

ANNUAL SECONDARY EXAMINATION, 2015

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 carefully and answer the questions that follow:

The water of the river Yamuna in Delhi has become useless. The water of this river is most polluted and has received E grade in terms of quality. This is the lowest grade which indicates the severity of pollution in the water. Some fifty years ago the water of the Yamuna was clear and clean. Many water plants such as weeds, algae and shrubs grew in its water or along the bank of the river. These plants were the main source of food for aquatic creatures. A number of

waterbirds could be seen along the river. With the onset of winter thousands of migratory birds would come here to feed in the Yamuna water. Sadly these water species and birds have vanished or died. What one finds now are red worms, called Chironomids which live in the most unhygienic and polluted water.

Questions:

- (a) Which grade has the water of Yamuna received in terms of quality?
- (b) How was the water of Yamuna some fifty years ago?
- (c) Name some water plants which grew in its water.
- (d) Complete the following:
 - (i) The water of the river Yamuna in Delhi
 - (ii) A number of water birds could be seen

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

Jambheshwarji was born in 1451 at Pipasar in Jodhpur. His father, Lohat, was a Panwar Rajput. His mother was Mansa Devi. He was the only son of his parents. As a child he was known as a thinking boy. People felt surprised to listen to his deep talks. When he was seven years old, he was made to graze the family cows. After the death of his parents, he left home. He spent most of his time in the company of saints. He adopted Goraksha Nath as his Guru.

Jambheswarji founded the Vishnoi sect in 1485. He laid down twenty-nine religious principles for his followers. The main principles included worship of Vishnu, performing of havan, fasting on the moonless night, cutting no green trees, making animal sacrifice and drinking.

Questions:

- (a) When and where was Jambheshwarji born?
- (b) Who were his parents?
- (c) In whose company did he spend most of his time?
- (d) Who was the Guru?
- (e) Complete the following:
 - (i) As a child he was known as
 - (ii) He laid down twenty-nine
- (f) Make sentences with the following words:
 - (i) worship (ii) sacrifice.

SECTION - B (Writing : 20 Marks)

Q.3. Write a letter to your uncle thanking him for a nice birthday gift.
(In about 100 words.)

OR

Write a letter to the Editor of Prabhat Khabar, Ranchi, about the frequent breakdown to electricity in your area. (In about 100 words)

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

- (a) An ideal teacher
- (b) Season you like most
- (c) Scene at a railway station

Q.5. Recently you celebrated Republic Day in your school. Write a paragraph reporting the same in not more than 80 words.

SECTION - C (Grammar : 15 Marks)

Q.6. Fill in the blanks with forms of verbs given in the brackets:

(smoking, broken, to hear, waiting).

(a) We wanted..... her song.

(b) is injurious to health.

(c) A..... chair is of no use.

(d) She is tired of

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

(a) you sow, so shall you reap.

(b) He fell asleep doing his home-work.

(c) We will have to wait the train passes.

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

(a) She is too weak to walk. (Remove 'too')

(b) Man is mortal. (Into Negative)

(c) He said to me, "Open the door." (Into Indirect Speech)

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

(can, may, must, could)

(a) You obey your parents.

(b) buy a care, if I had money.

(c) I ask a question?

(d) We speak English fluently.

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

- (a) He to Mumbai Yesterday. (go)
- (b) The train before I reached the station. (leave).

Q.11. Fill in the blanks with the "where, what, who":

- (a) Please tell me took my pen.
- (b) You may go you like.
- (c) Do you like.

SECTION - D (Text Book : 45 Marks)

(a) PROSE (20 Marks)

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

The moon was coming up in the east, behind me and stars were shining in the clear sky above me. There wasn't a cloud in the sky. I was happy to be alone light up above the sleeping countryside. I was flying my old Dakota aeroplane over France back to England. I was dreaming of my holiday and looking forward to being with my family. I looked at my watch: one thirty in the morning.

Questions:

- (a) Who is 'me' here in the first line?
- (b) What indicates that the weather fine at that time?
- (c) Which two things made the pilot happy?
- (d) What was the pilot dreaming of?
- (e) Find a word from the passage which means 'without any company'.

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

The young seagull was alone on his ledge. His two brothers and his sister had already flown away the day before. He had been afraid to fly with them. Somehow when he had taken a little run forward to the brink of the ledge and attempted to flap his wings he became afraid. The great expanse of sea stretched down beneath, and it was such a long way down-miles down. He felt certain that his wings would never support him. Even when each of his brothers and his little sister, whose wings were far shorter than his own, ran to the brink, flapped their wings, and flew away. he failed to muster up courage to take that plunge which appeared to him so desperate.

Questions:

- (a) Who was alone on his ledge?
- (b) Who had flown away the day before?
- (c) Why was he afraid to fly?
- (d) How did his brothers and sister fly away?
- (e) Find a phrase from the passage which means "to gather up".

Q.14. What was Valli's strongest desire? What did she do to fulfil it?

OR

What is the legend of tea as given in the chapter?

Q.15. How did Mijbil spend most of his time?

OR

How did Maddie think she would win the drawing contest and why?

(b) POETRY (10 Marks)

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

I think I could turn and live with animals,

They are so placid and self contained.

I stand and look at them long and long.

Questions:

- (a) Name the poem where these lines have been taken.
- (b) Who has written these lines?
- (c) What is the poet turning from?
- (d) Why does the poet want to turn and live with animals ?

Q.17. Answer any two of the following questions in about 30-40 words each: <https://www.jharkhandboard.com>

- (a) How does the tiger terrify the villagers ?
- (b) Where did Belinda live? Who else lived with her?
- (c) What three things tell us that the fog is like a cat?

(c) SUPPLEMENTARY READER (15 Marks)

Q. 18. Give a character-sketch of Horace Danby.

OR

What were the reasons which caused a great suffering to Matilda?

Q. 19. Why do Bholi's parents accept Bishamber's marriage proposal?

OR

How did Ausable get rid of Max?

Q. 20. Who was Griffin? What type of a man as he?

OR

Why was Mr. Herriot shocked at Tricki's appearance?