



DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWTOWN  
SESSION 2024-25  
FINAL EXAMINATION

CLASS: IX

SUBJECT: ENGLISH PAPER I (SET A)

FULL MARKS: 80

TIME: 2 HOURS

*Answers to this Paper must be written on the paper provided separately.*

*You will not be allowed to write during the first 15 minutes.*

*This time is to be spent in reading the question paper.*

*The time given at the head of this Paper is the time allowed for writing the answers.*

*Attempt all five questions.*

*The intended marks for questions or parts of questions are given in brackets [ ].*

*This paper consists of five printed pages.*

**Question 1**

Write a composition (300-350 words) on any one of the following:

[20]

- i) Write an original story which begins with the following words: "It was a lazy Sunday morning..."
- ii) You had gone on a vacation to the hills and had many places to visit. One day, you were late to return to your homestay situated in the foothills of the Himalayas. It became dark and you had to travel through a dense forest with no internet connection. Describe the sights, sounds and your feelings in detail. What were the challenges encountered and how did you overcome them? How did you feel on reaching your destination?
- iii) "Technological advancements have made effective teaching in classrooms possible through Robots." Express your views either for or against this statement.
- iv) You and your friends had volunteered to provide relief and went to help the victims of a cyclone-hit village. Narrate what you saw there and what you did. What did you learn from this experience?
- v) Study the picture given below. Write a story or a description or an account of what it suggests to you. Your composition may be about the subject of the picture or you may take suggestions from it; however, there must be a clear connection between the picture and your composition.



### **Question 2**

Select any one of the following:

[10]

- i) Write a letter to your cousin describing a recent incident where your house caught fire. Include details about how the house caught fire, how your family members were evacuated, who called the fire station and how the situation was brought under control.
- ii) Write a letter to the General Manager of Eastern Railway highlighting the problems faced by the passengers due to people occupying railway platforms and benches for sleeping. Suggest measures to deal with the problem.

### **Question 3**

- i) You are the Head Boy/ Head Girl of your school. Write a notice for your school notice board, inviting students of classes IX and X to give their names for an Inter-School Flower Arrangement Competition to be held at your school. [5]
- ii) Write an e-mail to the Principal of a neighbouring school requesting him/her to send a team of two members for the competition. Give details of the event. [5]

### **Question 4**

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

Millions of people in the United States are affected by eating disorders. More than 90% of those afflicted are adolescents or young adult women. Although all eating disorders share some common manifestations, anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa and binge eating each have distinctive symptoms and risks.

People who intentionally starve themselves (even while experiencing severe hunger pains) suffer from anorexia nervosa. The disorder which usually begins around the time of puberty, involves extreme weight loss to at least 15% below the individual's normal body weight. Many people with the disorder look emaciated but are convinced, they are overweight. In patients with anorexia nervosa, the body shifts into slow gear: Blood pressure rates drop and thyroid function slows. Excessive thirst and frequent urination may occur. Dehydration contributes to constipation and reduced body fat leads to lowered body temperature and the inability to withstand cold. Mild anemia, swollen joints, reduced muscle mass and light headedness also commonly occur in anorexia nervosa. Anorexia nervosa sufferers can exhibit sudden anger outbursts or become socially withdrawn.

People with bulimia nervosa consume large amounts of food and then rid their bodies of the excess calories by vomiting, abusing laxatives or diuretics, taking enemas or exercising obsessively. Some use a combination of all these forms of purging. Individuals with bulimia who use medicines to stimulate vomiting, bowel movements or urination may be in considerable danger. Dieting heavily between episodes of binging and purging is common.

As many individuals with bulimia binge and purge in secret and maintain normal or above normal body weight, they can often successfully hide their problems for years. But bulimia nervosa patients even those of normal weight can severely damage their bodies by frequent binge eating and purging. In rare instances, binge eating causes the stomach to rupture; purging may result in heart failure due to loss of vital minerals such as potassium. Vomiting can cause the oesophagus to become inflamed and glands near the cheeks to become swollen. Binge-eating disorder is found in about 2% of the general population. As many as one-third of this group are men. It also affects older women, though with less frequency. Recent research shows that binge-eating disorder occurs in about 30% of people participating in medically supervised weight-control programmes. This disorder differs from bulimia because its sufferers do not purge. Individuals with binge-eating disorder feel that they lose control of themselves when eating. They eat large quantities of food and do not stop until they are uncomfortably full. Most sufferers are overweight or obese and have a history of weight fluctuations.

- i) For each word given below choose the correct meaning (as used in the passage): [2]
1. *afflicted*
    - a) experienced physical pain
    - b) had difficulty speaking
    - c) suffered from a disease or condition
    - d) showed no signs of distress
  
  2. *emaciated*
    - a) overweight
    - b) extremely thin or frail
    - c) very muscular
    - d) perfectly healthy
- ii) Which word in the passage means the opposite of the word ‘outgoing’? [1]
- a) purging
  - b) distorted
  - c) withdrawn
  - d) dehydration
- iii) Answer the following questions briefly in your words: [2]
- a) What do people with bulimia nervosa do?
  - b) What kind of people suffer from anorexia nervosa? How do these people look?
  - c) What behavioural patterns do patients of anorexia nervosa exhibit?
  - d) Why can individuals with bulimia often hide their problems for years?
  - e) According to you, how do societal pressures and beauty standards lead to anorexia nervosa, particularly in adolescents and young adult women?
- iv) In not more than 50 words, state the physiological changes seen in individuals suffering from anorexia nervosa. [8]

### Question 5

- i) Fill in each of the numbered blanks with the correct form of the word given in brackets. Do not copy the passage but write in correct serial order the word or phrase appropriate to the blank space. Example (0)- scrambled [4]
- Harry \_\_\_\_(0) (scramble) to his feet, so happy he felt as if a large balloon \_\_\_\_ (1) (is swell) inside him. He \_\_\_\_ (2) (go) straight to the window and jerked it open. The owl \_\_\_\_ (3) (swoop) in and dropped the newspaper on top of Hagrid, who didn’t wake up. The owl then \_\_\_\_ (4) (flutter) onto the floor and began to attack Hagrid’s coat. Harry tried to wave the owl out of the way, but it \_\_\_\_ (5) (snap) its beak fiercely at him. “Pay him”, Hagrid \_\_\_\_ (6) (grunt) from the sofa. Harry \_\_\_\_ (7) (count) out five little bronze coins and the owl \_\_\_\_ (8) (hold) out his leg so that Harry could put the money into a small leather pouch tied to it.
- ii) Fill in the blanks with appropriate words: [4]
- a) Atoms are incapable \_\_\_\_ being divided into smaller units.
  - b) Kavita had filed a complaint \_\_\_\_ the thief.
  - c) This story was written \_\_\_\_ Arthur Conan Doyle.
  - d) Rahul was being impolite \_\_\_\_ everyone at the party.
  - e) Where will you be putting \_\_\_\_ in California?
  - f) I ran \_\_\_\_ my old classmate in the mall yesterday.
  - g) She will take \_\_\_\_ the project when the manager retires.
  - h) She has been waiting here \_\_\_\_ a long time.

iii) Join the following sentences to make one complete sentence without using and, but or so. Choose the correct option. [4]

1. I do not know Irfan. I do not know Roger.
  - (a) Neither do I know Irfan nor Roger.
  - (b) I do not know Irfan, nor Roger.
  - (c) I do not know Irfan, yet I do not know Roger either.
  - (d) I do not know Irfan; also, I do not know Roger.
2. The train touched the platform. People hurled themselves into it.
  - (a) The train touched the platform, where people hurled themselves into it.
  - (b) The train touched the platform; immediately, people hurled themselves into it.
  - (c) The train touched the platform, with people hurling themselves into it.
  - (d) As soon as the train touched the platform, people hurled themselves into it.
3. Rahul ran all the way to the bus stop. He missed the bus.
  - (a) Rahul ran all the way to the bus stop, only to miss the bus. . .
  - (b) Although Rahul ran all the way to the bus stop, he missed the bus.
  - (c) Rahul ran all the way to the bus stop; unless he missed the bus.
  - (d) Having run all the way to the bus stop, he missed the bus.
4. The government will launch a new scheme. It will be designed to help the poor.
  - (a) The government will launch a new scheme which will be intended to help the poor.
  - (b) The government will launch a new scheme, aiming to help the poor.
  - (c) The government will launch a new scheme which will be designed to help the poor.
  - (d) The government will launch a new scheme and it will be designed to help the poor.

iv) Choose the correct option to rewrite the following according to the instructions given after each sentence. [8]

1. No sooner did Karan score a goal than the score was equalized. (*Begin: Hardly...*)
  - (a) Hardly did Karan score a goal than the score was equalized.
  - (b) Hardly did Karan score a goal when the score was equalized.
  - (c) Hardly had Karan scored a goal than the score was equalized.
  - (d) Hardly was the score equalized when Karan scored a goal.
2. Ujan failed in all his endeavours yet he was not upset. (*Begin: In spite...*)
  - (a) In spite of failing in all his endeavours, Ujan was not upset.
  - (b) In spite failing in all his endeavours, Ujan was not upset.
  - (c) In spite of failing in all his endeavours, Ujan was upset.
  - (d) In spite of Ujan failing in all his endeavours, he was upset.
3. Rajiv seemed less agitated and kinder. (*Begin: Not only...*)
  - (a) Not only Rajiv seemed less agitated, but he also seemed kinder.
  - (b) Not only did Rajiv seem less agitated but also kinder.
  - (c) Not only did Rajiv seem less agitated and kinder.
  - (d) Not only was Rajiv less agitated, but he was kinder.
4. Amrita was too nervous to answer rationally. (*Use: ... so...*)
  - (a) Amrita was so nervous that she could not answer rationally.
  - (b) Amrita was so nervous that answering rationally was impossible.
  - (c) Amrita was so nervous, she answered rationally.
  - (d) Amrita was so nervous to answer rationally.

5. You will fail in the exam if you do not study. (*Use: Unless*)
  - (a) Unless you do not study, you will fail in the exam.
  - (b) You would not fail in the exam unless you study.
  - (c) Unless you study, you will fail in the exam.
  - (d) You will fail in the exam unless you study hard.
6. Very few dancers are as graceful as Sam. (*Begin: Sam is...*)
  - (a) Sam is the most graceful dancer.
  - (b) Sam is one of the most graceful dancers.
  - (c) Sam is more graceful than any other dancers.
  - (d) Sam is the most graceful than any other dancer.
7. He has finished his homework. (*Add a question tag*)
  - (a) He has finished his homework, is he?
  - (b) He finished his homework, hasn't he?
  - (c) He has finished his homework, didn't he?
  - (d) He has finished his homework, hasn't he?
8. Mona said to the man, 'I submitted the file yesterday as per your order.' (*Begin: Mona told the man that...*)
  - (a) Mona told the man that she had submitted the file yesterday as per his order.
  - (b) Mona told the man that she submitted the file yesterday as per your order.
  - (c) Mona told the man that she submitted the file the previous day as per his order.
  - (d) Mona told the man that she had submitted the file the previous day as per his order.