

Question Paper SA – I
2016 – 17 Set A
CBSE class 8th English

General Instructions:

- The paper has been divided into four sections.
- Section ‘A’ Reading 10 Marks
- Section ‘B’ Writing 15 Marks
- Section ‘C’ Grammar 15 Marks
- Section ‘D’ Literature 40 Marks
- Total 80 Marks
- All the questions are compulsory.
- Marks are indicated against each questions.
- Write in neat and legible handwriting.

Section ‘A’: (Reading 10 Marks)

1. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follows: (5)

Pandit Jawaharlar Nehru was the first Prime Minister of India. He was born on 14th November. He was inspired by Gandhiji and joined the Indian National Congress. He participated in the freedom struggle against the British. He went to jail many times. After becoming the first Prime Minister of India, he worked hard to make India a modern industrialised nation. His only aim was the progress and prosperity of India. He is rightly called the architect of modern India. He wrote a book called “Discovery of India”, which shows his strong love for India and its people.

Questions:

1. When is Pt. Nehru’s birthday?
2. Which organization did Nehruji join?
3. Who inspired Pt. Nehru?
4. Name the book written by Pt. Nehru.
5. persons who designs something is

2. Read the poem and answer the questions that follow: (5)

This is the sort of day
I should like to wrap
In shiny silver paper
And only open when it's raining
This is the sort of day
I should like to hide
In a secret drawer to which
Only I have the key
This is the sort of day
I should like to hang
At the back of the wardrobe
To keep me warm when winter comes.
This is the day
I should like to last forever.
This is my birthday.

Questions:

1. How does the poet want to keep his special day?
2. Where does the poet want to hide his special day?
3. What would the special day do in winters?
4. What is the special day of the poet?
5. The word in the poem that means hidden is.....

Section 'B': (writing 15 Marks)

3. You are Anit/Anita, a student of SKV Dallapur, Delhi. You small children working at a tea stall near your school. Write a letter to the editor of a local newspaper expressing your cocern about the increasing cases of child labour.

OR

Write a letter to your father, who has gone on an official tour, telling him about the well being of everybody in his absence.

4. Write a paragraph on any one topic of your choice:
Flood

My Best Friend

My favourite Animal

Section 'C': (Grammar 15 Marks)

5. Change the following as directed. (3)

1. Ravi goes to school (change into simple Future)
2. She was sleeping. (Past Perfect)
3. Ravi has eaten an ice cream (Present Continuous).

6. Fill in the blanks with the suitable articles. (a, an, the) (2)

1. It is _____ lovely flower.
2. _____ honest man gets respect everywhere.
3. He studies _____ university.
4. Lata is _____ best singer in the world.

7. Punctuate (2)

1. She wants to go to delhi
2. I want to eat a mother dairy icecream

8. (a) Translate the following sentences into Hindi (any three) (3)

1. The sun rises in the East.
2. She is sleeping in her bed.
3. I shall go to school tomorrow.

(b) Translate the following sentences into English: (3)

9. Fill in the blanks with suitable adjective. (2)

1. I have a _____ pen, it writes smoothly.
2. My sister is a _____ girl, everyone likes her.
3. Adya is so _____ that she always helps others.
4. This almirha is very _____ because it is made up of steel.

Section 'D': (Literature 40 Marks)

10. (A) Read the passage and answer the question that follow: (4)

"I didn't know what a tsunami was. But seeing my daughter so frightened. I thought something serious must be going on." 1. Who is the speaker of these lines?

2. What serious thing was happening?
3. How did that escape the serious thing?

4. Give antonym of 'serious'.

(B) Read the extract of the poem and answer the questions that follow: (3)

"The logic of geography That land and water attracted man Was clearly delineated"

Questions:

1. When did the poet understand the logic of geography?
2. Give one statement that poet understood due to this logic.
3. Give the meaning of 'logic'.

11. (A) Attempt any two questions in one word or one sentence: (2)

1. What is the age of Connie Macpherson?
2. What did Igniseous do after feeling the earthquake?
3. From one mile above the ground what difference does the poet feel regarding the view of the city.

(B) Answer any one two questions in one word or one sentence: (2)

1. Why did the children living near the giants garden become sad?
2. What work did Jaya do? 3. Which animal was the lazy of all?

12. (A) Answer any two of the following in 20 – 30 words: (4)

1. What did the poet of Geography lesson find difficult to understand?
2. Why was the cricket unhappy?
3. What did Hans Wolf do in non war days? Which place did he belong to?

(B) Answer any two of the following in 20 – 30 words: (2)

1. How did the man compensate for the camel's work?
2. What are the strange huts made up of in Chennai?
3. Why was the little boy in the giant's garden crying?

13. (A) Answer any two of the following questions in 30 – 40 words: (6)

1. How did Jim and Hans Wolf celebrate Christmas?
2. On the cuddalore coast thousands of people perished but animals were found unharmed. Why?
3. What lesson did the ant teach the cricket?

(B) Answer the two of the following questions in 30 – 40 words: (6)

What did the three animals tell the camel to do?

1. How did camel react when the three animals approached him?
2. How did velu reach Chennai?
3. What happened to giant's garden, when he built a wall around it?

14. Read the value based extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

Two friends went to see a movie based on war. They saw killing, bloodshed crying etc. They felt shaken to see that aftermath of the war. They come out of the cinema hall with a heavy heart. When they came back home, they were restless. Next day, they talked about their restlessness to their teacher and wanted to know why people fight with each other. We can resolve every matter peacefully.

Questions:

1. Why were the two friends restless? (2)
 2. What are the ways other than war to resolve the conflicts suggest any 2 – 3 ways. (3)
 3. Winter continued – spring all over – no birds song – trees didn't blossom – snow covered up grass – frost painted trees – invited North wind – roared all day.
14. (B) (1) to see the bloodshed, killing and crying – the aftermath of the war. (2)
(2) Child's creativity should be awarded: - matches, discussions, quiz, argument