English Language & Literature Class 9 Syllabus

Section-wise Weightage

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| **Section** | **Topic** | **Marks** |
| A | Reading Skills | 20 |
| B | Writing Skills with Grammar | 30 |
| C | Literature Textbooks and Extended Reading Text | 30 |
|  | **Total** | **80** |

The annual examination will be of 80 marks, with a duration of three hours.

Section A: Reading

This section will have two reading passages.

**Q.1:** A Factual passage 300-350 words with eight very Short Answer type Questions. [8 marks]

**Q.2:** A Discursive passage of 350-400 words with four Short Answer type Questions to test inference, evaluation and analysis with four Very Short Answer Questions to test vocabulary. [12 marks]

Section B: Writing and Grammar

**Q.3:** Writing a diary/article in about 100-120 words based on visual or verbal cue/s. The questions will be thematically based on the prescribed books. [8 marks]

**Q.4:** Writing a short story based on a given outline or cue/s in about 200- 50 words. [12 marks]

The **Grammar** syllabus will include the following areas in class IX:

1. Tenses
2. Modals (have to/had to, must, should, need, ought to and their negative forms)
3. Use of passive voice
4. Subject – verb concord
5. Reporting
   * (i) Commands and requests
   * (ii) Statements
   * (iii) Questions
6. Clauses:
   * (i) Noun clauses
   * (ii) Adverb clauses of condition and time
   * (iii) Relative clauses
7. Determiners
8. Prepositions

The above items may be tested through test types as given below:

**Q.5:** Gap filling with one or two words to test Prepositions, Articles, Conjunctions and Tenses. [3 marks]

**Q.6:** Editing or Omission [4 marks]

**Q.7:** Sentences reordering or Sentence Transformation in context. [3 marks]

Section C: Literature Textbooks

**Q.8:** One out of two extracts from prose/poetry/play for reference to the context. Four Very Short Answer Questions: two questions of one mark each on global comprehension and two questions of one mark each on interpretation. [4 marks]

**Q.9:** Four Short Answer Type Questions from BEEHIVE AND MOMENTS to test local and global comprehension of theme and ideas (30-40 words each) [2×4=8 Marks]

**Q.10:** One out two long answer type questions to assess how the values inherent in the texts have been brought out (BEEHIVE & MOMENTS). Creativity, imagination and extrapolation beyond the text and across the texts will be assessed. (100-120 words) [8 marks]

**Q.11:** One out of two Very Long Answer Questions on theme or plot involving interpretation and inference and character sketch in about 150-200 words based on prescribed extended reading text. [10 Marks]

Prescribed Books

**Published by NCERT**

* BEEHIVE - Textbook for Class IX
* MOMENTS - Supplementary Reader for Class IX

**Extended Reading Texts (either one)**

* Gulliver’s Travels (unabridged) by Jonathan Swift
* Three Men in a Boat (unabridged) by Jerome. K. Jerome