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SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT - II (2015-2016)
ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE
Class - IX

Time: 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 70

Instructions:

The question paper is divided into three sections.

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

SECTION A (READING & OTBA: 20 Marks)

1a Read the following passage.

KNOWLEDGE AND ORGANISATION

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Actually, besides the God-given natural ability to think, two more things are necessary in order to think effectively. These are knowledge and organization. The reason you can't think clearly about certain problems is that you do not have enough relevant knowledge or experience pertaining to them. If you have no knowledge of a subject, you have no starting point for your thoughts; or you will think from a wrong premise and, of course, think incorrectly. Since thought is the "go" sign for action, it seems likely that you will act incorrectly and do the wrong thing.

The next thing to worry about is how to go about obtaining this relevant knowledge. You must take the time to go out and search for it, if it pertains to some particular problem one must solve. Also, your relevant knowledge can only be acquired through experience, from society in general, from listening to others and from reading. Further you don't have to do concentration exercises before you can crystallize your thinking. There is a way out-and that is writing while thinking! This sounds like a simple idea-but don't sell it short. The next time you are trying to reach out some sort of solution, or round out an idea or create or invent and you haven't got very far just thinking about it, try writing your thoughts.

On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following questions :

- (1) God has given us ability to think
- (2) Without relevant knowledge, we can't think clearly about certain problems
- (3) Relevant knowledge can be obtained from searching, listening
- (4) While trying to reach a solution to a problem try _____.
- (5) Synonym of 'related to' is _____.

1b Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

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I told my mother all that I knew. We found ourselves in a difficult and dangerous position. Some of the captain's money was certainly due to us, but his shipmates Black Dog and the blind beggar were not the kind to give up their booty in payment of a dead man's debts. I could ride over to Dr. Liversey for help but that would have left my mother alone. It seemed impossible to stay in the house any longer. The fall of the coals in the kitchen fireplace, the ticking of the clock, and the fear of the blind beggar coming back filled us with terror. We decided to go and seek help in the neighbouring village.



The village lay only a hundred yards away though it could not be seen as it was on the other side of the inlet. It was dark when we reached the village and I felt happy to see the lights shining through the doors and windows. We told the villagers about our troubles but not one of them was willing to leave the shelter of their homes and return with us. They had all heard of Captain Flint and just the sound of his name filled them with terror.

Their fear seemed to make my mother bold, "If none of you men dare to come back with us, Jim and I will dare to go back alone. We'll open that chest, even if we die doing it, for I don't plan to lose money that rightfully belongs to us. (a) Whom did the narrator appeal for help ?

- (b) What made the narrator afraid ?
- (c) How far was the village from the speaker's house ?
- (d) Who were villagers scared of ?
- (e) Give one word for 'an amount of money that somebody owes'.

(Open Text: 10 Marks)

(* Please ensure that open text of the given theme is supplied with this question paper)

Theme: Indigenous Games of India

2a The indigenous games of India were designed to develop both brain and brawn. Support the statement with examples. 5

2b Why has career in sports emerged as one of the most lucrative options during the past decade? 5

SECTION B (WRITING & GRAMMAR: 25 Marks)

3 Write a diary entry in 100 - 120 words based on the given cue. 5
Your friend Tanish/Tanisha attends a day boarding school and shared his/her experience with you. Write what you felt after talking to him/her.

4 Read the opening line and weave a story around it in 150-200 words. 10
A poor woodcutter was cutting wood in the forest. Suddenly.....

5 Choose the most appropriate options from the ones given below to complete the following paragraph. 3

Id is celebrated on the first day of the new moon (a) _____ Shawwal, which is the month following Ramzan. Every man must go to the mosque on Id (b) _____ a special prayer service or namaz. Women generally offer namaz at home. Children get gifts on (c) _____ occasion. New or clean clothes are worn and everybody greets one another.

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| (a) | (i) | in | (ii) | on | (iii) | with | (iv) | at |
| (b) | (i) | at | (ii) | with | (iii) | for | (iv) | by |
| (c) | (i) | a | (ii) | the | (iii) | an | (iv) | these |

6 In the following passage one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the words before and after against the correct blank number. 4

Before Missing Word After

The lively Tanya a knack for collecting pets. (a) _____



- While walking down a road, she a toad. (b) _____
- While looking for a mitten, she a kitten. (c) _____
- When she pushes a wheelbarrow, she ends with a little sparrow. (d) _____

7 Look at the words/phrases given below and rearrange to form meaningful sentences. 3

- a. celebrated / as / the / is / marriage / Shiva / of / and / Sitalsasthi / Paravati
- b. participate / people / from / and / artists / different / walks / life / of
- c. out / of / true / the / brings / life / colors / it.

the colors of life

SECTION C (LITERATURE: 25 Marks)

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

- 8 ✓ *How I laughed at my mother's false teeth,
As they foamed in the waters beneath.
But now comes the reckonin'
It's me they are beckonin'.
Oh, I wish I'd looked after me teeth.* 3
- (a) Why did the poet make fun of her mother's false teeth ?
 - (b) What do the above line do tell us about the speaker ?
 - (c) What is meant by 'backonin' ?

OR

- "Say", said Pescud, stirring his discarded book with the hand, "did you ever read one of these best sellers" ? 3
- (a) What is the best seller about ?
 - (b) What do you understand about Pescud's character from the above lines ?
 - (c) What is meant by the word, 'discarded' ?

Answer the following questions in 30 to 40 words each: (2+2+2+2)

- 9a ✓ How did the Bishop extend help to Mere Gringoire ? 2
- 9b ✓ The rain is content in satisfying others. Do you agree ? Give two reasons. 2
- 9c ✓ What happened after the Professor's lecture on the grenade ? 2
- 9d ✓ How was Harold different from his parents ? What was he told about his father's profession ? 2

Answer one of the following questions in 80-100 words

- 10 From your understanding of the play, 'The Bishop's Candlesticks', do you agree that it is a human quality to deceive one's benefactors ? Justify your statement. 4

OR



Jerry Fisher, by revealing the secret that the Brambles had hidden so long from Harold, 4 actually helped the Bramble family. Comment reflecting upon the values highlighted through the character of the family members.

Answer one of the following questions in 150-200 words

11 What surprised Gulliver most when he arrived in the land of Houyhnhnms? 10

OR

Examine the role of Gulliver's wife, 'Mary Burton' in Swift's book 'Gulliver's Travels.' 10

OR

Everyone objected to George's learning to play the Banjo. Give details. 10

OR

The three friends are very fond of eating. Mention any one incident highlighting this 10 character trait of the three friends.

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