

MODEL QUESTION PAPER-2024

CLASS – 12

ENGLISH COMPULSORY

Time 3 Hours 15 minutes

Maximum Marks- 80

General Instructions:-

1. Candidates must write their Roll No. first on the question paper compulsorily.
2. All the questions are compulsory.
3. Write the answer to each question in the given answer-book only.
4. For questions having more than one part the answers to those parts are to be written together in continuity.
5. Write down the serial number of each question before attempting it.

Section A

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

(9 x 1=9)

Rabindranath Thakur was born in Calcutta on May 07, 1861. His father Devendranath Thakur was a well known social and religious leader.

In school, Rabindranath found the teaching too elementary. It did not take his teacher long to recognise his high intelligence. He was given 'Macbeth' to translate and to everyone's surprise Rabindranath made a very good translation into Bengali. However his limitless curiosity to know more and newer things could not be satisfied in school. It was therefore, decided to withdraw him from there. For four years, from the age of thirteen to seventeen, he studied a wide variety of subjects at home. About the same time he was drawn to nature and arts.

From 1881 onwards his talent as a writer expressed itself in the form of countless compositions in poetry, drama, music, fiction, philosophy and painting. He wrote nearly 50 plays, 100 books of verse and 40 volumes of fiction and philosophical writings.

In 1901, he founded a school at Shantiniketan near Bolpur in Bengal. In 1922 it was changed into an international university called Vishvabharti.

The work which brought him universal recognition was a collection of poems named 'Gitanjali'. This won him Nobel Prize in literature in 1913 and made him internationally famous.

Rabindranath was a great nationalist and patriot. He felt so bitter about the Jallianwala Bagh tragedy in 1919 that as protest, he gave up knighthood which the British had awarded him earlier.

Questions-

- (i) When and where was Rabindranath Thakur born? (1)
- (ii) Why was Rabindranath withdrawn from school? (1)
- (iii) How did he express himself as a writer? (1)
- (iv) Which book of him won him Nobel Prize in literature? (1)
- (v) Write down the name of university founded by him. (1)
- (vi) Why did Rabindranath give up the title of knighthood? (1)

Find out the word from the passage which means.

- (vii) A person who loves his country (1)
- (viii) Easy, Not complicated (1)
- (ix) A piece of poetry (1)

2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the question that follows.

(6 x 1 =6)

Selfie is the latest trend in teenagers and hundreds of people are risking their lives to take a selfie which will fetch them more 'Likes' on social media. Famous social networking platforms encourage users to take selfies. Selfie trend is used in political and government campaigns too.

When people take selfie and post it on social media, they get "likes" and "shares". It makes them feel good about themselves. People who generally don't express themselves can show their emotions through it.

Though selfies in themselves are harmless, people's behaviour around them add negative connotations to them. There are hundreds of reported deaths because of selfies. People go to dangerous places such as railways lines, cliffs, building tops, dam sites etc. to take a selfie. Sometimes an accident happens in such places, causing the death of person taking a selfie. However, peer pressure makes teenagers and youth take risky actions.

Is a selfie good or bad? It depends on us, how crazy we are for a selfie, how much importance we are giving to it. There is nothing bad in taking selfies but one should not allow this addiction to take control over our senses.

Questions:-

- (i) What is the latest trend on social media? (1)
- (ii) How can people, who generally can't express themselves, show their emotions? (1)
- (iii) Can taking selfies sometimes prove to be harmful? (1)
- (iv) Which habit shouldn't be allowed to take control over our senses? (1)
- (v) Write the word from the passage which means :
'Friends of same age, interest and job (1)
- (vi) Write the Opposite word of "Discourage" from the passage. (1)

Section-B

3. You are Mr. Verma. You have been invited to attend the birthday party of your friend's daughter on 02 February 2023, on Monday at 7:00 P.M. at his residence but you are unable to attend the party. Write a formal reply to Prakash Sharma (4)

OR

You want to let out a small portion of your house. Write an advertisement to be published in the "To Let" classified column of the Rajasthan Patrika.

4. Your School organized a seminar on "Ozone layer and its effects" on the occasion of international ozone layer day on 16th September. Prepare a report to be sent to the city newspaper, in about 100 words (5)

OR

Write a paragraph in about 100 words on "A House On Fire" based on the clues given below:

(A house fire people crying throwing water fire-brigade..... to hospital control fire)

5. Write a letter to the editor of the Times of India complaining about air and water pollution in your city. (6)

OR

Write a letter on behalf of M/S Gupta and sons, 15 Mukharji nagar, Delhi to M/S science publication 18 Mahesh Nagar, Jaipur making necessary enquiries about bulk supply of S.P. English work books for XII class.

Section-C

6. Join the following sentences using the words given in brackets- (2)

(i) The boy needs help. His father died last year. (whose)

(ii) The man was a shopkeeper. I helped the man. (Whom)

7. Combine each set of sentences into one sentence as directed: (2)

(i) The burglar took out a knife. His intention was to frighten me.(Use "Infinitive")

(ii) He is poor. He is honest. (Compound sentence)

8. Fill in the blanks by choosing correct conjunction from those given in brackets:

(2x1=2)

(i) he is very old, he enjoys good health. (Although/While) 1

(ii) Get meCoffee..... Tea. (either...or/too..to) 1

9. Fill in the blanks by choosing appropriate phrasal verb from those given in brackets.

- (vi) Which of these words from the passage is opposite to “Ugly”? 1
(A) Beautiful (B) Sad
(C) Fright (D) Quietly

11. Answer the following questions in about 60 words. (1x4=4)
Justify the title of the lesson “Lost Spring” (Lost Spring)

OR

Who was Edla? How did she change peddler’s behavior? (The Rattrap)

12. Answer the following questions in 20-30 words. (2x2=4)
- (i) Why did Gandhi agree to a settlement of 25 percent refund to the farmers? (Indigo)
- (ii) What is the example of national integration that the author refers to?
(Poets and Pancakes)

13. Explain any one of the following stanzas with reference to context- (1x6=6)

- (i) Perhaps the Earth can teach us
As when everything seems dead
And later proves to be alive.
Now I will count up to twelve
And you keep quiet and I will go.
- (ii) Aunt Jennifer’s fingers fluttering through her wool
Find even the ivory needle hard to pull
the massive weight of uncle’s wedding band
Sits heavily upon Aunt Jennifer’s hands.

14. Answer the following questions in about 60 words. (1x4=4)
Write down the central idea of the poem “A Roadside Stand”

OR

In the poem “A Thing Of Beauty” The poet describes some beautiful things of nature. What are they? Elaborate.

15. Answer the following questions in 20-30 words (2x2=4)
- (i) What do the parting words of the poet and her smile signify?

(My mother at sixty six)

(ii) Why do some car owners stop at the roadside stand? (A Roadside stand)

16. Answer the following questions in about 60 words. (1x4=4)

Give a character sketch of Dr. Sadao? (The Enemy)

OR

What was the hardest trial faced by Zitkala-Sa? (Memories of childhood)

17. Answer the following questions in 20-30 words (2x2=4)

(i) Why is the average global temperature increasing? (Journey to the end of the earth).

(ii) Who is Mr. Lamb? How does Derry get into his garden? (On the face of it)

18. Choose the correct alternative. (6x1=6)

(i) Sam was a:

(A) Historian (B) Engineer

(C) Philosopher (D) Psychiatrist

(ii) How many tigers had the Maharaja killed within ten years?

(A) 60 (B) 80 (C) 70 (D) 90

(iii) "Students on Ice" programme was headed by:

(A) Elbright (B) Johnson

(C) Alexander flaming (D) Geoff Green

(iv) The street-kids call Mr. Lamb:

(A) Cruel-Lamb (B) Sweet-Lamb

(C) Lamey-Lamb (D) Uncle-Lamb

(v) The story "The Tiger King" is about the king of:

(A) Anand puram (B) Pratibandhpuram

(C) Tikak Nagaram (D) None of these

(vi) The name of Dr. Sadao's wife was:

(A) Hana (B) Sana

(C) Mary (D) Jenny