which city has the most temperature change when compared to others.

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Write this analytical paragraph in about 120 words, by selecting features that support your analysis.

You may begin like this :

The bar graph reveals the changes in temperature in 4 big cities in summer and in winter...

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| | <p>You may end like this: Overall among all the cities of India, Bangalore has the stable temperature throughout the year.</p> | |
| 5B | <p>Vihaan, of class XII, is preparing for CUET. He has made some plans for managing his time. Given below is the mind map prepared by Vihaan on the importance of managing time and the problems he faced in time management.</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> </div> <p>Write an analytical report based on the notes made by Vihaan in about 120 words</p> <p>You may begin like this :</p> <p>As a responsible student, Vihaan has prepared the right course of action plan ...</p> <p>You may end like this:</p> <p>Overall little problems can be tackled as he started mastering time.</p> | 5 |

SECTION D : LITERATURE TEXTBOOK AND SUPPLEMENTARY READING TEXT (40 marks)

Reference to the Context

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| 6 | Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given. | 5 |
| A | We kids would be pushed aside with a mild rebuke and the loaves would be delivered to the servant. But we would not give up. We would climb a bench or a parapet and peep into the basket, somehow. I can still recall the typical fragrance of those loaves. | |

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| | Loaves for the elders and the bangles for the children. Then we did not even care to brush our teeth or wash our mouths properly. And why should we? Who would take the trouble of plucking the mango-leaf for the toothbrush? And why was it necessary at all? The tiger never brushed his teeth. Hot tea could wash and clean up everything so nicely, after all! | |
| <i>i</i> | The author declares, ‘But we would not give up.’ Find an instance from the extract to justify the author’s claim.. | <i>1</i> |
| <i>ii</i> | In the line, ‘I can still recall...’, the author is feeling: A. sad A. irritated B. nostalgic C. anxious | <i>1</i> |
| <i>iii</i> | Which attributes of childhood are highlighted in the given extract? Write in about 40 words. | <i>2</i> |
| <i>iv</i> | According to the author, children were too eager to have the bread bangles. Do you agree with the given statement? Why/Why not? | <i>1</i> |
| | OR | |
| <i>B</i> | “Well, there’s the one about the Chinese emperor who always boiled water before drinking it. One day a few leaves of the twigs burning under the pot fell into the water giving it a delicious flavour. It is said they were tea leaves.” “Tell me another!” scoffed Pranjol. “We have an Indian legend too. Bodhidharma, an ancient Buddhist ascetic, cut off his eyelids because he felt sleepy during meditations. Ten tea plants grew out of the eyelids. The leaves of these plants when put in hot water and drunk banished sleep. (Tea from Assam) | |
| <i>i</i> | Which of the following is NOT true about legends of tea leaves? A. Tea leaves have a delicious flavour. B. A chinese emperor drank boiled water. C. Hot tea water is quite sedative. D. Eyelids became breeding grounds for the tea leaves. | <i>1</i> |
| <i>ii</i> | Why is it fair to say that though Rajvir was a visitor but he had more knowledge than Pranjol who was born and brought up in Assam? Answer in about 40 words. | <i>2</i> |
| <i>iii</i> | Read the following descriptions (a)-(c) and identify which one correctly corresponds to | <i>1</i> |

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| | <p>the extract.</p> <p>(a) A Fact : something that you know has happened or is true</p> <p>(b) A myth : an idea or story which many people believe but that does not exist or is false</p> <p>(c) A prophecy : a message that has been communicated to a person by a supernatural entity.</p> | |
| <i>iv</i> | If a visitor is planning his tour/ trip, what things should he keep in mind regarding the place? | <i>1</i> |
| <i>7</i> | Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given. | <i>5</i> |
| <i>A</i> | <p>‘Now He senses first responsibility In a world of possessions. People will take Balls, Balls will be lost always, little boy.’</p> | |
| <i>i</i> | In the phrase ‘senses first responsibility’, the poet refers to the child becoming ____. | <i>1</i> |
| <i>ii</i> | <p>The poet is trying to ____ the boy.</p> <p>A. Threaten A. scare B. guide C. ignore</p> | <i>1</i> |
| <i>iii</i> | Which aspect of human life does the poet stress on, in the last two lines of the extract given above? Explain in about 40 words. | <i>2</i> |
| <i>iv</i> | Comment on the use of ‘ball’ as a metaphor in the poem. | <i>1</i> |
| | OR | |
| <i>B</i> | <p>(I am an orphan, roaming the street, I pattern soft dust with my hushed, bare feet. The silence is golden, the freedom is sweet.)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Amanda)</i></p> | |
| <i>i</i> | In what way is the poem conversational? | <i>1</i> |
| <i>ii</i> | What is the significance of the words "silence" and "freedom" for Amanda and how does this choice of words contribute to the overall mood and tone of the poem? Answer | <i>2</i> |

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| | in about 40 words. | |
| iii | Complete the sentence with the appropriate option. The lines from the poem tell us that the girl desires _____ A. Dependence B. Freedom C. Solace D. Boundations | 1 |
| iv | Identify the trait of Amanda as depicted in the lines of the poem. | 1 |
| 8 | Answer ANY FOUR of the following five questions, in about 40-50 words. | $4 \times 3 = 12$ |
| i | Justify Mandela's statement- ' I was not unmindful of the fact that not so many years before they would not have saluted but arrested me.' (Nelson Mandela- Long Walk to Freedom) | 3 |
| ii | How does Robert Frost bring out the contrasting idea in his poem - ' Fire and Ice'? | 3 |
| iii | Explain how writing in a diary was a strange experience for Anne Frank ? What light did it throw on her character? (From the Diary of Anne Frank) | 3 |
| iv | The seagull family's upbraiding, threatening and taunting behaviour towards the young seagull was all superficial. Elaborate. (His First Flight) | 3 |
| v | How does losing the ball give the boy an experiential learning about life? What is the outcome of this learning? (The Ball Poem) | 3 |
| 9 | Answer ANY TWO of the following three questions, in about 40-50 words. | $2 \times 3 = 6$ |
| i | A surgeon does not always need surgical instruments to treat. Justify. (A Triumph of Surgery) | 3 |
| ii | H.G.Wells was a writer of science-fiction works who had a great influence on our vision of the future. Comment on this with reference to the story Footprints Without Feet. | 3 |
| iii | How does urge to get education play a transformative role in Hari Singh's life in A Thief's Story. | 3 |
| 10 | Answer ANY ONE of the following two questions, in about 100-120 words. | $1 \times 6 = 6$ |
| (A) | Lencho was tensed as he was waiting for rain for good yield but then he was in pain due to the flood. Our country is also facing such situations in recent years. There is flood and there is drought. There is a need to save water through water harvesting. You have been chosen to address a student gathering in your school, to speak on the pitiable condition in one's life due to natural calamity. | |

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| | <p>Prepare the speech draft in not more than 120 words, with reference to Water Conservation and SDG 6 :Ensure access to water and sanitation for all.</p> <p>You may begin this way: Good morning, everyone. Today, keeping the story A Letter to God at front I'd like to discuss the importance of water in our lives.... To conclude, I'd like to say that ...</p> <p>No farmer will suffer if Rain water harvesting becomes an indispensable part.</p> | |
| | OR | |
| (B) | <p>You are the Indian delegate who has to address the world delegates, highlighting the rich cultural heritage of Coorg and valour and the dedication of its people. Prepare the speech in not more than 120 words, with reference to in the chapter -‘Glimpses of India - Coorg’.</p> <p>You may begin this way: Good morning everyone. Today I'd like to discuss a short piece of literature that offers a deep insight into the rich cultural heritage of India's most beautiful place.</p> <p>You may end this way: To conclude, I'd like to say that..... Thank you.</p> | |
| 11 | Answer ANY ONE of the following two questions, in about 100-120 words. | <i>1x6=6</i> |
| (A) | <p>‘Once bitten, twice shy’ holds true for Horace Danby who would never again believe that there is honour among thieves.</p> <p>In the light of the above information, trace the downfall of Horace Danby in Victor Canning’s A Question of Trust.</p> | |
| | OR | |
| (B) | <p>Imagine that Fowler, from The Midnight Visitor by Robert Arthur, writes a diary entry about his realisation of the fact that all superheroes do not wear capes and also that appearances can be deceptive.</p> <p>Write this diary entry, as Fowler, in about 120 words</p> | |

MARKING SCHEME

Reading Comprehension

Unseen Passage 1

- (i) B . They are in shock. (1)
- (ii) A. Children become lazy, their grades decline. (1)
- (iii) C. reading (1)
- (iv) The author uses a critical tone here. He challenges the opinion of people, who consider reading boring. He is dissatisfied with their response as reading has several benefits...it enhances vocabulary, communication and writing skills etc. (2)
- (v) Readers are exposed to new ideas and view points. It can give you a broader worldview. Readers gain knowledge about people and their lifestyles. Learn about different cultures. (2)
- (vi) C. dismiss (1)
- (vii) Squeeze it for every drop of knowledge (1)
- (viii) Reading calms down a person; reduces stress; provides a positive escape from one's troubles. (1)

Passage 2

- i) lifestyle decides one's health (1)
- ii) fact, objective detail (1)
- iii) weight control, nutrition modification, performing physical activities, and avoiding cigarettes can be helpful (2)
- iv) decide their own norms as health criterias differ between different age groups and social and cultural classes. (1)
- v) they are inversely related / better the health lesser the medication (1)
- vi) D.(ii) and (iv) (1)
- vii) care givers : improve the performance in providing health and therapeutic care
Individuals : Improve the concept of health value (2)
- viii) C. Improving the concept of health value is the final goal of providing health services (1)

Grammar

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- i) regarding
- ii) has --- have

- iii) The teacher asked students if they had read about the Battle of Panipat
- iv) A She could speak about her topic
- v) that
- vi) built — build
- vii) C imposed — imposing
- viii) B Nimbleness
- ix) that he would take them after he watered the plants
- x) A Has won
- xi) A scramble
- xii) playing — played

Ans 4A Suggested Response

K-12 Noida

Uttar Pradesh

Date

The President

RWA

Noida

Sub : Recommendation for ‘Serving Citizens Award’

Sir/Ma’am

This letter is regarding three students of our residential complex who helped some old people from the neighbourhood. They accompanied them to the markets, banks etc and helped them in getting their tasks done. I feel that such volunteers deserve appreciation and recognition. I would like to nominate these three students namely, Aaradhya Sharma, Rahmat Khan and Komal Bedi for ‘Serving Citizens Awards’.

It’s really a rare sight when young people come forward and help the old citizens. It is indeed a matter of pride that we have such volunteers in our society who believe in serving humanity.

This not only creates love among the people but also inculcates values among the youth. I also appreciate the initiative of our RWA which promotes such activities. ‘Serving Citizens Awards’ is one such initiative that encourages people to be kind and helpful.

I would also like to suggest some more ways in which such acts of kindness could be recognised and awarded in the future. Some scholarships or remuneration can be given to young volunteers who want to study further but are lacking means. A monthly competition can be conducted wherein the contestants would be judged by the old people of the society for their acts of kindness. A kindness volunteer can also be appointed to promote the habit of helping among the youth. Such initiatives would surely encourage more people to come forward and help other people.

You are requested to kindly consider the above recommendations and suggestions. This would definitely act as a source of inspiration for all the young volunteers.

Yours sincerely
Manya Lamba

(Format-1, Content -2, Organisation of Ideas - 1, Accuracy-1)

Ans 4B Suggested Response

AP 34
Pitampura, Delhi

Date

Electronic Paradise
Consumer Complaint Division
Kohat Enclave
Delhi

Sir/Ma'am

Subject : Complaint regarding functioning of AC and its replacement

This is with reference to the Air Conditioner that I purchased last year (Model No. 24560) worth Rs 30,000 from your store.

Unfortunately, your product has not performed well. It stopped functioning just after 2 months of purchase and the service centre people are also unable to repair it. I am highly disappointed because such an act of neglect is not expected from such a renowned store.

To resolve the problem, I would appreciate that you change the AC with a new fully functioning model. I have the receipt. Enclosed are the copies of the bill along with the guarantee card.

I look forward to your reply and a prompt resolution to my problem.

Yours sincerely
Rajesh/ Riya Duggal

Enclosure(s) : 1. Copy of bill
2. Copy of guarantee card

(Format-1, Content -2, Organisation of Ideas - 1, Accuracy-1)

5A Suggested response

The bar graph reveals the changes in temperature in 4 big cities namely, Delhi, Shimla, Bangalore and Jaisalmer on 1 June 2022 and 1 December 2022. Jaisalmer tops the graph with highest temperature of 38° and 25° in June and December respectively. On the other hand, Shimla recorded the lowest temperature of 22° and 10° in June and December respectively. The temperature of Delhi is slightly less than Jaisalmer i.e. 33° and 23° respectively. However, the temperature of Bangalore is 28° in June which is very low as compared to Jaisalmer. Though

Bangalore experiences a temperature of 24° in December which is quite equivalent to that of Delhi and Jaisalmer. Thus, it can be concluded that Jaisalmer and Delhi are equally hot in June. Whereas Shimla is a cool place as it experiences low temperatures in both the months. Also, Bangalore has a stable temperature throughout the year.

5B Suggested response

As a responsible student, Vihaan has prepared the right course of action plan. He prioritized his goals, tasks lists and activity log. Earlier he was a procrastinator and had no goal setting because of which he faced time management problems. With the result his self esteem lowered down and anxiety level increased. But by mastering time management he was able to make efficient use of time. He is now able to set the scene, concentrate, focus and use his study session effectively and even starts maintaining templates, procedures and most importantly checklists. Furthermore, in order to study well in time he uses technology like internet search, etc because of which his computer skills have got enhanced. Overall little problems can be tackled as he started mastering time.

(Content -2, Organisation of Ideas - 2, Accuracy-1)

Literature

6A

- (i) climb a bench ... or the parapet to peep into the basket
- (ii) C. nostalgic
- (iii) curiosity, carefreeness, innocence, thrill in ordinary day to day matters
- (iv) Yes. Children were too eager as they did not even care to brush their teeth or wash their mouth.

6B

- (i) D. Eyelids became breeding grounds for the tea leaves.
- (ii) Rajvir had done his research well before coming to Assam. He read all the legends related to the origin of tea .
- (iii) B. A myth
- (iv) the visitor must know about the weather, cuisine, places to visit and history of the place.

7 (A)

- (i) mature
- (ii) C. guide
- (iii) Materialistic things and humans are transient. The poet also refers to loss being a common experience for all humans, whether it be because of one's carelessness or the harsh and selfish humans around us.
- (iv) In the poem 'ball' stands for all the materialistic things. It also refers to innocence. Thus it has been used as a metaphor.

7 (B)

- (i) Amanda is talking to herself
- (ii) Words 'silence' and 'freedom' signifies the importance of freedom for Amanda. These words show that the girl is sad and gloomy and longs for freedom.
- (iii) *Freedom*
- (iv) Amanda wants to be free, doesn't like to be scolded or instructed.

8(i)

- Mandela said this during his swearing in ceremony as the President
- before becoming the President, he was fighting for freedom of blacks
- He knew the army and the officials who were saluting him today would have earlier arrested him for going against the system of 'Apartheid'.

(ii)

- 'Fire' signifies greed, lust, conflict fury
- 'Ice' stands for cruelty, intolerance, insensitivity, coldness, indifference, rigidity
- Poet uses the two elements to suggest that the world can end in two ways : by the burning desire of human or by the cold indifference of humans

(iii)

- Anne frank had never written in a diary before
- She thought nobody would be interested in the musings of a 13 year old
- This shows that Anne was a very mature and thoughtful girl who knew how people would react to her writings.

(iv)

- Seagull was afraid to fly, could not muster up enough courage to initiate
- His younger brothers and sisters could also fly
- His parents' motivation didn't work, so they had to imply various superficial techniques like upbraiding, taunting etc. to push him to fly.

(v)

- Losing a ball makes the boy learn how to stand up in a world of possessions where things will be lost
- New things can be bought but they can not replace the memories of the old one.
- Also, this loss teaches the child to be more responsible and take care of his things himself.

9 (i)

- A true surgeon/doctor does not need surgical instruments to survive
- In the story, the doctor, Mr Herriot treats Tricki without any instruments by just involving him in playing and giving him proper diet
- A doctor's experience and knowledge is more important in analyzing a situation

(ii)

· H.G.Wells , a great science-fiction works writer had an immense influence on our vision of the future.

· In the story, he draws out the character of a scientist who misuses his exceptional invention to fool the world around him, also, robbing and hurting others.

· His portrayal of such an invention of becoming invisible shows his farsightedness as a writer.

(iii)

- Hari Singh , a thief, initially intended to rob Anil.
- Anil's love, compassion and intention to make Hari an educated boy changed Hari who believed education could help him in becoming outstanding and change his life.
- In the end, even after robbing Anil and running away made him realize his mistake and brought him back as he wanted to become a learned man as Anil had promised to teach him further.

Ans 10 (A) Good morning, everyone. Today, keeping the story, A Letter to God at front, I'd like to discuss the importance of water in our lives. The condition of farmers is very pathetic in our country. They toil hard day and night but when it comes to irrigation, they depend on rainfall as there is no provision of supplying water to these far lying fields. They are left at the mercy of nature to get a bumper harvest. But if by chance , there are floods or drought, then not only their yield but also their life is destroyed. The need of the hour is to save water and check its wastage. Rain water harvesting is one of the best ways to save water and utilize it for irrigation purposes. Our country receives sufficient rainfall .This can be appropriately be saved through rain water harvesting and can solve the problem of our poor farmers. Hence, I request all of you to stop wasting water and encourage people to save water and adopt rain water harvesting technique. No farmer will suffer if Rain harvesting becomes an indispensable part.

Thank you

OR

Ans 10 (B) Good morning everyone. Today I'd like to discuss a short piece of literature that offers a deep insight into the rich cultural heritage of India's most beautiful place, Coorg. Coorg is known for its lush green forests, exotic fauna and brave people. The Coorgis or Kodavus are known to be the descendents of the Greek army of Alexander. Their hospitality and stories of valour are an indispensable part of their life. The kodavus are also known for their loyalty. They are the only people who are allowed to keep arms without licence. The Coorg Regiment is one of the bravest regiment of the Indian Army. General Kariappa who was the first chief of the Indian army was also a Coorgi. Coorg also offers numerous adventurous sports to people. To Conclude, I'd like to say that Coorg is indeed a piece separated from God's own garden.

Thanks

Ans 11 (A)

Horace Danby- good citizen but not honest- robs every year to buy expensive books-plans to rob Shotover Grange- foolproof plan-trapped by lady in red dress- he opens safe without gloves and caught- panic stricken, nervousness-forced him to follow the lady's instructions-will not believe honour among thieves

OR

Ans 11 (B)

Day

Date

Visited Ausable- found nothing interesting or exciting-no firing, no action-but encounter with Max amazing- Ausable trapped Max- compelled him to fall from the window -emerges out to be the superhero- appearances can be deceptive