

1001126 - B2

Class - X

**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. An additional **15** minutes time has been allotted to read this question paper only.

SECTION - A

(Reading - 20 Marks)

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1. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions by selecting the most appropriate option :

Early in 2003 Tim "Woody" Witezak got some good news : a new job as vice president of sales with a start up energy - efficient lightning company in heart land U.S. City. Minneapolis, in Minnesota But with the position came stress and difficulty in sleeping. In Jane Woody, 37 saw his family doctor, a general practitioner who gave him samples of zoloft an anti - depressant that also treated anxiety [The drug's generic name is sertraline hcl , and is sold in India under other brand name like sarta and sedep]. "This was the first time he'd ever been to a doctor about an issue like this "says his wife Kim. He was a happy person and had no history of mental illness or depression.

Within a few days, though, Woody experienced several side effects of the drug night sweats, diarrhoea, weight loss and trembling hands His anxiety worsened; he became uncharacteristically irritable and restless. One evening he came home crying after driving around all day when the samples ran out after three weeks, Woody's doctor doubled his dose to 50 mg and urged him to give the drug time. The instructions from pfizer Inc, the US Manufacturer of Zoloft, said it could take four to six week to be effective. But two weeks later, Kim recalls. Woody walked in the backdoor with his blue business shirt drenched in sweat. He curled in a foetal position on the kitchen floor, his hands pressing around his head like a vice , and begged : " Help me. I don't know what's happening to me. I think I am losing my mind I feel my head is out side my body looking in"

Less than a week later Woody seemed to be springing back. He ran almost 5 kms, bought flight tickets for a bachelor party in Les Vegas and when he spoke by phone one morning to Kim, on advertising account executive who was in Detroit on a short business trip he suggested, they celebrate their tenth Wedding Anniversary in Thailand. That evening, though, things had changed, "His voices sounded hollow". She remembers "I just assumed he was busy and distracted. The last thing he said was: " I love you Kim". Woody was dead. He had hung himself from the rafters. By cruel coincidence the Minneapolis star Tribuneran a front page story that day: "UK Finds Link Between Anti - depressant And Suicide" (Reader's Digest Feb. 2010)

- (a) One of the following words doesn't relate to Woody Witezak.
- (i) Minneapolis
 - (ii) Bronchitis
 - (iii) Depression
 - (iv) Zoloft
- (b) The Generic name of the medicine prescribed to "Woody" was
- (i) Sartreline
 - (ii) Sirtraline
 - (iii) Sertraline
 - (iv) Sretreline

- (c) Woody wanted to celebrate his tenth Wedding anniversary in
 - (i) Singapore
 - (ii) China
 - (iii) Thailand
 - (iv) U.S.A
- (d) Which of the following things Woody didn't do, after his dose was doubled up.
 - (i) he curled in foetal position
 - (ii) he walked in the backyard in his yellow business shirt
 - (iii) he felt that his head was out of his body looking in
 - (iv) he pressed his hand around his head.
- (e) A word that means the same as 'drenched'
 - (i) soaked
 - (ii) dry
 - (iii) free from moisture
 - (iv) none of the above

2. Read the passage carefully.

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Time was when even wild horses could not drag me within miles of a barber's shop or solon as they are called now a days. Those were days when hippie cult held sway and a close cropped guy was an exception. Yet, even in those days civilization was measured by the length of your locks and I was no exception. Much water has flown under the bridge since then in recent times I begin to yearn for barber's ministration the moment my hair kiss my ears. But then there is another reason for this yearning and that is my barber Salim. He is more educated than me, having done his masters in literature with a first class first , capable of quoting Chaucer & Byron with equal felicity as he could Raja Rao and Narayana. He had been an English Professor for a couple of years but when his father, who ran the salon, kicked the bucket he found that it was good economics to make a switchover.

Salim's salon was a salon with a difference. A big sign board announced that Politics was a taboo. Salim once enlightened me on this, recalling that he had sent a customer packing though only half of his hair had been cut because he had dared to take a political stand, which to add insult to injury was contrarian to Salim's view - point I once asked him, "Don't you miss all those students whom you were teaching English Literature. I have heard a couple of them say that you were the best among the lot." "Not at all" said Salim without batting an eyelid, " they might no longer be my students but they are my customers now. And I do manage to clear a doubt or two when they came for a sitting". It was then that I realised that the barber's itch for literature had not dampened one bit though combs and scissors had replaced his original tools of trade (C.V. Aravind)

Answer the following questions by choosing the best option from the ones given below.

- (a) In earlier days civilization was measured by
 - (i) wild horses
 - (ii) length of hair locks
 - (iii) number of cropped guys
 - (iv) number of salons in the town
- (b) Salim switched over from professor to a barber because
 - (i) of his family pressure
 - (ii) of his passion for this profession
 - (iii) of the advice of his students
 - (iv) it was good economics to make a switchover
- (c) Salim considered politics
 - (i) to be having liberality
 - (ii) to be a taboo
 - (iii) he had no viewpoint about politics
 - (iv) to be good and essential for everyone
- (d) A word that means the same as 'Kicked the bucket "
 - (i) to harm as well as humiliate
 - (ii) to show no surprise or concern
 - (iii) past events that are over or done with
 - (iv) died
- (e) Was Salim still in touch with his students
 - (i) No he was not in contact with them
 - (ii) yes, he met them occasionally but never solved their problems.
 - (iii) he used to take extra sitting / extra classes for them.
 - (iv) his students were his customers and he used to solve their doubts.

3. Read the following poem carefully.

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Sympathy

I lay in Sorrow deep distressed ;
My grief a proud man heard ;
His looks were cold, he gave me gold
But not a kindly word.
My sorrow passed. I paid him back
The gold he gave to me ;
Then stood erect and spoke my thanks
And blessed his charity.
I lay in want in grief and pain
A poor man passed my way :

He bound my head, he gave me bread
He watched me night and day,
How shall I pay him back again,
For all he did to me ?
Oh, gold is great, but greater far
Is heavenly sympathy

(Charles Mackay)

Read the questions and answer them by choosing the right option from those given below.

- (a) A proud man helped the poet
 - (i) speaking gentle words
 - (ii) serving him with food.
 - (iii) giving him gold
 - (iv) taking him to hospital
- (b) The poet lay
 - (i) in his bed
 - (ii) in want, grief and pain
 - (iii) in a hospital
 - (iv) in grief and distress
- (c) A poor man served him with
 - (i) gold and human service
 - (ii) money
 - (iii) sympathy
 - (iv) sympathy, food and care
- (d) 'Distress' does not mean
 - (i) anguish
 - (ii) diddle
 - (iii) pain
 - (iv) grief
- (e) The poet could not pay back
 - (i) the interest of the money
 - (ii) gold of proud man
 - (iii) money of the poor man
 - (iv) sympathy shown by poor man

4. Read the passage carefully.

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The Chinese proverb "Without rice, even the cleverest woman can't cook " is true for innumerable Indians too". Eaten simply boiled, rice in the world's most important staple and it's also had as delectable pulao, biryani, idli, appams, puddings or kheer. And the grain is available in a myriad of varieties the world over.

Contrary to some 'urban myths', scientist and diet experts know that rice is good for you and can't make you the heavier. It mainly comprises carbohydrates that do not add kilos if consumed in moderation. "Rice is not flattening " avers Richa Anand , Chief dietician at Dr. L. H. Hiranandani Hospital, Mumbai. "An average 100 gm serving of rice has only about 0.4 gm of fat." In fact, this serving has no more than 100 calories. And, writes noted culinary expert Tarla Dalal, "Rice has approximately the same calories as whole wheat and hence not flattening."

Rice Kanji is therefore a home remedy for diarrhoea. In fact, Kanji with a few accomplishments like coconut chutney and cooked beans , makes for a healthful meal that millions in Kerala enjoy

White or Brown ? Unpolished brown rice may not be as popular as white, but is a good source of complex carbohydrates providing starch and fibre. It takes relatively more time to digest allowing the body to consume the energy released over an extended period. Brown rice is also richer in B Vitamins, Vitamins E and minerals like manganese and selenium, which makes it more nutritious than white varieties

Since rice has no cholesterol or sodium, it is safe for those suffering from hypertension. Diabetics, who prefer rice could choose brown (but check with your doctor first) (Reader's Digest Feb 10)

Answer the following questions by choosing the best option from those given below.

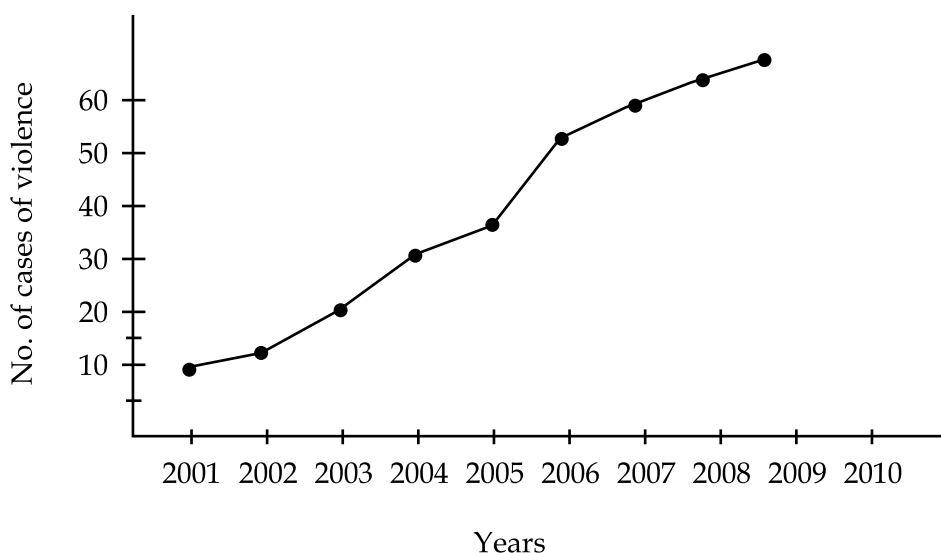
- (a) Rice is world's most important staple because
 - (i) it is low in fats
 - (ii) it has medicinal value in some cases
 - (iii) it makes the meal healthful
 - (iv) all the above
- (b) 'Diarrhoea' can be treated with
 - (i) rice husk
 - (ii) rice pudding
 - (iii) rice kanji
 - (iv) rice appam
- (c) The word that does not mean the same as 'delectable' is
 - (i) delightful
 - (ii) delicious
 - (iii) charming
 - (iv) sullen

- (d) 'Urban Myth' referred in the passage says
- rice is poor source of nutrition
 - that rice is fattening
 - that rice sharpen your memory
 - that rice has good taste
- (e) Rice may be safe and healthful for a patient suffering from
- anaemia
 - blood sugar
 - asthama
 - hypertension

SECTION - B
(Writing - 20 Marks)

5. You are Rohan / Rohini of a Reputed Public school your teacher has given you following graph that shows cases of violence and social unrest. Interpret the data in about 100 words

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6. National Curriculum Framework - 2005 lays stress on group - activities in school. Surveys also show positive results of group activities where students feel happy & interested to work together in a positive way. Write an article for your school magazine on 'Importance of Group - Activity in School' you can make use of following points.

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- Group - work - healer and stress buster
- Every child - important - with different capabilities
- enhances interaction and communicative skill
- Develops leadership
- Resolves conflicts.
- Develops tolerance -
- Keep - focussed - Goal
- Competencies - views - actions - abilities recognised
- Avoids negativity - sets good examples

(word limit 180 words)

7. You have come across the following poster in newspaper and fell concerned about the spread of disease during summer. As Shivani / Shivam write a letter to editor of 'The Times of India' highlighting the dangers of waterborne and other diseases also with a view to create awareness among the people about the preventions of these diseases.

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SECTION - C

(Grammar - 20 Marks)

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

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When electricity flows (a) _____ a wire, tiny particles called electrons (b) _____ the wire. Each electron has a very small electric charge (c) _____ the electrons arrive, they (d) _____ electricity.

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| (a) (i) in | (ii) through |
| (iii) from | (iv) into |
| (b) (i) move into | (ii) move in |
| (iii) move through | (iv) move from |
| (c) (i) as | (ii) because |
| (iii) anyhow | (iv) when |
| (d) (i) produced | (ii) have produced |
| (iii) produce | (iv) is producing |

9. Complete the expansion of news by choosing the correct answer from the options given below : 4

(a) OWLS USED TO KILL FIELD RATS

The (a) _____ to kill field rats will help India save millions of tonnes of food grains

- (a) (i) using of owl
- (ii) use of owls
- (iii) owls have been used
- (iv) owls to be bused

(b) MODERN ARCHITECTURE CAUSING SPARROW DECLINE

A decline in sparrow population (b) _____ by modern architecture which leaves no room for them to roost or breed.

- (b) (i) was caused
- (ii) is caused
- (iii) has caused
- (iv) will be caused

(c) MONKEY MAULS INFANT TO DEATH

A two month old girl died after she (c) _____ by a monkey in her home in Lakshmi Nagar in East Delhi.

- (c) (i) is mauled
- (ii) has mauled
- (iii) was mauled
- (iv) have been mauled

(d) INDIA AUSTRALIA TO PLAY FINAL

The tri-nation one - day cricket final (d) _____ between India and Australia the next Friday

- (i) shall be played
- (ii) was played
- (iii) will be played
- (iv) can be played.

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

Anita : Hello Abhishek! Where (a) _____ from ?

Abhishek : Hello! I have just been to the railway station (b) _____ for my father for Delhi.

Anita : (c) _____ to Delhi

Abhishek : On the 18th

Abhishek : My sister told me that (d) _____ .

Anita : Yes, but not now, perhaps in May. I have an interview to be faced.

Abhishek : All the best then !

- (a) (i) are you coming from
(ii) have you come from
(iii) do you come from
(iv) had you come from
- (b) (i) To enquire about a ticket
(ii) to book a ticket
(iii) to sell a ticket
(iv) to cancel a ticket
- (c) (i) how is he going
(ii) where is he going
(iii) when is he going
(iv) why is he going
- (d) (i) you will go there
(ii) you are also planning to go there
(iii) you have also gone there
(iv) you had also gone there

11. Edit the following paragraph by choosing the most appropriate option from the given ones. 4

For the past one year, 15 years old Smita (a) had played with short, sudden attacks at shallow and fast breathing. She shivers and clenches her Jaw and feels hungry and tired (c) while she returns to normal. The doctors say that this kind of disorder results (d) for psychological conflicts or distress.

- (a) (i) had been (ii) has been
(iii) is being (iv) was
- (b) (i) for (ii) from
(iii) with (iv) of
- (c) (i) as (ii) soon after
(iii) when (iv) so
- (d) (i) of (ii) from
(iii) by (iv) in

12. Read the following conversation and complete the passage by choosing the best option from those given below. 4

Mother : Why are you late from school, Amit ?
Amit : While coming from school to bus stop, I slipped by stepping on a banana peel.
Mother : O, my son / Did you hurt yourself ?
Amit : I got a bad bruise on my left knee.

Mother asked Amit (a) _____

Amit replied that while coming from school to bus stop (b) _____ peel. Mother was shocked to hear this. She further asked (c) _____ .

Amit answered that (d) _____.

- (a) (i) Why is he late from school
(ii) Why he was late from school
(iii) Why has he been late from school
(iv) Why he had been late from school
(b) (i) he was slipped by stepping on a banana
(ii) he has slipped by stepping on a banana
(iii) he had slipped by stepping on a banana
(iv) he is slipped by stepping on a banana
(c) (i) did he hurt himself
(ii) whether he hurted himself
(iii) If he had hurt himself
(iv) had he hurt himself
(d) (i) he had got a bad bruise on his left knee
(ii) he got a bad bruise on his left knee.
(iii) he has got a bad bruise on his left knee
(iv) he gets a bad bruise on his left knee.

SECTION - D
(Literature - 20 Marks)

13. Read the extracts given below and answer any two of them by selecting the most appropriate option. 2x3=6

- (a) May the poison purify your flesh
of desire, and your spirit of ambition,
they said, and they sat around
On the floor with my mother in the centre,
(1) The Peasants believe that human body is
(a) the house of God
(b) the house of human soul
(c) house of ambition
(d) the house of wants and desires

- (2) 'Spirit of ambition' signify the desires
 - (a) of accumulating material wealth
 - (b) to have contentment
 - (c) to pray to God
 - (d) none of these
- (3) The Peasants prayers show
 - (a) their confidence in them
 - (b) their firm faith in god
 - (c) their love for mother
 - (d) their sensible nature
- (b) "Then I have no doubt his liberality is well represented by his surviving partner
 - (1) Who speaks to whom in these lines
 - (a) Marley to Scrooge
 - (b) Gentleman to Scrooge
 - (c) Scrooge to Fred
 - (d) Cratchit to Srooge
 - (2) Whose "liberality" is being referred to
 - (a) Scrooge's
 - (b) Fred's
 - (c) God's
 - (d) Jacob Marley's
 - (3) Reaction of 'surviving partner' shows his
 - (a) benevolence
 - (b) forbearance
 - (c) insensitive attitude
 - (d) helpful nature
- (c) Thou who didst waken from his summer dreams
The blue Mediterranean, where he lay,
Lull'd by the coil of his crystalline streams
 - (1) 'Thou' stands for
 - (a) Mediterranean sea
 - (b) West Wind
 - (c) Summer dreams
 - (d) Crystalline streams

- (2) Blue Mediterranean is awakened by
 - (a) the rain
 - (b) storm and thunder
 - (c) force of West Wind causing huge waves and tides
 - (d) streams that fall in it
- (3) 'Where he lay' poetic device used in this expression is
 - (a) Alliteration
 - (b) Simile
 - (c) Metaphor
 - (d) Personification

14. Answer the following questions in 30 - 40 words

2x4=8

- (1) How does Ebenezer Scrooge behave with his nephew Fred who wishes him Merry Christmas ?
- (2) 'A lot of Cobwebs have settled around me ' what does Babuli mean by this statement ?
- (3) Describe the 'storm' in your own words as poet has described in 'Ode To The West Wind'.
- (4) Why did Babuli have to visit his family village ?
- (5) 'Oh! he's just too cute to live, ' The world said.
How does this remark almost come true.

- 15. Imaginne you are Babuli's wife. Write a letter to your sister telling her about what Babuli had done and how you feel about it. Your answer should go in accordance with the characteristics of Babuli's wife as far as they are revealed in the chapter .**

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OR

As C. H. Winter's Mother. Write your feelings in a diary entry which his strange behaviour sometimes arouses in your mind. (As he has talked to you about that strange alien who has befriended him).

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