

HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATION, 2013

English-Only Paper

Time : 3 Hours 15 Min.

817 (EP)

[Max. Marks : 70]

SECTION-A

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it :

But although many people loved the old man and delighted in his wisdom, there were some who did not approve of him. He taught that man's own mind influenced his conduct more than the gods. This seemed to some people a new and wicked idea. He said that there were higher and nobler deeds than making sacrifices to Athene and the other gods of Greece, and many people thought that he was leading the young astray, questioning all that they had been taught to believe and filling their minds with doubts.

(i) How did many people behave with Socrates ? 2

(ii) What did Socrates say to the people ? 2

2. Answer *one* of the following questions in about 60 words : 4

(a) What traits of Nehru's character are brought out in the lesson 'The Ganga' ?

(b) how did the people of the second village treat their visitors ? What did Guru Nanak pray for them ?

3. Answer *two* of the following questions in about 25 words each : 2+2=4

(a) How, according to C. Rajagopalachari, can we be happy ?

(b) Why did Lencho write to God ?

(c) What was the result of the merchant's toil ? What was the problem before him ?

4. Match the words of List A with their meanings in List B : 4 × 1=4

List A	List B
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(a) forsake	changing
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(b) amiable	at least
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(c) varying	friendly
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(d) at length	leave alone in a helpless condition.
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5. Read the following piece of poetry and answer the questions given below it :

Not enjoyment, and not sorrow,
Is our destined end or way;

But to act that each tomorrow
Finds us farther than today.

(a) From which poem has the above stanza been taken ? Who has composed this poem ? 2

(b) How should we act in life ? 2

6. Give the central idea of *one* of the following poems : 3

(a) The Fountain (b) The Perfect Life.

Or

Write four lines from *one* on the poems given in your text-book (Do not copy out the lines given in this question paper.)

7. Answer *two* of the following questions in about 25 words each : 4

(a) Who was Edison ? How did he become famous all over America ?

(b) Why did the king of Ujjain want to sit on the Judgement Seat of Vikramaditya ?

(c) Who was Jesse Owens ? What was the Olympic event that he was expected to win easily ?

8. Point out the *true* and *false* statements in the following : 4 × 1=4

(a) Parents of Edison did not encourage him in his experiments.

(b) On 4th September, 1882, for the first time, New York shone in the brightness of electric light.

(c) The beautiful palace of king Vikramaditya stands even today in Ujjain.

(d) Jesse Owens was an admirer of Adolf Hitler.

9. Select the most suitable alternative to complete the following statements : 4 × 1=4

(a) When Edison tried his experiment on his servant girl

(i) she began to fly (ii) she fell down on the ground

(iii) she fell ill (iv) she began to tremble

(b) The labourers dug out a block of marble, supported on the hands and wings of stone angel numbering

(i) a dozen (ii) twenty five

(iii) twenty four (iv) none of these.

(c) Jesse Owens disliked Adolf Hitler because

(i) he patronized Luz Long, a rival of Jesse Owens

(ii) he had kept Luz Long hidden from other Olympic athletes

(iii) he advocated the doctrine of the Aryan supremacy

(iv) he suffered from vanity by organising the Olympic Games in Berlin.

(d) The important thing in Olympic Games is

(i) playing tricks (ii) taking part

(iii) winning (iv) none of these.

SECTION-B

10. Do as indicated against each of the following sentences :

(i) on Sunday every play football we. 2

(Frame a correct sentence by re-ordering the words)

(ii) He plays tennis everyday. *(Change into interrogative)* 2

(iii) My father said to me, "do not waste your time in idle gossip." 2

(Change into indirect speech)

(iv) I know him very well. *(Change into passive voice)* 2

11. (a) Choose the correct preposition from the ones given below the sentence to fill in the blank : 2

You should live your means. *(in, within, with, for)*

(b) Complete the following sentence : 2

Do you know the reason?

(c) Complete the spellings of the following words : 1½ + ½ = 1

(i) rec - - pt (ii) he - gh -

(d) Punctuate the following using capital letters wherever necessary:

i said to hemant you will not fail if you work hard.

12. Translate the following into English : 4

एक शिकारी था। वह जंगली जानवरों का शिकार करने का शौकीन था। वह पक्का निशानेबाज था। जंगल में शिकार करने के लिए वह कई दिन और रात व्यतीत करता था। उसने कई बड़े जानवर मारे थे। अतः लोग उसे बड़े शिकार के लिए याद करते हैं।

13. Write an application to the Librarian of your college informing him that you have lost the books issued to you last week. (Do not write your Name and Roll No.)

Or

Write a letter to your friend inviting him to attend your brother's marriage.
(Do not write your name and place.)

14. Write a composition on *one* of the following topics in about 60 words. Points are given below for each topic to develop the composition : 6

(a) The Teacher I like Most :

(i) Introduction (ii) His dress and appearance

(iii) His behaviour

(iv) His method of teaching : deep knowledge of his subject, clarity of concept and communication.

(v) His qualities.

(b) A Birthday Celebration :

(i) Introduction (ii) How we celebrated it (iii) Conclusion.

(c) Importance of Books :

(i) Introduction – variety of books

(ii) Their usefulness – preserve and increase knowledge, make us wise, give us relief and comfort, help in earning bread, make us civilized and cultured.

(iii) Conclusion.

15. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions set thereon :

Tea is an evergreen shrub. The word 'evergreen' means that old leaves remain on the shrub, while new ones come out. There is no drying or falling of leaves as in the case of other trees and plants. In a wild state, the plant grows to an enormous height ranging from twenty five to thirty feet. But under cultivation it is not allowed to grow higher than four or five feet. The leaves of the plant are one of two inches in length. Their colour is green and shape oval.

The tea plant grows best of all, in places where there is plenty of rain as well as sunshine. It is abundantly grown in Japan, China, Sri Lanka, Assam and Darjeeling. Tea does not grow in cold countries. Hence there are no tea plantations in Europe, though it is a favourite beverage there.

(i) Why is the tea plant called an 'evergreen' plant ? 3

(ii) Why are there no tea plantations in Europe ? 3

HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATION, 2014
ENGLISH
Only Question Paper

Time : 3 Hours 15 Min] 817 (AK) [Max. Marks : 70

SECTION-A

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it :

The Ganga especially is the river of India, beloved of her people, round which are intertwined her racial memories, her hopes and fears, her songs of triumph, her victories and her defeats. She has been a symbol of India's age-long culture and civilization, ever-changing, ever-flowing, and yet ever the same Ganga. She reminds one of the snow-covered peaks and the deep valleys of the Himalayas, which I have loved so much and of the rich and vast plains below, where my life and work have been cast.

- (i) What does the Ganga symbolize? 2
(ii) What does the Ganga remind Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru of? 2

2. Answer *one* of the following questions in about 60 words : 4
(a) What circumstances forced Lencho to seek help from God?
(b) What did Socrates ask his countrymen to do, to make Athens a perfect state?

3. Answer *two* of the following questions in about 25 words each : 2 + 2 = 4
(a) Why should we train ourselves in good citizenship?
(b) Why had Yama taken the form of Yaksha?
(c) What did Tansen do to make Hari Das sing?

4. Match the words of **List A** with their meanings in **List B** : 4 × 1 = 4

List A	List B
(a) stare	at length
(b) urged	possessions
(c) at last	insisted
(d) belongings	gaze.

5. Read the following piece of poetry and answer the questions given below it :

Glorious fountain !

Let my heart be
Fresh, changeful, constant,
Upward like thee!

- (a) Why is the fountain said to be 'glorious'? 2
(b) What qualities of the fountain does the poet wish to have? 2

6. Give the central idea of *one* of the following poems : 3

- (a) The Nation Builders (b) The Perfect Life.

OR Write four lines from *one* of the poems given in your text-book.
(Do not copy out the lines given in this question paper.)

7. Answer *two* of the following questions in about 25 words each : 2 + 2 = 4

- (a) What did Edison find in his mother, his best teacher?
(b) Why did the guilty tremble when they came before Vikramaditya?

(c) What did Pierre de Coubertin say about the Olympic Games?

8. Point out *true* and *false* statements in the following : 4 × 1 = 4

- (a) Jesse Owens was a German athlete.
(b) Pierre de Coubertin was the founder of modern Olympic Games.

- (c) Vikramaditya loved injustice.
(d) Edison loved to experiment even in his childhood.

9. Select the most suitable alternative to complete the following statements : 4 × 1 = 4

- (a) Edison got a beating from his mother because

- (i) he had sold the eggs
(ii) he had hatched the eggs

- (iii) he had smashed the eggs and spoiled his shirt.
(iv) he had eaten up all the eggs.

- (b) The angel took the judgment seat to

- (i) the sea (ii) the hell
(iii) another kingdom (iv) the sky.

- (c) Luz Long was a real sportsman because

- (i) he was a German
(ii) he was tall and well-built

(iii) his main object in games was, not conquering but fighting well.

- (iv) he loved Negroes.

- (d) The guilty trembled before Vikramaditya because

- (i) he was intelligent enough to discover their guilt.
(ii) he looked fearful

- (iii) he was very cruel
(iv) he was unjust.

SECTION-B

10. Do as indicated against each of the following sentences:

- (i) school not did to he go
(Frame a correct sentence by re-ordering the words) 2

- (ii) Help him.
(Change into passive voice) 2

- (iii) My friend said to me, "Will you go to Mumbai?"
(Change into indirect speech) 2

- (iv) His sister was by her father.
(Use correct form of the verb 'beat') 2

11. (a) Choose the correct preposition from the ones given below the sentence to fill in the blank : 2

He was made aware danger.
(with, for, from, of)

- (b) Complete the following sentence : 2

The teacher will take extra classes to

- (c) Complete the spellings of the following words : ½ + ½ = 1

- (i) dev - t - on (ii) con - ci - nce.

(d) Punctuate the following sentence using capital letters wherever necessary : 2

he said to his friend ravi i can not write french.

12. Translate the following into English : 4

मीना कक्षा दस की विद्यार्थी है। वह इलाहाबाद प्रदेश स्कूल में पढ़ती है। वह पंद्रह वर्ष की है। वह बहुत अच्छी गायिका है। वह प्रायः स्कूल के सभी समारोहों में नृत्य करती है। वह स्वभाव से बड़ी मिलनसार है। वह अपने सहपाठियों से अच्छा व्यवहार करती है। उसने पाँच वर्ष की आयु से नृत्यकला सीखना शुरू कर दिया था। वह एक प्रसिद्ध नर्तकी बनना चाहती है।

13. Write an application to your Principal requesting for a week long leave for arranging your sister's marriage.

(Do not write your Name and Roll No.) 4

OR Write a letter to your games teacher requesting him, to nominate you, the captain of college football team.

(Do not write your Name and Roll No.)

14. Write an essay on *one* of the following topics in about 60 words. Points are given below for each topic to develop the composition :

- (a) *My English Teacher* :

- (i) Name and qualification (ii) Dress

- (iii) Punctuality and behaviour (iv) His qualities.

- (b) *Holi* :

- (i) A national festival
(ii) The time of celebration

- (iii) Preparations for the festival
(iv) How it is celebrated.

- (c) *A Railway Coolie* :

- (i) Introduction (ii) His dress (iii) His work.

15. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions set thereon :

Milk is a complete food. It contains fats, protein and calcium. It is very good for growing children. We get milk from cows, buffaloes and goats. The milk should be boiled well before drinking. It should be stored in a refrigerator, otherwise it can get spoiled. We get cream, ghee, butter, buttermilk, curd and cheese from milk. Sweets and ice-creams are also prepared from it. In summer, people make mango shake with it. Milk makes us strong and healthy.

- (i) How is milk a complete food? 3

- (ii) What other eatable things can be prepared from milk? 3

HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATION, 2015

ENGLISH

Only Question Paper

Time : 3 Hours 15 Min] 817 (BM) [Max. Marks : 70

SECTION-A

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it :

So, in order to shake the writer's faith in God, the postmaster came up with an idea, answer the letter. But when he opened it, it was evident that to answer it he needed something more than good will, ink and paper, But the stuck to his resolution : he asked for money from his employees, he himself gave part of his salary and several friends of his were obliged to give something for an act of charity. It was impossible for him to gather together the hundred pesos, so he was able to send the farmer only a little more than half. He put the money in an envelope addressed to Lencho and with them a letter containing only a single word as a signature : God.

(i) Write the name of the lesson, from which the above passage has been taken. Who is the author of this lesson ? 2

(ii) What did the postmaster do, in order to shake the writer's faith in God ? 2

2. Answer one of the following questions in about 60 words : 4

(a) What did Pt. Nehru like to be done to his body after his death ?

(b) What did Socrates tell his countrymen to do to make Athens a perfect state ?

3. Answer two of the following questions in about 25 words each : 2 + 2 = 4

(a) How can we serve our country as good citizens ?

(b) Why did Guru Nanak think it better for the inhospitable people to stay in one place ?

(c) What makes all the difference between the music of Tansen and that of Swami Hari Das ?

4. Match the words of List A with their meanings in List B : 4 × 1 = 4

List A

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|----------------|----------------|
| (a) bidding | List B |
| (b) instead of | in addition to |
| (c) besides | shape |
| (d) figure | order |
| | in place of. |

5. Read the following piece of poetry and answer the questions given below it :

Let us, then, be up and doing,

With a heart for any fate;

Still achieving, still pursuing,

Learn to labour and to wait.

(a) Give the title of the poem from which the above noted lines have been selected. 2

(b) What do we learn from the above stanza? 2

6. Give the central idea of one of the following poems : 3

(a) The Fountain. (b) The Nation Builders.

OR Write four lines from one of the poems given in your text-book.

(Do not copy out the lines given in this question paper.) 3

7. Answer any two of the following questions in about 25 words each : 2 + 2 = 4

(a) How did Edison serve his country during the First World War? 2

(b) Why is Vikramaditya said to be the greatest judge in history? 2

(c) Why was Jesse Owen angry?

8. Point out the true and false statements in the following : 4 × 1 = 4

(a) Jesse Owens was a German.

(b) Olympic Games were held in Berlin in 1936.

(c) Vikramaditya was never deceived.

(d) Edison succeeded in making an electric bulb.

9. Select the most suitable alternative to complete the following statements : 4 × 1 = 4

(a) Electric light shone for the first time in America in

(i) 1880 (ii) 1882

(iii) 1874 (iv) 1878.

(b) Edison was taken out of school because

(i) he was not pleased with his teacher

(ii) he was a dull student

(iii) he did not like school education

(iv) the teacher asked his parents to withdraw him.

(c) The angel took the judgement seat to

(i) another kingdom (ii) the river Ganga

(iii) the sky (iv) the hell.

(d) The important thing in Olympic Games is

(i) playing angrily

(ii) winning

(iii) discouraging your rivals

(iv) taking part.

SECTION-B

10. Do as indicated against each of the following sentences:

(i) the mountains of the tops covered snow are with year the throughout. (Frame the correct sentence by re-ordering the words) 2

(ii) Did Ramu kill the tiger? (Change into passive voice) 2

(iii) The peon said to the principal "Please, give me some money." (Change into indirect speech) 2

(iv) He has been since last night (sleep). 2

(Use correct form of the verb to fill in the blank)

11. (a) Choose the correct preposition from the ones given below the sentence to fill in the blank : 2

Sita died breast cancer.

(with, by, of, for)

(b) Complete the following sentence : 2

I do not know when

(c) Complete the spellings of the following words : $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$

(i) d - s - ip - e (ii) s - lf - sh.

(d) Punctuate the following using capital letters wherever necessary : 2

raman said to me may i know your name bohra i said

12. Translate the following into English : 4

वृक्ष हमारे जीवन के लिए बहुत बहुमूल्य हैं। वे हमें फल, फूल तथा विश्राम के लिए छाया प्रदान करते हैं। वृक्ष हमें अँखसाजन देते हैं जो हमारे जीवन के लिए सर्वाधिक आवश्यक हैं। वृक्ष वर्षा करते हैं और भूमिक्षण भी रोकते हैं।

13. Write an application to your Principal for your college, requesting him to grant you four day's leave as you have to attend your father getting treatment in hospital.

(Do not write your Name and Roll No.) 4

OR Write a letter to your father, requesting him to send you money, to meet your monthly expenditure.

(Do not write your Name and Roll No.)

14. Write a composition on one of the following topics in about 60 words. Points are given below for each topic to develop the composition : 6

(a) Television :

(i) Introduction

(ii) Its good effect

(iii) Its bad effect

(iv) Conclusion.

(b) My Mother :

(i) Introduction

(ii) Her dress, education and behaviour

(iii) Her qualities

(iv) Her daily life

(v) Conclusion.

(c) My Best Teacher :

(i) Name and qualification

(ii) His dress

(iii) His punctuality and behaviour

(iv) His qualities as a teacher.

15. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions set thereon :

Mother Teresa was a great lady. She is known all over the world. She helped the poor and the needy. She served the sick and the homeless. She was born in August, 1910 in Yugoslavia but she made India her home and lived in Kolkata. She started a home for the orphans. She named it "Nirmal Hridaya".

She looked after the sick poor and downtrodden. She even set up homes for lepers who were shunned by even their own families. She was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. She was given the 'Bharat Ratna' also.

(i) What did Mother Teresa do for the orphans and lepers? 3

(ii) What awards were given to her? 3