



SAMSKAARA ACADEMY

Continuous Comprehensive Evaluation II – SEPTEMBER 2024

GRADE: VII

DURATION: 2 hrs

DATE: 19th September 2024

SUBJECT: English Paper II

MAX MARKS: 80

*Answers to this Paper must be written on the paper provided separately.
You will not be allowed to write during the first 15 minutes. You will use this time to read the question paper.
The time given at the head of this Paper is the time allowed for writing the answers.*

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

Section- A

(Attempt all questions from this section)

**Q1. Read the following questions and choose the most appropriate response from the choices given below
(Please do not copy the question- write out in correct serial order the appropriate word or phrase)[16]**

1. What is the poem "In the Bazaars of Hyderabad" about?
 - a) A personal experience of the poet in the bazaars
 - b) A description of the sights and sounds of the bazaars
 - c) A critique of the social conditions in Hyderabad
 - d) A nostalgic reflection on the past.
2. What is the poet's attitude towards the ordinary people in the bazaars?
 - a) She is dismissive and condescending
 - b) She is fascinated and admiring
 - c) She is critical and disapproving
 - d) She is indifferent and uninterested
3. What is the poet's attitude towards the bazaars?
 - a) She is critical of the chaos and noise
 - b) She is nostalgic for the past
 - c) She is fascinated by the sights and sounds
 - d) She is disinterested
4. What is the tone of the poem "In the Bazaars of Hyderabad"?
 - a) Serious and somber
 - b) Vibrant and colorful
 - c) Melancholic and reflective
 - d) Critical and satirical

5. What is the poet's attitude towards the palm tree?
 - a) He is fascinated by its beauty
 - b) He is critical of its height
 - c) He is indifferent to its presence
 - d) He is scared of its shadow
6. How does the poet relate to the palm tree?
 - a) He sees himself in the palm tree
 - b) He sees the palm tree as a separate entity
 - c) He sees the palm tree as a symbol of his hopes and dreams
 - d) He sees the palm tree as a reminder of his past
7. What is the central theme of the poem "Television"?
 - a) The joys of reading
 - b) The dangers of television
 - c) The importance of education
 - d) The power of imagination
8. Who wrote the poem "Television"?
 - a) Roald Dahl
 - b) J.K. Rowling
 - c) C.S. Lewis
 - d) Philip Pullman
9. What happens to children who watch too much television?
 - a) They become tired
 - b) They become more creative
 - c) They become lazy and dull
 - d) They become more active
10. What is the name of the American family who buys Canterville Chase?
 - a) The Otis family
 - b) The Smith family
 - c) The Johnson family
 - d) The Davis family
11. How does the ghost attempt to scare the Otis family?
 - a) He makes a loud noise
 - b) He often appears in front of them
 - c) He tries to possess them
 - d) He puts a bloodstain on the floor
12. What is Achilles' weakness?
 - a) His heel
 - b) His heart
 - c) His head
 - d) His hand

13. What does the poet suggest children should do instead of watching television?
a) Play outside
b) Read books
c) Help others
d) Play video games

14. Who is the subject of the poem "Achilles"?
a) A Greek hero
b) A Roman warrior
c) A tortoise
d) A pigeon

15. What literary device is used to describe Achilles' weakness?
a) Metaphor
b) Simile
c) Personification
d) Alliteration

16. How does the poet describe the palm tree's height?
a) As towering and intimidating
b) As slender and delicate
c) As sturdy and strong
d) As none of the above

Section-B

(Answer all questions from this section)

POETRY

Q2. Read the following extract from the poem 'Palm Tree' and answer the questions that follow.

*He wants to pierce
The clouds so grey
And soar away:
But can he fly?*

1. What does the palm tree wish to do? [3]
2. What question does the poet pose about the palm tree's ability? [3]
3. How does the poet personify the palm tree in these lines? [3]
4. Does the poet offer us a message through this poem? If so, what is it? [4]
5. What might the grey clouds symbolize in the poem? [3]

Q3. Read the following extract from the poem 'Television' and answer the questions that follow.

*They loll and slop and lounge about,
And stare until their eyes pop out.
They sit and stare and stare and sit
Until they're hypnotized by it.*

1. What activities do the children engage in while watching television according to the poem? [3]
2. How does the poet describe the children's behaviour in front of the television? [3]
3. What does the poet imply by saying the children are "hypnotized" by the television? [3]
4. How does the poet use exaggeration in the extract? [3]
5. Is the message of the poem directed to children or grown-ups or both? Explain your answer. [4]

Section-C

(Answer all questions from this section)

PROSE

Q4. Read the following extract from 'Uncle Podger Leaves for Work' and answer the questions that follow.

'I had it in my hand here not a minute ago!' he would exclaim.

1. What does this line suggest about Uncle Podger's daily routine? [3]
2. How does Uncle Podger's exclamation reflect his character? [3]
3. Describe Uncle Podger's attitude towards his family members. [3]
4. How do you organize yourself before going to school? Is your day similar to Uncle Podger's? [4]
5. What did Uncle Podger lose most often? Where would this item mostly be found? [3]

Q5. Read the following extract from 'Achilles' and answer the questions that follow.

He held up both hands, fingers spread out. I shook my head firmly and held up two fingers...

1. Who are the two people referred to here? What were they doing? [2]
2. Why were they not having a verbal conversation? [3]
3. Do you think the narrator was an animal lover? Give a reason for your answer. [3]

Section-D

(Answer all questions from this section)

NON-DETAIL

Q6. Read the following extract from 'Holes' and answer the questions that follow.

"Thanks for the ride," he said. His mouth was dry and his throat hurt.

1. How does the camp's philosophy of digging holes relate to character building? [2]
2. Describe the environment and conditions at Camp Green Lake. [3]
3. How does Stanley travel to Camp Green Lake? [3]
