



DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWTOWN
SESSION: 2021-22
FINAL TERM EXAMINATION

CLASS: IX
SUBJECT: ENGLISH PAPER I

TOTAL MARKS: 80
TIME: 2 HOURS

(Candidates are allowed additional 10 minutes for only reading the paper. They must NOT start writing during this time.)

This Question Paper comprises Two Parts.

PART-I is based on Multiple Choice Questions.

PART II is based on Subjective/ Long Questions.

The intended marks for questions are given in brackets [].

All questions are compulsory.

This paper consists of 7 printed pages.

PART-I (MCQ)

Question 1

Choose the correct answers to the questions from the given options. (Do not copy the question. Write the correct option only. Maintain correct order.) [30]

1. My grandmother is very old. She is very active. (Join the following without using *and, but* or *so*)
 - a) Although my grandmother is very old, she is active.
 - b) Although my grandmother is old, she is active.
 - c) Although my grandmother is very old, she is very active.
2. He remained absent on Friday. It was foolish of him. (Join the following without using *and, but* or *so*)
 - a) It was very foolish of him to remain absent on Friday.
 - b) It was foolish of him to remain absent on Friday.
 - c) He remained absent on Friday and it was foolish of him.
3. I will not sing. I will not dance. (Join the following without using *and, but* or *so*)
 - a) Neither will I sing not dance.
 - b) Neither will I sing nor dance.
 - c) Neither I will sing, nor dance.
4. The teacher entered. The students stood up immediately. (Join the following without using *and, but* or *so*)
 - a) No sooner did the teacher entered than the students stood up.
 - b) No sooner did the teacher enter when the students stood up.
 - c) No sooner did the teacher enter than the students stood up.

5. The school bus drove through the gate. The clock was striking eight at that moment. (Join the following without using *and*, *but* or *so*)
- a) When the school bus drove through the gate, the clock was striking eight.
 - b) The school bus drove through the gate before the clock was striking eight.
 - c) The school bus drove through the gate and the clock was striking eight at that moment.
6. The man said to his son, "Please bring some vegetables from the market now." (Begin: The man requested his son....)
- a) The man requested his son please, bring some vegetables from the market then.
 - b) The man requested to bring some vegetables from the market then.
 - c) The man requested his son to bring some vegetables from the market then.
7. As soon as the bell rang, the children started to write. (Begin: Hardly...)
- a) Hardly did the bell rang when the children started to write.
 - b) Hardly did the bell ring when the children started to write.
 - c) Hardly did the bell ring than the children started to write.
8. He is so foolish that he will not qualify in the examination. (Use: 'too')
- a) He is too foolish to qualify in the examination.
 - b) He is too foolish that he will not qualify in the examination.
 - c) He is too foolish for qualifying in the examination.
9. I prefer playing a game to watching television. (Begin: I would rather...)
- a) I would rather play a game than watch television.
 - b) I would rather play a game to watching television.
 - c) I would rather watch television than play a game.
10. The boys are playing the match. (Begin: The match...)
- a) The match was being played the boys.
 - b) The match is being played by the boys.
 - c) The match had been played by the boys.
11. If you walk fast, you will reach home before sunset. (Begin: Unless...)
- a) Unless you walk fast, you will reach home before sunset.
 - b) Unless you do not walk fast, you will not reach home before sunset.
 - c) Unless you walk fast, you will not reach home before sunset.

12. Rony is the strongest boy in our locality. (Use: strong)

- a) No other boy in our class is as strong as Rony.
- b) No other boy in our class is stronger than Rony.
- c) No other boy in our locality is as strong as Rony.

13. Sunita is a very brave woman. (Add a question tag)

- a) Sunita is a brave woman, isn't she?
- b) Sunita is a very brave woman, is she?
- c) Sunita is a very brave woman, isn't she?

14. Very few countries in the world are as large as China. (Use: larger)

- a) China is larger than any other country in the world.
- b) China is larger than most other countries in the world.
- c) No other country in the world is larger than China.

15. The child does not like wafers and pastries. (Begin: Neither...)

- a) Neither did the child like wafers nor pastries.
- b) Neither does the child like wafers nor pastries.
- c) Neither does the child like wafers not does he like pastries.

Read the following passage carefully and answer questions that follow: (Ques. 16-30)

There were other boys in Manjari village but Bisnu was the only one who went to school. His mother would not have fussed if he had stayed at home and worked in the fields. That was what the other boys did; all except lazy Chittru, who preferred fishing in the stream or roaming here and there. However, Bisnu went to school. He went because he wanted to. No one could force him to go and no one could stop him from going. He had set his heart on receiving a good schooling. He wanted to read and write and walked to school everyday.

A colony of langoors lived in the forest. They fed on oak leaves, acorns and other green things and usually remained in the trees, coming down to the ground only to play or sun themselves. They were beautiful, supple-limbed animals, with black faces and silver-grey coats and long, sensitive tails. They leapt from tree to tree with great agility. The young ones wrestled on the grass like boys.

A dignified community, the langoors did not have the cheekiness or dishonest habits of the red monkeys of the plains; they did not approach dogs or humans. They had grown used to Bisnu's comings and goings and did not fear him. Some of the older ones would watch him quietly, a little puzzled. They did not go near the town; because the boys threw stones at them. The forest gave them all the food they required.

Coming from another direction was a second path and at the junction of the two paths, Sarrru was waiting for him. Sarrru came from a small village about three miles from Bisnu's and closer to the town.

They hailed each other and walked along. They often met at this spot, keeping each other company for the remaining two miles.

"There was a panther in our village last night", said Sarrru.

This information interested but did not excite Bisnu. Panthers were common enough in the hills and did not usually present a problem except during the winter months, when their natural prey was scarce.

“Did you lose any animals?” asked Bisnu.

“No. It tried to get into the cowshed but the dogs set up the alarm. We drove it off.”

“It must be the same one which came around last winter. We lost a calf and two dogs in our village.”

“Wasn't that the one the *shikaris* wounded? I hope it hasn't become a cattle-lifter.”

“It could be the same. It has a bullet in its leg. These hunters are the people who cause all the trouble. They think it's easy to shoot a panther. It would be better if they missed altogether but they usually wound it.”

“And then the panthers too slow to catch the barking-deer and starts on our own animals.”

“We're lucky it didn't become a man-eater. Do you remember the man-eater six years ago? I was very small then. My father told me all about it. Ten people were killed in our valley alone.”

“What happened to it?”

“I don't know. Some say it poisoned itself when it ate the headman of the village.”

Bisnu laughed.

“Everyone hated that old villain.”

16. Choose the correct meaning of the word agility as used in the passage.

- a) effort
- b) strength and power
- c) swiftness in motion

17. Choose the correct meaning of the word hailed as used in the passage.

- a) greeted
- b) spoke to
- c) held tightly

18. Choose the correct meaning of the word scarce as used in the passage.

- a) plentiful
- b) not plentiful
- c) easily available

19. Who was the only boy who went to school?

- a) Sarru
- b) Chittru
- c) Bisnu

20. What did the langoors feed on?

- a) rice
- b) tomatoes
- c) oak leaves

21. Describe the tails of the langooers.

- a) sensitive and short
- b) sensitive and long
- c) long and rigid

22. Why did the langooers not go near the town?

- a) boys threw stones at them
- b) there was no food available
- c) weather conditions were not favourable

23. How far was Sarru's village from Bisnu's?

- a) three kilometres
- b) two miles
- c) three miles

24. In which season are the panthers considered to be a threat?

- a) summer
- b) winter
- c) monsoon

25. How many people were killed by the 'man eater' tiger in the valley?

- a) five
- b) ten
- c) fifty

26. The village headman was _____ by all.

- a) hated
- b) loved
- c) obeyed

27. Why was the panther not successful in catching its prey when it entered the cowshed?

- a) The dogs set up an alarm
- b) The guard fired
- c) The cows ran away

28. The langooers had _____ faces. (Fill in)

- a) silver-grey
- b) black
- c) white

29. Under what circumstance are the panthers unable to catch the barking deer?

- a) They become slow due to the wounds.
- b) They become blind due to old age.
- c) They are too lazy to catch it.

30. Which adjective do you associate with Chittru?

- a) studious
- b) lazy
- c) talkative

PART II (SUBJECTIVE)

Question 2

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

[20]

- a) There are many embarrassing situations in each one's life. Narrate the most embarrassing experience of your life. What exactly happened and how did you finally overcome the embarrassment?
- b) You travelled with your uncle in a local train for the first time in your life. Describe the sights, sounds and smells that you had experienced inside the train. Mention your feelings during the journey.
- c) Write an original story that begins with the words: *"It was raining heavily. Suddenly....."*
- d) "Peer pressure is healthy and helps a child to grow." Express your views either for or against this statement.
- e) Study the picture given below. Write a short story or description or an account of what the picture suggests to you. Your composition may be about the subject of the picture or you may take suggestions from it.



Question 3

Select **any one** of the following:

[10]

- a) You ordered a jacket for yourself from one of the on-line shopping sites. When it was delivered, you found that it was not the same jacket that you had ordered. Write a letter of complaint to the Manager of the on-line shopping site giving details of the order and expressing your disappointment with the service. Also request him to replace the order at the earliest.
- b) You are planning a surprise birthday party for your sister. Write a letter to a friend informing him/her about the surprise party. Give the date and time of the party and mention the plans that you have made. Also invite your friend to the party.

Question 4

[5+5]

- a) Your school is conducting an Inter-School Quiz Competition for the students of classes VIII to X. Write a notice to be put up in your school informing students about the event and requesting them to participate.
- b) Write an e-mail to the Principal of a neighbouring school requesting him/her to send a team of three students to participate in the Inter-School Quiz Competition.

Question 5

- a) 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: Answer (0): is enjoyed [5]

After water, tea is the most popular beverage in the world. It ____0____(enjoy) both hot and cold, as a refreshing drink. In Japan, the tea ceremony ____1____(be) a traditional way of ____2____(greet) guests and is a social occasion. Unlike the tea we are familiar with, green tea is not ____3____(drink) with sugar or milk. It is an olive-coloured liquid ____4____(serve) in porcelain cups. Today many varieties of tea ____5____(available) in the markets. Tea is also a folk remedy for stomach upset, flu and diarrhoea. Tea is also said to have antioxidants that ____6____(fight) cancer. Research ____7____(suggest) that ____8____(drink) tea ____9____(reduce) the risk of heart disease and also ____10____(lower) cholesterol levels in the blood.

- b) Fill in the blank with an appropriate word: [5]

- i) There was a serious fight _____ the two boys.
- ii) She is proud and looks _____ on her colleagues.
- iii) Mohit plays football _____ his grandmother.
- iv) My sister believes _____ fairies.
- v) I looked _____ my younger brother while my parents were away.
- vi) I requested him _____ join the club.
- vii) He has not yet recovered _____ his illness.
- viii) Mr. Bose is living in India _____ 1976.
- ix) She was _____ severe pressure to complete the work on time.
- x) Rita got a discount _____ 10% in the new shop.