

DESIGN OF QUESTION PAPER
ENGLISH
CLASS X

Time : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 80 MARKS

1. Weightage of Objectives:

Objectives	Knowledge	Expression	Comprehension	Skill	Total
Percentage of Marks	40	40	20		100
Marks	32	32	16		80

2. Weightage to Forms of questions:

Form of Questions	LA = 5 marks	SA1 4 marks	SA2 3marks	SA3 2 marks	VSA 1 mark	Objective 1 mark	Total
No. of Questions	4	1	6	8	20	-	39
Marks Allotted	22	4	18	16	20	-	80
Estimated Time(in minutes)	62	10	36	32	40	-	180

3. Weightage of Contents :

Unit	Name of the Unit	Marks
9. Reading	iv) Unseen Passage (Comprehension)	10
	v) Course Book	15
10. Writing	i) Essay Writing	7
	ii) Letter Writing	5
	iii) Report Writing	4
	iv) Note making and Summarising	3+3
	v) Notice Writing	3
11. Grammar	Elements of Grammar 1 X 10	10
12. Literature	i) Prose (5+2)	7
	ii) Play(5+2)	7
	iii) Poetry (2X3)	6

4. Scheme of Section : NIL

5. Scheme of option : Internal option must be given in Essay/Long Answer type questions testing the same objective.

6. Difficulty level : Easy 40%, Average 50%, Difficult 10%

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Sl. No	Objective Content Unit / Forms of Questions	Knowledge						Expression						Comprehension						Total	
		E/LA	SA/I	SA II	SA III	VSA	O	E/LA	SA/I	SA II	SA III	VSA	O	E/LA	SA/I	SA II	SA III	VSA	O		
1.	Reading 1. Unseen Passage 2. Course book			6(2)	6(3)	3(3)				3(1)			7(7)								10(8) 15(8)
2.	Writing 10. Essay 11. Letter Writing 12. Report Writing 13. Note & Summarising 14. Notice	3(1)* 2(1)*	1(1)*		1(1)*					6(2)					4(-)* 3(-)*	3(-)*					7(1) 5(1) 4(1) 6(2) 3(1)
3.	Elements of Grammar						10(10)														10(10)
4.	Fiction: Prose Play Poetry							3(1)* 3(1)*			2(1)* 2(1)* 6(3)			2(-)* 2(-)*							7(2) 7(2) 6(3)
Marks with forms of Questions		5(2)*	1(1)*	7(3)*	6(3)	13(13)		6(2)		9(3)	10(5)	7(7)		11(-)*	3(-)*	2(-)*					80(39)
Marks with no. of Questions with objective		32(22)						32(17)						16(-)*						80(39)	

Notes: (1) Figure within brackets indicate the number of questions and figures outside the brackets indicate marks.

(2)* Denotes that marks have been combined to form one question.

Summary :

Type of question	No. of Question	Marks	Total	Type of question	No. of Question	Marks	Total
Essay/Long Answer (E)/LA	4		22	Short Answer (3)	8	16	16
Short Answer (SA)1	1	4	4	Very Short Answer	20	20	20
Short Answer (SA)2	6	3	18	Objective Type			

SAMPLE QUESTION

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SECTION - A

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow

Much before the medical science discovered it Reader’s Digest came out with the good health. Reading light articles, whether they be satirical, comic prescription – Laughter is the best medicine. Newspapers and magazines which regularly run humour columns are, therefore, doing their bit to keep the readers in good health. Reading light articles, whether they be satirical, comic or just humorous, relieves the tedium of work-a- day world. Some pieces may even tickle one’s grey matter.

It is said that if you laugh for ten minutes you will be in a better position to put up with pain for two hours. According to US researchers, laughter is a good antidote to stress that tones up the system. Facial laugh muscles instruct the brain to ‘feel good’ regardless of how you feel.

According to a French doctor, laughter deepens breathing, improves blood circulation, speeds up the process of tissue healing and stabilizes many body functions. In short, it acts as power drug with no side effects. Researchers state that laughter stimulates production of beta-endorphins, natural pain killers in the body and improve digestion. Those who laugh are less prone to digestive disorders and ulcers.

- (a) Complete the following statements:
- (i) Comic prescription “ Laughter is the best Medicine” is first used in..... 1
 - (ii) If we laugh for ten minutes, we will be able to put up with pain for 1
- (b) Answer the following question in one phrase/sentence each:
- (i) What is the main objective of the humour columns in the magazines? 1
 - (ii) What does facial laugh muscles instruct the brain? 1
 - (iii) What is beta-endorphine as expressed in the passage ? 1
- (c) Answer the following question in about 50 words:
- What is the opinion of the French Doctor about the usefulness of laughter in health ? 3
- (d) Find out the words from the passage that have the same meaning as : 1+1=2
- (i) Boredom (ii) to arouse

**COURSE BOOK
(PROSE)**

2. Answer the following questions in one phrase/sentence each :
- a) What probably is the most important cause of global warming? 1
 - b) What is the nationality of Sir Edmund Hillary ? 1
 - c) In which district is Khanghui lime cave situated ? 1
3. Answer the following questions in about 30 words each :
- a) How did Ramanujan become “Fellow of Trinity College” in 1918? 2
 - b) What are the things that we must try to promote tourism in Manipur? 2
 - c) What did Abdul Kalam’s family do during the annual 2

Shri Sita Rama Kalyanam ceremony ?

4. Answer the following questions in about 50 words each : 3x2=6
- (a) How does the game of Sagol Kangjei start?
OR
"Mother , please allow me to play freely"
What made Mary Kom plead so with her mother ?
- (b) What is Hillary Step and how did Hillary define it?
Or
What is the importance of Khongjom as a tourist spot?

**SECTION-B
(WRITING)**

5. Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 200 words 7
using the given outlines :
- (a) Discipline
(outlines : – importance in daily life – in school in the play ground – conclusion)
- (b) Your aim in life :
(outlines : What is your aim-why you choose it- preparation for it - conclusion)
- (c) A Festival You have enjoyed
(outlines : Introduction – time of the festival– how is it observed- conclusion)
6. Suppose you are Rosy of Uripok, Imphal. Write a letter to your friend Kim of Sapermeina telling her about your preparation for the H.S.L.C. Examination this year. 5
Or
Suppose you are Santa, General Secretary of Apex High School, Imphal. Write an application to your Principal requesting his permission for a study tour at Thoubal Dam.
7. A ravaging fire burnt down a number of shops at Keishampat last night, destroying properties worth lakhs of rupees. Suppose you are Rinku, a news reporter of New Age. Write a report about the incident. 4
8. Make notes of the important points of the following passage and develop a summary using the notes : 3+3 = 6

Our freedom was won with great struggle and sacrifice after centuries of servitude to foreign rule, and it is important that those of us who belong to the post – independence generation should not fall into the error of taking our freedom for granted. The maintenance and strengthening of freedom is a task even more onerous than its attainment.

In any nation the youth necessarily forms the vanguard in most spheres of activity, and it is essential that at this critical juncture its power must be mobilized further to strengthen our integrity and our capacity to resist aggression. What is required is an immense burst of idealism and energy among our youth, who must be deeply committed to the task of safeguarding this great nation of ours founded on the twin ideals of secularism and democracy. In particular our young men and women studying in schools

and universities have a special responsibility, for while they are no longer children they have yet not got fully involved the routine of adult life. They constitute an immense reservoir of strength which, if properly canalized, can prove to be a source of great power to the nation. Indeed it is these young Indians who will soon be called upon to provide leadership in all walks of national life, and they must train themselves to fulfill their future responsibilities with distinction

9. You are John, Secretary- in- charge of Eco-Club of ABC School. Write a notice to be displayed on the School Notice board informing the students to take part in the Social Service organized by the club. 3

**SECTION –C
(GRAMMAR)**

10. Rewrite the following sentences inserting appropriate determiners in the blanks : 1
 a) Is there ___ food for the guest? 1
 b) A ___ knowledge is a dangerous thing. 1
11. Fill in the blank of the following with the correct modal verb: 1
 You ___ not worry, there is plenty of time. 1
12. Change the voice of the following sentences: 1
 a) No one has climbed this mountain before. 1
 b) Let your coat be cut according to your coat. 1
13. Change the narration of the following sentences : 1
 a) "Will you lunch with me tomorrow?" she said. 1
 b) " Good morning Bijoy," said Ramesh. 1
14. Rewrite the following sentence using the correct form of the verb given in the bracket : 1
 When I (arrive), Ann had just left. 1
15. Transform the following sentences as directed : 1
 a) The moment which is lost, is lost forever.(Change into a simple sentence) 1
 b) In the absence of the cat the mice will play.(change into a complex sentence.) 1

**SECTION-D
(LITERATURE)**

16. Answer the following questions in about 30 words each: 2
 a) What unusual things did Franz see in the class room?
 Or
 How were M. and Madame Loisel's at the discovery of the loss of the necklace ?
- b) " Oh, why not? They would pay somebody's rent, I Suppose" 2
 Or
 Why had Persome say so?

17. Answer the following questions in about 30 words each : 2X 3= 6
- (a) "But how he sets, I know not"
Why does the poetess say so ?
Or
"I am a star fallen from the blue tent upon the green carpet"
What does this line mean ?
- (b) "Thou art more lovely and more temperate"

Explain the idea contain in the line.
Or
"So long lives this, and this gives life to thee"
Explain
- (c) "The winter evening settles down

With the smell of streaks in the passage ways"
What do these lines suggest ?
Or
"Sawdust-trampled street"
Give the significance of this line?
18. Answer the following question in about 120 words 5
- (a) "Your son will be a Judge someday"
Justify your answer in favour of Raicharan's own belief.
Or
"The blood of the beasts is always in man"
Write how the imp shows it.
19. Make a comparison between the characters of Persome and The Bishop. 5
Or
Bring out the importance of the silver salt cellar.

**QUESTION ANALYSIS OF
PROPOSED SAMPLE QUESTION**

Q. No.	Objective K/U/A/S Or K/E/C	Topic Chapter No & Name	Specification	Form of Question	Mark	Estimated Difficulty Level A/B/C	Time (mins)
1	(a) (i) U	Unseen Passage	Refers	VSA	1	A	2
	(a) (ii) U	Unseen Passage	Refers	VSA	1	A	2
	(b) (i) U	Unseen Passage	Refers	VSA	1	A	2
	(b) (ii) U	Unseen Passage	Refers	VSA	1	A	2
	(b) (iii) U	Unseen Passage	Refers	VSA	1	A	2
	(c) U	Unseen Passage	Refers	SAII	3	A	10
	(d) (i) U	Unseen Passage	Refers	VSA	1	B	2
	(d) (ii) U	Unseen Passage	Refers	VSA	1	B	2
2	(a) K	How to save our environment	Recalls	VSA	1	A	2
	(b) K	The Saga of a mountaineer and Explorer	Recalls	VSA	1	A	2
	(c) K	Tourist spots in Manipur	Recalls	VSA	1	A	2
3	(a) K	The man who knew Infinity	Recalls	SAIII	2	A	6
	(b) K	Tourism in Manipur	Recalls	SAIII	2	A	6
	(c) K	My Childhood	Recalls	SAIII	2	A	6
4	(a) K	Sagol Kangjei or Indomitable woman pugilist of Manipur	Recalls	SAII	3	A	7
	(b) K	The Saga of a mountaineer and Explorer Or Tourist spots in Manipur	Recalls	SAII	3	B	7
5	K + Exp.	Essay writing	Recalls Organises Expresses	LA	7 (2+5)	B	15
6	K + Exp.	Letter Writing	Refers Organises Expresses	LA	5 (2+3)	A/B	10
7	K + Exp.	Report Writing	Refers Expresses	SA I	4 (1+3)	A/B	10
8	U	Note Making - Summarize	Identifies / Expresses	SAII	3+3	C/B	10
9	K + Exp.	Notice Writing	Refers Expresses	SAII	3	A	7