

MP BOARD CLASS 10 HM ENGLISH GENERAL MODEL PAPER SET 1 2020

Time: 3 Hrs.

M. M.: 100

Note : Attempt all questions.

Section 'A

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it :

I was coming from my friend's birthday party. Suddenly it grew dark and began to rain heavily. I could see no one on the road; it was only 9 o'clock. I tried to trace a human soul on the lonely road but in vain. I got panicky and remembered God. I was not carrying my mobile with me so it was impossible to call my mother. I walked 10-15 metres and saw a light in the distance. It was a lonely house at the corner of the road. I summoned my courage and reached the house. I was scared. God knows who lives in the house. I knocked at the door but got no reply. I knocked once again and waited for a couple of minutes. An old woman opened the door. She was holding a lantern in her shaking hands. She looked at me very affectionately and before I could say anything she invited me inside her house. She gave me a towel and even offered me some dry clothes. But I said no and requested her to make a call to my mother. She gave me her mobile. I told my mother my exact location. Mother was worried about my well-being and asked me to be careful. Most of the parts of that rather small house were dark. The old woman took me to the kitchen and made a coffee for me. I hesitantly took the coffee. My mother arrived to pick me up. I thanked the old woman smilingly. I think I could never forget that night and above all that kind woman.

Questions :

1. From where the writer was coming ? 1
2. What was the condition of the road ? 1
3. Why it was not possible for the writer to call his mother ? 1
4. Where did he reach ? 1
5. Give the noun form of affectionately". 1

2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below:

Water, as we all know, is a valuable asset and most vital for the continuation of life on earth so there is a need to use water sensibly. As responsible and educated inhabitants of this planet earth, it is our duty to create awareness among others to be a part of the water conscious community. Water should be used strictly according to our need and requirement. The need to conserve water both at home and at school should be reiterated among students. To conserve water we need to reduce loss of water, avoid wasting water and improve water management and adopt practices like rainwater harvesting, recycling etc. While learning to implement water conservation principles, a lot of activities can prove to our advantage. These include any beneficial reduction in water loss, its use and waste of resources, avoiding any kind of damage to water quality and improving water management practices that enhance the beneficial use of water.

Questions :

1. How is water a valuable asset ? 1
2. What is our duty ? 1
3. How should water be used ? 1
4. How to conserve water ? 1
5. Give the noun form of responsible'. 1

3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below :

Holi is celebrated as the festival of colours. It brings lots of joy and feelings of friendship in us. The story of how this festival started is interesting. Prahlad was asked by his father Hiranyakashyap (a demon king) to worship him instead of Lord Vishnu. But Prahlad continued worshipping Lord Vishnu. His father asked Holika, Hiranyakashyap's sister, to sit in the fire while keeping Prahlad in her lap so that he could be killed. However, Holika was burnt in that fire and Prahlad was saved by the grace of God. Since then people celebrate Holi with colours to celebrate the victory of good over evil, as Holika was the incarnation of evil. Initially people used herbal gulal and tesu flower's water to soak each other in colours. But, today there are a number of chemical colours available in the market which harm our skin. Children should be careful not to throw colours on strangers.

They should use only natural colours or herbal gulal when playing among friends.

Questions :

1. What does Holi bring ? 1
2. Who was asked to worship Hiranyakashyap instead of worshipping God ? 1
3. What did Prahlad's father ask Holika ? 1
4. What was the result ? 1
5. Give the noun form of 'celebrate'. 1

Section 'B'

4. Write a letter to your father to send you. Rs. 1,000 by money order. 6

Or

Write an application to your Principal for S.L.C. and Character Certificate.

5. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below:

Discipline is necessary in life. A man without discipline can achieve nothing worthwhile in life. Discipline is the very condition of progress, stability and strength. Discipline is necessary in all walks of human life. Without discipline there will be disorder and lawlessness in a civilised society. We cannot live without having some regard for the welfare of others. Respect for authority is the basis of discipline, Children must obey their parents. In schools and colleges there must be discipline, otherwise education will suffer. We find evidence of discipline all around us even in the world of nature and the world of animals. Discipline loses nothing but it wins a lot. Discipline helps us to safeguard our interests and restrains us from missing our liberty. Questions :

- (A) On the basis of reading the passage, make notes on it and supply a suitable title. 4
- (B) Prepare a summary of the passage. 3
6. Develop a paragraph with the help of points given below on 'Cleanliness Drive in My Locality':
Cleanliness drive-Shram dan-residents come forward-clean the colony-children involved -Very encouraging-a cleaner colony-pledge-to work all through year. 7

Or

Write an essay on any one topic :

- (i) Science-A Boon or a Curse,
- (ii) My Best Friend,
- (iii) Importance of Trees,
- (iv) My Hobby.

Section 'C

7. (A) Fill up the blanks with right words given in brackets. (correct form of the verb) (any five) : 5

- (i) He is afraid of in water. (drown; drowning)
(ii) It was about to rain so the raincoat with me. (take, took, taken)
(iii) She the umbrella on the wall. (hang)
(iv) The tree was by the wind. (break)
(v) She tea. (built, make, prepared)
(vi) He acted as he the principal. (was/were)

(B) Choose the correct words from brackets and fill in the blanks (any five): 5

- (i) He is honest man. (a, an, the)
(ii) The student said, "Sir, I drink some water please ? (may, can, might)
(iii) He was absent, he was sick. (while, because, during)
(iv) You have to wait the signal is green. (until, during, while)
(v) Distribute the money Ram and Mohan. (among, between)
(vi) He has been waiting for the bus morning. (for, since)
(vii) Mohan met his friend he was on holiday. (during, while, since)

8. Do as directed (any five) : 5

- (i) Bhimsingh was carrying a bag. (Rewrite in the past indefinite tense)
(ii) They will ask us to lend some money. (Change into passive voice).
(iii) The teacher said to the students, "Bring your textbooks tomorrow." (Change into indirect narration)
(iv) She took some money with her. (Change into negative)
(v) Mother cooked food. (Make the sentence emphatic)
(vi) The boys saluted the leader. (Change into interrogative sentence)

9. Translate into English (any five) :

- (i) वे सुबह से नदी में तैर रहे थे।
(ii) दादी माँ कहानी सुना रही थी।
(iii) वह कल इन्दौर जा रही है।
(iv) वह प्रातः 5 बजे उठा।
(v) क्या पिताजी अखबार पढ़ रहे थे?

Section 'D'

10. Read the following extract and answer the questions given below:

I met Swami Shivananda man who looked like a Buddha, wearing snow white dhoti and wooden slippers. He had olive complexion and black piercing eyes. I was struck by his irresistible, almost child like smile and gracious manner. I introduced myself to Swamiji, My Muslim name aroused no reaction in him. Before I could speak any further, he inquired about the source of my sorrow. He offered no explanation of how he knew that I was sad and I did not ask.

I told him about my unsuccessful attempt to join the Indian Air Force and my long cherished desire to fly. He smiled, washing away all my anxiety almost instantly.

Questions :

- (a) The writer wanted to join : 1
(i) Indian Army, (ii) Indian Air Force, (iii) Indian Navy.
- (b) What was the writer struck by ? 2
- (c) The meaning of word 'attempt is : 1
(i) effort, (ii) job, (iii) source.
- (d) The writer of this lesson, from which the extract' has been taken is : 1
(i) Minakshi Jain, (ii) A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, (iii) Sudha Murthy.

11. Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions given below:

We all live in a big house which we call our native country. We have each of us been given, some one rupee, some two rupees, some three, some four. These rupees are not rupees with which we buy things, but they are different powers we have been given. Each of us has powers of body, powers of mind and powers of character. Each of us has strength, time and intelligence which can be used. As we leave school and go out into the world, we are tested as to how we are going to use these talents which we possess.

Questions :

- (a) By 'native' country the writer means : 1
(i) country where he lives in, (ii) house in which he lives, (iii) a foreign country.
- (b) From which lesson has the extract been taken ? 1
(i) The Power of Determination, (ii) The Torch Bearers, (iii) The Pot of Gold.
- (c) Give the name of the writer of the lesson. 1
- (d) What do rupees signify in the extract ? 2

12. Answer the following questions :

- (a) What should we do if we love our country ? 3

Or

Who was the person on whom Tcheriviakoff sneezed ?

- (b) What made Mamta win the race ? 3

Or

What did the writer ask her grandparents when she was young ?

13. Where did Pratap Singh encamp? 4

Or

What did Pratap Singh say to his son about Mewar ?

14. Read the extract carefully and answer the questions given below:

"One angry moment often does,

What we repent for years,

It works the wrong never make, right,

By sorrow or tears.

Questions :

- (a) The meaning of the word 'repent' is : 1
(i) to feel excitement, (ii) to feel happy, (iii) to feel sorry.
- (b) What do we repent for? 1
(i) Tears, (ii) Angry moment, (iii) Sorrow.
- (c) Name the poem. 1
15. What things should be adopted in our life according to the poet of 'In Memoriam'?
How can anger be conquered ?
16. Answer the following questions (any two): 4
(1) What should be a proper replacement for old traditions ?
(2) What does the poet want to know about the wind ?
(3) Where do the windows open ?
17. Answer any three of the following questions : 9
(1) What did the boy find when he woke up ?
(2) What was the king curious to know ?
(3) What is the main goal of education system ?
(4) What moral does the passage 'Union is Strength' carry ?
18. Answer any two of the following questions : 6
(1) Where did the Moghuls plant the magnificent avenues of Chinar ?
(2) What hardship do children face at home?
(3) Where does the sun rise when the poet takes tea in the evening ?