

SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT - I (2016-2017)
ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE
Class - X

Time: 3hours Maximum Marks: 70

Instructions :

The question paper is divided into three sections.

Section A	:	Reading	20 marks
Section B	:	Writing and Grammar	25 marks
Section C	:	Literature	25 marks

SECTION A : READING (Reading : 20 Marks)

Read the passage given below and complete the sentences that follow: (1x8)

Just by the use of colours you can balance your diet. All you need to do is to pay a little attention to the food you eat. Nutrition experts strongly recommend adding colours to your diet. Sweets and candy bars are generally colourful, but remember they do not contain natural colours and hence are not healthy. The key solution is a variety of naturally coloured foods. The deeper the colour, the greater the benefits. Getting more colours in your diet doesn't mean you have to drastically change your current eating habits.

Have a glass of juice in the morning. Keep a mix of dried fruits on hand for a quick snack. Grab an apple or banana on your way out. Include at least two vegetables in your dinner. Get into the habit of starting your dinner with a salad. Eat fruit for dessert. Always add greens to sandwiches.

Most red fruits and vegetables contain an antioxidant, which offers protection against ultraviolet rays and cancer, and helps prevent urinary tract infections and diseases related to the circulatory system. Green vegetables not only look great but also possess excellent antioxidant properties that protect your eyes by keeping the retina in good condition and reduce the risk of cancerous tumours. Orange and yellow group contain beta-carotene, an antioxidant that improves cell communication and thereby helps to stop the spread of cancer. Blue and purple group not only adds an element of tranquility and richness to your plate, but also have an influence on the pineal gland (the third eye) and the nervous system. White group contains sulphur compounds that protect DNA and also contain flavonoids, the antioxidants that protect cell membranes.

Therefore, the more colorful your diet is (all natural colors, of course), the better equipped your immune system is to cope with diseases.

- _____ can balance one's diet.
- Sweets and candy bars _____ so they are unhealthy.
- One should substitute _____ for a pudding at the end of a meal.
- Antioxidants help to _____.
- The word 'drastically' in paragraph 1 means _____.
- Green vegetables reduce the risk of _____.
- Blue and purple vegetables add _____ plate.
- Colourful diet helps our _____ to cope with _____.

Read the passage carefully.

For hundreds of years people have conveyed some message through the type of clothing they wore. Long ago people started wanting to stand out from the crowd and be

different from other people by means of changing their clothes. Some examples of this standing out became very popular and were followed by more people. This was the moment when fashion appeared. Nowadays, fashion is sometimes defined as a "constantly changing trend, favoured for frivolous rather than practical, logical, or intellectual reasons". Nevertheless, it is necessary to say that at the present moment fashion has a deeper influence on the life of people and possesses more than just frivolous reasons for its existence. Clothing has become an integral part of self-realization of every person. The harmony attained by the combination of the inner world of a person and his "exterior" makes it very hard to say that fashion is just about looks. Clothing is basically a covering designed to be worn on a person's body. This covering is a need, a necessity that is dictated by the norms of social conduct. This necessity brings a lot of variety into the lives of people and makes their image more complete. It is not about people serving fashion; it is about fashion being a slave of people.

The type of clothing completely depends on the person who is wearing it; therefore it becomes a reflection of his perception of himself, which leads us to the term - personal identity. Lately a lot is being heard about personal identity and its meaning in the life of every single person on the planet. The choice of clothing and accessories is as important as identification through the colour of hair, height, skin and gender. Clothing nowadays is a medium of information about the person wearing it. It is a cipher; a code that needs a decryption in order to understand what kind of person is underneath it. The present time offers a great variety of these ciphers and therefore gives people a large number of opportunities to reveal their identity. As every piece of clothing carries a strong message about its owner, every owner "nests" a certain value in it depending on his temperament, mindset or today's mood. Therefore, the clothes of a person are a mean of communication with the outside world. It is a way of telling people about the "state" and the "status" of its owner.

2.1 On the basis of your reading of the above passage answer the questions given below : (2x4)

- How would you define fashion?
- How can clothes become a reflection of the person who is wearing them?
- How can the clothes of a person be a means of communication with the outside world?
- How can the choice of clothes and accessories be useful to someone?

2.2 Answer the following questions by selecting the correct options : (1x4)

(a) Find the word from the passage which means the same as having silly or unsuitable behaviour :

- identity
 - frivolous
 - status
 - perception
- (b) Write the antonym of disagreement.
- integral
 - necessity
 - harmony
 - variety
- (c) Find the word from the passage which means the same as natural predisposition.
- fashion

1936.

Read the conversation given below and complete the paragraph that follows :

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Ali : Omar, why don't you leave this place? I can drop you on my way backhome.

Omar : I have no home.

Ali : Where have you come from?

Omar : From Tunisia.

Ali asked Omar (a) _____ and offered to (b) _____. Omar replied that he had no home. Then Ali asked (c) _____. Omar replied that he had come from Tunisia.

SECTION C : LITERATURE (25 Marks)

Read one of the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow:-

He smiled uncomfortably, "Just plans, sir," he answered in a low voice.

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(a) In the above line, who is talking and to whom?

(b) What plans is the speaker referring to?

(c) Give the antonym of 'smiled'.

OR

But it flickers.

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Faces and darkness separate us over and over.

Now I am a lake. A woman bends over me,

Searching my reaches for what she really is.

Then she turns to those liars, the candles or the moon.

(a) What does 'us' in the second line refer to?

(b) What is the woman searching for in the lake?

(c) What is meant by 'my reaches'?

Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words each.

What is the theme of the poem, 'Not Marble, nor the Gilded Monuments'?

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What did the villagers do to help Mrs. Packletide realise her ambition to kill a tiger?

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Ali in the story, 'The Letter' is a lonely man. How does the writer bring out his loneliness?

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Describe your impression of both the sisters, Mrs. Slater and Mrs. Jordan.

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Answer one of the following questions in about 80-100 words:

Victoria is quite different as compared to her mother and aunt. Her love for her grandfather is

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very much evident in the play. As Victoria, write a letter to a friend expressing her feelings.

(*The Dear Departed*) highlighting the values depicted through her character.

OR

After reading the poem, *The Frog and the Nightingale* you are filled with compassion and

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sympathy for the nightingale. With reference to the poem, describe how it was her timid and gullible nature that led to her downfall.

Answer one of the following questions in about 150-200 words:

How did Anne use her diary to give expression to the feelings she could not share with anybody?

OR

Express your views on the role of helpers in the life of the eight who hid in the secret Annexe for two years.

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OR

Had it not been for Helen's mother's wisdom, the long night would have lasted for ever, blocking all hope. Comment

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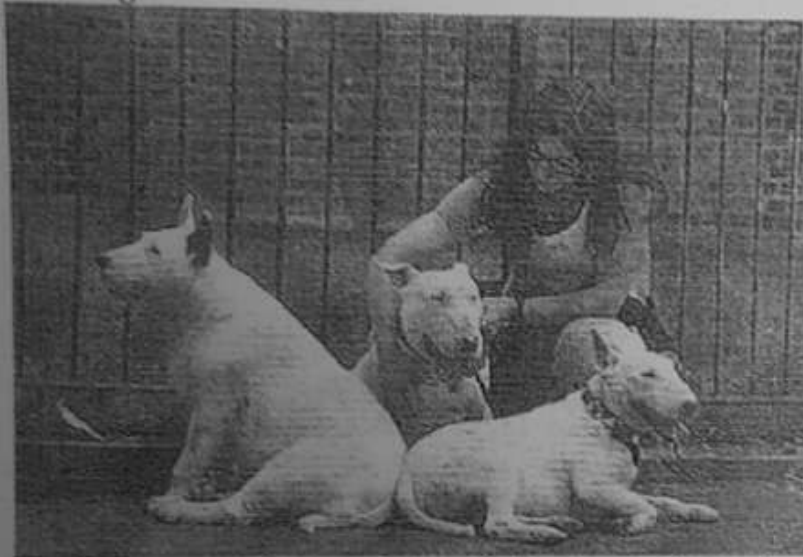
OR

- (ii) identity
- (iii) decryption
- (iv) temperament
- (d) Find the word from the passage which means the same as - in vogue.
 - (i) clothing
 - (ii) accessories
 - (iii) fashion
 - (iv) intellectual

SECTION B : WRITING AND GRAMMAR (25 Marks)

Mobile phones, video games, internet and play station have replaced the conventional outdoor games that children used to play. Do you agree? Write an article in about 100-120 words expressing your agreement or disagreement with the same. 5

Look at the picture given below. Write a story in about 150-200 words about the girl and the three dogs. 10



Read the paragraph given below. Fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate words / phrases from the given options. 3

Natalie returned home only to (a) _____ her friends waiting for her at her apartment. She was filled with joy to see them. She felt that her apologies had been accepted, and they were back (b) _____ her life. They were (c) _____ ready to forget all her mistakes and forgive her.

	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)
(a)	find	found	finds	founded
(b)	with	at	in	on
(c)	lastly	finally	lately	final

In the following paragraph one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the words that come before and after it. The first one has been done as an example. 4

The Angel Falls, which the world's	e.g.	which	is	the
highest waterfall is Venezuela.	(a)	_____	_____	_____
It was named after American aviator,	(b)	_____	_____	_____
Jimmy Angel, who discovered when	(c)	_____	_____	_____
he landed his plane at the top the Falls in	(d)	_____	_____	_____

Mrs. Kate Adams Keller was a responsible and caring mother. Comment.