

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

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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)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

Srinivasa Ramanujan (1887-1920)

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1. Ramanujan was born on December 22, 1887 in Erode (South India) as the eldest son in a family of six children. He entered in November 1892, the Town High School at Kumbakonam as a half-fee scholarship-holder and passed the matriculation examination in 1904. In the school, he became something of a minor celebrity, walking off with merit certificates and prizes for academic brilliance. This school nourished him for six years, bringing him as close as he would ever come to a satisfying academic experience. When he was in the seventh standard, he gave clear evidence of his mathematical gifts. Ramanujan's mother-the family being close to penury - took in college students as boarders: noticing Ramanujan's interest in mathematics, they brought him textbooks from the college library; Loney's 'Trigonometry' was one such treasure which he mastered.
2. During 1906-1912, Ramanujan was constantly in search of a benefactor, to earn his livelihood. With his "Note-books" as his only recommendation, he sought the patronage of V. Ramaswamyier, the founder of Indian Mathematical Society who was at Tirukovillur and asked for a clerical job in his officer. The former had no mind to smother Ramanujan's genius and sent him back to Madras with a letter of introduction to P.V. SeshuAiyar, then at the Presidency College, Madras. He gave in turn, (Ramanujan a letter of recommendation to that true lover of mathematics, R. Ramachandra Rao, the District Collector, Nellore. This was the turning point in his life.
3. On the advice of P.V. SeshuAiyar, Ramanujan communicated his theorems on divergent series in a historic letter dated January 16, 1913 to G.H. Hardy, who was ten years senior to Ramanujan. With the personal interest of Gilbert Walker and support given by the Indian stalwarts, the University of Madras awarded its first scholarship to Ramanujan to study in Cambridge. In quick succession, Ramanujan received in the next three months four long letters from Hardy, who had already sprung into action, advising the India Office of his wish to bring him to Cambridge.
 - 1.1 Why was Ramanujan considered to be a major celebrity ?
 - 1.2 What was the role of Ramanujan's school in his overall development as a genius ?
 - 1.3 What was the turning point in Ramanujan's life ?
 - 1.4 When was Ramanujan awarded scholarship at the university level ?
 - 1.5 Find a word which means the same as 'patron'. (Para 2)

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

1. My earliest memory of my father is as that of a District employment Officer in Koraput, Orissa, It was, and remains as back of beyond as you can imagine. There was no electricity, no primary school nearby. As a result I did not go to school until the age of eight.

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2. My father used to get transferred every year. My father set the foundation of my life and the value system which makes me what I am today and largely defines what success means to me today. As District Employment Officer, my father was given a jeep by the government/ The jeep was parked in our house. My father refused to use it to commute to the office. He told us that the jeep is an expensive resource given by the government insisting that he would use it only to tour the interiors. We could sit in it only when it was stationary. That was our early childhood lesson in governance, a lesson that corporate managers learn that hard way, some never do.

3. The driver of the jeep was treated with respect due to any other member of my Father's office. We had to use the suffix 'dada' whenever we were to refer to him in public or private. When I grew up to own a car and a driver by the name of Raju was appointed, I repeated the lesson to my two small daughters. They have, as a result, grown up calling him 'Raju uncle'-very different from many of their friends who refer to their family drivers as 'my driver.' When I hear that term from a school or college going person, I cringe. To me the lesson was significant-you treat small people with more respect than you treat big people. It is more important to respect your subordinates than your superiors.

- (a) Which facilities does the writer talk about in paragraph one ?
- (b) How, according to the writer should the subordinates be treated ?
- (c) What lessons did the writer's father teach him ?
- (d) What values does the writer's father reflect ?
- (e) Find the word from the passage which means the same as 'a displaced person'. (Para 2)

(Open Text: 10 Marks)

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

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

- 2a As an active member of the Road Safety Club of your school, write a speech for the school assembly highlighting the troubles caused due to offences by the juveniles and the need to promote responsible road behaviour. 5
- 2b Design a leaflet to be distributed in your neighbourhood apprising residents of the Importance of Golden Hour in case of traumatic injury. 5

SECTION B (WRITING & GRAMMAR: 25 Marks)

- 3 "Parents are the ultimate role models for children. Every word, movement and action has an effect. No other person or outside force has a greater influence on a child than the parent." Write an article in about 100-120 words on the role of parents in the life of a child, taking ideas from the MCB unit 'Children'. 5
- 4 Your teacher has given you a few hints to write a story for the school magazine. Using these hints, develop a story in 150 - 200 words. 10

..... I was mesmerized to see the beauty of the nature when I entered
Jim Corbett National Park

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

Many rabbits (a) _____ in their burrows in the lake area. When the herds of elephants (b) _____ around, they (c) _____ out the burrows with their heavy feet.

- (a) (i) has lived (ii) lived (iii) live (iv) are living
- (b) (i) will walk (ii) has walked (iii) walk (iv) walking
- (c) (i) stamp (ii) had stamp
- (iii) has stamp (iv) stamping

- 6 The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in the space provided against the correct blank number. 4



Raghav was a naughty boy that lived in Rampur. Her mother did not know what to do at him since he refused to study or did any work.

Error Correction	
(a)	_____
(b)	_____
(c)	_____
(d)	_____

- 7 Read the conversation given below and complete the paragraph that follows. Write the answers against the correct blank numbers in your answer sheet. Do not copy the whole sentences. 3

Alexander : How do you desire to be treated?

Porus : Like a king.

Alexander : And have you got any other request.

Porus : No, everything is included in the word king?

Alexander asked Porus (a) _____ Porus replied that he (b) _____ Alexander then asked him if (c) _____. Porus replied that he had none saying that everything was included in the word king.

SECTION C (LITERATURE: 25 Marks)

- 8 Read one of the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow: 3
Read the passage given below carefully and answer the questions that follow:

"Oh! I have waited for this joyful moment. I have watched for it...."

- (a) Who had waited for this joyful moment?
(b) What was the joyful moment about?
(c) What is the opposite of 'joyful'?

OR

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.

- (a) How do the people react to the arrival of the rain ?
(b) Why can only 'the sensitive' people understand the rain ?
(c) Write the word from the passage which is the opposite of the word 'indifferent'.

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

- 9a Why did John Pescud slip and tumble down ? 2
9b Why did the poet laugh at her mother's false teeth ? 2
9c Why is the lover sighing like a furnace in the poem 'The Seven Ages'? 2
9d According to the poem, 'Oh! I Wish I'd Looked After Me Teeth', how can a tooth be compared to a friend? 2

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

- 10 Being knowledgeable is a virtue but having an overestimation of self-knowledge is a folly. Justify this statement with reference to 'The Man Who Knew Too Much'. 4

OR

You are Christine, Persome's friend. Persome writes a letter to her friend telling her about the entire incident and how her brother was able to redeem the convict who landed up in their house one fine day. Reflect on the values highlighted in the Bishop's character through this noble act of his. 4

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

- 11 According to Gulliver, what three skills were required to become a Chief Minister in Europe ? 10

OR

The chief Houyhnhnm was indeed a great master. Explain. 10

OR

Describe the incident which George remembers when he and Jerome get up early one morning. 10

OR

How did George fool the young couple walking along the towpath? What qualities of his character are shown here? 10

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