

ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE (CODE NO. 101) CLASS- X

Full Marks: 80

Time allowed: 3 hours

General Instructions:

(i) The question paper is divided into three sections:

Section A: Reading 20 marks Section B: Writing and Grammar 30 marks Section C: Literature 30 marks

(ii) All questions are compulsory. (iii) You may attempt any section at a time.

(iv) All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.

SECTION –A: READING (20 Marks)

1. Read the passage given below and answer any 8 of the questions that follow:

(1X8=8)

Perhaps the environmental crisis at hand has not yet touched your life, but the time is shortly to come. Recently NASA reports of a 60% loss of ozone over the arctic provide an explanation for increased severity in the world's weather patterns which has only begun to affect us whether directly or indirectly. The social political and economic implications are difficult to imagine as our ozone layer continue to thin, forests disappear and desertification is occurring at an alarming rate.

Today almost 1 million acres of forest disappear each week. This alarming rate of deforestation is forcing many world economies to rethink their business and manufacturing practices. A 70 ft tree cut for its lumber takes take 65 years to replace. A 70 ft bamboo cut for the market can be replaced in less than 3 months and bamboo is officially recognised as the world's fastest growing plant. Some species can grow 3 feet per day!

Driven by the constantly growing consumer demand for environmentally friendly products, bamboo is gaining momentum as a reliable source of high quality and durable Green building material over traditional non sustainable products. Bamboo is known to produce 30% more Oxygen than a hardwood forest of comparable size, while preventing erosion, restoring soil, providing sweet edible shoots and removing toxins from contaminated soil. Ecologists tout bamboo as a logical, renewable source of building material. Many promote bamboo planting for erosion prevention and reverse the effects of global warming. Being a grass bamboo regenerates without replanting after harvesting.

Traditional hardwood lumber trees such as oak, maple and birch take 40 to 50 years to regenerate. In the meantime, there is less oxygen produced, less carbon di oxide consumed and more soil run off in the spot where those trees were harvested – all producing negative environmental effect. Our planet is suffering from resource depletion, habitat loss, species extinction, and ecosystem pollution. The choice of bamboo as a building material will greatly help reverse those negative trends.

- According to NASA reports, there has been a loss of _____ Ozone over the Arctic.
- Use of bamboo is gaining momentum because _____.
- The greatest advantage of bamboo is that it _____.
- Traditional hardwood lumber trees _____.
- 'More soil run off in the spot' means _____.
- The antonym for the word 'reliable' is _____.
- The problems troubling the Earth are _____.
- The author is promoting the use of _____ as a building material.
- Bamboo is known to produce _____.

2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions/complete the statements that follow: (12)

The 'Little Tramp', the unforgettable character Charlie Chaplin invented was born purely by accident in 1915. While rushing to a film shoot in California, He grabbed clothes other people had left behind in the changing room. And when he emerged he found he had created a personality everybody loved. A little guy in a bowler hat, a close fitting jacket, a cane, oversized shoes and a brush like moustache!

Before long Chaplin found himself a star. That puzzled him, for he saw himself essentially as a shy British music hall comedian. The US acknowledged him as its king of silent film comedy. Soon, so did crowds all over the world.

But life wasn't always a laugh for Charles Spencer Chaplin. Both his parents were music hall artists, who separated when Charlie was very young. His childhood was very sad for his mother never earned enough to look after Charlie and his elder brother Sidney. Sometimes Chaplin had to sleep on the streets and forage for food in the garbage.

Charlie took his first bow on stage when his mother made her last appearance. It happened when her voice broke during a song. Her son stepped on stage and sang a popular song. That's when a star was born.

Through all these years of success, Charlie never forgot his troubled childhood. It made him recall a Christmas when he was denied two oranges and his bag of sweets for breaking a rule at the orphanage he went to after his mother's death. It would have broken his heart, if the other children had not offered him a share of theirs. Spontaneously the adult Chaplin gifted the orphanage with a motion picture machine and insisted that each child should have as many oranges and sweets as they pleased.

2.1 Answer any 4 of the following questions in 30 to 40 words each: (2X4=8)

- Which unforgettable character did Charlie Chaplin invent?
- Describe the personality created by Charlie whom everybody loved.
- What did Charlie see himself as?
- Give 2 reasons to show that his early life was very sad.
- 'That's when a star was born.' Explain.

2.2 Complete any 2 of the following statements: (1X2=2)

- The US acknowledged Charlie as _____.
- Charlie never forgot _____.
- On a Christmas he was denied _____.

2.3 Find words or phrases that mean the same as the following (any 2) (1X2=2)

- To search for food (para 3)
- Created (para 1)
- Opposite of failure (para 5)

Section –B Writing and Grammar-30 marks

3. Tourism being one of the biggest and fastest growing industries globally, affects the economic, socio-cultural, environmental and educational resources of nations. Improving tourism industry in India would thus lead to national development in many spheres. As Ankit/ Ankita, write a letter to the Editor of The Times of India, expressing your views on the same. You may like to take ideas from the unit- Travel and Tourism besides your own ideas. (100-120 words) 8

OR

You are Sonal /Samkit of Vidyanjali Public School, Lucknow. You have seen an advertisement in 'The Times of India' related to new batches of 'Astronomy Club' initiated by National Science Centre, Lucknow starting from the coming fortnight. You wish to join the club. Write a letter to the Director, enquiring about the venue, duration, fee structure, activities, transportation, etc. Invent other necessary details.

4. Write a story in 200-250 words based on the input given below: 10

Travelling in metro-----tunnel-----lights went out----- general panic----- pushing and shoving-----screams ----phone flashlights switched on----an old man.....

OR

Mrs. Madhu alone in house---had lunch-----watching favourite serial----doorbell rang----opened door--- a sadhu.....

5. Read the passage given below. Fill in *any four* of the blanks by choosing the most appropriate word/ phrases from the given options. 1x4=4

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	I.	II.	III.	IV.
a	is doing	will do	does	do
b	lives	lived	life	living
c	gone	going	went	making
d	for	into	all	to
e	develped	developing	has developed	develop

6. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line against which a blank has been given. Write the incorrect word the correction in your answer sheet against the correct blank number as given in the example. Remember to underline the word that you have supplied. Do any four. $\frac{1}{2} \times 8 = 4$

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The road to success is no a bed of roses.	E.g. no	<u>not</u>
Only those who wade on hazards and huddles	a).....
Can achieve successful. Set yourself clear goals	b).....
And define precisely what you wants to do.	c).....
Goals provide directions for your behaviour	d).....
And guide your actions or thoughts.	e).....

7. Rearrange the following words and phrases into meaningful sentences: The first one has been done as an example. (Any 4). (1X4=4)

detective/below/go/written/through the/story

Go through the detective story written below.

- a) can be/two/blamed/persons/the murder/for
- b) to the/there are/culprit/many clues/real/pointing
- c) the/find/murderer/who/real/out/is
- d) rewarded/will/for/correct/the/you/be/answer
- e) of course/difficult/find/is/to/murderer/real/it/the/out

SECTION – C
(Literature: Textbook and Extended Reading Text) 30 marks

8. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow: (8)

8.1 “ In mist or cloud, on mast or shroud,

It perched for vespers nine;

Whiles all the night, through fog-smoke white,

Glimmered the white moonshine.”

- a. Where were the mariners?

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- b. Who is the 'it' referred to in these lines?
- c. What does vesper's nine mean?
- d. Why was it a boon for the sailors?

OR

8.2. 'Mrs. Packletide indulges in no more big game shooting. "The incidental expenses are so heavy", she confides to enquiring friends.'

- a. Who does he refer to?
- b. Why did Mrs. Packletide indulge in big game hunting?
- c. Why did she want to give up big game hunting?
- d. How did the incidental expenses become heavy?

9. Answer *any four* of the following questions in 30-40 words:

2x4=8

- a) How did Helen look when she first visited the narrator of 'A Shady Plot'?
- b) Why did the news about Sebastian Shultz shock Michael?
- c) How does Brutus convince the Romans that Caesar deserved his death?
- d) Although Nicola and Jacopo are young boys, the author refers to them as Gentlemen. Why did he do so?
- e) Who was Lakshmi Das? Why did Ali give him money?

10. Answer *any one* of the following questions in 100-120 words:

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At the end of the day the poet, D. H. Lawrence writes a diary entry in 100-120 words describing his encounter with the snake and expressing his remorse for throwing log at him. Write his diary entry.

OR

Naresh Dutt was surprised to see that Patol Babu was so much satisfied with his performance that he did not wait to get his payment. Comment.

11. Answer *any one* of the following questions in 200-250 words:

10

The Story of My life

Helen would not have been able to achieve her aim had she not had a dedicated friend like Anne Sullivan. Comment.

OR

There were many reasons for Helen Keller's embittered childhood. What were they and how were they overcome?

Solution

1.

- According to NASA reports, there has been a loss of 60% Ozone over the Arctic.
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- The greatest advantage of bamboo is that it regenerates easily/grows fastest.
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- The antonym for the word 'reliable' is undependable/unreliable.
- The problems troubling the Earth are resource depletion, habitat loss, species extinction, pollution (any two).
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- What did Charlie see himself as? Shy British Music hall comedian
- Give 2 reasons to show that his early life was very sad. Both his parents got separated/Mother's insufficient earning/sometimes he had to sleep on the street and forage for food in the garbage.
- 'That's when a star was born.' Explain. His first appearance on stage to support his mother was a turning point in his life and marked the beginning of his success too.

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Q 3 LETTER WRITING

8 MARKS

[Note: - No marks are to be awarded if only the format is given; t should be given for the candidate's creativity in presentation of ideas.Use of both the traditional and the new format is permitted.]

FORMAT 1 Mark

1. sender's address, 2. date, 3. receiver's address, 4. subject / heading, 5. salutation, 6. complimentary close.

CONTENT 4 Marks

ACCURACY 1.5 Marks

FLUENCY 1.5 Marks

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Q4. STORY WRITING

10 MARKS

TITLE 1

CONTENT 4

ACCURACY 2.5

FLUENCY 2.5

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	V.	VI.	VII.	VIII.
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b	lives	lived	life	living
c	gone	going	went	making
d	for	into	all	to
e	developed	developing	has developed	develop

Q5. GAP FILLING

1x4 = 4 MARKS

- a) (iii) does
- b) (iii) life
- c) (ii) going
- d) (iv) to
- e) (iv) develop

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And guide your actions or thoughts.	e) or	<u>and</u>

7. Rearrange the following words and phrases into meaningful sentences: The first one has been done as an example. (Any 4).

(1X4=4)

- (a) Two persons can be blamed for the murder.
- (b) There are many clues pointing to the real culprit. / Many clues are there pointing to the real culprit.
- (c) Find out who the real murderer is. / Find out who is the real murderer.
- (d) You will be rewarded for the correct answer.
- (e) It is, of course, difficult to find out the real murderer.

(1 × 4 = 4)

SECTION – C

(Literature: Textbook and Extended Reading Text) 30 marks

8. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow: (8)

8.1 (a) Away from the land of mist and snow/ in the sea/ ocean / on the ship.

(b) The Albatross.

(c) Fixed time of the arrival of Albatross/a fixed time every day (the evening church service)/nine evenings.

(d) Because it had brought luck and the sailors could move out the land of mist and snow. (1 × 4 = 4)

OR

8.2. (a) She refers to Mrs. Packletide.

(b) She wanted to outdo her rival Loona Bimberton's feat of obtaining a tiger skin.

(c) She did so as the incidental expenses involved were very high.

(d) She was blackmailed into buying a weekend cottage for Miss Mebbin. (1 × 4 = 4)

9. Answer **any four** of the following questions in 30-40 words:

2x4=8

1 mark for content + 1 mark for grammatical accuracy) 2x4 marks

9. (a) John was sitting to write down a ghost story. He was searching his mind for inspiration but couldn't find it.

Suddenly, he heard a voice in the room and a figure materialised out of thin air. It was the ghost of Helen. She had long angular fishy eyes with spectacles, her hair was tied in a tight wad and she had a solid jaw. She seemed to be angry with him.

2

Value Points : (b) Michael was shocked to realize that Sebastian Shultz was actually a living character / saw the photograph in the newspaper / had been playing with him. 2

Detailed Answer : The news about Sebastian Shultz shocked Michael because he had been playing with him for the last few days and had never realised that he was actually a living character. But when he saw his photograph in the newspaper, it gave him a jolt.

(c) Brutus convinces the Romans that Caesar deserved his death by stating that it was for the benefit of his country rather than his own personal interest that he had murdered Caesar. He accuses Caesar of being overambitious. Moreover, his entire speech had a declamatory quality which used a language higher than that of the common tongue.

2

(d) The boys had lost their home and their father had been killed in the war as well. The war had led them to the streets. Their sister was suffering from tuberculosis of the spine. They worked very hard to pay for her treatment. All this did not break their spirit. They remained dedicated and selfless. They would rather work hard and earn money than having anybody feeling sorry for them and helping them. Therefore, the author refers to them as Gentlemen.

2

(e) Lakshmi Das was one of the employees of the post-office. Convinced by his faith that he would receive a letter from his daughter, Ali gave Lakshmi Das five golden guineas to deliver the letter at his grave whenever it came, because he knew that his end was near. 2

10. (4 for content + 2 for fluency + 2 grammatical accuracy)

10. Value Points : Diary Entry (First person, Personal feelings) hot day in July; the poet goes to fill his pitcher with water / sees a snake drinking water from the trough, feels honoured at his presence. fascinated by the snake 'voice of education' provokes him to throw a log at the snake when the snake is about to retreat. filled with guilt and regret at throwing the log - overcome by feeling of remorse. 8

Value Points : Strange fellow - disappeared without payment. Gave perfect shot on first take. Perfect timing, perfect emotion - hurt, surprise. Praised by all, even director. Knew he was disappointed when he came to know he had a one word dialogue only – 'Oh'. Should have waited for payment - had waited all day for the shot. Will hand it to Nishikanto Ghosh to give it to him. 8

11. Answer **any one** of the following questions in 200-250 words:

10

(5content+2.5fluency+2.5grammatical accuracy) 10 marks

ANY 5-6 POINTS

- lifelong companion of Helen
- teacher, guide, mentor.
- motivator
- helps Helen to believe in herself
- very supportive
- treats her like her own child
- teaches every minute thing with details
- she makes Helen "THINK"