

**NORTH-EX PUBLIC SCHOOL**  
(Senior Secondary, Affiliated To CBSE)  
School Block, Jain Nagar, Sector-38, Rohini, Delhi – 81  
HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION, 2019-20  
SUBJECT – ENGLISH  
CLASS - IX

TIME : 3 HRS.  
80

MAX. MARKS :

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS :**

**(I) Question Paper is Divided into three sections**

**SECTION A : Reading**

**(20 Marks)**

**SECTION B : Writing & Grammar**

**(30 Marks)**

**SECTION C : Literature**

**(30 Marks)**

**(II) All Questions are Compulsory**

**(III) Marks are indicated against each question.**

**SECTION A (READING)**

Q-1. Read the passage given below and answer the question :

Papaya is the healthiest food in fruit with a list of properties that is long and exhaustive. Papaya favours digestion as well as cures skin irritation and sunburns. You can use it as in salads, have it cooked or boiled or just drink it up as milk shake or juice. The most important of the virtues is the protein - digestive enzyme in the milky times its own weight in protein. It assist the body in assimilating the maximum nutritional value from food to provide energy and body - building materials.

Papain is a raw Papaya makes up for the deficiency of gastric juice and fights excess of un healthy mucus in the stomach, dyspepsia and intestinal irritation. The ripe fruit if eaten regularly corrects habitant constipation, bleeding piles and chronic diarrhoea. The juice use as a cosmetic, removes freckless or brown spots due to exposure to sunlight and of papaya seeds in applied on skin. The paste seeds of the papaya are highly beneficial in the treatment of cirrhosis of the liver caused by malnutrition, alcoholism etc.

A tablespoon of its juice, combined with a hint of fresh lime juice, should be taken, once or twice daily for a month. The fresh Juice of raw papaya mixed with honey can be applied over inflamed tonsils, for diphtheria and other throat disorders. It dissolves the membrane and prevents infection from spreading. The nutrients in papaya have also been shown to be helpful in the prevention of colon cancer. Papaya's fibre is able to control cancer causing toxins in colons. In addition papaya folate, Vitamin C, Beta carotene and vitamin E have each been associated with a reduced risk of colon cancer. It Provides synergistic protection for colon cells from free radical damage to their DNA.

(i) One of the most important virtues of pepsin is that ..... (1)

(ii) Intestinal irritation can be overcome by.....(1)

(iii) Throat disorders can be cured if.....(1)

(iv) The Juice can be used as a cosmetic means .....(1)

(v) The fact that Papaya is a versatile fruits is evident from.....(1)

(vi) Papaya favours .....and ..... . (1)

(vii) Provide a suitable heading for the passage.....(1)

(viii) The word "deficiency" means .....(1)

(8-marks)

Q-2. Read the passage given below and answer the question :

(2x4) + (1x4) = 12 marks

An escalating epidemic of overweight and obesity is affecting many countries in the world. In India some people tend to be overweight because of their high calories diet and lack of physical activities. In the united states obesity is more. It is defined as an excess amount of body weight that includes muscles, bone fat and water. Some people such as body builders or other athletes with a lot of muscle can be overweight without being obese.

Generally women have more body fat than men. Usually men with more than 25% body fat and women more than 30% body fat are regarded as obese. Obesity tends to run in families suggesting a genetic cause. Environmental factors means lifestyle behavior such as what a person eats and his or her level of physical activity. You can learn how to choose more nutritional means are low in fat and become more active. Then there are

psychological factors. Negative emotions such as boredom, sadness or anger respond to people who over eat. There is also "binge eating" when people eat large amount of food thinking that they can not control how much they are eating. Those people also suffered from depression and low esteem. These people may have more difficulty in losing weight.

Obesity is more than a cosmetic problem; it is a health hazard. Several serious medical conditions have been linked to obesity, including type-2 diabetes, heart disease, high blood pressure and stroke. It is also linked to higher rates of certain types of cancer other diseases also linked to obesity include gallbladder disease and gallstones, liver disease, osteoarthritis which leads to deterioration of joints gout which also effect the joint and reproductive problems in women.

As the trend is to equate attractiveness with slimness especially for women, it makes people feel unattractive to loose weight exercise is more effective than any weight loss method. It improves skin texture also. Exercise are also free from the side effects of crash dieting, slimming capsules and the heart treatment used by slimming centers.

Answer the following question :

1. what is obesity?
2. When can men and women describe has been obese?
3. How can one become more active?
4. What are the two biological factors that cause obesity? (2x4=8 marks)

Find a word in the passage which conveys similar meaning as the following:

1. Increasing.....
2. Improving outwards looks/Appearance.....
3. Enlargement.....
4. To make work decline..... (1x4=4 marks)

#### SECTION-B (WRITING AND GRAMMAR)

(30 marks)

Q-3. There is a dire need for children to understand the importance of being disciplined and punctual in life. Write an Article and the importance of discipline and time management in life. Sign as Nuzzat/Ashish in about (100-150 words) (8 marks)

Q-4. Write a short story on the basis of given clues in (150-200 words)

Robert Bruce-the king of Scotland was both brave and wise. He fought many battles with England. He even led his army to fight for the freedom of his country. He never.....hiding in a cave.....dejected..... a spider drops by its thread from the ceiling.....tries to get back .....again drops .....succeed in 9th attempt.....inspired by the example, Bruce tries again.

(10-marks)

Q-5. Fill in the blanks in the given sentence using the correct option:

- (a) There are.....(some/many) books in the bag.
- (b) We can help.....(each/every) others.
- (c).....(each/every) student wants to participate in the quiz show.
- (d) You.....(must/need) obey my orders.
- (e) Mohan .....(has to/have to) finish his work on time.
- (f) You .....(should/shall) take care of yourself.
- (g) I.....(have been/had been) working here since 1999.
- (h) A book is .....(read/reads) by her. (8-marks)

Q-6. Complete the following :

(2-marks)

- (a) My sister and friends.....come.(has/ have)
- (b) He and I .....brothers(is/are)

Q-7. Complete the following:

- (a) There are.....children in the park(some/any)
- (b).....student are interested in reading books(a few/the few) (2-marks)

#### SECTION C (LITERATURE)

(30-MARKS)

Q-8. But the same old nightmare came. The butcher with a knife and a rope who came nearer and nearer with that dreadful smile while she could not move only stand still crying out "grandma" she woke shivering to see father beside her bed, a candle in his hand "what is the matter"? he said. (4 marks)

- (a) Why did she get the nightmare?
- (b) Where was the butcher?
- (c) What was the state of Kezia?
- (d) Find a word from the passage that means "shake in fear and cold"?

OR

While I stand on the roadway or on the pavements grey  
I hear it in the deep heart core.

- (a) Name the poet and the poem?
- (b) What does "It" in the second line stand for?
- (c) Who is "I" in the poem?
- (d) Give the noun form of Deep?

Q-9. Answer the following in about (30-40) words.

- (a) Do you think INNISFREE is only a place, or a state of mind? Does the poet actually miss the place?
- (b) How does the woodpecker get her food?
- (c) What should we do to make friends with the wind?
- (d) Who were Kalam's friends? What did they later become?
- (e) What was Jerome's real intention when he offered to pack? (2x5=10 marks)

Q-10. Answer the following in about (100-150) words.

(8 Marks)

Write the three incidents which made the 'Packing' a humorous story. Describe the incidents in the order in which they took place?

OR

How is Margie's school is different from a normal school?

Q-11. How is Evelyn Glennie helping others with her popularity and skill?

(8 Marks)

OR

Describe the doctor's feelings when he saw the snake coiled around his arm?