

MODEL QUESTION

SET –III

English

(Class X)

Time : 3 Hours

Full Marks 80

General Instructions :

1. This Question paper is divided into three sections.
Section A - Reading : 20 Marks
Section B - Writing and Grammar : 30 Marks
Section C - Literature Text Book : 30 Marks
2. All questions are compulsory.
3. Figures in the margin indicate full marks.
4. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Section – A

(Reading) Marks : 20

- 1) **Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :**

Mass copying in the examination has reduced education to a joke. The lengthy courses of study and the system of annual examinations are the root causes of it. How is it possible for any human being to express honestly within three hours all that he has learnt in full one year? Naturally, students are forced to cram certain things and copy others from some source in the examination hall. Examinations, more or less in the form of class tests at the end of a quarter should be held. The result of a student should be determined by his performance round the year. The class teacher should be entrusted with the difficult task. He will have to rise above pretty worldly considerations and must be brave and impartial. His role in this connection is very significant.

Questions :

- a) Why has education become a joke? 2
- b) Why are students forced to cram and copy? 2
- c) How should a student's performance be determined ? 2
- d) Complete the following: 2
 - i) Students are forced to cram certain things and copy
 - ii) His role in this connection is

- 2) **Read the Passage given below and answer the questions that follow :**

In India working women lead a life of dual responsibilities. If they are married and have a family. In the west many women are career conscious and are committed to their jobs. Here in India, women still have traditional roles to fulfill and prefer a career to avoid domestic work. There are four categories of working women in India. Some work while they are waiting for marriage. A majority work because they are qualified, want a second income and a different kind of life for the part of the day. A small section consists of career women. A sizeable section of women are bread winners.

Working women prefer to stay in joint families where their children can be taken care of while they are at work. When they come back in the evening from the work, their personalities have to undergo a change to accommodate the demand of their time and attention by different family members whose main feelings are of having been neglected. These women often do their shopping on the way from office. They reserve their weekends for heavy house work which will help them to cope with the rest of the week with relatively less tension. Weekends are also reserved for spending their time with spouses and children, for entertainment, family duties, visits and other such endless chores. Actually speaking, they hardly have time for personal needs.

Despite the freedom and confidence of their jobs and pay packets, working women still prefer to leave their financial decision making and budgeting to their husbands. They are unwilling to compromise on their dual burdens and prefer jobs with flexible timings. They are not unduly fashion conscious but take pride in graceful clothing. Indian working women are managing their double roles admirably.

Questions :

- a) What roles do Indian women play in life? 2
- b) Give any two reasons behind working by majority of women. 2
- c) Why do a majority of working women prefer to stay in joint families? 2
- d) When do the working women do shopping? 2
- e) Complete the following : 1+1
 - iii) There are four categories of =2
 - iv) They prefer to leave the financial decision making and
- f) Make sentences: 1+1
 - i) heavy (ii) qualified =2

Section – B

(Writing and Grammar)

(Marks : 30)

- 3) Write a letter to your uncle thanking him for a nice birthday gift. (In about 100 words) 8

OR

Write a letter to the Municipal commissioner complaining about the dirt and filth lying around your Colony.

- 4) Write a paragraph on any one of the following topics in about 100-150 words. 8
 - a) The happiest day of your life.
 - b) Season you like the most.
 - c) My favourite game.
- 5) Fill in the blanks with the correct option given below : 1×6
(until, to hear, while, went, what, where) =6
 - a) We wanted her song.
 - b) We will have to wait the train passes.
 - c) He fell asleep doing his home work.
 - d) He to Mumbai yesterday.
 - e) You may go you like.
 - f) Do you like.
- 6) Transform the following sentences as directed in the brackets. 1×4
 - a) She is too weak to walk. (Remove too) =4
 - b) Man is mortal (into Negative)
 - c) He said to me, “Open the door.” (Into indirect Speech)
 - d) Mohan killed a Snake. (into Passive voice)
- 7) Fill in the blanks with suitable modals given in the Brackets : 1×4
(may, must, can, could) =4
 - a) The boys obey their teachers
 - b) Anyone make mistakes.
 - c) Mona speak five languages.
 - d) Labour hard so that you Pass.

Section – C

(Literature Text Book) Marks : 30

(a) Prose - Marks : 10

8) A Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

On the Public writing table, he started to write, with much wrinkling of his brow, caused by the effort he had to make to express his ideas. When he finished, he went to the window to buy a stamp which he licked and then affixed to the envelope with a blow of his fist. The moment the letter fell into the mail box the postmaster went to open it. It said: “God : of the money that I asked for, only seventy pesos reached me, send me the rest, since I need it very much. But don’t send it to me through the mail because the post office employees are a bunch of Crooks Lencho.”

Questions :

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| a) Why was Lencho angry? | 1 |
| b) Who had really sent him the money? | 1 |
| c) How can you say that Lencho was not sophisticated? | 1 |
| d) Find a phrase which means “ a group of dishonest persons.” | 1 |

B Answer the following question : 6

Why was the young seagull afraid to fly?

OR

When would the baker come every day? Why did the children run to meet him?

(b) Poetry - Marks : 10

9) Answer the following questions from the given extract :

What is the boy now who has lost his ball.

What, what is he to do? I saw it go.

Merrily bouncing. Down the street,

And then merrily over there it is in the water!

Questions :

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| a) Name the poem form where this extract has been taken. | 1 |
| b) Who has written these lines? | 1 |
| c) What has the boy lost? | 1 |
| d) Where did the ball go? | 1 |

10) Answer any two of the following questions : 3+3

(a) What does the girl yearn for? What does this poem tell you about Amanda? =6

(b) What do the people say about the ending of the world? What is the poet’s stand?

(c) Mention three things that humans do and animals don’t.

(C) Supplementary Reader

Marks : 10

11) Answer the following questions: 8

(A) Write a character Sketch of Anil.

OR

‘Griffin was rather a lawless person’ Comment.

(B) Why is Mrs. Pumphrey worried about Tricki? 2

OR

Why do Bholi’s parents accept Bishamber’s marriage proposal?