

SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – II (2016-17)
ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE
Class - IX

Maximum Marks: 70

Time: 3 hours

Instructions :

The question paper is divided into Three sections.

Section A	:	Reading	20 marks
Section B	:	Writing & Grammar	25 marks
Section C	:	Literature & Long Reading Text	25 marks

SECTION A (READING & OTBA :20 Marks)

1a

Read the following passage.

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CLIMATE CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT

Since its inception the earth's climate has been changing as a result of natural forces. But in recent decades, there have been growing concerns about the impact of climate change that has been caused by mankind's activities during the process of industrialization and economic development. A particular concern has emerged around global warming due to the emission of green house gases, and attempts are being made both at national and international levels to reduce the level of emissions. However, carbon-reduction measures can be controversial, because of concerns that they result in adopting practices that are less amenable to economic development. For India, a country threatened by climate change but struggling to pull hundreds of millions out of poverty, what is the best way forward? Environmental campaigners argue that India's large and growing population and the extent, to which its economy is closely tied to its natural resource base, make the country 'considerable vulnerable' to the impacts of climate change. The world Health Organization has pointed to the adverse effects of climate change upon human health, and suggested that reducing greenhouse gas emissions can be beneficial for health. It is argued that it is in India's direct interest to deal with climate change now the problem is not something that only future generation will experience. Experts have warned the dangers of decision making based on hypothetical worst-case scenarios.

Source : Topic Guide

(Debating Matters of India)

Rishabh

On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following questions/ fill in the given blanks:

- (1) Who is responsible for climate change ?
- (2) Which country is threatened by climate change ?
- (3) How do Environmental Campaigners help the world community ?
- (4) The reduced use of _____ gas will help improve health.
- (5) Antonym for the word 'inception' is _____.

1b

Read the passage carefully:

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Sukhram Lodhi sat leaning against a rock, his turban over his eyes, the warmth of the sun on his bare feet. His feet told him where he was. They knew the feel of the sand and the stones, and the different kinds of grass.

To his right, a bird twittered. It seemed to Sukhram that he knew what it was saying. Because he was blind, the birds and beasts let him into their world, made him a party in it. He never spoke of this except to his brother Rajbir and his grandfather Shivpriya Chauhan. They never laughed at him for his fancies.

Sukhram was fourteen and he knew that people were sorry for him. But he thought, if only they could guess how beautiful his world was, they would envy him. Most people did not know about the little rustlings in the grass. They did not know the feel of things, round things like eggs, and water-worm stones, rough things like rocks, or of leather, or of skins. They did not know anything about smells. They went through life with blind noses.

Sukhram spent his time herding his father's hundred goats. He knew them by the sound of their cloven hoofs on the stones, by their smell. It was easy to herd goats. When Sukhram called, they came. When he played the flute, they followed him over his father's fields and hills' beyond.

There was less heat in the sun now. It was time to go. Sukhram got out his flute, raised it to his lips, and blew a note softly. He could feel a movement about him. The goats had raised their heads and were looking towards him. He blew again. The goats were all about him. Now he would play them down the mountain and into the shelter, and tomorrow he would lead them out again. It was a happy life.

On the basis of your reading of the above passage, fill in the given blanks:

- (1) Sukhram liked to share his feelings with _____.
- (2) He knew that the bird and beasts wanted him to _____.
- (3) The difference between Sukhram and others was that they didn't _____.
- (4) Sukhram could identify the goats _____.
- (5) Pick out the word from the passage which means 'a light noise' _____.

(Open Text: 10 Marks)

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

Asif

Theme: Don't be a Bystander: Stand by the Victims of Accidents

2a Arjun's birthday brought misery and lifelong suffering in the lives of three families. How could have this tragedy been avoided or immediate measures that could've reduced its profound impact? 5

2b 'What problem can I face if I take an unknown road accident victim to hospital?' This question prevents many bystanders with helping heart to help a road accident victim. As Surbhi/Sharad Gupta, writes an article on what you need to do in a road accident situation as far as legal risks about rescuing victims is concerned. 5

SECTION B (WRITING & GRAMMAR: 25 Marks)

3 Write an article in 100 - 120 words on the theme "Follow your passion and not the motion, while choosing the path to your profession". You are a student of 9th standard and confused like your friends about the stream in standard 11th. The career counselling session helped you all to judge your potential and identify your knack. 5

4 Every morning it was the same thing for Amit Sharma. He'd put on a pot of coffee and got dressed as he waited for the coffee to brew. But today, things would be different..... 10
Complete the story in your own words. (150 - 200 words)

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

It is really satisfying when one (a) _____ by hard work. Of the various factors responsible (b) _____ success, concern for studies and health (c) _____ plays a very important role.

- (a) (i) success (ii) succeeds
(iii) successful (iv) successfully
(b) (i) to (ii) for (iii) towards (iv) forward
(c) (i) to (ii) will (iii) too (iv) of

- 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
Most the people were farmers. There were	(a) _____	_____	_____
traders also in the town. Though not rich, were	(b) _____	_____	_____
happy contented. At one time the peace	(c) _____	_____	_____
was broken several robberies.	(d) _____	_____	_____

- 7 Look at the words/phrases given below and rearrange to form meaningful sentences. 3
- physical exercise / for / essential / is / health / good
 - everyday / it / practiced / be / must.
 - activates / body / it / mind / both / and

SECTION C (LITERATURE: 25 Marks)

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

- 8 "That's right, Harold", he said, reviving, "I was to have fought an American named Murphy at the National next Monday, but I ain't going to now, not if they come to me on their bended knees. Not if the king of England comes to me on this bended knees.
(a) Why was Bill so adamant not to take part in the boxing match?
(b) What made Bill change his mind?
(c) What is meant by 'reviving'?" 3

OR

Read the passage given below carefully and answer the questions that follow: 3

I touch gently at the windows with my
Soft fingers, and my announcement is a
Welcome song. All can hear, but only
The sensitive can understand.

- How is the arrival of rain announced?
- Why is it welcomed?
- What is the opposite of 'Welcome'?

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

- 9a Why did John A. Pescud contrive to stay out of sight when he was following Jessie. 2
9b Explain the line- 'pokin' and fussin didn't seem worth the time - I could bite!' from the poem, 'Oh! I Wish I'd Looked After Me Teeth'. 2
9c Why does the voice of the man in the sixth stage turn into childish treble? 2
9d What perils did the poet spot? ('Oh, I Wish I'd Looked After Me Teeth') 2

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

- 10 The Professor's humiliation was a consequence of his own folly. Comment with reference to 'The Man Who Knew Too Much', highlighting the values he should have possessed. 4

OR

"I don't want any of your faith, hope and charity." What has hardened the convict? Comment on the values people should have possessed to treat the convict humanely. 4

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

- 11 Struldbrugs or immortals lamented over the perpetuity of their life. Elaborate. 10

OR

Attempt a character sketch of the Emperor of Japan. 10

OR

Describe the efforts of the narrator and his friends to open the tin of the pineapples. What is the final outcome? 10

OR

The author comments: 'there is no more thrilling sensation I know of than sailing.' Throw light on Jerome's character with reference to this statement. 10