

HIMACHAL PRADESH BOARD OF SCHOOL EDUCATION, DHARAMSHALA  
MODEL QUESTION PAPER  
CLASS : 10 + 2  
SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TIME : 3 HRS

M.M. : 80

Instructions :

1. Candidate are required to give their answers in their own words as far as possible.
2. Marks allotted to each question are indicated against it.
3. The question paper is divided into three sections A, B and C. All the sections are compulsory.
4. Observe word limit wherever necessary.

SECTION - A (READING)

Q.1. Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :-

(i) It's not cool to be fat, but that hasn't stopped an obesity epidemic from occurring among young Americans. Child obesity is on the rise day by day. Children on an average spend five to six hours a day involved in sedentary activities like watching T.V., using computer and playing video games which is partly to blame for the rising rates.

(ii) To make matters worse, children are bombarded with television advertisements for fast food chains and other providers of high fat, high sugar meals and snacks. These highly effective advertising campaigns combined with a physically inactive life style, have produced a generation of children who are at high risk for medical conditions associated with obesity.

(iii) The main health threat is early development of type-2 diabetes particularly in children with a family history of the disease. Doctors report an increase in the number of young adolescents developing type-2 diabetes, which can lead to heart disease, high blood pressure, kidney disease, stroke, limb amputations and blindness. People who develop diabetes in adolescence face a decreased quality of life and a shorter life expectancy, particularly if the disease progress without treatment.

(iv) When kids spend most of their time sitting in front of T.V.'s and computers, they aren't running, jumping or participating in team sports that would keep their weight down. Parents should set limits on the time their children spend in passive activities. Pediatricians recommend restricting children to one or two hours a day in front of the T.V. and computer combined.

(v) Parent involvement remain the most important key to healthy diets for our children programmes to educate parents about nutrition are essential. Fast foods should be eaten only in moderation, care givers who are often busy and in a hurry must avoid the temptation to take their children to fast food restaurants or buy fast food for dinner at home, changing eating habits and life style is not easy; but the benefit to our children's health is a wonderful reward for parents willing to take on the task.

(A) On the basis of your reading of the passage complete the following statements by choosing the correct options :- 4x1= 4

- (i) One of the major reasons behind obesity among children is -  
(a) Studying (b) Playing indoor games  
(c) Their sedentary lifestyle (d) Eating fast foods
- (ii) Early development of type -2 diabetes is normally found in children with -  
(a) Sedentary lifestyles (b) Strict parents  
(c) Voracious appetites (d) A family history of the disease
- (iii) The most important factor to improve our children's diet is -  
(a) Parental involvement (b) Not watching T.V. advertisements  
(c) Not having fast foods (d) All of these
- (iv) Adolescents who develop diabetes may have ..... if not treated promptly  
(a) Poor quality of life (b) Reduced span of life  
(c) Both (a) and (b) (d) Neither (a) nor (b)

(B) Answer the following questions briefly :- 3x1= 3

- (i) How are advertisements responsible for obesity associated medical problems?
  - (ii) How does diabetes affect adolescents ?
  - (iii) How can parents keep their children's weight in check ?
- (c) Find the words from the given choices that have similar meaning as 3x1= 3
- (i) Sedentary
    - (a) Active      (b) Inactive      (c) Alive      (d) Dead
  - (ii) Pediatrician
    - (a) a walking person      (b) a heart Doctor      (c) a children's Doctor
    - (d) Doctor of eyes
  - (iii) Adolescence
    - (a) Young age      (b) Old age      (c) Middle age      (d) Adulthood

Q.2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :-

(i) How does television effect our lives? It can be very helpful to people who carefully choose the shows that they watch Television can increase our knowledge of the outside world. There are high quality programmes that help us understand many fields of study - science, medicine, art and so on. Moreover television benefits very old people, who can't often leave the house as well as patients in hospitals.

(ii) On the other hand, there are several disadvantages of television of course, it provides us with a pleasant way to relax and spend our free time, but in some countries, people watch the boob tube for an average of six hours or more a day. Many children stare at a television screen for more hours each day than they do anything else, including studying and sleeping. It is clear that the tube has a powerful influence on their lives and that its influence is after negative.

(iii) Recent studies show that after watching television only for thirty seconds, a person's brain 'relaxes' the same way that it does just before the person falls asleep. Another effect of television is that it seems to cause poor concentration.

(iv) Another disadvantage is that television after causes people to become dissatisfied with their lives. Real life does not seem as exciting to these people as the lives of actors on the screen. To many people television becomes more real that reality and their own lives seem boring. Also many people get upset or depressed when they can't solve problems in real life as quickly as television actors seem to.

(v) Before a child is fourteen years old, he or she views eleven thousand murders on the tube. He or she begins to believe that there is nothing strange about fights, killings and other kinds of violence. Many studies show that people become more violent after watching certain programmes. They may even do the things that they saw in a violent show.

(vi) The most negative effect of the 'boob tube' might be peoples addiction to it, people often feel a strange and powerful need to watch television even when they don't enjoy it. Addiction to a television screen in similar to drug or alcohol addiction. People almost never believe that they are addicted.

(A) On the basis of your reading of the passage, make notes on it using headings and sub-headings. Use recognisable abbreviations wherever necessary. Make use of a suitable format. Also suggest a suitable title. (4)

(B) Write a summary of the above passage in about 80 words. (3)

#### SECTION - B

Q.3. You need a stenographer for your office. Write a brief and to the point advertisement for the 'Situation' vacant' column of a local newspapers. (4)

OR

You plan to sell your old maruti car. Draft a suitable advertisement in not more than 50 words to be inserted in reputed daily giving all necessary details of the car.

OR

You are Suraj/Sarita of class XII. You have lost your English Textbook somewhere in the school. Write a notice for the 'Lost and Found' notice board of your school.

Q.4.(A) You are Sahil/Swati of Government Senior Secondary School, Hamirpur. Write a report on the celebration of national voter's day in your school. (6)

OR

You are Vansh/Vanshika. Write a report on the Environment Day celebrated in your school in about 125 words.

Q.4.(B) Answer the following multiple choice questions : 4x1=4

- (i) Which of these is the most suitable way to write the body of a notice?  
(a) Through the column of (b) This is to inform  
(c) This is to threaten (d) Being a regular reader of your newspaper
- (ii) What is written on the top of notice ?  
(a) Date (b) Name of the institution or organisation  
(c) Subject (d) Body of notice
- (iii) Official letters do not include:  
(a) registering complaints (b) making enquiries  
(c) making requests or appeal (d) Application for job
- (iv) A report is always written in:  
(a) Present tense (b) Past tense (c) Future tense (d) All of them

Q.5. Write a letter to the Health Officer of your town complaining against the insanitary condition in your area. You are Pankaj Kumar, 125, Mall Road Shimla. (6)

OR

You are Rajan/Leela. You have seen an advertisement for the post of a T.G.T. Maths teacher in ABC Public School, Kangra. Write an application in response to the advertisement applying for the post. Give your detailed Bio data also.

Q.6. You are Abhinav. You have noticed that computers are used in every sphere of life. Write an article in 200 words on 'The Importance of Computers in our Life'. (6)

OR

You are Mohan/Shyama of Government Senior Secondary School, Una, H.P. You are head boy/Girl of the school. The Principal has asked you to write an article on the value of games for the school magazine.

#### SECTION - C (LITERATURE)

Q.7. Read the following stanza carefully and answer the questions that follow : 4x1=4

Now we will count to twelve and we will all keep still.  
For once on the face of the Earth Let's stop for one second  
and not move our arms so much.

- (i) Name the poet and the poem from which the above stanza has been taken?  
(ii) What does the poet ask to do ?  
(iii) What does the poet ask us not to do ?  
(iv) What will counting up to twelve and keeping quiet help us achieve.

OR

When Aunt is dead her terrified hand will lie.  
Still ringed with ordeals She was mastered by.  
The tigers in the panel that She made will go on prancing proud and unafraid.

- (i) Name the poet and the poem from which this stanza has been taken.  
(ii) What do tiger's represent?  
(iii) Why are Aunt's hands terrified?  
(iv) What will happen to her tigers after her death.

Q.8.(A) Answer any two of the following in about 30 words each : 2x2=4

- (i) What is the kind of pain and ache at the poet feels in 'My Mother at Sixty Six'?

- (ii) List the things of beauty mentioned in the poem 'A thing of beauty'.
- (iii) What was the plea of the folk, who had put up the roadside stand ?
- (iv) How do 'denizens' and chivalric' add to our understanding of the tiger's attitude?
- Q.8.(B) (i) Who has written the poem Elementary School Classroom in Slum ? (1)
- (a) Kamla Das (b) Wordsworth (c) Robert frost (d) Stephen Spender

- Q.9.(A) (i) What did Franz notice that was unusual about the school that day ? (6)
- (ii) Where does Saheb live? Where has he come from?
- (iii) Why was Douglas determined to get over his fear of water ?
- (iv) What was the attitude of the average Indian towards advocates of 'home rule'?
- (v) Who, in today's world is our chief source of information about personalities?
- (vi) What work did the office boy do n Gemini studios? Why did he join the studio?

Q.9.(B) Answer the following MCQ: (2)

- (i) Why was the Crofter so talkative and friendly with the Peddler ?
- (a) because he knew him (b) he was his friend
- (c) he was his neighbour (d) because he was lonely
- (ii) Why did Gandhiji decide to go to Muzaffarpur ?
- (a) To have detailed information of the sharecroppers of Champaran
- (b) To have information about lawyers
- (c) To know different capacities of the people
- (d) To have a personal bond with the people

Q.10. Answer the following questions in about 125-150 words. (6)

How did the instructor build a swimmer out of Douglas.

OR

Sophie and Jansie were classmates and friends. What were the differences between them that show up in the story?

Q.11. Answer the following in 25-150 words. (6)

'The World's geological history is trapped in Antarctica.' How is the study of this region useful to us?

OR

What is it that draws Derry towards Mr. Lamb inspite of himself?

Q.12.(A) Answer the following questions in 30 words each (Any three). 3x2=6

- (i) What does third level refer to?
- (ii) Who was Hana? Where had Dr. Sadao met her?
- (iii) What kind of a person was Evans?
- (iv) Why did Zitkala-Sa resist cutting of her long hair?
- (v) Who was Jo? How did she respond to her father's story telling?

Q.12.(B) Answer the following MCQ's (2)

- (i) What did the astrologer in the lesson "The Tiger King" predict?
- (a) the boy will be a king (b) the boy will visit the world
- (c) the king will be killed by 100th tiger (d) none
- (ii) Who is the author of the lesson "Journey to the end of the Earth"?
- (a) Tishani Joshi (b) Jane Austen (c) Kalki (d) Jack Finney