

CGBSE 
SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER
CLASS - X
SUBJECT – ENGLISH (080)

Maximum Marks: 75

Time: 3 hours

Note: Attempt all questions.

Read the questions carefully for internal choice.

Q. 1 [A I] Choose the correct alternatives: **(1x5=5)**

(i) In the line “And he rose toward the **tranquil** sky” from the poem “How the Little Kite Learned to Fly”, the word ‘**tranquil**’ means —
 a) peaceful b) noisy c) cloudy d) stormy

(ii) “Late again, Beinkensopp? What’s the excuse this time?” the underlined word means —
 a) Punishment b) complaint c) reason d) warning

(iii) The children were playing in the **backyard**. The word ‘**backyard**’ means—
 a) a place inside the house b) an area at the back of a house
 c) a room for guests d) a place in front of the house

(iv) The word ‘**excel**’ in the poem ‘About me’ means:
 a) to fail badly b) to remain average
 c) to compete without winning d) to perform very well

(v) Indigo: Deep blue: Crimson:
 a. Golden b. Deep red c. Dark green d. Light yellow

[A II] Choose the correct alternatives: **(1x5=5)**

(i) I saw old man yesterday.
 a) a b) an c) the d) no article

(ii) You can see the doctor6pm to 8pm.
 a) at b) in c) between d) on

(iii) Is there _____ food left in the fridge?
 a) many b) any c) few d) a few

(iv) The police found the car that was lost. This is a sentence.
 a) simple b) compound c) complex d) interrogative

(v) She in the garden since morning.
 a) works b) worked c) is working d) has been working

[B] Match the actions in column 'A' with actions in column 'B' **[1X5=5]**

i	It was raining	so that he could work more efficiently
ii	He bought a new laptop	he won't pass the exam.
iii	I can't find the CD	she finished her work on time
iv	Although she was tired	so they cancelled the match.
v	If he doesn't work harder,	which I borrowed from you.

Note: Answer the following questions in about 30 words each.(Ques. no. 2 to 6) [2x5=10]

Q.2 What is patriotism?

Q.3 Why did Aunt Jane gift a cheque of ten pounds to Jack and Jill?

Q.4 How did the girl justify her presence in the auditorium?

Q.5 When did Louie feel scared?

Q.6 Who was Ibn Battuta? What was the first journey of Ibn Battuta?

Q.7 Study the given exam schedule of a school and answer the questions that follow: -

[1/2x6=3]

PBS Public School, Tilda Half Yearly Examination Time Table			
Date & Day Class	TIMING: 10.00 AM to 1.00PM		
	VI	VII	VIII
08-12-2025 Monday	Social Science	Sanskrit	Science
09-12-2025 Tuesday	Sanskrit	Hindi	English
10-12-2025 Wednesday	Hindi	<u>Maths</u>	Sanskrit
11-12-2025 Thursday	Science	English	Hindi
12-12-2025 Friday	English	Social Science	<u>Maths</u>
13-12-2025 Saturday	<u>Maths</u>	Science	Social Science
Principal Dr. B.P.Singh			

Questions:

- a. The Principal of PBS Public School is.....
- b. Maths paper for class VII is scheduled on....
- c. On Thursday class VI has a.....paper.
- d. The Half yearly Examination will start from 8th December.(True/False)
- e. The exam timing is from 10.00 AM to 12.00 Noon.(True/False)
- f. The last exam for Class VI is Science.(True/False)

Q.8 Write a report describing the Science Exhibition held in your school using the given hints.

[3]

- Date: 5th September 2025
- Theme: "Innovation for a Better Future"
- Chief Guest: District Education Officer
- Exhibits: Solar car, Water purifier, Model of volcano
- Participants: Students from classes IX and X
- Chief Guest's remarks: Impressed by creativity

Q.9 You are Shivam/Shivani Gupta, a student of Class X of ABC Senior Public School, Dhamtari. You have lost your wristwatch in the school premises. Giving details of the wristwatch, draft a notice to be put up on the school notice board. Announce a suitable reward for the finder.

[4]

Or

You are Ajay/Anu, Sports Secretary of your school. Write a notice for the school notice board of MGM Public School, Bilaspur, about a summer camp for training of students in Basketball.

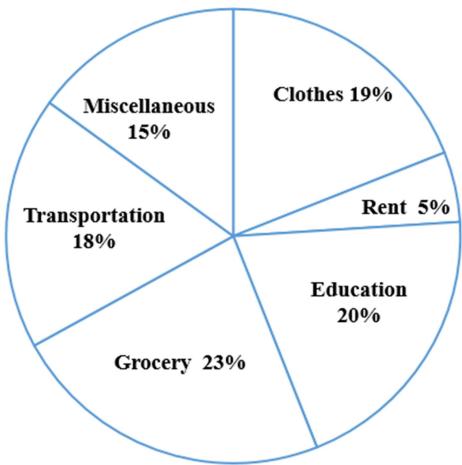
Q. 10 Read the given passage and write the summary for it, in your own words along with a suitable title.

[4]

Mobile phones have become an essential part of our lives. They help us stay connected, access information and perform daily tasks easily. With smartphones, we can study, shop, pay bills and even work online. They have become a constantly available source

of entertainment which prevents people from getting bored. In this way, mobiles are a great blessing of technology. However, their misuse has made them a curse too. Mobile phone addiction is becoming a major issue as people spend too much time scrolling through screens rather than interacting with the people around them. Additionally, mobile phones are a big distraction for students, and their addiction can affect their ability to concentrate on their studies. Its usage and addiction have increased mental health diseases, like anxiety, depression and other mental disorders. Cyberbullying and privacy risks are also rising. Therefore, mobile phones are both a blessing and a curse — it depends on how wisely we use them.

Q. 11 The following Pie chart shows the monthly expenditure of a family. Observe it carefully and answer the questions given below.(Any four) [1X4=4]



- i. The expenses on education is.....%
- ii. The maximum expenses is done on.....
- iii. The difference between transportation and clothes is same as difference between clothes and education. True/ False
- iv. The total expenses on Rent and Education is%
- v. The pie chart represents expenditure for which time period.....
 - a. A week
 - b. A month
 - c. A year

Q.12 Answer the questions in 30 words each. (Any 2) [2X2=4]

- i. How did the little kite finally learn to fly?
- ii. What lesson do we learn from the poem 'Including all my friends'?
- iii. Why does the poet call himself "an average and ordinary boy" in the poem 'About me'?

Q. 13 Do as directed (any five) [1X5=5]

- (i) I need his service. (Change into interrogative)
- (ii) He has cleaned the room. (Change into future indefinite)
- (iii) I go to watch a film today. (Make a question using 'may')
- (iv) I live in an old flat. It was built 30 years ago. (Combine the given simple sentences into compound sentence)
- (v) We do our work together. (Change into negative)
- (vi) Students are playing cricket. (Add question tag)
- (vii) She sang sweetly. (Make the sentence emphatic)

Q. 14 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below:

The headmaster entered the class with a slightly flushed face and a hard ominous look in his eyes. Swaminathan wished that he had been anywhere but there at that moment. The headmaster surveyed the class for a few minutes and asked, "Are you not ashamed of coming and sitting there after what you did yesterday?" Just a special

honour to them, he read out the names of dozen students or so, that had attended the class. After that he read out the names of those that had kept away and asked them to stand on their benches. He felt that punishment was not enough and asked them to stand on their desks. Swaminathan was among them and felt humiliated at that eminence. Then they were lectured. When it was over, they were asked to offer explanations one by one. One said that he had an attack of a headache and therefore could not come to school. He was asked to bring a medical certificate.

Questions: -

[1X5=5]

- i. Here the phrase “slightly flushed face” suggest, about the headmaster’s that-
 - a) he was happy
 - b) he was nervous
 - c) he was angry or upset
 - d) he was embarrassed
- ii. Before asking the students to explain the headmaster-
 - a) scolded them loudly.
 - b) read out the names of those who had attended class.
 - c) punished everyone in the class.
 - d) sent everyone home.
- iii. Why were the students asked to give explanations one by one?
- iv. What reason did one boy give for being absent from school?
- v. Find a word in the passage that means “feeling ashamed or embarrassed”

Q.15 Read the passage and answer the questions given below:-

Dry fruits are useful in various diseases of the brain, muscles and tissues. Particularly almond has got unique properties to remove brain weakness and strengthen it. Almond preserves the vitality of the brain, strengthens the muscles and destroy diseases originating from nervous and bilious disorders.

Walnut is another dry fruit that possesses wonderful qualities of curing brain weakness. According to Dr. Johnson, almonds, figs, grapes, dates, apples and oranges are rich in phosphoric element and should normally be used by brain workers. Phosphorus nourishes the vital tissues of the body. It keeps the mind full of enthusiasm for more work.

Questions:-

[1X5=5]

- i. Dry fruits are useful because they...
 - a) strengthen our heart
 - b) cure various diseases of the brain, muscles and tissues
 - c) give confidence to us
 - d) Empower us to do challenging tasks.
- ii. The property of almond is....
 - a) it preserves the vitality of the brain
 - b) it strengthens the muscles.
 - c) it destroys diseases originating from nervous and bilious disorders.
 - d) it strengthens our digestive system.
- iii. State true or false – Phosphorous decreases the enthusiasm for work.
- iv. Why brain workers should take fruits rich in phosphoric elements?
- v. Find the synonym of the word ‘amazing’ from the passage.

Q.16 You are Sanjay/Sanjana, the class monitor of Class X, studying in Multipurpose School, Kanker. On behalf of your classmates, write an application to your Principal requesting him/ her to give permission for school picnic. [5]

Or

You are Rajeev/ Raveena, residing at House No. 103 Block 5 Avanti Vihar, Jagdalpur. Your Uncle has presented a book to you on your birthday. Pointing out the usefulness of the book, write a letter to uncle thanking him for sending this valuable gift.

Q.17 Write an essay on any one of the given topics: - [8]

- Value of games and sports
- Importance of trees
- Scientific discoveries and inventions
- Things I like to do during My Pastime
- Pollution Problem