

901109 - B1

Class - IX

ENGLISH
(Communicative)

Maximum Marks : **80**

Time : **3** hours

Total No. of Pages : **13**

The Question Paper is divided into **four** Sections :

Section A : Reading 20 Marks

Section B : Writing 20 Marks

Section C : Grammar 20 Marks

Section D : Literature 20 Marks

General Instructions :

1. All questions are **compulsory**.
2. Marks are indicated against each question.
3. You may attempt any section at a time
4. A questions of that particular section mus be attempted in the correct order.
5. An additional **15** minutes time has been allotted to read this question paper only.

SECTION - A

(Reading - 20 Marks)

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

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One day Sami was going up on the drive to one of the big bungalows. It was only a sporting mood that made him enter the gates. Usually he avoided these big places where people were haughty, aloof and inaccessible, and kept formidable dogs and servants. He went up hesitatingly, expecting to be shouted off any moment, when he saw a servant coming towards him. SAMI held the monkey tight and turned to flee, but the servant caught up with him and poured out a volley of words. SAMI indicated that he could not hear, where upon the servant explained by signs that the master of the house wanted the monkey to be brought before him.

- (A) SAMI entered the gates of a big bungalow because
 - (i) he was attracted by its loveliness
 - (ii) he wanted to speak to the owner
 - (iii) he was invited by the owner
 - (iv) he was in a sporting mood.
- (B) When SAMI saw a servant coming towards him :
 - (i) he turned to run away
 - (ii) he stood motionless
 - (iii) he moved forward hesitatingly
 - (iv) he made the monkey turn on the servant
- (C) The servant explained to SAMI by signs because :
 - (i) the servant was dumb
 - (ii) the servant wanted to be thought deaf
 - (iii) he came to know that SAMI was deaf
 - (iv) he did not like his words to be heard by his master
- (D) The owner of the house
 - (i) hated SAMI
 - (ii) wanted to see the monkey
 - (iii) was afraid of monkeys
 - (iv) wanted to have the monkey himself
- (E) The word 'Formidable' means :
 - (i) violent
 - (ii) frightening
 - (iii) very cruel
 - (iv) very strong.

2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

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Some fifty years earlier, a polished astronomer called copernicus had declared that the Earth is a planet like the other planets, that like them it revolves round the sun. Copernicus could not, however, prove this to the men of his day, and few people paid any good attention to his ideas.

Galileo was the first great student of astronomy to realise that the ideas of Copernicus were true, and became the first scholar to begin to teach at the university. His new teaching caused great excitement among the learned men, because it meant that all their own teaching was completely wrong. They began to oppose him and many of them became his enemies. Then he got into trouble with the church. His ideas about the Sun and Earth were different from what the BIBLE seemed to say; so the followers of the CHURCH began to look upon him as a wicked and dangerous man.

- (A) COPERNICUS believed that :
- (i) the earth does not move round the sun
 - (ii) the earth moves round the sun
 - (iii) the sun moves round the earth
 - (iv) the earth moves round the moon
- (B) The learned men were excited because :
- (i) GALILEO'S teaching was new to them
 - (ii) his teaching was completely wrong
 - (iii) they liked his ideas
 - (iv) he proved them wrong
- (C) The ideas of COPERNICUS were accepted by
- (i) all
 - (ii) none
 - (iii) some
 - (iv) only a few students of his time
- (D) He got into trouble with the Church because
- (i) he invented new machines
 - (ii) his ideas were different from what the BIBLE said
 - (iii) he did not go to church regularly
 - (iv) he was anti-social
- (E) The word 'Astronomy' in the above passage means
- (i) the science of planets, stars and the universe
 - (ii) the science of stars
 - (iii) the science of planets
 - (iv) A branch of science

3. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

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In May 1905, when I was fifteen, we set sail for England. Father and Mother, my and I, we all went together. On a May day towards the end of the month, we reached London, reading in the train from Dover of the great Japanese sea victory at Tsushima. I was in high good humour. The very next day happened to be Derby Day and we went to see the race. I remember meeting, soon after our arrival at London, M.A. ANSARI, who was then a smart and clever young man with a record of brilliant academical achievement behind him, was a surgeon at that time in a LONDON hospital.

I was a little fortunate in finding a vacancy at HARROW for I was slightly above the usual age for entry, being fifteen. My family went to the CONTINENT and after some months they returned to INDIA.

Never before had I been left among strangers all myself and I felt lonely and home sick, but not for long. I managed to fit myself to some extent in the life at school and work and play kept me busy. I was never an exact fit. Always I had feeling that I was not one of them, and the others must have felt the same way about me. I was left a little to myself. But on the whole I took my full share in the games, without in any way shining at them, and it was I believe, recognised that I was no shirker.

I was put, to begin with, in a low form because of my small knowledge of LATIN, but I was pushed higher up soon. In many subjects probably, and especially in general knowledge. I was much advance of those of my age.

(JAWAHARLAL NEHRU, AN AUTO-BIOGRAPHY).

(A) NEHRU went from DOVER to LONDON :

- (i) by flight
- (ii) by ship
- (iii) by bus
- (iv) by train

(B) NEHRU was 'in high good humour' on reaching LONDON because :

- (i) he had arrived safely
- (ii) he was going to see DERBY the next day
- (iii) he was excited by the news of the great JAPANESE sea victory at TSUSHIMA.
- (iv) he was excited to see LONDON

(C) NEHRU considered himself fortunate in finding a vacancy at HARROW because :

- (i) it was very difficult for INDIANS to be admitted to public schools in England.
- (ii) he was too old for entry to a public school
- (iii) he had not applied for admission to HARROW in time
- (iv) he had no knowledge of LATIN

- (D) After his admission to HARROW his family :
- (i) stayed with him for a few months
 - (ii) went to EUROPE
 - (iii) went to AMERICA
 - (iv) returned to INDIA
- (E) When he was at HARROW :
- (i) he did not shirk games
 - (ii) he paid mere attention to his studies than to games
 - (iii) he felt lonely and home sick all through
 - (iv) he proved to be good at games

4. Read the following poem and answer the questions that follow :

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- It takes much time to kill a tree,
Not a simple jab of the knife
Will do it. It has grown
Slowly consuming the earth,
5. Rising out of it, feeding
Upon its crust, absorbing
Years of sunlight, air, water,
And out of its leprous hide
Sprouting leaves.
10. So hack and chop
But this alone won't do it.
Not so much pain will do it.
The bleeding bark will heal
And from close to the ground
15. Will rise curled green twigs,
Miniature boughs
Which if unchecked will expand again.
To former size
No,
20. The root is to be pulled out
Out of the anchoring earth;
It is to be roped, tied,
And pulled out - snapped out
Or pulled out entirely,

25. Out from the earth - cave,
And the strength of the tree exposed,
The source, white and wet,
The most sensitive, hidden
For years inside the earth.
30. Then the matter
Of scorching and choking
In sun and air,
Browning, hardening,
Twisting, withering,
And then it is done.
- (A) The tree grew out of the earth after :
(i) feeding on the heat of the sun
(ii) absorbing the water
(iii) feeding upon the upper layer of soil
(iv) taking in air from atmosphere
- (B) If a tree is chopped, it will still :
(i) live
(ii) wither
(iii) stay down
(iv) die
- (C) If the tree is chopped, its leaves will :
(i) not grow
(ii) green branches will grow from the ground
(iii) grow to their former size
(iv) turn black in colour
- (D) The 'white and wet' part of the tree which is uprooted is its :
(i) branch
(ii) leaf
(iii) root
(iv) stem
- (E) The word 'scorching' means :
(i) a person belonging to SCOTLAND
(ii) scotch egg
(iii) burning caused by the heat of the sun
(iv) an alcoholic drink

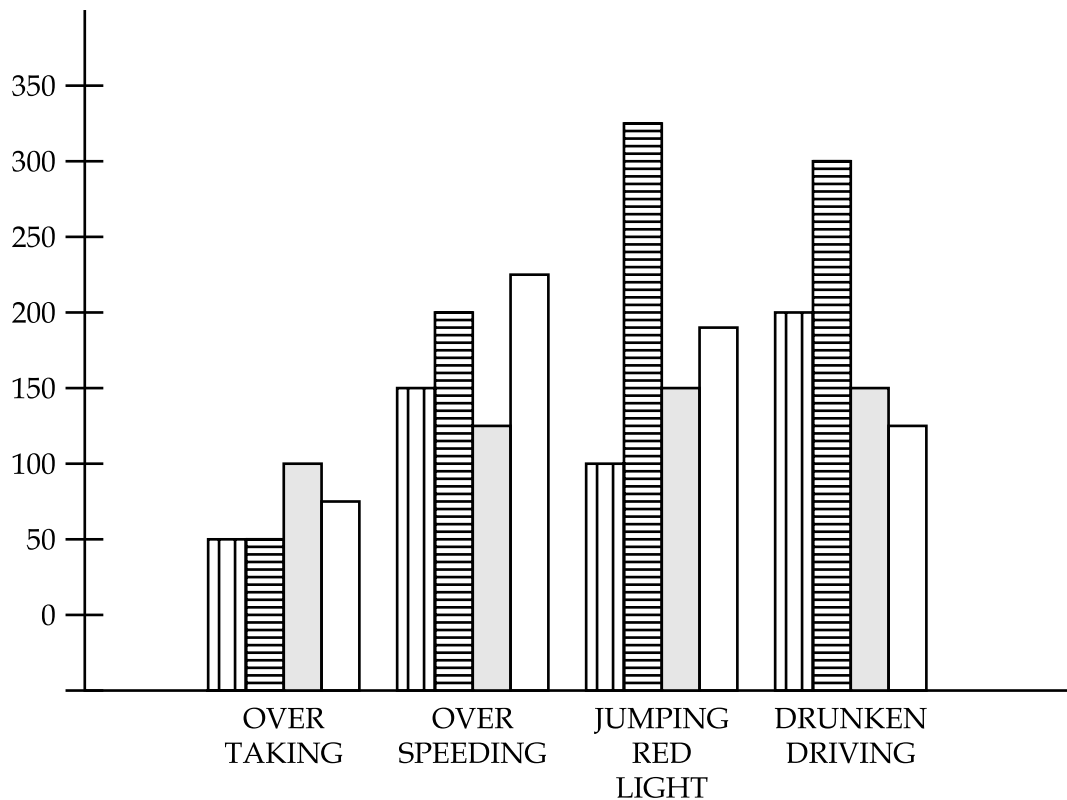
SECTION - B

(Writing - 20 Marks)

5. Given below is a graphic representation of the vehicles booked for violating traffic rules. Write interpretation in about 80 words. Also write on how observance of basic driving norms, road etiquettes can make driving safe.

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VEHICLE BOOKED FOR BREAKING TRAFFIC RULES



OVER TAKING = 19%

OVER SPEEDING = 19%

DRUNKEN DRIVING = 25%

JUMPING RED LIGHTS = 37%

SCOOTERISTS

MOTORISTS

TRUCK DRIVERS

PRIVATE BUS DRIVERS

FOUND IN :

metal scrap, ash, sludge, auto parts, A.C, batteries, alloys etc.

HEALTH HAZARDS :

Cancer, asthma, seizures, damage to nervous system, blood, bone and tissue.

Taking help of the ideas given above write an article on :

WASTE MIS MANAGEMENT.

in about 150 words. Also give some suggestions to curb the problem.

SECTION - C

(Grammar - 20 Marks)

8. **Edit the following passage by choosing the correct option from the options given below.**

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The next moment he (A) feel his wings spreading outwards. The wind rushed against his breast, then under his stomach and against wings. He (B) can feel the tips of his wings cutting through the air He was not falling head long now. He (c) soar gradually downwards and outwards. He was no longer afraid. Then he flapped his wings once and he soared upwards. He (d) uttering a joyous scream and flapped them again.

- (a) (i) feeling (ii) has a feeling (iii) is feeling (iv) felt.
(b) (i) could not (ii) cannot (iii) could (iv) able to.
(c) (i) is soaring (ii) was soaring (iii) soared (iv) had soared
(d) (i) uttered (ii) had uttered (iii) utter (iv) has uttered

9. **Complete the following passage by choosing the most appropriate option from the ones given below. write the answer in your answer sheet :**

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I was staying in the country, recently when (A) _____ (a, an, the, this) well meaning hand, engaged in dusting my bed room swept my glasses off the mantel piece (B) _____ (what, when, why, where) I had placed them for safety. The culprit, an elderly man named POTTER, his face full (C) _____ (for, of, on, in,) kind - hearted misery, brought the fragments to the lunch table, holding them (D) _____ (between, for, on, at) first behind his back and saying, ' I have a confession to make'.

10. Complete the dialogue by choosing the most appropriate option from the ones given below : 4

- AJAY : I am feeling very hungry (A) _____ any eating joint nearby ?
ROHIT : Yes, you will have to walk a little distance. There you (B) _____ a small restaurant.
AJAY : (C) _____ me? We shall walk over and (D) _____
ROHIT : Ok let's go.
- (A) (i) Do you tell me
(ii) Do you know
(iii) will you tell us
(iv) was there
(B) (i) will look
(ii) should see
(iii) will find
(iv) may have got
(C) (i) may you walk
(ii) will you accompany
(iii) you will company
(iv) why don't you go for
(D) (i) may have taken food
(ii) have some snacks
(iii) see some thing good
(iv) ate something nice

11. Complete the headlines by choosing the correct answer from the options below : 4

- (A) VIOLENCE IN KANPUR-TWO KILLED IN FIRING
According to reports two persons _____ in police firing during the violence that broke out in Kanpur, last week.
(A) (i) killed (ii) is killed
(iii) were killed (iv) has been killed
(B) V. MOHAN APPOINTED NEW DIRECTOR.
Vijay Mohan _____ as the new Director General of Police.
(i) had been appointed (ii) was appointed
(iii) has been appointed (iv) was being appointed
(C) BOY FALLS INTO 70 FT DEEP BOREWELL
A 4 years-old boy _____ into 70ft deep borewell in RAMPUR.
(i) was fallen (ii) will fall
(iii) fell (iv) fall.
(D) SUICIDE BOMBER KILLS 5 IN LAHORE.
A suicide blast _____ 5 in lahore and wounded 14 others.
(i) kills (ii) has killed
(iii) will kill (iv) killed

12. Arrange the jumbled words or phrases into a meaningful sentences and find out which answer choice is correct. 4

the most/ city/ beautiful/ was/ the/ garden/ it/ in.

e.g. It was the most beautiful garden in the city.

- (A) gulmohar/ were/ there/ shady/ many/ and/ trees/ banyan/ like
(i) There were many shady trees like gulmohar and banyan
(ii) Many shady trees gulmohar and banyan like were there
(iii) Trees like gulmohar and banyan were there many shady
(iv) Many shady trees were there like gulmohar and banyan
- (B) Under/ the/ clustered/ were/ banyan/ the/ tourists/ tree
(i) under the banyan the tourists were clustered
(ii) the tourists were clustered under the banyan tree
(iii) clustered under the banyan tree were the tourists
(iv) under the banyan tree were clustered the tourists
- (C) There/ were/ foreigners/ these/ groups/ many/ in
(i) there were many foreigners in these groups
(ii) there were many groups in foreigners these
(iii) many foreigners there were in these groups
(iv) there foreigners in these groups were many
- (D) Appreciating/ were/ the breath-taking/ beauty/ the garden/ of/ they
(i) they were appreciating beauty of the garden the breath-taking
(ii) Appreciating they were the breath taking beauty of the garden
(iii) they were appreciating the breath-taking beauty of the garden
(iv) the breath-taking beauty of the garden were appreciating they

SECTION - D

(Literature - 20 Marks)

13. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : (any 2) 3

- (1) I slip, I slide, I gloom, I glance,
Among my skimming swallows
I make the netted sunbeam dance
Against my sandy shallows,
- (A) Skimming swallows refers to :
(i) fish swimming in the water
(ii) countless water birds flying over the surface of the break
(iii) shallow depression
(iv) movement of the brook
- (B) Which poetic device is used in first line of the stanza ?
(i) Irony
(ii) simile
(iii) metaphor
(iv) Alliteration

- (C) The brook's flow makes the netted sunbeam :
- (i) dance
 - (ii) look bright
 - (iii) shake
 - (iv) twist
- (2) "Behold her, single in the field,
You solitary highland lass/
reaping and singing by herself:
stop here, or gently pass"
- (A) The solitary reaper is :
- (i) singing a sad song
 - (ii) reaping the harvest
 - (iii) resting in the field
 - (iv) reaping the crops and singing
- (B) Why does the poet ask the readers to 'gently pass' ?
- (i) reaper will stop reaping if she is disturbed
 - (ii) she will stop singing if she is disturbed
 - (iii) poet wants to hear the words of the song
 - (iv) poet wants to go back home
- (C) The effect of the reaper's song on the poet is
- (i) he did not like the song of the reaper
 - (ii) he stands still and appreciates the beauty of the valley
 - (iii) he writes down the lyrics of her song
 - (iv) he is captivated and spellbound by her singing
- (3) "I'll take my little picture with me, if you don't mind ?
- (A) The speaker of this line here is :
- (i) Gaston
 - (ii) Juliette
 - (iii) Mrs. Al. Smith
 - (iv) Jeanne
- (B) The little picture is very uncommon because :
- (i) it is of carot
 - (ii) it has been signed by the famous painter named carot
 - (iii) it is to be kept as a souvenir
 - (iv) it is a witness to the sole of the Villa
- (C) The person who has made a big fortune in the sale of the Vella is :
- (i) Juliette
 - (ii) Mrs. Al. Smith
 - (iii) Jeanne
 - (iv) Gaston

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14. Answer any Four of the following questions :

2x4=8

- (A) What does the word 'road' symbolize in the poem ?
How much important is it to take right 'road' in life ?
- (B) Give a short description of the raging storm which finally engulfed the two lovers.
- (C) Name the different things that can be found floating in the brook.
- (D) Give character traits of HOOPER ? Support your answer with examples.
- (E) What did grandmother do to express her gratitude ?

15. Imagine you are Mrs. Al. SMITH, you came to know that the vella you purchased was not of Gaston's. You are grieved and upset at your own careless and callous attitude. Express your feelings in a diary page.

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OR

You are Krishtakka. Write a letter to Triveni, the popular wrtier telling her why you like 'Kashsi Yatra' and how it motivated you to learn to read ?

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