

**ENGLISH**  
**Class – X<sup>th</sup>**  
**SET- 1**

Full Marks : 80

**SECTION- A**  
**(Reading) Marks : 20**

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

In England Gandhiji at first did not give his time entirely to his studies. Instead, he tried to copy fashionable English gentlemen in every way. Like so many young men of his age he was attracted by what was new and foreign. He wasted a lot of money on buying smart English clothes. He started taking lessons in ball-room dancing, in playing the violin etc. What a change from the shy boy on the ship who would not talk to the other passengers. After three months, he suddenly realized how silly it was to waste his good brother's money on such things. After this he devoted all his time to serious study. From the very childhood, when Gandhiji found out that he was doing a wrong thing, he at once stopped doing it.

**Questions:**

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| (a) | Where did Gandhiji go for his studies?  | 2     |
| (b) | What attracted him most in England?   | 2     |
| (c) | What did Gandhiji suddenly realize after his three months of stay in England? | 2     |
| (d) | Complete the following :  | 1+1=2 |
|     | (i) He started taking lessons in ball-room dancing .....                      |       |
|     | (ii) when Gandhiji found out that he was doing a wrong thing .....            |       |

2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

Yoga is an ancient Indian system to keep a person fit in body and mind. It is basically a system of self-treatment. According to the yogic view, diseases, disorders and ailments are the result of some faulty ways of living, bad habits, lack of proper Knowledge and unsuitable food. The diseases are thus the resultant state of a short or prolonged malfunctioning of the body system. Since the root cause of a disease lies in the mistakes of the individual, its cure also lies in correcting the mistakes by the same individual. Thus Yoga relies entirely on the effort of the patient to cure himself. The Yoga experts show only the path and words no more than a counselor. The Yogic practice of treatment comprises three steps namely proper diet, proper Yogic practice and proper Knowledge of things concerning the self.

**Question:**

- (a) How, according to the Yogic view diseases are caused? 2
- (b) How does Yoga differ from other methods of treating a disease? 2
- (c) What part does the Yoga expert play? 2
- (d) What does the practice of Yoga rely on? 2
- (e) Complete the following : 1+1=2
  - (i) Yoga is the ancient Indian system to keep a person .....
  - (ii) The diseases are thus the resultant state of a short.....
- (f) Make Sentences: 1+1=2
  - (i) Knowledge      (ii) Practice

**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) A visit to a Zoo
  - (b) An ideal teacher
  - (c) Student life
- 5 Fill in the blanks with the correct option given below: 6x1=6  
(telling, was reading, answer, broken, where, as)
  - (a) ..... you sow, so shall you reap.
  - (b) You needn't ..... all the questions.
  - (c) I ..... when the lights went off.
  - (d) A ..... chair is of no use.
  - (e) ..... lies is a sin.
  - (f) You may go ..... you like.
- 6 Transform the following sentences as directed in the brackets. 4x1=4
  - (a) He is too lazy to write. (Remove 'too')
  - (b) Who can control the wind? (Into assertive)
  - (c) She said to me. "Please open the door." (Into Indirect Speech)
  - (d) They are playing football. (Into Passive Voice)

- 7 Fill in the blanks with suitable modals given below: 4x1=4  
 (may, Must, could, can)  
 (a) Parents ..... look after their children.  
 (b) I ..... speak English fluently.  
 (c) It ..... rain today.  
 (d) I ..... Swim when I was small.

**SECTION- C(Literature Text Book) Marks : 30**

- 8 A Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: 1

Marriage gifts are meaningless without the sweet bread known as the bol, just as a party or a feast loses its charm without bread. Not enough can be said to show how important a baker can be for a village. The lady of the house must prepare sandwiches on the occasion of her daughter's engagement. Cakes and bolinhas are a must for Christmas as well as other festivals. Thus, the presence of the baker's furnace in the village is absolutely essential.

**Question:**

- (a) what is a bol? 1  
 (b) What is a must to be prepared on a daughter's engagement? 1  
 (c) When is cakes and bolinhas prepared? 1  
 (d) Find a word in the passage which means 'necessary.' 1

- B Answer the following question:

Why was the young seagull afraid to fly? 6

**OR**

Why did lencho write a letter to God? What was the result of Lencho's letter?

**(B) Poetry  
(Marks : 10)**

9. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

He stalks in his vivid stripes.  
 The few steps of his cage.  
 On pads of velvet quiet.  
 In his quiet rage.

**Questions:**

- (a) Name the poem from where these lines have been taken. 1  
 (b) Who has written these lines? 1  
 (c) Who is 'he' in the first line? 1  
 (d) Where is he walking? 1

10. Answer any two of the following questions in about 20-30 words each. 3+3=6
- (a) Where has the boy lost his ball?
  - (b) Is Amanda an orphan? Why does she say so?
  - (c) Why did the poet want to turn and live with animals?

**(C) Supplementary Reader**

**(Marks : 10)**

11. (A) Give a character sketch of Bholi ? 8

**OR**

Griffin was not a true scientist as he misused his scientific discovery. Explain.

- (B) Why was Matilda Unhappy ? 2

**OR**

What does Horace Danby like to collect ?