

**ANNUAL SECONDARY EXAMINATION, 2016**

**ENGLISH (अंग्रेजी)**

**Time: 3 Hours]**

**SET-A**

**[Full Marks: 100**

General Instruction:

1. This paper consists of four sections:

Section-A - Reading : 20 Marks.

Section-B - Writing : 20 Marks

Section-C - Grammar : 15 Marks.

Section-D - Text Books : 45 Marks.

2. All questions are compulsory.

3. Figures in the margin Indicate full marks.

4. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

5. Answers of the questions must be in the context of the instructions given therein.

**SECTION - A (Reading : 20 Marks)**

Q.1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

Success in life depends largely on good health. Keep your body fit and strong by being clean, inhaling fresh air and following regular habits and suitable entertainment. Avoid anything that will weaken your strength. Smoking harms the body and clouds the brain. Bewared of drink. It is the deadly enemy of health and efficiency. Above all, remember that your character is a precious possession. Be truthful in all things, courteous and considerate to everybody, fair to

your opponents, kind and helpful to all who are weak and suffering and do not be afraid to have the courage to stand up for what is good, pure and noble.

Questions:

- (a) What does success depend on ?
- (b) How can we keep good health?
- (c) What are the things we should avoid?
- (d) Complete the following:
  - (i) Smoking harms the body and .....
  - (ii) It is the deadly enemy of health .....

Q. 2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

Water is one of the most important natural resources. With the rising population there has been an increasing pressure on this earth's resources. Scarcity of water has been felt throughout the country. Efforts have been made to collect water by building dams. Wells have also been dug to create ground water structure. But this is not enough. Wise conservation of water is needed. One of the most popular ways of conservation is rain water harvesting. It means collecting rain water on the roofs of buildings and storing it underground for later use. This method can raise the level of ground water and also increase water supply. Another method is waste water harvesting. Water from kitchens and bathrooms is collected and cleaned. It can then be used for purposes other than drinking.

Questions:

- (a) Which two methods have been suggested for conservation of water?

- (b) What efforts have been made for the collection of water?
- (c) Mention two advantages of rain water harvesting.
- (d) Water purpose can the water collected from the method of waste water harvesting be used for?
- (e) Complete the following:
  - (i) Wells have also been dug to .....
  - (ii) Water from kitchens and bathrooms .....
- (f) Make sentences with the following words:
  - (i) Population (ii) Popular.

### **SECTION - B (Writing : 20 Marks)**

Q.3. Write a letter to your uncle about a picnic you have enjoyed. (In about 100 words.)

OR

Q. Write a letter to the Municipal Commissioner complaining about the dirt and filth lying around your colony. (In about 100 words).

Q.4. Write a paragraph on any one of the following topics in about 60 words.

- (a) Discipline
- (b) My hobby
- (c) The happiest day of your life.

Q.5. Write a paragraph reporting "an accident that you have seen" in not more than 80 words.

### SECTION-C (Grammar: 15 Marks)

Q.6. Fill in the blanks with the correct non-finite verbs give in brackets:

(smiling, answer, to learn, lost)

- (a) You needn't. .... all the questions.
- (b) She found her ..... purse.
- (c) The baby has a ..... face.
- (d) English is easy .....

Q.7. Fill in the blanks with suitable sentence connectors given in brackets. (until, as, while)

- (a) Leave the table ..... it is.
- (b) Make hay ..... the sun shines.
- (c) Let us wait ..... the train passes.

Q.8. Transform the following sentences as directed in the brackets:

- (a) The girl is too small to speak. (Remove 'too')
- (b) Everybody knows Gandhiji. (Into Interrogative)
- (c) Ram said to me, "Are you happy? (Into Indirect speech)

Q.9. Fill in the blanks with suitable modals given below:

(must, can, could, may)

- (a) ..... God bless you.
- (b) She ..... swim.
- (c) We ..... pay our taxes.
- (d) I ..... run faster when I was a boy.

Q.10. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of verbs given in brackets:

- (a) Babar ..... the Mughal Empire. (found)
- (b) She ..... when the lights went off. (read)

Q.11. Fill in the blanks with "how, who, when":

- (a) I know ..... will teach you.
- (b) I don't remember ..... I saw him last.
- (c) She doesn't know ..... to cook.

#### **SECTION - D (Text-book : 45 Marks)**

##### **(a) PROSE (20 Marks)**

Q.12. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

Very soon Mij would follow me without a lead and come to me when I called his name. He spent most of his time in play. He spent hours shuffling a rubber ball round the room like a four-footed soccer player using all four feet to dribble the ball, and he could also throw it, with a powerful flick of the neck, to a surprising height and distance. But the real play of an otter is when he lies on his back and juggles with small objects between his paws. Marbles were Mij's favourite toys for his pastime : he would lie on his back rolling two or more of them up and down his wide, flat belly without ever dropping one to the floor.

Questions:

- (a) What did the otter do to a rubber ball?
- (b) How did he throw the ball?

- (c) What is the real play of an otter?
- (d) What did he do to the marbles?
- (e) Find a word from the passage which means 'hobby'.

Q.13. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

Day after day she watched the bus, and gradually a tiny wish crept into her head and grew there: She wanted to ride on that bus, even if just once. This wish became stronger and stronger, until it was an overwhelming desire. Valli would stare wistfully at the people who got on or off the bus when it stopped at the street corner. Their faces would kindle in her longings, dreams and hopes. If one of her friends happened to ride the bus and tried to describe the slights of the town to her, Valli would be too jealous to listen and would shout, in English: "Proud! Proud". Neither she nor her friends really understood the meaning of the word, but they used it after as a slang expression of disapproval. <https://www.jharkhandboard.com>

Questions:

- (a) What was Valli's tiny wish?
- (b) What would Valli do when her wish had become an overwhelming desire?
- (c) What would excite Valli's wish?
- (d) When would Valli be jealous? What would she say?
- (e) Find a word from the passage which is opposite to "quickly".

Q.14. How is bread an important part of Goan life?

OR

Why does the postmaster send money to Lencho?

Q.15. Who won the drawing contest? What had the winner drawn?

OR

Q. Why was the young seagull afraid to fly?

**(b) POETRY (10 Marks)**

Q.16. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow: The fog comes

On little cat feet.

It sits looking

Over harbour and city

On silent haunches

And then moves on.

(a) Name the poem from where these lines have been taken?

(b) Who has written these lines?

(c) Who is 'it' in the third line here?

(d) Where does the fog look and how?

Q.17. Answer any two of the following questions in about 30-40 words each:

(a) What happened when the dust of snow fell on the poet ?

(b) Where has the boy lost his ball? What is the effect of the loss on his mind?

(c) Why does the poet want to turn and live with animals?

**(c) SUPPLEMENTARY READER (15 Marks)**

Q.18. Give a character sketch of Bholi.

OR

Q. How will you assess Griffin as a scientist ?

Q.19. Why was Matilda unhappy?

OR

Q. What work did the thief do for Anil?

Q.20. How did Max enter Ausable's room? Why did he do so ?

OR

Q. How did Ebright's mother encourage him?