High School Examination 2012-13
Class-X
Subject: General English

Time: 3 Hrs.                        M.M. 100

Instructions:
1) All questions are compulsory.
2) Read the questions carefully and answer them.
3) Marks of each question are indicated against it.

SECTION-A
1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the question given at the end-

Napoleon Bonaparte was mighty emperor of France. He was a very bold General. He used to say, "Thy word impossible in to be found in the dictionary of the foods." When his army reported that Alps stood in their way, he asked his subordinates to order the Alps get away from their way; otherwise they would trample over their head. But he made a blunder in his life. Once he ordered his army to march into Russia when it was the coldest weather there. The Russian burnt their can and carried off their cattle. They even set fire to the city of Moscow. Thus, the Russian left nothing which the French soldiers could eat. They could not get any refuge to stay in the chilly weather. Consequently, five hundred thousand French soldiers were half starved. Though they fell ill, Napoleon stayed there through out the autumn. Thus Napoleon's blunder caused deaths to thousand of his soldiers and disgraceful defeat at the hands of the Russian.
Questions -
A) Napoleon's blunder was- 1
   i) to order to march into Russia  
   ii) to enter the city of Moscow.  
   iii) to stay throughout the chilly weather. 
B) What stood in his way? 1  
   i) France 
   ii) Alps 
   iii) Moscow 
C) What kind of General was Napoleon? 1 
D) What did the Russian do? 1 
E) What happened to Napoleon’s army to last? 1 
2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the question given at the end-
Milk is the best food. It has in it water, sugar, fat, vitamins and proteins. People get milk from different animals. In England, Newzeland and many other cool lands, there are cows, In hot, dry countries like Arabia and the middle of Asia there are camels. In India there are buffaloes as well as cows. In many places there are goats. The Eskimos have herds of reindeers. They live in the very cold countries of North America. People keep all these animals and get lots of milk from milk they can make butter and cheese. It is essential that the milk we use should be pure and germ-free. Impure milk does move harm than good to the human body.

Questions:
A) Find out a word from the passage which is opposite in meaning in meaning of 'Pure'
B) We find camels in
i) Cool lands
ii) hot, Dry Countries
C) Why is milk called the best food ?
D) Why should we use pure milk ?
E) What do we make from milk ?

3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given at the end.

The famous Taj of Agra stands on the right bank of the river Yamuna. It is one of the most splendid buildings of the world ; It was build by Shahjahan ............... Emperor of India in the memory of his beloved wife Mumtaj Mahal, Built of pure white marble. It took about Twenty Thousands work men and twenty long years to complete in front of the Taj Mahal can be seen Mountains with straight paths on Either side tall dark cypress trees, smooth lawns and planned beds of flowers. In the light of the full moon it looks like a building of pearls as a ...............silver with its marble done lying with the blue sky. It is no wonder that 18 considered to be one of the seven wonder of the world.

Questions -
A) Find out the words from the passage opposite to 2
   (i) Left (ii) Short
B) Where was the Taj stand ?
C) Who built it ?
D) In whose memory was it built.
SECTION -B- (WRITING)

4. You are Irfan studying in Excellence School Lakhan on Seoni. Write an application to your principal requesting him to issue you a character certificate.

OR

You are Arti, Seema is your friend write a letter to your friend inviting her to attend your sister marriage ceremony.

5. Read the following passage carefully and do as instructor in (A) and (B) below the passage -

Neem was always a miracle tree. But new findings attributing even more miraculous. Properties rapping up with amazing frequency. The humble Neem could very well emerge as the solution to lowest attacks and exploding population graphs as well as providing cheap over the counter whether a herbal medicines toiletries Pharma canticles or as an environmentally soft natural pesticides need has evoked world wide interest. So much so that as on April 1995 there were 53 patents on neem related product field world wide of these. India holds just three the sudden interest in neem relate issue in India can be attribute a to controversial patent granted to WR Crea V.S. comparing in 1992 for a process it developed which preserves Azodirathyin the primary active Chemical produced by Neem.

A) Make rates on the above passage and provide a title also. 3

B) Prepare the summary of the about passage. 3

6. On the basis of the following questions, develop your answer into a paragraph.

i) Have you ever been to a hill station?

ii) How did you prepare for your journey?
iii) What was the rout and mode of transport to reach the place you visited?

iv) How was your journey? Describe it.

v) Mention some specific spots you visited and describe them.

vi) Where did you halt?

vii) Where did you like most?

viii) How long did you stay there? What were your feeling at departure?

ix) Do you think the visit was useful? Why?

x) Can you suggest some more places which you want to visit.

OR

Write an essay on any one of the following topics -

A) Wonders of Science

B) A Cricket Match

C) Any Great Leader

D) An Indian Festival

E) My Hobby

SECTION-C-

7.A) Fill in the blanks using the correct form of verbs. 2

i) It was dark, so I ________ a torch with me.

(take / took)

ii) The boy was very hungry, so he ________ his lunch.

(had / have)

B) Rearrange the words to form meaningful sentences- 2
i) east /in/the/sun/the/rises

ii) goes/Rajesh/school/to/bus/by

C) Fill in the blanks choosing the correct words-

i) It's the Independence Day tomorrow. Everyone of you ____
be here at 7 a.m. sharp.

   (must/might)

ii) The student said, "Sir, ________ I drink some water, please ?

   (can/may)

iii) He was absent _____ he was sick.

   (since / because)

iv) He promised ___________ the money soon.

   (returning / to return)

v) Mohan met his friend ______ he was on a holiday.

   (during / while)

vi) You should avoid ___________ mistakes.

   (making / to make)

8. Do as directed (any five) -

i) I reached the station a 8.15 a.m. the train left at 8.00 a.m.

   (Combine the two sentences into past perfect tense)

ii) What have you been looking for ? We have got it.

   (combine the sentences using connection 'what')

iii) Meena was reading.

   (Make negative sentence)

iv) You are my friend.

   (make interrogative sentence)

v) If you keep calm take your time and concentrate you'll pass.

   (correct the sentence using 'punctuation' and 'capitalization')
vi) Don't try to full me. (correct the sentence)

vii) He is very weak. He cannot walk. (combine the sentence using 'so.............. that')

9. Translate the following sentences into English
i) सूर्य पूर्व में उदय होता है।
ii) राम स्कूल गया।
iii) आज बस्साह होगी।
iv) ट्रेन आने से पहले में स्टेशन पहुंच गया था।
v) आज सोमबार है।
vi) क्या राम सो रहा है।
vii) वह आज नहीं आयेगा।

SECTION-D-

10. Read the following extract and answer the questions given at the end-
A) We live in a big house which we call our native country. We have each of us been given some one rupee, some to rupees, some three rupees, some four. These rupees are hot rupees with which we buy things. But they are different powers we have been given. Each of us has powers of body, powers of mind and power of character. Each of us has strength, time and intelligence, which can be used. As we leave the school and go out into the world we are tested as to how we are going to use these talents which we possess.

Questions -
i) In which big house to we live ?
   a) Our city/ town
   b) Our province
   c) Our country

ii) What are the rupees given to us?
a) Our wisdom  
b) Our power  
c) Our strength  

iii) Find out a word from the passage that means 'the country of your birth'.  

iv) How will we be treated in the world?  

B) Mamta had been studying in a small school in the nearly town till then. As her parents could not afford to send her to any of the public school in the city. It was only because of the scholarship that she won from a trust that is had been possible for her to join this reputed convent school. Being away from home in a hostel she yearned for some friends, most of the girls in the school came from rich families. They treated her as an un-welcomed guest who was too low in status by their standards.  

i) From which lesson has this extract been taken?  
a) The new player in the team.  
b) Power of Determination  
c) One stop Ahead  
d) Opportunity for youth  

ii) Mamta could not join any public school because-  
a) She was weak studies.  
b) Her father could not afford to send her.  
c) She could not get scholarship.  
d) Her mother refused to send her.  

iii) Find out a word from the passage that means 'Desire'.  

iv) Why did the girl's in school avoid her company?  

11. What did Mahatma Gandhi and Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru say on death of Bhagat Singh?
12. Describe the qualities of Maharana Pratap.  

13. Read the following extract carefully and answer the question given at the end-

Books 't is a dull and endless strife;
Come, hear the wood land linnet,
How sweet his music! On my life,
There's more wisdom in it.

Questions -

A) Linnet is a -
   i) bird
   ii) musical instrument.

B) Which is called a dull and endless strife?

17. Explain 'Prevention is better than cure'.

18. What do we need for our highways?

19. Who was Alfred Nobel?

20. What happened to the bee, that went to the tank?
OR
Who founded the Red Cross Society and when?

21. How can we make our students academically and physically sound?

OR
Why is good health needed?
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Model Answer

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SECTION-A

1. A) to order to much into Russia.  1
    B) Alps  1
    C) Napoleon was a earless General. He was not afraid of obstacles.  1
    D) The Russians burnt their coin and carried off their cattle.  1
    E) At last Napoleon’s army received a disgraceful defeat at the hands of Russian.  1

2 A) Impure  1
    B) hot, dry countries.  1
    C) Milk is the best food because it has water, sugar, fat, vitamins and proteins.  1
    D) Pure milk is good to the human body.  1
    E) We make butter and cheese from milk.  1

3 A) i) Right  1
    ii) Long  1
    B) The Taj stands on the right bank of the river Yamuna, is Agra.  1
    C) Shahjahan built it.  1
    D) It was built in the memory of his beloved wife Mumtaj Mahal.  1
SECTION -B

4. Application writing - marking scheme-

To
The Principal
Excellence School
Lakhnadon, Seoni
Subject - To issue Character Certificate
Salutation- Respected Sir/Madam,
Body of Application
Your's obediently /Your obedient student
Irfan

OR

Address of the sender
Salutation - Dear Seema,
Body of the letter
Your friendly / Your loving friend
Arti

5. A) Title - Neem

Note:-

i) A miracle tree

ii) The humble Neem as the solution to locust & exploding population graph

iii) An environmentally soft ...... pesticide need evoked worldwide interest

iv) 53 patents on Neem on April 1995 India hold three

v) Sudden interest in Neem and Neem related issues in India attributed to a controversial patent to W.R. Grace, a U.S. company in 1993

vi) A process preserves azadirathin produced by Neem
B) Summary -
Neem was always a miracle tree. The humble Neem could very well emerge as the solution to locust attacks and exploding population graph. On April 1995 there were 53 patents on Neem related product field would wide of these India holds just three. A controversial patent granted to W.R. Grace in 1992, developed a process preserving azodira thyen, the primary active chemical produced by Neem

Content - 2
Accuracy and fluency - 1

6. Paragraph writing- marking scheme
i) Introduction of the Topic 1
ii) Content -
   a) Accuracy 2
   b) Language style 2
   c) Fluency 1
   d) Presentation 1
iii) Conclusion 1

Model Answer - Visit to a Hill Station
I went to Simla in last winters with my family. First of all, we bought a tour package from a tour operator. Then we purchased some necessary articles that were supposed to be carried on to the journey. We traveled by a train from Gwalior to Delhi. After that, we took a taxi and reached Simla. We went to Kufri which in nearly 10-15 Km. away from Simla. In Kufri the road and trees were covered with snow. We saw the Kalimata temple, Mall road, Guru Dwara, and few more places. The scene in Kufri was so
beautiful that I can't explain it in words. I like most the natural beauty of Simla. Everywhere there was greenery. The weather was so pleasant, that everything was looking beautiful. We stayed there for three nights and four days. We were very much excited to reach Simla and to play with snow. The visit was useful. We enjoyed a lot in the visit.

OR

An essay in about 200 words on any one of the given topics should be awarded marks according to its subject - matter.

i) Introduction 2

ii) Body with correct matter

iii) Conclusion 2

SECTION - C

7 A) Fill in the blanks -

i) took 1

ii) had 1

B) Re-arrange-

i) The Sun rises in the east. 1

ii) Rajesh goes to school by bus 1

C) Fill in the blanks-

i) must 1

ii) may 1

iii) because 1

iv) to return 1

v) while 1

vi) making 1

8. Do as directed (any five) 5

(One mark each for fine correct answer)

i) When I reached the station, the train had already left.
ii) We have got what you have been looking for.

iii) Meena was not/wasn't reading.

iv) Are you my friend?

v) If you keep calm, take your time and concentrate you'll pass.

vi) Don't try to fool me.

vii) He is so weak that he cannot walk.

9. Translation (any five)-

i) The Sun rises in the east.

ii) Ram went to school.

iii) It will rain today.

iv) I had reached the station before the train arrived.

v) It is Monday today.

vi) Is Ram sleeping?

vii) He will not came today.

SECTION-D

10. Answer-

A- i) our country

ii) our power

iii) Native country

iv) We are tested as to how we are going to use these talents we passes.

B- i) The new player in the team.

ii) Her father could not afford to send her.

iii) Yearn
iv) The girls in the school avoided her company because they felt themselves superior.

11. On the death of Bhagat Singh, Mahatma Gandhi said "It has increased our power for winning freedom for which Bhagat Singh and his comrades died'. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru said, 'Their magnificent courage and sacrifice has been an inspiration to the youth of India'.

OR

Swami Shivananda told him to accept his destiny. He should surrender himself to the wish of God. He should stop thinking about what would happen.

12. Maharana Pratap was an emblem of struggle for his motherland. He was the pride of Rajputs in India. He was very brave and daring partial of the country. He was very respectful for the sacrifice of Bhamashah.

OR

Bhamashah gave a vast treasure of gold and a large army of brave swordsmen who were ready to face the enemy. Pratap Singh was in great need of this help. So he called him the 'Saviour of Mewar'.

13. A) bird 1
B) books 1
C) William Wordsworth 1

14. Anger is a bad thing. It snatches the charm of the face. The acts done in the state of anger are always repented. It causes great hewn. A person who wins anger is noble, brave and wise.

OR

According to the poet we should adopt truth fullness, noble modes of life with sweater manner, pures ways and good hopeful songs.
15. The problems of the poet end when he hears children at 
play. It is because their heats are full of happiness. They 
are care free and sweet hearted.

OR

The speaker wants lord to touch him once so that he night 
change evil into good, all his day into gold.


OR

Our meddling intellect misshapes the beauty of natural 
objects. We dissect them by our intellect and thus kill 
them.

17. It means it is better that we should try to avoid things that 
lead to the development of the cause of illness and tray to 
take preventions steps before we become ill and then try to 
get treatment after feeling ill. We should get rid of the 
causes that make us sick.

OR

The main goal of our education system is to enable a 
student physically fit and mentally sound. Sports activities 
should be given proper place. At the same time studies 
should not neglected.

18. We need a plantation plan for you high ways.

OR

The children are playing and shouting with joy on a 
shining day.

19. Alfred Noble was a Swedish chemist.

OR

The cat is carrying load and men.

20. The bee fill into the water and was almost drowned.
OR

Sir Henry Dunant founded the Red Cross Society in 1863.

21. By participating in sports and games we can make our students physically fit. They can be academically sound by paying proper attention to their studies.

OR

Good health needed to make work a pleasure.