

CLASS X (2019-20)
ENGLISH (CODE 0184)
SAMPLE PAPER-1

Time Allowed : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

General Instructions :

- (i) This paper is divided into three sections: A, B and C. All questions are compulsory.
- (ii) Separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary. Read these instructions very carefully and follow them.
- (iii) Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions

SECTION A -READING (20 MARKS)

- Q1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (8 Marks)
1. The film industry is facing the challenge of the television screen which, because of its ready availability and nearness to entertainment seekers, is becoming very popular, particularly in the West where television programmes are as indispensable to people as newspaper material. Sustained entertainment for multitudes lasting two or three hours is possible only in big cinema halls. Scenic beauty, background effects and colour techniques which have made the products of cinema industry so attractive and delightful may not be reproduced by television programme organisers, and therefore, this important invention in the field of wireless communication, in spite of having become a big rival of the cinema, may not succeed in replacing it.
 2. The motion picture has also stepped into the international sphere as an agent of goodwill and co-operation among nations. Cultural contacts which tend to reduce tension in the world and bring harmony in international relations have been established through the medium of films. The more people understand and appreciate the past history, present aims, customs, habits and beliefs of men and women in foreign lands, the more will they realise that their interests can best be served by establishing friendly relations with them and by removing those irritants which breed distrust, lack of co-operation and the desire to punish those whose views and attitudes are such as they do not like. As cultural agents movies can cement ties of love and brotherhood among nations and teach them to confer on each other the benefits of all the rich and glorious achievements of the present enlightened age. In recent years, artists of the film world have been visiting foreign lands with a view to presenting before audience in those countries the best products of their cultural heritage. Film festivals which many European and Asian countries have been organising from time to time have also proved to be of immense value in reducing social barriers, colour prejudices and other causes of friction between nations.
- (1.1) On the basis of your reading of the passage given above, answer the following questions.(1 × 8 = 8)**
- (a) The film industry is facing the challenge of:**
- (i) the theatre
 - (ii) financial crunch
 - (iii)waning people's interest
 - (iv)the television screen
- (b) The TV has become popular because of:**
- (i) its entertaining programmes
 - (ii) its educative value
 - (iii)its ready availability and nearness
 - (iv)its wide appeal
- (c) Three things which make cinema so attractive are:**
- (i) scenic beauty, background effects and beautiful faces

- (ii) scenic beauty, good sets and colour techniques
 (iii) scenic beauty, gaudy dresses and colourful techniques
 (iv) scenic beauty, background effects and colour techniques
- (d)** Films have become agents of:
- (i) pioneering (ii) providing
 (iii) conferring (iv) goodwill and cooperation
- (e)** Which of these reduces the tension of the people and bring harmony?
- (i) film industry (ii) television programme
 (iii) beauty of nature (iv) cultural context
- (f)** The artists of the film industry visit foreign lands with the purpose of:
- (i) establishing friendly relations with them
 (ii) presenting best products of their cultural heritage
 (iii) bringing harmony in international relations
 (iv) getting better opportunity.
- (g)** Film festivals have proved to be of immense value in reducing social barriers and colour _____
- (h)** Irritants only breed mistrust and conflicts among nations. (True/False)

- Q2.** Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (12 Marks)
- Have you ever failed at something so miserably that the thought of attempting to do it again was the last thing you wanted to do?
 - If your answer is yes, then you are “not a robot.” Unlike robots, we human beings have feelings, emotions, and dreams. We are all meant to grow and stretch despite our circumstances and our limitations. Flourishing and trying to make our dreams come true is great when life is going our way. But what happens when it’s not? What happens when you fail despite all of your hard work? Do you stay down and accept the defeat or do you get up again and again until you are satisfied? If you have a tendency to persevere and keep going then you have what experts call, grit.
 - Falling down or failing is one of the most agonizing, embarrassing, and scariest human experiences. But it is also one of the most educational, empowering, and essential parts of living a successful and fulfilling life. Did you know that perseverance (grit) is one of the seven qualities that have been described as the keys to personal success and betterment in society? The other six are: curiosity, gratitude, optimism, self-control, social intelligence, and zest. Thomas Edison is a model for grit for trying 1,000 plus times to invent the light bulb. If you are reading this with the lights on in your room, you know well he succeeded. When asked why he kept going despite his hundreds of failures, he merely stated that what he had been not failures. They were hundreds of ways not to create a light bulb. This statement not only revealed his grit but also his optimism for looking at the bright side.
 - Grit can be learned to help you become more successful. One of the techniques that helps is mindfulness. Mindfulness is a practice that helps the individual stay in the moment by bringing awareness of his or her experience without judgement. This practice has been used to quiet the noise of their fears and doubts. Through this simple practice of mindfulness, individuals have the ability to stop the self-sabotaging downward spiral of hopelessness, despair, and frustration.
 - What did you do to overcome the negative and self-sabotaging feelings of failure? Reflect on what you did, and try to use those same powerful resources to help you today.
- 2.1.** On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions in about 30-40 words each. (2 × 4=8)
- According to the passage, what are the attributes of a human?
 - What is perceived as grit?
 - How is ‘failing’ an educational and empowering part of human life?
 - In what ways can grit be developed?

2.2. On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following. (1 × 4=4)

(a) The synonym of 'continue' as given in paragraph 2 is _____

- (i) robots (ii) accept
(iii)persevere (iv) flourish

(b) The synonym of 'distressing' as given in paragraph 3 is _____

(c) The antonym of forbidding as given in para 3 is _____

- (i) fulfilling (ii) agonizing
(iii)empowering (iv)looking

(d) The antonym of 'heedlessness' as given in para 4 is _____

SECTION B - WRITING & GRAMMAR (30 MARKS)

- Q3. You are Anita of Adarsh Public School, Nagal, Punjab who had arranged a trip for fifty students of Nanital in summer vacations for ten days with 'Mount Travel, and Tourism'. The arrangements done by the travel agency were far below standard. The accommodation and food facilities were inferior in quality. Write a letter of complaint to the director of the agency to stop duping tourists with false promises as it tarnishes the image of locals. (100-150 words) (8 Marks)

OR

India is a highly populated country. People lack in maintaining proper sanitation and hygiene as a result they suffer from various diseases. India has a serious sanitation challenge; around 60 per cent of the world's open defecation takes place in India. Poor sanitation causes health hazards including diarrhoea, particularly in children under 5 years of age, malnutrition and deficiencies in physical development and cognitive ability. You are Nitin/Nikita, head boy/girl of Vikas Public School, Jaipur. Write a letter to the editor of a national daily, highlighting the problem and suggesting practical ways to ensure public sanitation and the right to dignity and privacy. (100-150 words)



- Q4. Develop a short story with the help of the given visual/starting line. Give a suitable title to your story. (150-200 words) (10 Marks)

OR

It was an amazing day. Full of fun and frolic. We all stood aghast to see a strange flying object over our heads. We started guessing... (write in 150-200 words).

- Q5. Fill in the blanks choosing the most appropriate option from the ones given in the box. Write the answers in your answer-sheet against the correct blank numbers. (1 × 4 = 4)

Butterflies are abundant (a) _____ the Central African Republic. It (b) _____ home to nearly 600 identified species. Many butterflies are brilliantly coloured and small (c) _____ some are as big as saucers. Farmer Philippe (d) _____ solace in collecting butterfly wings from his fields and turning them into works of art. My favourite hobby, since my childhood, is catching butterflies.

- (a) (i) in (ii) from
(iii) for (iv) into
(b) (i) has (ii) is

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| (iii) was | (iv) are |
| (c) (i) if | (ii) therefore |
| (iii) so | (iv) while |
| (d) (i) find | (ii) to find |
| (iii) finding | (iv) finds |

- Q6. In the following passage one word has not been edited in each line. Write the incorrect word along with the correct word in the space provided. (1 x 4 = 4)

	Incorrect	Correction
In Himalayas, the desert is turning green	e.g. the	a
Climate change in a Indian region of	(a) _____	_____
Ladakh has shrunk glaciers or has made rainfall	(b) _____	_____
and temperature unpredictable. Water has	(c) _____	_____
needed to irrigating the fields.	(d) _____	_____
Farmers may require aid from the government.		

- Q7. Rearrange the following groups of words or phrases to make meaningful sentences. (4 Marks)
- (a) enters/millions tons/the/every year/of/ocean/plastic
 (b) are/waters/sightings/junk-filled/of/common
 (c) population/middle-class/increasing/is/coastlines/along
 (d) trash/increase/has led/waste management/lack/of/in/to

SECTION C - LITERATURE (30 MARKS)

- Q8. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow: (1×4=4)

Some say the world will end in fire
 Some say in ice
 From what I've tasted of desire
 I hold with those who favour fire.

(a) Some people say that this world:

- (i) is very strange
 (ii) is full of all sorts of people
 (iii) will come to an end one day
 (iv) will end in fire

(b) Others think that this world:

- (i) will go on for ever
 (ii) will end in wars and conflicts
 (iii) will end in itself
 (iv) will end in ice

(c) The poet has tasted the passions and pangs of _____

(d) The poet stands with those who _____ that this world will end in fire.

OR

Today, all of us do, by our presence here...confer glory and hope to newborn liberty. Out of the experience of an extraordinary human disaster that lasted too long, must be born a society of which all humanity will be proud.

(a) Those who were present were conferring glory and hope:

- (i) to newborn liberty

- (ii) to the new nation
- (iii) to the new government
- (iv) to the new black president

(b) The apartheid regime was based on:

- (i) mutual hatred
- (ii) mutual trust
- (iii) mutual cooperation
- (iv) racial discrimination

(c) A new democratic and non-racial society was going to _____

(d) Nelson Mandela was the first black president of _____ [Fill in the right word]

- Q9. Answer any five of the following questions in 30-40 words each: (2 × 5 = 10)
- (a) Hari Singh is both a thief and a human being. Explain.
 - (b) How does the necklace change the course of the Loisel's life?
 - (c) What do you think was the speaker's attitude towards Amanda?
 - (d) Why would you not agree with Lencho calling them 'a bunch of crooks'?
 - (e) Bholi's heart was overflowing with a 'New hope and a new life'. What does the phrase 'the new hope and the new life' mean?
 - (f) What colour is the young woman's hair? What does she say she can change it to? Why would she want to do so?

- Q10. Answer any one of the following questions in about 100-150 words. (8 Marks)
- Simple moment proves to be very significant and saves rest of the day of poet from being wasted. Explain on the basis of the poem 'Dust of Snow'.

OR

What was Mijbil's favourite game during Maxwell's stay in London?

- Q11. Answer any one of the following questions in about 100-150 words. (8 Marks)
- Mrs. Pumphrey thought that her dog's recovery was a triumph of surgery. Elaborate.

OR

People should always try to live within their means. Aspiration have no limits but one should never forget the ground realities. Elaborate on the basis of chapter, "The Necklace".

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