

MP BOARD CLASS 9 EXAM 2013

ENGLISH (GENERAL) : CLASS IX

- Instructions :** (i) Attempt all questions.
(ii) Internal choices are given in some questions.
(iii) Word limit is given wherever required.

1. (A) Choose the correct option and complete the sentences : 4

(i) In 1942 Kasturba Gandhi was arrested for protesting against the arrest of

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(a) Nehruji (b) Gandhiji
(c) Lokmanya Tilak (d) Gopal Krishna Gokhale.

(ii) Baljit was the coach of

- (a) Cricket team (b) Football team
(c) Basketball team (d) Hockey team.

(iii) A word for "very bad or unpleasant"

- (a) awful (b) graceful (c) careful (d) beautiful.

(iv) The young man wanted to become the king's

- (a) friend (b) minister (c) town-crier (d) scribe.

Ans. (i) (b) Gandhiji, (ii) (d) Hockey team, (iii) (a) awful, (iv) (d) scribe.

(B) Choose the correct option : 2

(i) The poet of the poem 'O Light !' is

- (a) J. E. Carpenter (b) R. N. Tagore
(c) Sarojini Naidu (d) Subramania Bharati.

(ii) The tree in the poem 'Woodman, Spare That Tree' is

- (a) Pipal tree (b) Oak tree (c) Mango tree (d) Banyan tree.

Ans. (i) (d) Subramania Bharati, (ii) (b) Oak tree.

(C) Fill in the blanks choosing correct option : 10

- (i) We obey our parent. (*may, should, must*)
(ii) You will have to wait for hour. (*a, an, the*)
(iii) The servants has the floor. (*wash, washing, washed*)
(iv) The villagers are afraid lion. (*of, from, by*)
(v) you work hard, you will fail. (*If, Since, Unless*)
(vi) The boy is sitting next to me is Sohan. (*which, who, where*)
(vii) My father gave me money. (*enough, any, many*)
(viii) Mr. Das goes bus. (*in, by, with*)
(ix) A nice picture was by Seema. (*draw, drawing, drawn*)
(x) Mohan and Sohan kites. (*fly, flies, flying*)

Ans. (i) should, (ii) an, (iii) washed, (iv) of, (v) Unless, (vi) who, (vii) enough, (viii) by, (ix) drawn, (x) fly.

Section—A

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

The Himalayas are beautiful mountains in the North of India. They stretch for two thousand miles from Kashmir to Assam. Some of the world's highest peaks are in the Himalayas. The highest peak is Mount Everest. The tops of the mountains are covered with snow throughout the year. Therefore, we call them the Himalayas. Many passes connect India with Tibet, Turkistan and Afghanistan. Many rivers—the Ganga, the Yamuna, the Brahmaputra and the Beas—flow from these mountains. Many visitors go to the hill stations for pleasure and relaxation.

Questions :

- (i) Where are the beautiful mountains of the Himalayas situated ? 1
 (ii) Which is the highest peak of the world ? 1
 (iii) Why are these mountains called the Himalayas ? 1
 (iv) Name the rivers which flow from the Himalayas. 1
 (v) Find out the word from the passage for 'enjoyment'. 1

(B) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below :

Student life is a period of preparation. A student has to learn and prepare himself for the challenge of life. He has to lead a disciplined life. He has to harness his energy in right direction. He has to be truthful and pure of heart. He has to keep away himself from bad company and dirty acts. He has to be sharp of mind and strong character. He has to develop the capacity of hard work in him. He has to be worthy of the confidence the parent has in him.

Questions :

- (i) What type of life is a student life ? 1
 (ii) What should he keep himself away from ? 1
 (iii) How should he lead his life ? 1
 (iv) Give a suitable title to the passage. 1
 (v) Find the word from the passage which means 'deserving'. 1

(C) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below :

Alexander the Great, attacked King Porus. The latter was a man of self-respect. He could sacrifice his life, but was not ready to bow. He knew that Alexander was very powerful. The Hindu king of Taxila, Ambhi was also helping Alexander against Porus. Porus did not make treaty with Alexander at the cost of his full freedom. He fought bravely, but luck did not favour him and he was defeated. He was taken before Alexander. He asked him, "Porus ! you are not a king now. You are now my prisoner. How should I treat you ?" Porus replied, "As a king treats a king."

Questions :

- (i) What type of man was king Porus ? 1
 (ii) Who was Ambhi ? 1
 (iii) What did Alexander ask Porus ? 1
 (iv) What was Porus' reply to Alexander ? 1
 (v) Give a suitable title to the above passage. 1

Section—B

3. You are Priya Sinha, a student of class IX in Govt. Girls Higher Sec. School, Narsingpur. Write an application to your Principal to grant you 7 days' leave as you have to attend your brother's marriage. 6

Or

Write a letter to your friend Jay, congratulating him on his success in the examination.

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

How does television affect our lives ? It can be very helpful to people who carefully choose the shows they watch. Television can increase our knowledge

of the outside world, there are highly quality programmes that help us to understand many fields of study, science, medicine, the arts and so on. Moreover, television benefits very old people, who can't often leave the house as well as patients in the hospitals. It also offers non-native speakers the advantage of daily informal language practice. They can increase their vocabulary and practice-listening.

Questions :

- (i) Makes notes on the above passage. 3
 (ii) Write summary of the above passage and supply a suitable title to it. 3

5. Write a paragraph using the points given below in about 80 words : 8

- (i) keep us physically fit. (ii) sound mind in a sound body. (iii) develop team spirit. (iv) make new friends. (v) disciplined life. (vi) help to get a job.

Or

Write an essay any one of the following topics (200 words) :

- (i) Festival of lights, (ii) A Great leader, (iii) Science in our daily life, (iv) Importance of trees.

Section—C

6. Do as directed (any five) : 5

- (i) My father writes a letter. (Change into Passive voice)
- (ii) Ram and Shyam is playing cricket. (Correct the sentence)
- (iii) Mr. Prasad taught us English. (Make negative)
- (iv) Seeta sings songs. (Change into present continuous)
- (v) rain/may/tonight/It (Rearrange the words to make a meaningful sentence)
- (vi) He said, "I am very hungry". (Change into indirect speech)

7. Translate into English (any five) : 5

- (i) वह पत्र लिखता है।
- (ii) मीना चित्र बनाती है।
- (iii) वह तीन घण्टे से क्रिकेट खेल रहा है।
- (iv) मोहन के दो भाई हैं।
- (v) क्या तुम अपना गृह कार्य कर चुके हो ?
- (vi) वे स्कूल नहीं आये।
- (vii) श्याम कहाँ रहता है ?

Section—D

8. (A) Read the following extract from your text book and answer the questions given below :

Both Algu and Sahu stated their cases. They were cross-examined and the case was considered deeply. Then Jumman stood up and announced "It is our opinion that Sahu should pay Algu the price of the bullock. When Sahu bought the bullock, it suffered from no disability or disease. The death of the bullock was unfortunate but Algu cannot be blamed for it." Algu could not contain his feelings. He stood up and said loudly over and over again, "Victory to the Panchayat. This is justice. God lives in the voice of the Panch."

Questions :

- (i) Who announced the judgement ? 1
- (ii) Who is the writer of this story ? 1
- (iii) What was the judgement ? 1
- (iv) How did Algu feel after the decision of Jumman ? 1
- (v) Find out a word from the passage that means 'illness'. 1

(B) Read the following extract from your text book and answer the questions given below :

Hawking in the streets has, of late, become a little too much. It seems impossible to concentrate on any study or writing at home, particularly if one's window looks over a street. Even if one retires to the back of the house one may not be saved, since the hawker seems to set the pitch of his voice on the basis that you should be searched out and pierced through and through, even if you are hiding in the innermost recess of the house. At the moment I am writing this I see and hear two plantain sellers coming on each other's heels, almost trying to bark each

other out of existence.

Questions :

- (i) From which lesson has this extract been taken ? 1
 - (ii) Which kind of noise has increased of late ? 1
 - (iii) 'Hawking' means : 1
 - (a) go from place to place to sell things
 - (b) to call
 - (c) street-sellers
 - (d) poor workers.
 - (iv) What happens when Hawkers' noise has increased of late ? 1
 - (v) What does the writer see at the time of writing of this article ? 1
9. How does Miss Beam give the children an idea of suffering in the world ? 6

Or

- How did Bose win respect and admiration of the other boys in the school ?
10. (A) How did Chaturbhuj Babu's mother hurt him unintentionally ? 6

Or

- What did Humayun decide to do to help Rani Kamavati ?
- (B) What was Chaturbhuj Babu hoping ? 4

Or

- Why did Humayun call the 'Red thread' a big thing ?
11. Read the extract from the poem and answer the questions : 2 + 1 = 3
- 'We may all command the present,
If we act and never wait,
But repentance is the phantom
Of a past that comes too late !

Questions :

- (i) How can we control the present ?
- (ii) Give the name of the poem ?

Or

Woodman, forbear thy stroke !
Cut not its earth-bound ties;
Oh, spare that aged Oak
Now towering to the skies !

Questions :

- (i) What does the poet ask the Woodman ?
- (ii) Name the poet of the poem.

12. Answer the questions from the poems (any two) : 6

- (i) In the poem, "Am I a Child", what do you mean by 'my dream world' ?
- (ii) Which objects have silvery gleam ?
- (iii) Why should we not throw the hours away ?

13. Write the central idea of the poem : 4

"O Light" !

Or

Write the central idea of the poem :

"Village Song".