

**Pre. - Board Examination - 2019**

**Class - 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Sub. - English General**

**Time: 03 hours**

**Maximum marks: 100**

**Instructions:**

- 1). Attempt all questions.
- 2). Marks allotted to each questions are indicated against it.

**Section – A**

**Q. 1 Read the following passage carefully and answers the question given below.**

We sit in the last row, bumped about but free of stares. The bus rolls out of the dull crossroads of the city, and we are soon in the open country side, with fields of sunflowers as far as the eye can see, their heads all facing us. Where there is not water, the land reverts to desert. While still on level ground, we see in the distance the tall range of the mount Bogda, abrupt like a shining prism laid horizontally on the desert surface. It is over 5000 meter high, and the peaks are under permanent snow, in powerful contrast to the flat desert all around, Heaven Lake lies part of the way up this range about 2000 meter above sea level, at the foot of the higher snow peaks.

As the bus limps, the sky, brilliant before, grows overcast. I have brought nothing warm to wear. It is all down at the hotel Urumqui. Rain begins to fall. The man behind me is eating overpoweringly smelly goats' cheese. The bus window leaks inhospitably but reveals a beautiful view. We have passed quickly from desert through aurable land to pasture, and the ground is now green with grass, the slopes of dark with pine. A few cattle drink at a clear stream flowing past moss covered stones; it is a constable landscape. The stream changes into white torrent, and as we climb higher I wish more and more that I had brought with me something warmer than the pair of shorts that have saved me so well in the desert. The stream (which, we are told, rises in Heaven Lake) disappears and we continue slow ascent. About noon, we arrive at Heaven Lake, and look for a place to stay at the foot, which is the resort area. We get a room in a small cottage, and I am happy to note that there are thick quilts on the beds.

**Question :-**

**Q. Choose the correct answer:**

**(A) The benefit of sitting in the last row of the bus was that:- (1)**

1. The narrator enjoyed the bumps.
2. No one stared at him.
3. He could see the sunflowers.
4. He avoided the dullness of the city.

**(B) The narrator was travelling to: (1)**

1. Mount Bogda.
2. A 2000 meter high snow peak.
3. Heaven lake.
4. Urumqui.

(1)

(C) Mount Bogda is compared to :

1. A horizontal desert surface.
2. A shining prism.
3. A constable landscape.
4. The overcast sky.

(D) Mount Bogda is ..... high.

1. 5000 Metre
2. 3000 Metre
3. 8000 Metre
4. 6000 Metre

(E) Heaven lake is ..... metre above sea level.

1. 1000
2. 3000
3. 2000
4. 5000

(F) Give the antonym of 'quickly'.

(G) Give the adjective form of 'torrent'.

(H) Give the noun forms of 'Powerful'.

(I) What was the man behind the narrator doing?

(J) About noon where dose he reach and see?

(1)

(1)

(1)

(1)

(1)

(2)

(2)

**Q.2 Read the following passage carefully and answer the question given below.**

The effects of plastic bags on the environment are really quite devastating. While there are many objections to the banning of plastic bags based solely on their convenience, the damage to environment needs to be controlled.

There is no way to strictly limit the effects of plastic bags on the environment because there is no disposal method that will really help eliminate the problem. While refusing them is the first step, most people don't do that. These bags are not durable enough to survive numerous trips to store. The best the citizens can do is to refuse them.

The biggest problem with this is that once they have been soiled they end up in the trash, which then ends up in the landfill or is burn ends. Either solution is very poor for the environment. Burning emits toxic gases that harm the atmosphere and increase the level of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in the air while landfill holds them indefinitely as part of the plastic waste problem throughout the globe.

One of the greatest problems is that an estimated 300 million plastic bags end up in the Atlantic Ocean alone. These bags are very dangerous for sea life, especially for those of the mammal variety. Any hunting mammal can easily mistake the size, shape and texture of the plastic bag for a meal and finds it airway cut off. Needless deaths from plastic bags are increasing every year.

**Questions :**

(A) 1. Supply a title to the passage

2. make notes

(B) Prepare a summary of the passage

(1)

(4)

(3)

**Section - B**

- Q. 3. Write a classified advertisement for 'Lost and Found' column of local newspaper stating the loss of your school bag containing books and important documents while travelling in a bus. (5)**

**Or**

Prepare a poster on "Say no to Drugs"

- Q. 4. An election was held and you went to cast your vote. Using the following inputs, describe in about 100 words, what you saw at the booth as an observer: (6)**

- i. queue of voters
- ii. polling officers, presiding officers and polling agents ;
- iii. indelible ink ;
- iv. polling box ;
- v. Electronic voting machine.

**Or**

**With the help of the words given below, produce a write-up on 'Value of Games':**

- i. necessary for life ;
- ii. removes monotony ;
- iii. make our body healthy ;
- iv. learning good habits ;
- v. develop equality and brotherhood.

- Q.5. Write an application to your principal for issuing you School Leaving Certificate. (6)**

**or**

You are Pooja soni, studying in class XII in Govt. H.S. School, Vidisha. Write an application to your Principal to issue you books from the Book Bank.

- Q .6 you are Karan Pal residing in MIG-6 7, Sundar nagar, Dewas Write a letter to your friend Rashid and invite him to attend the wedding of your elder brother. (6)**

**Or**

Write a letter to your friend Anamika Rai advising her to celebrate this Dewali without crackers. Suppose you are Sonam Dangi residing at H.No.410, Manas Garden, Indore.

- Q . 7 Using the following input produce a write – up on 'My Neighbour' in about 150 words: (8)**

- i. His name, age profession :
- ii. His habits, nature:
- iii. His qualities :
- iv. Why you like him or dislike him.

**Or**

**Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 150 to 200 words:**

- i. Science in daily life .
- ii. The festival you like most .
- iii. Importance of newspaper .
- iv. A current problem of India .
- v. Computers in your daiiy life .

**Section - C**

**Q .8. Fill in the blanks with the help of correct alternatives given in the bracket :** (5)

- i. There are----- precious books in the library . (little /some/any)
- ii. Ramesh is ..... officer in a bank ( a /an /the )
- iii. I didn't like ..... of them. (either / neither)
- iv. We are going ..... a match today. (play/to play/played)
- v. No sooner did the boy see the kobra ..... he ran away.(than/as/can)

**Q. 9 Do as directed:** (5)

- i. Raman does his work. (change into negative)
- ii. Students are playing football. ( change the voice )
- iii. He is so weak that he cannot walk. (Rewrite using 'too..... to')
- iv. Fatima danced well. (change into past continuous tense)
- v. My mother was cooking food. (change into Interrogative sentence)
- vi. Radha did not go to school. She was ill. ( combine the sentences using ' because ' )

**Section - D**

**Question - 10**

**(A) Read the following extract and answer the questions given below:**

To these nearest me  
My family, my friends, my co – workers  
Help me to be aware that  
No matter what words I hear  
The message is  
' Accept the person I am , Listen to me'.

**Questions :** (3)

- a. A word similar in meaning to the word 'attentive' :
  - i. Preventive
  - ii. Aware
  - iii. Active
- b. The poet wants us to listen to those – (nearest / farthest)
- c. Write the name of the poem from which these lines have been taken.

**(B)**

But What am I ?  
Only a captive  
Chained to the earth  
In silence I grow old  
In silence I wither and die.

Question :-

(3)

(A) Who is 'I' in these lines?

- i. River
- ii. Forest ✓
- iii. Earth

(B) from these lines the opposite of the word 'free' is :

- i. Captive ✓
- ii. Silent
- iii. Old

(C) Write the name of the poet.

Q. 11 Answer any two of the following questions:

(2x2=4)

- a. Who are the people far from us?
- b. What are the two meanings of the word cricket?
- c. What kind of life does the poet find in the woods?
- d. How can one reach the temple?

Q. 12 Answer any seven of the following question:

(2x7=14)

- a. What was Mini doing in the balcony?
- b. What is the best way to disarm hostility?
- c. When do we experience inner peace ?
- d. What is a blood - brain barrier? How does it work?
- e. Who were the first visitors of the farm?
- f. What was Ghasi's complaint to the Panchayat ?
- g. In which area will India become a global leader?
- h. What disability did Mini have?

Q. 13 Answer any one of the following questions:

(4)

Describe the structure of brain

Or

Justify the title 'The Fun They Had'

Q. 14 Answer any four of the following questions:

(2x4=8)

- i. What are distilled books like?
- ii. What makes a team whole?
- iii. Who took the kids into the restaurant?
- iv. Mention the best time to visit Chitrakoot.
- v. What accounts for beauty in yourself?

Q. 15 Summaries the poem 'cloud'

(4)

or

What do you understand by do's and don'ts?

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