

PRE BOARD EXAMINATION 2022-23

Class : XII

Subject : ENGLISH

Time Allowed : 3:15 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

Instructions :

- (i) All questions are compulsory.
- (ii) Marks are indicated against each question.
- (iii) Please write the question no properly before giving your answer.
- (iv) When the first bell rings the question paper will be distributed and you should go through properly.
- (v) After 15 minutes at the second bell, you will start writing your answer.

SECTION - A (READING)

- Q.1 Read the following passage carefully and answer the given questions : 3x5 = 15
 The life of Shivaji was full of action and achievement. He build a large and brave army and laid the foundation of an organised state. Just by force of his achievement and personality, he shaped the mahathas in a nation. Many of his qualities were rare in that age. He performed not only the old hindus religious rites but also. practised a broad minded toleration. A muslim holyman was as respectable to him as a brahmin. He was not by nature either cruel or blood thirsty. The spiritual lessons which he had learned from mother were strengthen by his famous guru, Ramadas.

Questions :

- (i) What was shivaji's treatment towards Islam ?
- (ii) How did he behave towards woman ?
- (iii) What was the role of his Guru Ramadas in his life ?
- (iv) What was Shivaji's contributing towards the nation ?
- (v) Write synonyms of achievement and cruel.

Section - B (Writing)

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- Q.2 Write an article on anyone of the following topics about 100-150 words.

- (i) The problem of unemployment in India.
- (ii) Role of youth in Modern India.
- (iii) The national leader whom you like most.

- Q.3 Write a letter to the editor of a renowned daily requesting him to highlight the difficulties being faced by masses due to rise in prices, you are Deep Mehra a resident of Netaji Chowk, Faridabad. 10

OR

Write an application to the principal of your school for issuing transfer certificate.

Section - C (Grammar)

- Q.4 Choose the correct option to answer the following questions -
5x2=10

- (a) Anything that leads to death -
 - (i) Audible
 - (ii) Fatal
 - (iii) Deadly
 - (iv) Fatalist
- (b) The phrase "behind bars" means -
 - (i) to lose consciousness
 - (ii) by any possible means
 - (iii) very funny
 - (iv) in prison
- (c) The synonyms of 'Feeble' means -
 - (i) Growl
 - (ii) Friendly
 - (iii) Weak
 - (iv) Fraud
- (d) "Do the roses in your garden smell more sweetly than those in ours ?
Which word in the sentence is an error ?
 - (i) Do the rores
 - (ii) more sweetly
 - (iii) than those in ours
 - (iv) No error
- (e) The antonym of 'crooked' is -
 - (i) Idle
 - (ii) Fertile
 - (iii) straight
 - (iv) Sane

- Q.5 (a) Change any one of the following into indirect speech - 2
 (i) The dentist said, "Your father doesn't need an operation"
 (ii) You said to me, "Have you read the articles ?"
- (b) Combine any one of the following as directed.
 (i) You must hurry or you will miss the bus.
 (Into a simple sentence)

- (ii) He tried his best, but he didn't succeed.
(into a complex, sentence)
- (c) Transform any one of the following as directed -
- (i) Please, shut the door. (Passive Voice)
- (ii) He has been reading for three hours.
(Interrogative Sentence)
- (d) Correct anyone of the following sentences - 2
- (i) He said himself that he was innocent.
- (ii) He is, rich yet he "is not happy".
- (e) Use any one of the following pairs of words in your own sentences to make the difference in their meaning clear -2
- (i) Be - Bee
- (ii) Disease - Decease

Q.6 Translate into English - 5

हम परिवर्तन के दौर में रह रहे हैं । किन्तु कुछ ऐसी चीजें हैं जिनका स्थायित्व ताजगी और आकर्षण कभी कम नहीं होता है। भारत एक ऐसा ही देश है एक ही समय पुरातन वनवीन। देश के नालन्दा तक्षशिला और विक्रमशिला जैसे विश्वविद्यालयों का समृद्ध इतिहास रहा है । आज हमें तकनीक के माध्यम से वर्तमान समस्याओं का समाधान कर भारत के प्राचीन गौरव की पुनः स्थापना करनी है । हमें पुनः विश्व में भारतीय ज्ञान की श्रेष्ठता सिद्ध करनी है और ऐसा तभी सम्भव है, जब हम अतीत के स्वर्णिम पृष्ठों को पलटकर वर्तमान के सन्दर्भ में उन्हें योजित कर सकें ।

Section - D (Literature) Flamigo text book

- Q.7 Answer the following questions in about 40 words each - 4+4 = 8
- (i) When did the writer join the Y.M.C.A. pool and why ?
OR
How did the peddler of rattraps manage to survive ?
- (ii) Why did Gandhi agree to a settlement of 25 percent refund to the farmers ? <https://www.upboardonline.com>
OR
What was the usual scene when Franz's school began in the morning ?
- Q.8 Answer anyone of the following questions in about 80 words - 7
- (i) Describe the life of ragpickers in seemapuri.
- (ii) How did douglas make sure that he conquered the old terror ?

- Q.9 Read the following extract and answer the given questions. 3x2= 6
- Driving from my parents.
Home to Cochin last Friday
morning, I saw my mother beside me,
doze, open mouthed, her face ashen like that of a corpse and
realised with pain
that she was as old as she looked.
- (i) Where was the poetess driving to ?
- (ii) Why was her mother's face looking like that of a corpse ?
- (iii) What pain did the poetess experience ? Or pointout figure of speech in the above stanza.
- Q.10 Write central idea of any one of the following poems- 4
- (i) A Thing of Beauty.
- (ii) An elementary school classroom in a slum.
- (iii) Aunt Jennifer's Tigers
- Q.11 Answer the following questions in about 40 words each - 4+4 = 8
- (i) How did the Maharaja manage to retain his kingdom ? OR
- (ii) Which quality of Mr. Lamb attracted Derry towards him ?
- (iii) What was the problem with Roger skunk ? OR
What does the third level refer to ?
- Q.12 Answer anyone of the following questions in about 80 words. 7
- (i) Draw a Character sketch of the tiger king in your own words.
- (ii) Give a brief description about sam's letter to charley.

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