

Prelim Exam
Subject : Compulsory English
Time: 3 Hours Class XII Total Marks: 80

SECTION –I : Prose

(Reading for comprehension, language Study, Summary, Mind mapping) [16 Marks]

Q.1 A. Read the extract and complete the activities given below:

[12 Marks]

A few days after, my most sensitive toe was trampled on rather heavily as I sat reading on the top of a bus. I looked up with some anger and more agony, and saw my friend of the cheerful countenance. "Sorry, sir," he said. "I know these are heavy boots. Got' em because my own feet get trod on so much, and now I'm treading on other people's. Hope I didn't hurt you, sir." He had hurt me but he was so nice about it that I assured him he hadn't. After this I began to observe him whenever I boarded his bus, and found a curious pleasure in the constant good-nature of his bearing. He seemed to have an inexhaustible fund of patience and a gift for making his passengers comfortable. I noticed that if it was raining he would run up the stairs to give someone the tip that there was "room inside". With old people he was as considerate as a son, and with children as solicitous as a father.

He had evidently a peculiarly warm place in his heart for young people, and always indulged in some merry jest with them. If he had a blind man on board it was not enough to set him down safely on the pavement. He would call to Bill in front to wait while he took him across the road or round the corner, or otherwise safely on his way. In short, I found that he irradiated such an atmosphere of good-temper and kindness that a journey with him was a lesson in natural courtesy and good manners.

What struck me particularly was the ease with which he got through his work. If bad manners are infectious, so also are good manners.

A1) Match the column:

(02)

According to the passage the bus conductor used to help a needy person in difficulties. Group A indicates type of the person and group B indicates behavior of bus conductor. Match column with group A and B.

A

B

1. with Person in rain
2. with old people
3. with children
4. with young people

- a) solicitous as a father
- b) suggest the room
- c) indulged in some merry jest
- d) behave as a son

A2) Describe: (02)

Describe the humble reaction of the bus conductor when he trampled the toe of writers.

A3) Analysis: (02)

Explain the given statement with the help of extract.

‘A journey with him was a lesson in natural courtesy and good manners.’

A4) Personal Response: (02)

Give your opinion on the given statement with the help of any incident in your life.

By using Sweet words one can overcome the many problems.

A5) Language study: (02)

i) These are heavy boots.

(Choose the correct alternative which shows the correct transformation of given sentence into exclamatory sentence.)

- a) How heavy boots these are!
- b) What a heavy boots these are!
- c) These are a very heavy boots!

ii) If bad manners are infectious, so also are good manners.

(Select the alternative indicating the correct use of ‘Not only--- but also.’)

- a) If bad manners are not only infectious but also are good manners.
- b) Not only bad manners are infectious so also are good manners.
- c) Not only bad manners but also good manners are infectious.

A6) Vocabulary : (02)

Replace the underlined words with its synonym given in bracket.

(Unlimited, Appearance, Spread, Caring.)

- a) Saw my friend of the cheerful countenance.
- b) He seemed to have an inexhaustible fund of patience.
- c) With children as solicitous as a father.
- d) He irradiated such an atmosphere of good temper and kindliness.

B) Language study (Non- textual Grammar)**[04 Marks]****B1) Do as directed / Transformation of sentence****(03)**

i) His father is Teacher but he wants to be Engineer. (Fill the blank with suitable articles if necessary.)

ii) While driving a car Highway, one should alert..... other vehicles.(Use appropriate preposition in blank.)

iii) He had had a dinner. (Convert the given sentence into simple present tense.)

B2) Spot the error**(01)**

Success can be achieve with hard work only.

Q.2.A. Read the extract and complete the activities given below:**[18 Marks]**

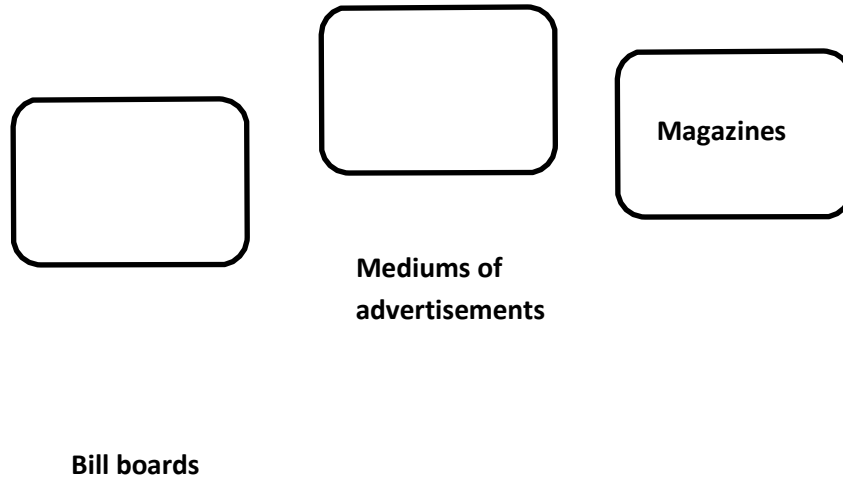
Today, the craze of advertisement of manufactured goods is on the increase. The art of advertisement is, in fact, a modern development. It has revolutionized the modern trade. Modern life is highly complex and mechanical. People have no time to go into the soul of things. They want to buy largely advertised goods. The manufacturer, in his turn, wants to popularize his goods before these are manufactured. Such is the craze for advertised goods.

We are living in the age of advertisement. No wonder, one sees shining and multi-colored bill-boards hung on poles displaying goods advertised. The city walls are found lettered with eye-catching advertisements of products that are manufactured today. There is a spate of magazines and journals which spare pages for latest variety of goods manufactured. Radio and Television are humming with advertisements of new products. In fact, many a time, one gets sick of these advertisements repeated hundreds of times on the radio or TV screen.

There are various methods of advertisement. The most popular and useful method is to send advertisements in newspapers and magazines. Television is no less powerful a medium for advertising goods. There is always a great demand for advertisement space of footage and much money flows to the advertising medial. In certain cases the advertisement cost runs into thousands of rupees for products advertised. Advertisements are sometimes so scientifically and intelligently planned that they change the entire psychology of the consumers. Rapid telecast of advertisement makes psychological attachment with product. Consumer tries to connect the relation of products with his needs and stands firmly to get the product. Advertisements thus hold the sway and no manufacturer can do without it. A thing may not have an intrinsic value but it must be well advertised. We live in a glamorous world of advertisement.

A1) Complete the web diagram:

(02)



A2) Find out the reason:

(02)

In modern age people want to buy largely advertised goods.

Because: 1.....

2.....

A3) Explain:

(02)

Explain the psychological impact of advertisement on consumers.

A4) Personal Response:

(02)

Suggest any four benefits of advertisement according to you.

A5) Language study

(02)

i) Advertisements are sometimes so scientifically and intelligently planned that they change the entire psychology of the consumers. (Choose the correct transformation of given sentence into simple sentence from given alternatives.)

- a) Advertisements are sometimes so scientifically and intelligently planned so that they change the entire psychology of the consumers.
- b) Advertisements are sometimes so scientifically and intelligently planned and they change the entire psychology of the consumers.
- c) Advertisements are sometimes scientifically and intelligently planned to change the entire psychology of the consumers.

ii) Radio and Television are humming with advertisements of new products. (Choose the correct form of passive voice for the above sentence from given alternatives.)

Choose the correct alternative for given instruction.

- a) Radio and Television are being hummed with advertisements of new products.
- b) Advertisements of new products were hummed by Radio and Television.
- c) Advertisements of new products are being hummed by Radio and Television.

A6) Vocabulary:**(02)**

Match the column A with group B to match the antonym of the words.

A	B
i) Modern	a) Useless
ii) Complex	b) Shortly
iii) Useful	c) Ancient
iv) Largely	d) Lucid

B) Summary Writing:**(03)**

Write the summary of the above extract with a suitable title with the help of given points/ hints.

Advertisement and modern trade----- manufacturer popularize his things-----various methods of advertisement----- cost ----- attracts the customers-----value of advertisement.

C) Mind Mapping:**(03)**

Using the provided activities in bracket, complete the web diagram to show what to do and what not to do while using vehicle.

(use helmet, stop at red signal, overtake in market area, watch on your speed, drink and drive, neglect the symbol of road, use reflectors and mirrors, increase your speed on speed breaker, decrease the speed at zebra crossing, use mobile while driving, use dipper light at night, cross the speed limit.)

Do

Don't

While
Driving
vehicle

SECTION II – POETRY
(POETRY AND APPRECIATION)

Q.3.A. Read the extract and complete the activities given below:

[10 Marks]

Much have I thought of life, and seen
How poor men's hearts are ever light;
And how their wives do hum like bees
About their work from morn till night.

So, when I hear these poor ones laugh,
And see the rich ones coldly frown
Poor men, think I, need not go up
So much as rich men should come down.

When I had money, money, O!
My many friends proved all untrue;
But now I have no money, O!
My friends are real, though very few.

A1) True or False:

(02)

State whether the given sentences true or false according to theme of given extract.

- a) Poet, when he was rich had many true friends.
- b) Poor man is happy with their earning.
- c) Rich person celebrate the happiness with bottom of heart.
- d) In poverty, poet gained true friends.

A2) Give Description:

(02)

Describe the life of poor man depicted in the given extract.

A3) Personal Response:

(02)

'Real happiness is connected with satisfaction, not with money.'

Justify the given sentence in your words with proper example.

A4) Poetic Device:

(02)

Find out the rhyming pairs of given extract and frame the rhyme scheme of first stanza.

A5) Poetic Creativity :

(02)

Complete the blank lines to frame a poem of four lines describing happiness of life.

Real happiness dwells in mind,
.....one can find.
Money can't give us true happiness,
..... message of kindness.

B. APPRECIATION:**(04)**

Read the extract and write as per the instruction.

His eye was on the Inchcape float;
Quoth he, "My men, put out the boat,
And row me to the Inchcape Rock,
And I'll plague the Abbot of Aberbrothok'.

The boat is lower'd, the boatmen row,
And to the Inchcape Rock they go;
Sir Ralph bent over from the boat,
And he cut the Bell from the Inchcape float.

Down sunk the bell with a gurgling sound.
The bubbles rose and burst around;
Quoth Sir Ralph, 'The next who comes to the Rock
Won't bless the Abbot of Aberbrothok.'

Write a poetic appreciation of above extract with the help of given points.

1. Theme of poem
2. Language/poetic devices used in poem.
3. Message or moral in poem.
4. Your opinion about the poem.

SECTION - III**(WRITING SKILLS)**

Q.4 Complete the activities as per the instruction given below:

[16 Marks]**A. Attempt any one****(01.) Drafting virtual message:****(04 Marks)**

Read the following conversation between Aarti and Sanjana's father.

Aarti: Hello, I am Aarti. May I talk with sanjana.

Sanjana's Father : Hi, I am Sanjana's father. Sanjana went to market with her mother.
Do you have any message for her.

Aarti: Yes Uncle, Borkar sir has decided to take an extra class of English subject on this Sunday. Class timing is mor. 8.00 to 10.00. He told us to carry the note book of writing skill. He also said that he would take a test of 20marks on taught portion. Will you convey this message to Sanjana.

Sanjana's Father: Sure Aarti, I will do this. Is any more suggestions from your teacher?

Aarti: No Uncle but tell her to complete the home work. Sir decided to check it.

Sanjana's Father: Yes, I will take care of your suggestion.

Aarti: Thank you Uncle.

Now suppose Sanjana's father wants to go office immediately. So he decided to draft a message for Sanjana. Draft a virtual message in 50 words with the help of above conversion for Sanjana.

OR

(02.) Statement of purpose.

(04 Marks)

Read the personal details given below and prepare a suitable Statement of Purpose.

Dr. Ambedkar University, Aurangabad is one of the leading University for competitive exam study. You have passed your H.S.C exam recently and now you want to take an admission in this university to seek the competitive exam. You are well in faculty of arts, you are aware about current affairs and government policies. To crack the competitive exam with leading numbers is your dream. Reading and taking part in discussion on various topics regarding government policies is your hobby. Now you want to pursue your goal by taking an admission in this university. You get along well with people.

OR

(03.) Group discussion:

(04 Marks)

After a long break due to Covid-19, schools and colleges are opened. Suppose your friends are discussing the matter on school opening and precautions to take against covid -19. Compose the group discussion in 8 to 10 statements with the hints given below.

Hints:

- School is opened after long break.
- Everyone should keep social distancing.
- Students must keep sanitizer and mask.
- Uniform should not compulsory.
- Students should take individual desk and bench.

B. Attempt any one

(01.) Email:

(04 Marks)

You are the student of JJC college, you want to fill the scholarship form to get concession in educational fees. Due to unhealthiness you were unable to submit the form now it is the last chance to submit it. Prepare an email to the principal of your college to get Bonafide Certificate for filling scholarship form. Use the following template to prepare an Email.

Compose	From: amolpalekar@abc.com
Inbox	To: principaljjc@xyz.com
Sent	Subject:.....
Draft	

OR

(02.) Report writing:

(04 Marks)

Compose a news report on blood donation camp arranged recently in your college with the help of following headline and hints.

Blood donation camp is organized: 60 Donators participated

- Blood donation camp on 26th jan.
- Blood collection team from Nagpur medical college is invited.
- Chief Doctor of medical college has explained the importance of Blood Donation.
- 50 students and 10 teaching – non teaching staff have donated blood.
- Principal of your college was very thankful to the donator and team.

OR

(03.)Interview Question:

(04 Marks)

From your village, a teacher from Zilla Parishad school, has been awarded with a global teacher award. Suppose you have given a chance to take the interview of him. Prepare a set of 8 to 10 interview questions which can be asked to the global award winner teacher. Use the following points.

- Teaching methods.
- Innovative ideas in teaching field.
- Responses of students.
- Dedication and nature of award.
- Inspiring message to the students and teachers.

C. Attempt any one

(01.)Speech:

(04 Marks)

Your college has arranged the speech completion on 'Online education and its importance'. You are a representative of your class and you decided to take participation in speech competition. Prepare a speech to deliver in your college. Take the help of following hints.

- Salutation to the guest and teachers.
- Being online is a need of present age.
- Online education is completely new way of education.
- Benefits of online education.
- Precautions to take while being online.
- Thanking notes to the organizer of program.

OR

(02.) Compering:

(04 Marks)

Imagine that you are appended to compare the program of Inaugural function of Annual Day in your college. Prepare a script for the program as a compare in 100 words with the help of points given below.

- Introduction of program.
- Welcome of Guest.
- Inauguration ceremony of Annual -Day function by chief guest.
- Speech of Principal and chief guest.
- Vote of thank.

OR

(03.) Expansion of ideas:

(04 Marks)

Expand the given idea with the help of points given below.

“Clothes mean nothing until someone lives in them.”

- Clothes a first impression of man.
- People are judged by clothes.
- Behavior must be generous according clothes.
- Value of people should be evaluated by behavior and attitude.

D. Attempt any one

(01.) Review:

(04 Marks)

Write a review of a film you have seen recently by taking the help of following points.

- Title of movie.
- Main character and supporting characters.
- Theme / story of movie.
- Turning point of movie.
- Favorite Songs and actions.
- Why did you like / dislike the movie.

OR

(02.) Blog:

(04 Marks)

Write a blog in a proper format on ‘Tree Plantation: A need to live’ in 100 words by taking the help of following guidelines.

- Man becomes selfish with nature.
- Tree plantation a need of Industrial Age
- People duty against nature.
- Need of such program in large scale.

OR

(03.) Appeal Writing:

(04 Marks)

Prepare an appeal for the general awareness about the problems and acute Economical condition of farmers of India. Write an appeal of 100 words with the help of following points.

- Give persuasive title.
- Appeal the people to be generous with farmers.
- Condition of farmers due to drought and government policies.
- Rally organized for donation.
- Use some appealing words.

SECTION- IV
(LITERARY GENRE - NOVEL)

[16 Marks]

Q.5 (A) Complete the activities given below as per the instructions:

(04 Marks)

1. Complete the table by choosing correct alternatives from given bracket.

(02)

(First Indian novel, Don Quixote, Tale of Genji, Frankenstein.)

World's first novel	First novel based on science	European novel
.....	Rajmohan's wife

2. state whether given statements true or false.

(02)

- a) Story or course of events in novel is known as theme of the novel.
- b) Readers follow the action of main character in novel is called 'Protagonist'.
- c) Realistic novel is based on the life history of the writer.
- d) Word Picaresque is originated from Spanish word 'Picaro' which means a picture.

(B) Answer in about 50 words to the questions given below:

(04 Marks)

1. Explain:

(02)

Explain the purpose of organizing the half yearly report program of student council.

2. Illustrate:

(02)

Illustrate the relationship between teacher and students highlighted in novel 'to sir with love'.

(C) Answer in about 50 words to the questions given below:

(04 Marks)

1. Explain:

(02)

Describe the Pileas Foss as a protagonist character of novel 'around the world in eighty days.'

2. Justify:

(02)

'Time is fickle, no one can control the time'. Justify the given statement as one of the theme of novel around the world in eighty days.

(D) Answer in about 50 words to the questions given below:

(04 Marks)

1. Describe:

(02)

Describe in brief the significance of the place of London and Agra.

2. Narrate:

(02)

Narrate the meeting of Miss Morstan with Holmes in sigh of four.