

MP BOARD CLASS 10 HM ENGLISH GENERAL MODEL PAPER SET 8 2020

Time: 3 Hours

M.M.: 100

- Instructions :
1. Attempt all the questions.
 2. Read each instruction carefully and answer the questions.
 3. Marks are indicated against each question.
 4. Internal choices are given.

Section 'A'

Q.1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it: 5

An American enlisted himself in the Spanish army. He did not know the Spanish language. The commander informed that the king would come on inspection after six months, 'The king usually asked three questions. "What is your age?" "Since when have you been in army?" and "Are you satisfied with your lodging and boarding?" The commander taught him the answers and he crammed them. As usual the king came on inspection. Looking at the new soldier, he asked, "Since when have you been in my army?" "Sir, 25 years," replied the soldier. The king was taken aback. He asked him the second questions, "Then what is your age?" "Sir, six months," the soldier humbly replied, "Am I mad or you? The king asked irritably, "Sir, both," was the quick answer.

Questions :

1. What was the problem of the soldier ?
2. What question do the king usually ask?
3. The soldier did not know language :
(a) American (b) Spanish (c) French,
4. The soldier replied that I am year old :
(a) 20 (b) 25 (c) 29.
5. Why was the king surprised ?

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

Milk is the best food. It has in it water, sugar, fat, vitamins and proteins. People get milk from different animals. In England, New Zealand and many other cool lands, there are cows. In hot, dry countries like Arabia and the middle of Asia there are camels. In India there are buffaloes as well as cows. In many places there are goats. The Eskimos have herds of reindeers. They live in the very cold countries of North America. People keep all these animals and get lots of milk. From milk they can make butter and cheese. It is essential that the milk we use should be pure and germ-free. Impure milk does more harm than good to the human body.

Questions :

1. Find out a word from the passage which is opposite in meaning for, 'pure'.
2. We find camels in :
(a) cool lands (b) hot, dry countries.
3. Why is milk called the best food ?
4. Why should we use pure milk?
5. What do we make from milk?

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

Language is a wonderful gift given to man. No animal possesses this gift; but they have their own way of expressing themselves. When a rabbit sees an enemy, it runs away into its hole or burrows. Its tail bobs up and down as it runs away. The other rabbits see it and they too run away. They know that there is a danger. When a Cobra is angry, it raises its hood, and makes itself look fierce. This warns other animals. When a bee has found some food, it goes back to the hive. It cannot tell the other bees where the food is by speaking to them; but it does a kind of dance in the air. Some animals say things by making sounds. A dog barks when strangers come near.

Questions :

1. How does a rabbit react when it sees an enemy:
(a) It bobs its tail up and down (b) It makes a sound (c) It shows its teeth.
2. Pick out a word from the passage which means 'cautions':
(a) Bobs (b) Dances (c) Warns.
3. How does a rabbit give a signal of danger ?
4. How does a Cobra give a warning of attack to other animals ?
5. What does a dog do when strangers come near ?

Section 'B'

Q.4. You are Ravi Sharma studying in Govt. Higher Secondary School, Rewa. Write an application to your Principal to issue your Transfer certificate. <http://www.mpboardonline.com>

You are Rajeev Soni, residing at 54, Bank Colony, Lal Bagh, Jabalpur. Write a letter to your friend sandhya asking her to attend your elder brother's marriage.

Q. 5. Read the following passage carefully and do as instructed in (a) and (b) below the passage:

If you make a mistake have the moral courage immediately to acknowledge your error and put it right. Mistakes do very little harm if they are acknowledged without delay and corrected before they have had the time to do any damage. Let them remain unattended and they may do untold harm both to the task in hand and to your reputation. Contrary to general belief, nobody despises a person who has the moral courage to admit that he is in the wrong and is immediately prepared to make good the errors. What can you say to a man who admits, "I beg your pardon." You are quite right and I am quite wrong. Please let me set the matter right now immediately before it has done any harm. "Would you despise a man like that?" Then why not emulate him? But here let me tell you, nobody likes such a fool as a man who is trying to keep his end up by desperate lying when he is in the wrong and everyone knows it.

Questions:

1. On the basis of your reading of the above passage, make notes on it in points, using heading and sub heading.
2. Write a summary of the above passage.

Q.6. Develop an article on the topic "Importance of trees" with the help of verbal input provided

(In about 80 words):

- (i) Trees-gift of nature. (ii) Trees provide-Oxygen, timber. (iii) Causes-rainfall.
- (iv) Cutting of trees-ecological imbalance. (v) Tree plantation drive-whole nation.

Or,

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

- (i) An Indian Festival (ii) Any Great man (iii) Wonders of Science
(iv) My Hobby. (v) Importance of Games and Sports.

Section 'C'

Q.7. (A) Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the verbs given in brackets (any five):

- (i) It was dark. So I a torch with me. (take/ took/taken)
(ii) dogs seldom bite. (Barking/Bark)
(iii) He promised..... the money. (to return/ returns)
(iv) Strike the iron it is hot. (after/till/while)
(v) Work hardyou will fail. (or/ but/ so)
(vi) My brother is very strong. He..... lift 80 kg of weight. (may/ can/ ought)

Ans. (i) took, (ii) Barking, (iii) to return,(iv)while, (v) or, (vi) can.

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

- (i) Mohan was very tired. So he to bed early. (god gone/ went)
(ii) The sun in the east. (rise/ rises/ rose)
(iii) Ravi is football. (playing/ played/play)
(iv) My brother isS.D.O. (al an/ the)
(v) Mr. Das is a rich person..... not happy. (but/ and/or)
(vi) We obey the rules of the road. (must have to)
(vii) He has been sleeping evening. (since/ for)

Ans. (i) went, (ii) rises, (iii) playing, (iv) an, (v) but, (vi) must, (vii) since.

Q.8.Do as directed (any five) :

- (i) hobby/my/games/ Playing/is. (Rearrange the words to make a meaningful sentence)
(ii) He is very lazy. He cannot go for a morning walk. (Combine the sentence using 'So....that')
(iii) He does his duty. (Change into negative)
(iv) He is playing cricket. (Change into present perfect tense)
(v) If you work hard, you will succeed. (Rewrite using unless)
(vi) He have gone to school, (correct the sentence)
(vii) Bali Ram is my best friend. (Frame a question begining with 'Who')

Ans. (i) My hobby is playing games.

(ii) He is so lazy that he cannot go for a morning walk.

(ii) He doesn't do his duty.

(iv) He has played cricket.

(v) Unless you work hard, you will not succeed.

(vi) He has gone to school.

(vii) Who is Bali Ram ?

Q.9. Translate into English (any five) :

(i) वह क्रिकेट खेल रहा है।

- (ii) मैं अंग्रेजी बोल सकता हूँ।
- (iii) क्या आप तैर सकते हैं?
- (iv) मेरी कक्षा में 50 विद्यार्थी हैं।
- (v) राम और श्याम मित्र हैं।
- (vi) ईमानदारी सबसे अच्छी नीति है।

Ans. (i) He is playing cricket.

(ii) I can speak English.

(iii) Can you Swim?

(iv) There are 50 students in my class.

(v) Ram and shyam are friends.

(vi) Honesty is the best policy.

(vii) It is raining

Section 'D'

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

I met Swami Shivanandas : a man who looked like a Buddha wearing a snow-white dhoti and wooden slippers. He had an olive complexion and blacke piercing eyes. I was stuck by his irresistible, almost child-like smile and gracious manner. I introduced myself to the 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 :

1. Who was looking like buddha :

(a) Ravindranath Tagore (b) Swami Shivananda (c) A. P.J. Abdul Kalam.

2. The meaning of the word 'attempt' is :

(a) effort (b) job (c) source.

3. The writer wanted to join :

(a) Indian Army (b) Indian Air Force (c) Indian Navy.

4. What was the writer struck by ?

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

Mamta has been studying in a small school in the nearby town till then, as her parents could not afford to send her to any one of the public schools in the city. It was only because of the scholarship she had won from a trust that it had been possible for her to join this reputed convent school. Being away from home, in a hostel, she yearned for some friends, but till now most of the girls had refused to accept a small town girl as their friend. Most of the girls in the school came from rich families. They treated her as unwelcome guest who was two low in status by their standards. Questions :

(i) Mamta had been studying in a

(a) big school (b) famous old school (c) small school.

(ii) From which lesson this extract has been taken:

(a) The new player in the team (b) The tribute (c) One step ahead.

(iii) Mamta could not join any public school because

(a) She was weak in studies.

(b) Her parents could not afford to send her to school.

(c) She could not get scholarship.

(iv) Why did the girls in the school avoid Mamta's company ?

Q. 12. Answer the following question in about 30 words :

(a) What was the opinion of the doctor about the burnt boy?

Or,

Why did Tcherviakov feel ashamed?

(b) What did Dr. Kalam want to become in Airforce ?

Or,

which remark of the coach touched Mamta ?

Q.13. Why did Pratap Singh call Bhama Shah "The Savior of Mewar"?

Or,

How did Rao Sakta react for Bhama Shah ?

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

The hand of peace is frank and warm,

And soft as ring dove's wing.

And he who quells an angry thought,

Is greater than a king. Questions:

1. The extract has been taken from the poem

(a) Children (b) Anger (c) Wind.

2. Quell means :

(a) suppress (b) succeed (c) hungry.

3. Which word rhymes with king:

(a) angry (b) wing (c) frank.

Q. 15. What lies in the hearts of children?

Or,

Who is greater than a king ?

Q. 16. Answer the following question in 20 words each: (any two)

(a) How does the wind work? <http://www.mpboardonline.com>

(b) What does the poet say about his sad songs ?

(c) Who should be our teacher according to poet ?

Q. 17. Answer any three of the following questions in 30 words each :

(a) What is the first requirement of good etiquette ?

(b) What is the aim of Red Cross Society?

(c) What do we need for our highway ?

(d) What is the main goal of our education system?

Q. 18. Answer any two of the following questions in 30 words each :

(a) What happens when we have pockets full of money ?

(b) Who was Alfred Nobel ?

(c) What was the question of American woman ?