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MODEL QUESTION PAPER FOR (12<sup>TH</sup> CLASS)

**Subject:-GENERAL ENGLISH**

**Maximum Marks:100**

**Time : 03 hrs**

**NOTE:**

**15 Minutes shall be exclusively provided to the students for understanding the question paper.**

**Model Question Paper for Class 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Section A**

Reading Comprehension shall be of 20 Marks spread over four questions of 05 marks with internal choice.

**Q1:** Read the following passages and answer the questions given at the end:

(a) Mrigankoshekar Mukhopadhyay was a famous and popular writer. A club in Durgapur had invited him to a cultural function, in order to felicitate him. He could not get a reserved seat on the train, hence his departure by car. He had left for Durgapur quite early in the morning, soon after a cup of tea. He was now on his way back. He was not one to believe in superstitions, and certainly never consulted the calendar with astronomical information before travelling anywhere.

**Questions:**

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|------|---|---|
| i.   | Who was Mrigankoshekar Mukhopadhyay ?                     | 1 |
| ii   | Where was he supposed to go and Why?                      | 1 |
| iii. | Do you think Mrigankoshekar was a superstitious man? Why? | 2 |
| iv.  | How and when did he leave for his destination?            | 1 |

**Total 5 marks**

**OR**

b) .....

**Q2. A)** Smoking is the major cause of mortality with bronchogenic carcinoma of the lungs. Also causing carcinoma of larynx, oral cavity, bladder, cervix and esophagus. Nicotine is the major substance in smoke whose binding capacity to brain receptors is enhanced by levulinic acid present in smoke. This causes kick of nicotine .Smoke from the burning end of cigarettes contains 4000 chemicals and 40 carcinogens. The lungs of smokers collect an annual deposit of one to one and a half pounds of this black material which contains many poisonous chemicals such as carbon monoxide, formaldehyde, hydrogen cyanide and nitrous oxides. Like many carcinogenic compounds these act as tumor promoters by directly acting on the genetic makeup of cells. During smoking nicotine is absorbed in the lungs within 8 to 10 seconds. It quickly moves into the blood stream and is circulated through brain. Nicotine can also enter the blood stream through mucous membrane, i.e., lining of mouth if tobacco is chewed or through nose (by snuffing) and even through the skin. Our brain is made of billions of nerve cells which communicate with each other by chemical messengers called neurotransmitters.

Nicotine being one of the powerful nerve poisons binds selectively to nicotine receptors located in the brain, autonomic ganglia, medulla located throughout the brain playing a critical role in cognitive processes and memory.

**Fill in the blanks**

Cancer causing substances are called -----.

Nicotine enters the blood stream through ----- and -----.

The binding capacity of nicotine to brain receptors is enhanced by ----- present in the smoke.

Name any one carcinogenic substance and any one substance which precipitates formation of tumours.

Chemical messengers present in the brain are called -----.

1x5=5 Marks

**OR**

b) .....

**Read these lines and answer the following questions:**

**Q3.** (a) “Feel at home” “Come again”  
they say, and when I come  
again and feel  
at home, once, twice,  
there will be no thrice.

Questions:

Who is being asked to come again? 1

Where is he being invited to? 1

What is meant by “feel at home”? 1

What is ironical about this invitation? 2

Total 5 marks

**OR**

b).....

**Read these lines and answer the following questions**

**Q 4. a)** What is this life, if, full of care,  
We have no time to stand and care  
No time to stand beneath the boughs  
And stare as long as sheep or cows.  
No time to see , when woods we pass,  
Where squirrels hide their nuts in grass.  
No time to see in broad day light,  
Streams full of stars, like skies at night  
A poor life this, if, full of care,  
We have no time to stand and stare.

**Fill in the blanks**

i). The poet’s complaint is that we -----.

ii). The poet wants to see the wonders of nature like ----- and -----

iii). The poet portrays busy life/ country side life in the above lines.

iv). Write two images used by the poet in the above lines.

v). He calls such an extremely busy life as ----- . [1x5= 5 marks]

**OR**

b) .....

**SECTION B  
LITERATURE**

**Literature Section shall be spread over 5 questions of 33 marks with both internal and external choice.**

**Q5** Answer any two of the following questions in about 100 to 150 words:

a. Describe how did Jimmy's friend prosper in life? How do you know?

b,c,d .....

2x4=8 marks

**Q 6 a)** Describe in about (150 – 180) words the character sketch of Shahmal.

**OR**

b) .....

1x5=5 marks

**Q7.** Answer any four of the following question briefly:

i. Pick out the similes from the poem, "Sunrise".

ii. What does the 'pane of glass' refer to? What is the poetic device used in this description?

iii) to ix

2x4=8 marks

**Q 8 a).** Explain with reference to the context the following extracts:

**Attempt any one out of three from prose and any one out of three from poetry.**

**A**

i Most of us, I fear, are born with prosaically efficient memories. If it were not so, the institution of family could not survive in any great modern city.

ii and iii

1x5=5 marks

**B**

(i) It shook out their hearts, the yellow leaves,  
scattered them over the ground.

Anyone could trample them out of shape  
undisturbed by a single moan of protest.

(ii and iii)

1x5=5 marks

**Q9.** Objective type questions.

i. One who leaves his country to settle elsewhere: \_\_\_\_\_

ii. iii, iv

1/2x4=2marks

**Section C  
Writing Skills**

**Writing skills Section shall be spread over 6 questions of 25 marks with internal choice as per scheme of assessment in syllabi**

**Q10.(a)** Study the following clues carefully and expand them into an article of 200 to 250 words.

Global warming - Drastic climatic changes - A severe threat to the planet -  
Precautionary measures taken by different countries to fight the problem.

**OR**

b) .....

5 marks

**Q11.a)** You are Mukul/ Mehnaz, the head boy/girl in Govt. Senior Secondary School, Kashmir. There is no proper cleanliness of rooms and toilets in school. Write an application to the principal requesting him/her to give his/her attention to the problem.

**OR**

b) Letter Writing

**5 marks**

**Q12.a)** Read the following paragraph carefully and make notes, and also give it a title. Warning came too late or not at all last December. The count of dead and missing numbered 300,000 and millions more have lost homes and livelihoods in the wake of earthquake generated Tsunami that struck more than a dozen countries throughout the Indian Ocean.

**OR**

b. Question on diary entry

**5 marks**

**Q13.a)** Imagine you met your distant relative in Lal Chowk. Write a short dialogue on what was exchanged between you and him/her.

**OR**

b) Question on news report

**5 marks**

**Q14.a)** You plan to sell your car. Draft an advertisement within 60 to 80 words to be published in the local daily as classified column giving all necessary details of the car.

**OR**

b) draft a poster

**3 marks**

**Q15 a)** Write an email to your friend, expressing your helplessness for not visiting him/her in the hospital.

**OR**

b). Write SMS

**2marks**

#### **SECTION D GRAMMAR**

**Grammar Section shall be spread over one question of 10 parts having 22 marks.**

**Q16.** (1) Do as directed:

I). Complete the following, using the appropriate forms of the verbs given in the brackets:

i. The rain \_\_\_\_\_ (stop) before we reached home.

ii to xxii

**22 Marks**