

Pre-Board Examination-2018Class-10th

Paper-English

Max. Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

Name of the student.....

Roll No.....Section.....

School Name.....

Instructions:

- This question paper is divided into four sections: A, B, C and D.
- All questions are compulsory.
- Attempt all the parts of a question together
- Stick to the words limit wherever prescribed.

Section-A (Reading Skill)

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Q-1 Read the passage given below and answers the questions that follow: 1x 6=6

Subhash Chander Bose was a great leader of India. He was born on 23rd January 1896. His countrymen called him 'Netaji' because he led them to the right path. He went to jail many times. But soon he found out that more efforts would be made to make India free. The British power was getting weaker in the Second World War. He thought of striking it from all sides. One day he escaped from Calcutta in the guise of a pathan and went to Germany. From there he went to Japan. He organized the Indian National Army that fought many battles against the British armies. He said to his countrymen "Give me blood and I will give you freedom." At this appeal hundred of Indians living abroad gave their all for the good of India. It was bad day for India that Netaji died in an air crash. We shall always remember him as the greatest fighter for the freedom of India.

- Why do Indians call Subhash Chander Bose as 'Netaji'?
- Where did he organize the Indian National Army?
- What slogan did he give to his countrymen?
- How shall we always remember him?
- How did Netaji escape from Calcutta?

Or

Yoga is the ancient Indian system of keeping 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 expert shows only the path and works no more than as a counsellor. The practice of treatment comprises three steps namely proper diet, proper yogic practice and proper knowledge of things concerning the self.

Questions

- (a) What is the system of Yoga?
 - (b) How, according to yogic view, are diseases caused?
 - (c) What does the practice of yoga rely on for the cure of a patient?
 - (d) Name the three steps of the yogic treatment?
 - (e) What is the role of a yoga expert?
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Section-B (Writing Skills) 12 Marks

Q-2 Attempt any of the following:

1x6=6

- a) Write an application to the Principal to your school requesting him to change your section. Or

Write a letter to M/s Radha Krishan Publications, 2, Ansari Road, Darya Ganj, New Delhi, complaining about the parcel of books which you have received in damaged condition.

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Q-3 Attempt any two of the following:

1x6=6

Outline- an old farmer.....his sons always quarrelsends for them.....gives them a bundle of sticks to break.....sons unable to do so.....asks them to untie the bundle.....sticks broken one by one.....moral.

- Or
Write a paragraph on 'A Visit to a Historical Place. Or
You are Principal of a public school. You require trained teachers for your school. Draft a suitable Advertisement for the same.

Section-C (Grammar)**Q-4 Attempt any twelve sentences in all:****1x12=12 marks****(a) Fill in the blanks with correct form of the verb given in brackets:**

(1) Mahatma Gandhi (spin) on the charkha daily.

(2) Two and two (make) four.

(3) Last night I (see) a sweet dream.

Combine the following pair of sentences using a subordinate clause:

(1) I was waiting for Mohan. He did not come.

(2) Here is the road. This leads to Rohtak.

(3) He works somewhere. I don't know the place.

(4) Fifteen of August was the day. India attained freedom.

(3) Are you interested in buying a computer? (buy)

(f) Punctuate the following sentences:

(1) o god have mercy on us.

(2) death is inevitable.

(3) do you know him

(i) O! God have mercy on us.

(ii) Death is inevitable.

(iii) Do you know him?

(g) Use the following Phrasal Verbs in meaningful sentences:

(1) By hook or crook

(2) At the eleventh hour

(3) A bookworm

Section-D (Text books) (Part-A: Prose Section) 24 Marks

Q-5 Read the passage given below and answers the questions that follow. Do any two passages: 2x5=10

(a) On the day of the inauguration, I was overwhelmed with a sense of history. In the first decade of the twentieth century, a few years after the bitter Anglo-Boer war and before my own birth, the white skinned people of South Africa patched up their differences and erected a system of racial domination against the dark skinned people of their own land. The structure they created formed the basis of

one of the harshest, most in humane, societies the world had ever known. Now, in the last decade of the twentieth century, and my own eighth decade as a man, that system had been overturned forever and replaced by one that recognized the rights and freedom of all people, regardless of the colour of their skin.

Questions

- What was the author overwhelmed with?
- What kind of system did the white skinned people of South Africa create?
- Name the chapter and its author?
- What did the new system recognize?
- Find words from the passage which means the same as :- (1) submerged (2) a period of ten years.

Or

- Writing in a diary is a really strange experience for someone like me. Not only because I have never written anything before, but also because it seems to me that later on neither I nor anyone else will be interested in the musings of a thirteen year old school girl. Oh well, it does not matter. I feel like writing, and I have an even greater need to get all kind of things off my chest.

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 'Paper has more patience than people'. I thought of this saying on one of those days when I was feeling a little depressed and was sitting at home with my chin in my hands, bored and listless, wondering whether to stay in or go out. I finally stayed there where I was, brooding. Yes, paper does have more patience, and since I'm not planning to let anyone else read this stiff-backed notebook grandly referred to as a 'dirty', unless I should ever find a real friend, it probably won't make a bit of difference.

Questions

- Who is the writer of these lines?
- What is the age of the writer?
- What does she say about writing in a diary?
- What was she feeling in the days when she started writing diary?
- How does she refer to the diary?

Or

- Gautama Buddha (563 B.C-483 B.C.) began life as a prince named Siddhartha Gautama, in northern India. At twelve, he was sent away for schooling in the Hindu sacred scriptures and four years later he returned home to marry a princess. They had a son and lived for ten years as befitted royalty. At about the age twenty-five, the Prince, heretofore shielded from the sufferings of the world, while out hunting chanced upon a sick man, then an aged man, then a funeral procession, and finally a monk begging for alms. These sights so moved him that

Lencho is a poor farmer. He is a simple fellow. But he has an irrefragable faith in God. When his crop destroyed by a hailstorm, he is sure God will help him. Therefore he writes a letter to God, seeking His help. When the postmaster reads this letter, he can't help saying, 'I wish I had the faith of the man who wrote this letter.' He sends him some money. Lencho is not at all surprised to receive the money. But he becomes extremely angry when he counts the money. The money sent by the postmaster was less than he had asked from God. He is quite sure that God can't make a mistake. Such is his faith. He thinks post office people have stolen the money. He again writes God to send him the rest of money.

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Q-7 Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words each (Do any four)
2x4=8

- (1) Why was Lencho angry when he received the letter? 17 9
- (2) Why was Mrs. Keesing annoyed with Anne? What did he ask her to do? 25 9
- (3) Where does Wanda live? What kind of a place do you think it is? 27 2
- (4) What game had Mij invented? 37 1
- (5) Why does the conductor call Valli 'madam'? 41 4
- (6) Who was Gautama Buddha? 43 6
- (7) Write a note on the title of the play 'The Proposal'? 46 8

- (b) Where did the ball land finally?
(c) What did the poet see?
(d) What becomes peculiar of the boy who has lost his ball?
(e) Name the poem and the poet.

Or

The fog comes
on little cat feet.
It sits looking
over harbour and city
on silent haunches
and then moves on.

Questions:

- (a) How does the fog come?
(b) Where does the fog look and how?
(c) What does the fog do in the end?
(d) For what does 'it' stand in the third line?
(e) Name the poem and the poet.

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Q-9 (a) Answer any two questions in 30-40 words:

2x2=4

(1) How does the tiger behave at night? 497

(2) Who are the characters in the poem 'The Tale of Custard and the Dragon', list them with their pet names. 555

(3) How old do you think Amanda is? How do you think Amanda is? 591

Q-9(b) Answer any one question in about 50 words:

3x1=3

(1) What is the central idea of the poem for 'Anne Gregory'? 562

(2) Where was the crow sitting? What did it shake down on the poet? 481

(i) At night, the tiger keeps looking at the stars. He hears the noise of patrolling cars, and remains disturbed due to the noise.

(ii) Belinda had four pets - Ink, Blink, Mustard and Custard. Ink was a black kitten, Blink was a little grey mouse, Mustard was a little yellow dog, Custard was a little dragon.

(iii) Amanda is asked to finish her homework. It shows that she is a school-going girl. She seems to be around ten years old. She is constantly told to do this or not to do that.

(iv) It is the inner worth of a person that really matters. But paradoxically, none in this world is valued for his or her inner worth. It is only the external looks that are valued in this world. Only God values us for our inner worth.

(v) The crow was sitting on one of the branches of a hawthorn tree, and the poet was standing beneath this tree. It shook off some snow dust on the poet.

(Part-C: Supplementary Reader) 14 Marks

Q-10 Answer in about 100 words:

1x6=6

Describe the narrator's first visit to New Mullion. 689