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Class - X

ENGLISH
(Language and Literature)

Maximum Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

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

Section A :	Reading Comprehension	15 Marks
Section B :	Writing	15 Marks
Section C :	Grammar	15 Marks
Section D :	Text Books	35 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 - 15 Marks)

1. Read the passage given below and write the option that you consider the most appropriate in your answer sheet : 5

Away from the air conditioned comfort of the shopping malls, with their row upon row of neatly stacked goods, the new definition of the new age shopping, there exists another world. Here the goods are neither neatly stacked nor are there trolleys to cart them around, there are no check out counters, no price tags either. This is the world of the haats or the local weekly markets. Behind the chaos and the din, the loud cries of the vendors, the quiet hiss of the petromax lamps lies in tradition. A tradition which perhaps dates back to the time when the hunter- gatherer settled down to a more moored existence. As villages developed, there was a need for goods and thus for markets since the mode of transport was perhaps just the bullock cart and they were perhaps needed for more important functions like ploughing, instead of the people travelling to the market, the market came to the people.

As urbanization changes the face of shopping and the shopper, the weekly haat no longer fits into the design of the urban milieu.

The sad part is that these haats are seen as intrusive unwanted episodes in the functioning of the city, but the fact is that even today, the weekly markets cater to the needs of the people who are not the list of consumers wooed by the super markets and shopping malls.

These weekly haats are today being given as interesting facets of the past. They are being promoted as cultural insights, and are being hawked as tourist stopovers.

- (A) The special features of haats are ____
- (a) pollution, crowd and vendors
 - (b) noise, petromax lamps and tradition
 - (c) noise, vendors and petromax lamps.
 - (d) noise, pollution and vendors.
- (B) Haats and shopping malls are ____
- (a) identical
 - (b) away from
 - (c) extremely different
 - (d) similar
- (C) These haats should be encouraged as ____
- (a) they are important for the shopping malls.
 - (b) they are important for the common people
 - (c) they are important for animals
 - (d) they are important for big cities.

- (D) The markets came to the people because____
- (a) the people didn't have time to go there
 - (b) the people didn't have means of transport.
 - (c) the people didn't know about them.
 - (d) the people didn't like them.
- (E) Find out a word from the passage which means the same as 'attracted / tempted.
- (a) moored
 - (b) wooed
 - (c) vendors
 - (d) intrusive.

2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions by writing the option that you consider the most appropriate in your answer sheet : 5

Oh, I have slipped the surly bonds of earth
 And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings;
 Sunward I have climbed and joined the Tumbling mirth
 Of sun split clouds and done a hundred things.
 You have not dreamed of : wheeled and soared and swung
 High in the sunlit silence. Hovering there
 I've chased the shouting wind along, and flung
 My eager craft through footless halls of air ;
 Up, up the long, delirious, burning blue
 I have topped the wind - swept heights with easy grace,
 Where never lark nor even eagle flew ;
 And while , with silent lifting mind I've trod
 The high untrespassed sanctity of space,
 Put out my hand, and touched the face of God.

- (A) The poet is proud of
- (a) slipping the surly bonds
 - (b) soaring in the sky
 - (c) joining the clouds
 - (d) all the above
- (B) Where is the poet ?
- (a) on the road
 - (b) walking
 - (c) in the airplane
 - (d) in the car

- (C) Which phrase suggests that the plane is keen to help the pilot do whatever he wishes ____
- (a) eager craft
 - (b) delirious
 - (c) hovering there
 - (d) wind swept heights
- (D) He mentions the birds like Lark and eagle because ____
- (a) both of them are very big.
 - (b) both of them are very colourful
 - (c) both of them fly very high
 - (d) both of them are very shy.
- (E) Find a phrase is quite opposite of 'sun-lit silence'
- (a) untrespassed sanctity
 - (b) shouting wind
 - (c) lifling mind
 - (d) delirious

3. Read the passage given below and write the option that you consider the most appropriate in your answer sheet :

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Yamuna is a river that sustained Delhi over centuries - today it's gasping for breath. It has been polluted, desecrated and left for dead. It has been reduced to bring a stinking drain and its sanctity and ecological significance will soon be the stuff of legend.

It has pinned its hope on the interceptor sewage system which will bring results by 2014. Hopefully, it will reduce the pollution load in the river and take us one step closer to keeping the river alive. In fact, till Wazirabad- the point at which it enters Delhi the river is not in such a pathetic state. Sewage and industrial effluents are dumped into the river by numerous drains that carry the city's filth. The river suffers because on its banks is a large city with insufficient sewage treatment infrastructure, poor maintenance of existing treatment plants and sewage carrying channels and no fresh water for most part of the year.

DJB, the implementing agency in the city for the Yamuna Action plan has planned an expenditure of around Rs 4000, crore for the interceptor project that envisages laying of parallel drains along the three main drains of the city, which will carry the sewage to sewage treatment plants, treat it and only then allow it to flow into the river.

- (A) Year 2014 will be lucky for Yamuna because ____
- (a) it will flow smoothly
 - (b) it will have more garbage
 - (c) it will become neat and clean
 - (d) it will become wider
- (B) Yamuna is gasping for breath because ____
- (a) it is polluted
 - (b) it is very narrow
 - (c) there is no air to breathe
 - (d) there is no water in it.

- (C) When Yamuna enters Delhi, it is _____
- clean
 - wide
 - narrow
 - dirty
- (D) The purpose of interceptor project is _____
- to reduce the pollution load in river
 - to make the river dirty
 - to clean the river
 - to reduce the sewage treatment.
- (E) Find out a word from the passage which means the same as 'making one feel pity / sympathise
- pathetic
 - envisages
 - effluents
 - interceptor.

SECTION - B

(Writing - 15 Marks)

4. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper expressing your views about 'the importance of newspaper in Life' in about 120 words. You are Namit / Raveena of 6 B, Karol Bagh. 6

OR

Write a letter to your mother who is suffering from high blood pressure. Advise her to take rest and do some yoga or exercise to keep herself fit. You are Manav / Mansi of 12/24 Karol Bagh, Delhi.

5. You are Shilpi / Sheetal of Vidya Bharti Public School, Agra. Write an article in about 120 words about 'the Heritage of India'. 6

OR

Write an article in about 120 words on the topic 'Right to Education' is a boon for child labourers who will be able to get their childhood back you are Manish.

6. Recently you went to a Bank where three men entered with guns in their hands and locked the employees in a hall. As an eyewitness of the bank robbery write a report in about 80 words. You are Mudit / Mudita of SPM Public School, Delhi. 3

OR

You are Reeta / Ritik. Complete the story on the basis of the beginning given in a magazine to participate in the 'Complete the story contest :

"He was tired and hungry so he wanted get some food and a little space for rest. Suddenly he saw a small hut near by, he entered there. He was shocked to see....."

(80 words)

SECTION - C
(Grammar - 15 Marks)

7. Choose the most appropriate option from the ones given below to complete the following passage. Write the answers in your answersheet against the correct blank number : $\frac{1}{2} \times 6 = 3$

Once there was a king (a) _____ was very cruel. For a small misdeed, he sentenced his friend Damon (b) _____ death. Damon was not afraid (c) _____ death, but he grieved for (d) _____ wife and children living in a far off village. He begged the king to give (e) _____ leave to go and see them. He said that he (f) _____ come back after seeing them and take his punishment.

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| (a) | (i) which | (ii) who | (iii) whose | (iv) whom |
| (b) | (i) for | (ii) a | (iii) to | (iv) for |
| (c) | (i) of | (ii) off | (iii) in | (iv) by |
| (d) | (i) their | (ii) his | (iii) her | (iv) my |
| (e) | (i) her | (ii) them | (iii) him | (iv) our |
| (f) | (i) will | (ii) would | (iii) could | (iv) can |

8. Choose the most appropriate option from the ones given below the passage, write your answers in your answer sheet with the correct number. Do not copy the whole passage :

The King lived for several years in the forest. He gradually learnt about (a) _____ $\frac{1}{2} \times 6 = 3$ of the world around him. He learnt to care for (b) _____ smaller than himself. He grew (c) _____ and wise and selfless, His only (d) _____ was the tamarind drum, and the drum, when he beat it, gave him all the (e) _____ and experience of the old tree. He learnt to play it so (f) _____ that even the spirit of the trees were charmed.

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| (a) | (i) beauty | (ii) beautified |
| | (iii) beautiful | (iv) beautifully |
| (b) | (i) create | (ii) creatures |
| | (iii) creativity | (iv) creations |
| (c) | (i) strongly | (ii) stronger |
| | (iii) strong | (iv) strongest |
| (d) | (i) company | (ii) companion |
| | (iii) companionship | (iv) accompany |
| (e) | (i) advise | (ii) advisory |
| | (iii) advice | (iv) advising |
| (f) | (i) beautiful | (ii) beautifully |
| | (iii) beauty | (iv) beautify. |

9. Read the following dialogue and then complete the report by choosing the correct option from the ones given below. Write your answers in your answer sheet with the correct blank number. Do not copy the dialogue and the Report : 1x3=3

Anil : Why are you crying here ?

Animesh : Raju has stolen my camel.

Anil : Where did he hide it.

Animesh : He kept it in his pocket

Anil asked Animesh why (a) _____

Animesh replied (b) _____

Anil further asked him where (c) _____

Animesh replied that he had kept that in his pocket.

- (a) (i) is he crying here ?
(ii) is he crying there?
(iii) he was crying there
(iv) was he crying there
- (b) (i) Raju had stolen his camel
(ii) That Raju had stolen his camel
(iii) That Raju has stolen his camel.
(iv) That Raju had stolen my camel.
- (c) (i) where he hid it ?
(ii) where did he hide it
(iii) where he hide that .
(iv) where he had hidden that.

10. Complete the following passage by choosing the correct passive forms of the verbs given in brackets from the alternatives given below the passage. Write only your answers given below in the answer sheet against the blank number. 1x3=3

More than 35 trees (a) _____ (uproot) after the heavy rains in Delhi. One person (b) _____ kill and two were injured when they (c) _____ (trap) under a tree.

- (a) (i) uproot
(ii) was uproot
(iii) were uprooted
(iv) uprooted
- (b) (i) kill
(ii) killed
(iii) was killed
(iv) was killing
- (c) (i) trap
(ii) trapped
(iii) traps
(iv) were trapped.

11. Complete the dialogue by choosing the correct alternatives from those given below.

Write your answers in the answer sheet against the correct number :

1x3=3

Swaroop Khan : Your flute is very musical

Please tell me (a)_____

Shivam : I want to tell you (b)_____

Swaroop Khan : Then please tell me (c)_____

- (a) (i) how you got it
(ii) that how you got it
(iii) that how he got it
(iv) how he had got it
- (b) (i) so my uncle gave it to me
(ii) that his uncle gave it to me
(iii) that my uncle gave it to me
(iv) that his uncle has given it to him.
- (c) (i) how I can meet your uncle
(ii) that I can meet your uncle
(iii) if I can meet your uncle
(iv) that if he can meet his uncle.

SECTION - D

(Text Books - 35 Marks)

12. (a) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions by writing the option that you consider the most appropriate in your answer sheet : 1x4=4

A deep silence met the reading of this letter Miss Mason took off her glasses, blew on them and wiped them on her soft white handkerchief. Then she put them on again and looked at the class. When she spoke, her voice was very low.

“ I am sure that none of the boys and girls in Room thirteen would purposely and deliberately hurt any one’s feelings because his name happened to be a long, unfamiliar one. I prefer to think that what was said in thoughtlessness. I know that all of you feel the way I do, that this is a very unfortunate thing to have happened - unfortunate and sad, both. And I want you all to think about it”.

- (A) Miss Mason was sad after reading the lesson because ____
- (a) Wanda had left the school.
(b) Wanda’s father had scolded her.
(c) a student of her class was humiliated
(d) she felt sorry for Wanda and her father.
- (B) Whose long and unfamiliar name is referred to here ?
- (a) Madeline
(b) Peggy
(c) Wanda Petronski
(d) Miss Mason

- (C) Which letter is referred to here?
- (a) the letter written by Lencho
 - (b) the letter written by Wanda
 - (c) the letter written by Wanda's father
 - (d) the letter written by Wanda's mother
- (D) Find out a word from the passage which means the same as 'knowingly'.
- (a) Unfortunate
 - (b) Unfamiliar
 - (c) Deliberately
 - (d) Purposely
- (b) I looked at the compass. I couldn't believe my eyes: the compass was turning round and round. It was dead. It would not work ! The other instruments were suddenly dead, too. I tried the radio. 'Paris control ? Paris control ? Can you hear me ? There was no answer. The radio was dead too. I had no radio, no compass, and I could not see where I was. I was lost in the storm. Then, in the black clouds quite near me, I saw another aeroplane. It had no lights on its wing, but i could see it flying next to me through the storm. 1x4=4
- (A) He tried to contact Paris control to _____
- (a) inform them about compass
 - (b) inform them about weather
 - (c) inform them about his airplane
 - (d) inform them about his difficulties.
- (B) He looked at the compass to _____
- (a) know the weather
 - (b) know the height
 - (c) know about the rain
 - (d) know about direction.
- (C) Problems faced by the pilot were _____
- (a) stormy weather, compass dead
 - (b) no compass, no contact with Paris control
 - (c) no airplane, no compass and no help
 - (d) radio and compass failed and stormy weather.
- (D) He could not contact Paris control because _____
- (a) his phone was not working
 - (b) the compass was not working
 - (c) the radio was not working
 - (d) there was no one at the counter

13. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions by writing the option that you consider the most appropriate in your answer sheet. (Any two of the passage)

(a) His ball went, I would not intrude on him

1x3=3

A dime, another ball, is worthless. Now

He senses first responsibility.

(A) Where did the ball go ?

- (a) into the sea
- (b) in the drain
- (c) on the road.
- (d) to the neighbour's house

(B) Who is 'I' referred to here ?

- (a) Poet
- (b) Child's father
- (c) Sports teacher
- (d) Child.

(C) What is his first responsibility ?

- (a) to buy another ball
- (b) to look after his belongings
- (c) to spend a dime
- (d) to play without a ball

(b) Has given my heart

1x3=3

A Change of mood

And saved some part

Of the day I had rued.

(A) Who has changed the poet's mood ?

- (a) crow
- (b) nature
- (c) clouds
- (d) snowfall

(B) These lines show that the poet _____

- (a) liked a crow
- (b) hated snow
- (c) loved nature
- (d) disliked nature

(C) What was the mood of the poet earlier ?

- (a) sad
- (b) pleasant
- (c) bad
- (d) very happy

(c) But he's locked in a concrete cell

1x3=3

His strength behind bars

Stalking the length of his cage,

Ignoring visitors.

(A) 'Behind bars' refers to_____

(a) zoo

(b) circus

(c) hotel

(d) prison

(B) 'He' here refers to _____

(a) lion

(b) tiger

(c) hyena

(d) prisoner

(C) 'The words which express 'his' helplessness are_____

(a) locked, cage and behind bars

(b) concrete cell, stalking and cage

(c) locked, strength and ignoring

(d) locked, strength and stalking

14. Answer any three of the following questions in 40 - 50 words each :

2x3=6

(a) Why did Lencho write a letter to god ?

(b) Mention difficulties faced by Nelson Mandela.

(c) How did Anne impress her teacher Mr. Keesing

(d) Why was the young Seagull afraid ?

15. Answer ONE of the following questions in about 80 words :

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Give the character sketch of Lencho

OR

Give the character sketch of Maddie

16. Answer ONE of the following questions in about 80 words :

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Describe the mischievous activities of Griffin, a scientist.

OR

Describe Hari Singh's qualities due to he could win the heart of Anil though he knew that he was a clever thief.

17. Answer any two of the following questions briefly in about 40 - 50 words each : 2x3=6

- (a) How did Max enter and go out of Ausable's room ?
- (b) How did the lady in the red befooled Horace ?
- (c) Why was Tricky sent to the hospital.

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