

**CLASS : X****SUBJECT : ENGLISH****MARKS: 80****DURATION : 3Hrs****General Instructions:**

1. The Question Paper contains **THREE** sections **READING, GRAMMAR & WRITING and LITERATURE.**

2. Attempt question based on specific instructions for each part

SECTION A - READING SKILL (20 marks)**Reading Comprehension Through Unseen Passages**

1. **Read the following text.**

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More than three lakh workers will be employed in the solar and wind energy sectors to meet the country's target of generating 175 gigawatts of electricity from renewable sources by 2022, an International Labour Organization (ILO) report said. The report titled, World Employment and Social Outlook (WESO) 2018: Greening with Jobs, quoted from a study conducted by the Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW) and the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), on the changes in sectoral employment that will occur in order to meet India's target. The study was based on surveys of solar and wind companies, developers and manufacturers.

India is rapidly increasing its share of renewable energy sources, but still relies on coal, oil, natural gas, and the related carbon emissions for 80% of its electricity," the report released on Tuesday said. This formed a small part of the report, which focused on the trajectory of the labour market in the backdrop of environmentally sustainable production practices. Tackling the misconception that green economies pave the way for economically undesirable outcomes, the report said rather than a tradeoff between the two, their development goes hand in hand. According to the ILO report, there will be a net increase of 18 million jobs across the globe as a result of environmentally sustainable measures taken in the production and use of energy. This net figure is based on the estimation that the resultant job losses of six million will eventually lead to an increase of 24 million jobs as greener practices are adopted. Of this, 14 million jobs created will be in Asia and the Pacific.

The transition to a green economy will inevitably cause job losses in certain sectors as carbon and resource-intensive industries are scaled down, but they will be offset by new job opportunities," the report said. However, the report emphasized that the net increase of 18 million jobs is dependent on a supportive policy framework to aid displaced workers and skill development programs to help ease them into jobs that require new skills. It mentioned that although India does have a specific body or council to address the skills development for green transition, it has no existing institutional mechanism to anticipate skills needs and adapt training provision. Of the 27 countries surveyed, India and seven others fall under this category. "Developing and emerging economies have relatively weaker institutional capacity for integrating skills and environmental sustainability," the report said

The report stressed on the urgency of economies adopting sustainable practices, adding, in 2013, humanity used 1.7 times the amount of resources and waste that the biosphere was able to regenerate and absorb. The report reads, "It is striking that in a context of scarce resources and limited ability to absorb waste, current patterns of economic growth rely largely on the extraction of resources, manufacturing, consumption and waste." It explained this urgency from the perspective of the job market by connecting labour productivity to climate change. "Looking ahead, projected temperature increases will make heat stress more common, reducing the total number of working hours by 2% globally by 2030 and affecting workers in agriculture, and developing countries," the report said.

Based on your understanding of the passage, answer the questions given below.

i. Which of the following weakens the argument of increasing the share of renewable energy in the energy sector?

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a. The environmental impacts associated with renewable energy include habitat loss, water use, and the use of hazardous materials in manufacturing, they cause more harm than good in the long run.

- b. It is easy to harness and store renewable energy than the traditional sources of energy.
- c. The shift to renewable energy source would create jobs
- ii Which of the following statements weakens the argument about the urgency of economies in adopting sustainable practices? 1
- a. The increase in temperature because of climate change would reduce the number of working hours hence productivity will suffer
- b. The resource available to us is limited and nature's ability to replenish them is limited.
- c. The impact of sustainable solutions for energy needs would be limited because for it to be effective all the countries need to participate which is not the case
- iii. As per the passage, which of the following could be a/some reason/s for the misconceptions surrounding green economies. 1
- a. There is a belief that adopting a green economy would lead to loss of jobs which could severely impact the economy
- b. The shift from traditional energy sources to renewable energy would be expensive.
- c. The technological capability required to transform into a green economy is still in the elementary phase.
- iv. As per your understanding of the passage, which of the following can be said to be example/s of steps which contribute towards a green economy 1
- a. The government announces tax incentives for those using public transport.
- b. The government provides subsidy on diesel cars so that it becomes affordable
- c. The government supports start-ups working on the development of electric cars
- v. "Transition" refers to 1
- a. Hibernate
- b. process of changing from one state to another
- c. stagnate
- vi. Pick out a word from the passage that is similar to "make suitable for a new use or purpose" 1
- a. integrate b. Scarce c. Adapt
- vii. Complete the following sentences by filling the blanks using suitable words. 2
- a. One of the steps that can be used by India to improve its institutional capacity for integrating skills and environmental sustainability is by funding to support the shift of _____
- b. The unfavorable effect of the transition to a green economy _____.
- viii. Why is there an urgency to adopt sustainable practices? 2

2. Read the following text.

10m

1. People, generally, are emotionally attached to their place of birth. But millions of people leave their places of birth and residence. There could be a variety of reasons. These reasons can be put into two broad categories: a. push factor, these cause people to leave their place of residence or origin; and b. Pull factors, which attract people from different places. Both Pull and push factors are equally responsible for migration from rural areas to city. In India, people migrate from rural to urban areas mainly due to poverty, high population pressure on the land, lack of basic infrastructural facilities like health care, education, etc. small-scale and medium enterprises, which constitute more than 80 percent of the tourism industry, have not been able to recover fully yet. However, the domestic industry is gaining foothold.
2. In India, people migrate from rural to urban areas mainly due to poverty, high population pressure on the land, lack of basic infrastructural facilities like health care, education, etc.
3. Apart from these factors, natural disasters such as floods, drought, cyclonic storms, earthquakes, tsunami, wars and local conflicts also give an extra push to migrate.
4. On the other hand, there are pull factors that attract people from rural areas to cities. The most important pull factor for the majority of the rural migrants to urban areas is the better opportunities, availability of regular work and relatively higher wages. Better opportunities for education, better health facilities and sources of entertainment, etc. are also quite important pull factors.

Answer the following questions, based on the passage above.

- i. People are emotionally attached to their birthplaces still they leave them. List the reasons for it. 2
- ii. How can natural calamity be a 'push factor'? 1
- iii. Enumerate any two push and pull factors for Migration? 1
- iv. What can be two 'push factors' for a city? 2
- v. More money is needed to save the crumbling operational framework of the nation's rural areas.
Rewrite the following sentence by replacing the underlined phrase with a phrase that means the same from paragraph 2. 1
- vi. "...wars and local conflicts also give an extra push to migrate." What does the phrase 'an extra push' mean in the context? 1
- vii. Pick the option that lists statements that are NOT TRUE according to the passage. 1
- A. Push factors are quite a compulsion for rural people to move to a city.
B. All those who migrate to cities have to bear the separation of their families.
C. Pull and push factors are equally responsible for migration from rural areas to city.
D. Only educated youth are shifting their residence in search of jobs
a) A and D b) B and C c) B and D d) A and B
- viii. The word infrastructural, as used in paragraph 1, means the same as. 1
- a) temporary arrangement b) concrete structures
c) entertainment facilities d) bare necessary services and systems

SECTION B - GRAMMAR & WRITING SKILL (20 marks)

GRAMMAR

10m

3. Complete ANY TEN of twelve of the following tasks, as directed.

1* 10 = 10

i. Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option to complete the sentence. 1

When the thief entered the house, the inmates _____ in the hall.

(a) were slept (b) were sleeping (c) slept (d) had been sleeping

ii. Read the conversation between Harry and Cobbler. Complete the sentence by reporting cobbler's reply correctly. 1

Harry : Can you polish my shoes?

Cobbler : Yes sir. But I will take 10 rupees for each shoe.

Harry asked the cobbler if he could polish his shoes. The cobbler replied affirmatively but said that _____

iii. Select the correct option to fill in the blank for the given line. 1

You _____ work hard if you want to get good marks.

(a) must (b) might (c) can (d) should

iv. Select the option that identifies the error and supplies the correction for the following line, from a news report: 1

Our soldiers are better equipped than that of Pakistan.

Option No.	Error	Correction
(a)	are	is
(b)	equipped	equipe
(c)	that	those
(d)	of	at

v Complete the given sentence, by filling in the blank with the correct option : 1

Rohit _____ when we arrived at the party.

(a) had already left (b) has already left (c) have already left (d) was already left

vi Fill in the blank by using the correct form of the word in the bracket. 1

The Sushi and the pasta _____ (look) delicious.

vii Identify the error in the given sentence and supply the correction. 1

The boys were played in the park when it started raining.

viii Transform the following direct speech into reported speech : 1

The principal said, "Why didn't you attend the flag hoisting ceremony, Anuj ?"

ix Identify the error in the given sentence and supply the correction. 1

The German force lost no time in retreat lest they might be cut off and surrounded.

- x Read the conversation. Complete the sentence by reporting Neetu's reply correctly. 1
 Sunita : Tomorrow is your birthday, what do you want as a gift?
 Neetu : That is a lovely thought but I don't want anything.
 Sunita asked Neetu since the next day was her birthday, what she wanted as a gift. Neetu replied that that was a lovely thought but _____.
 xi. Identify the error in the given sentence and supply the correction. 1
 Have you got some proof that he committed the crime?
 xii. Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option to complete the sentence. 1
 The bridge is being _____ at the moment so it can't be used.
 (a) repaired (b) repairing (c) repair (d) repairs

WRITING

10m

4. Attempt ANY ONE from A and B given below. **5**

- A.** You are Rahul living at 7, Raven Organics, Orchard Road Mumbai. You purchased a washing machine last week from Tirupati Stores Nampally , Mumbai but it is not working properly. Write a complaint letter to the dealer to raise the issue regarding the same with necessary details.

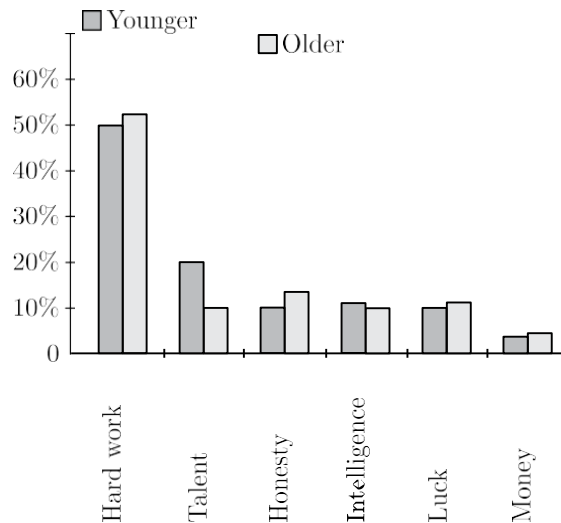
Or

- B.** You are Geetu a resident of Giani Nagar, Amritsar. You have just shifted to this new city and require a few furniture items and kitchen appliances for your house. Write a letter of order to Home and More, Mall road, Amritsar placing an order for the same.

5. Attempt ANY ONE from A and B given below. **5**

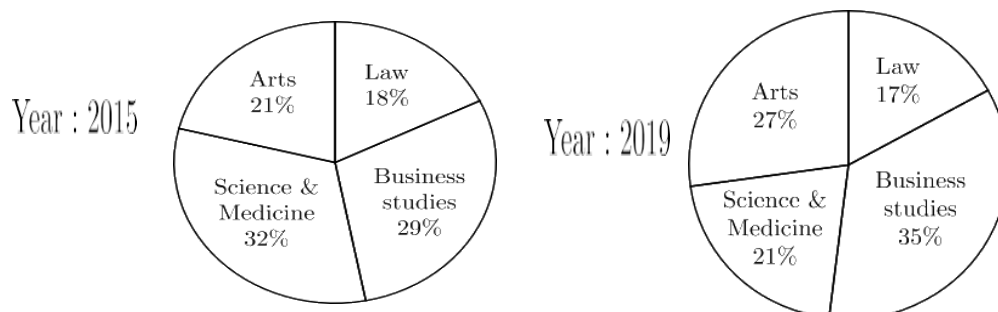
A. The bar graph given below contains data related to the people's opinion about their consideration for the most important factor for success. Write an analytical paragraph in 100-120 words after observing the graph carefully and analyzing; highlight the main features and make suitable comparisons

The Most Important Factor For Success



Or

- C.** The following pie charts show the percentage of students taking admission in different faculties of XYZ University over a certain period of time. Write an analytical paragraph on your understanding of the given data.



SECTION C – LITERATURE (40 marks)

6. Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given.

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A. “Mr Keesing had a good laugh at my arguments, but when I proceeded to talk my way through the next lesson, he assigned me a second essay. This Time it was supposed to be on ‘An Incurable Chatterbox’. I handed it in, and Mr Keesing had nothing to complain about for two whole lessons. However, during the third lesson, he’d finally had enough. “Anne Frank, as a punishment for talking in class, wrote an essay entitled-‘Quack, Quack, Quack, said Mistress Chatterbox’.”

i. What does 'had a good laugh' imply, in the context of Mr. Keesing?

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It means that he

- a) celebrated his ability to make Anne write the essay.
- b) ridiculed Anne in front of the whole class.
- c) pulled up Anne for her arguments in the essay.
- d) realised the humour in it and was amused.

ii. Why do you think Mr Keesing chose the title - 'An Incurable Chatterbox' - for Anne, to write on?

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iii. How did Anne feel when she was punished the third time by Mr Keesing?

2

iv. Based on this extract, pick the option with the list of words that best describe Mr Keesing.

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- a) jovial and creative b) strict and innovative c) tolerant and strict d) innovative and jovial

Or

B. “Our elders are often heard reminiscing nostalgically about those good old Portuguese days, the Portuguese and their famous loaves of bread. Those eaters might have vanished but the makers are still there. We still have amongst us the mixers, the molders and those who bake the loaves. Those age-old, time-tested furnaces still exist. The fire in these furnaces has not yet been extinguished. The thud and jingle of traditional baker’s bamboo, heralding his arrival in the morning, can still be heard in some places. ”

i. Those eaters might have vanished but the makers are still there.

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Pick the option that expresses the tone of the narrator.

- 1) elated 2) morose 3) nostalgic 4) hopeful 5) sarcastic 6) critical 7) celebratory

- a) 1 and 7 b) 2 and 6 c) 3 and 4 d) 4 and 5

ii. Pick the idiom that brings out the same meaning of ‘reminiscing’ as used in the passage

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- a) train of thought.
c) a trip down memory lane.
- b) commit something to memory.
d) jog somebody's memory.

iii. Why did the baker come in with 'a thud and a jingle'?

2

- a) He wanted to make everyone alert and active with his presence.
b) He wanted to wake up everyone from their slumber and ask them to visit the bakery.
c) He was used to making a loud noise as most people responded to just that.
d) He wanted to make people aware that he had come around to sell his goodies.

iv. The 'fire in the furnaces has not yet been extinguished' implies that

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- a) the furnaces are still being used to bake the loaves of bread.
- b) The fire is in the process of being reviewed as a replaceable method for heating furnaces.
- c) The furnaces are very strong and cannot be shifted for use in other areas.
- d) The fire in the furnaces takes a long time to cease burning, once lighted.

7. Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given.

5

A. An ultimate shaking grief fixes the boy
As he stands rigid, trembling, staring down
All his young days into the harbour where His
ball went. I would not intrude on him; A dime,
another ball, is worthless. Now
He senses first responsibility In a
world of possessions.

i Complete the sentence appropriately.

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The mood of the boy in the extract is _____.

- ii What literary device has been used by the usage of 'ball' in the poem? 1
 iii Which ultimate grief has fixed the boy? 1
 iv A ball is an easily available, inexpensive thing. Then, why is the boy so sad to lose it? 2
 Answer in about 40 words.

Or

B. He should be lurking in shadow,
 Sliding through long grass
 Near the water hole Where
 plump deer pass.

- i. According to the extract, the poet wishes for the tiger to be 'sliding' through the foliage as this would 1
 (a) assist in keeping the prey unsuspecting of the predator's sound.
 (b) aid in camouflaging the presence of the predator before it rushes in.
 (c) help the predator pounce on the prey comfortably without getting tired.
 (d) support the predator's vision as it eyes its prey.

ii. What would the tiger do in the forest? Answer in about 40 words. 2

iii. 'Shadow' here, refers to the shadow of _____. 1

iv. It is clear that metaphor is the poetic device used for 'pads of velvet'. Give evidence. 1

8. Answer ANY FOUR of the following five questions, in about 40-50 words. 4 * 3 = 12

i What brought a sudden change in the poet of 'Dust of Snow'? 3

ii What is the greatest wealth of a country according to Nelson Mandela? 3

(Nelson Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom)

iii. Describe the dreadful appearance of the pirate? 3

(The Tale of Custard the Dragon)

iv. What were Lencho's feelings when he found the letter with money in it? What did he do after opening the letter? 3

(A Letter to God)

v. How did Chubukov react when Lomov told him that he had come to propose to his daughter, Natalya? 3

(The Proposal)

9. Answer ANY TWO of the following three questions, in about 40-50 words. 2 * 3 = 6

i. How did Bholi's teacher play an important role in changing the course of her life? 3

(Bholi)

ii. What did Griffin, the scientist, do to escape after setting the fire to his landlord's house? 3

(Footprints Without Feet)

iii. Why does Mrs. Pumphrey think the dog's recovery is "a triumph of surgery"? 3

(A Triumph of Surgery)

10. Answer ANY ONE of the following two questions, in about 100-120 words. 1 * 6 = 6

A. The narrator shares, "Baking was indeed a profitable profession in the old days."

a) What do you feel has changed now? Why?

b) State any one way, you feel, the paders can regain their lost glory.

(Glimpses of India)

Or

B. Would you agree that the poet has an in-depth knowledge of the wild? Support the statement in context of the poem "How to Tell Wild Animals". (How to Tell Wild Animals)

11. Answer ANY ONE of the following two questions, in about 100-120 words. 1 * 6 = 6

A. Looking back at the story, when do you think Ausable thought up his plan for getting rid of Max? Do you think he had worked out his plan in detail right from the beginning? Or did he make up a plan taking advantage of events as they happened? (The Midnight Visitor)

Or

B. Did Griffin from Footprints without Feet follow the saying 'with great power comes great responsibility'? Justify your answer in 120 words. (Footprints without Feet)