High School Examination 2012-13

Class-X

Subject : Special 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-

India is primarily a land of villages. Hence, Gandhi ji laid a great stress on rural uplift, village economy and cottage industry. Village life has been changing rapidly since independence schools, hospitals and parks are springing up in villages. Villages are being electrified. They are being linked with cities and other villages with good roads. The village used to be superstitious and custom-ridden in the past. But T.V., newspapers and cinema have brought them in touch with modern world. The government has started several projects to provide employment to the villages. Their traditional crafts are being encouraged by giving them incentives. This will help in stopping the movement of the rural people to the cities. Life in an Indian village is natural, chaste and simple. Nature is around us. Social relations in our villages are sincere and polite. Life here moves on at slow but sure pace.
Questions:

a) India is primarily a land of:
   i) cities  ii) villages
   iii) snakes  iv) industries

b) Which things have brought a change?
   i) T.V.  ii) Newspaper
   iii) cinema  iv) All of them

c) The word 'custom-ridden' indicates towards:
   i) People who are dogmatic in approach
   ii) People who follow age long practices and rituals.
   iii) People who don't follow custom
   iv) None of them

d) Why did Gandhiji importance to villages?

e) What is our Government doing for the village uplift?

f) What major changes have taken place in villages after independence?

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

   Man is made up of many qualities, both good and bad, and among the latter in anger. The nature of every human being is such that anything that gives offence to his sentiments, goes against his principles, excites his anger. The evils which result from anger are many. Under its influence a man loses his power of reasoning and judgment. Not being able to retain control over himself when angry, he does not know what he is doing or saying. Under its influence a man puts off his balance and forgets his duty towards his superiors and may even go to the extent of saying things which are extremely insulting to them. When anger gets the better of man, he is capable of committing the worst crimes, and there is nothing to be surprised if under its evil influence, he commits murder.
Questions:

a) When does man's mental powers vanish?
   i) When he is in love
   ii) When he is angry
   iii) When he laugh
   iv) When he cries

b) What excites the anger in every human being?
   i) The thing that goes against his principles.
   ii) The thing that works according to his principles.
   iii) Feeling of affection.
   iv) Feeling of envy.

c) Give the meaning of the word 'worst'
   i) bad
   ii) more bad
   iii) most bad
   iv) All of them

d) Which of the following is the suitable title for the passage?
   i) Uses of Anger
   ii) Evils of Anger
   iii) Human Emotions
   iv) All of them

e) Why does an angry man forget his duty towards his superiors and start insulting them?

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

   Education in our country today has become entirely meaningless, even harmful. It is distressing to find that during all these sixty years of our independence we have been merely dabbling in schemes and projects, in new-fangled ideas mostly borrowed from the west; mere setting up commission after commission at the cost of lakhs of rupees and let the matter rest at that. That drive the initiative, the dynamic vision necessary for radical reforms in the sphere of education are lamentable conspicuous by
their absence. We have allowed matters to drift aimlessly, instead of settling down to grapple with momentous issues. The result has been disastrous. A lifeless, mechanical system of teaching in over crowded schools and colleges imposed by for from competent teachers on at students whose only interest is to get through the examinations, has been the bane of our education. We have completely forgotten the simply yet vital truth that the aim of education is first to build up character, in the widest sense, and them to import knowledge.

Questions :

a) The aim of education is - 1
   i) to enable a student to earn money.
   ii) to enable a student to be a socialist.
   iii) to enable a student to develop his mind properly.
   iv) to build up the character of the student.

b) What has become entirely meaningless? 1
   i) Teachers  ii) Students
   iii) Education  iv) Books

c) The vital truth is that the aim of education is first to build up character.
   (say 'true' or 'false')

d) Which of the following means 'sharp and revolutionary'__ 1
   i) radical   ii) disastrous
   iii) lifeless   iii) mechanical

e) What is distressing to find out? 2
f) From where do we borrow ideas? 2
g) What have we allowed? 2
h) What is the chief interest of the students? 2
i) What is the main aim of education? 2
SECTION - B

4. Write a short paragraph on 'How I spend My Evening' with the help of the words given:
Evening - the pleasant part - enjoy - different ways - friends come - talk - various issues - films - quite fresh - sit to study - go to bed - a good sleep.

OR

Write a short paragraph on "Effect of Music" with the help of the words given below:
Human mind - heart - soothing - courage - cheerfulness - cure - madness - wild animals - delight - incapable.

5. You are Suneel, the secretary of Red Cross Unit of your school. Your unit has decided to hold a Blood Donation camp which will inaugurated by the Education Minister of your state. Stating the purpose of the camp, write a notice in about 40 words, asking the fellow students to donate blood.

OR

Write a telegram to your relative, greeting him on the marriage of his daughter.

6. Read the following extract from an article in a magazine and then using your own ideas as well, write an article for your school magazine on the 'Evils of corruption in India'.
"Recently the game - fixing in cricket matches in exposed. It too is an ugly aspect of corruption in games and sports. There are changes of corruption against some senior politicians.'

OR

You are Rajkumar Pradhan. This year you visited Nainital. Write a letter to your friend telling him how you enjoyed your visit to a hill station.
7. Prepare a paragraph on the basis of the following flow chart.

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START

GO TO THE TRANSPORT OFFICE

GET THE APPLICATION FORM

FILL IN THE ENTRIES

GET IT VERIFIED

HAND OVER TO THE TRANSPORT AUTHORITY

DEPOSIT THE AMOUNT OF FARE

GET THE BUS PASS
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OR

Deforestation is in balancing the ecosystem. Write your views.
8. A) Fill in the blanks with the correct tense form of the verbs given in brackets:
   i) Our car ______ (give) a lot of trouble these days.
   ii) I ______ (do) my home work at seven O'clock this morning.
   iii) I ______ (see) this film already. I do not want to see it again.
   iv) The candidate's ______ (wait) to be called in since ten O'clock.

B) Fill in the blanks with correct modals:
   i) You ______ see the doctor.
   ii) She ______ speak English.
   iii) My friend ______ arrive at nine o'clock by the Bombay mail.
   iv) I ______ be seventeen next year.

C) Fill in the blanks choosing suitable words from the brackets:
   i) She knows ______ I mean. (what/that/this)
   ii) Nature has ______ own laws. (it/his/its)
   iii) The spoke to ______ . (she/he/himself)
   iv) Mind ______ own business. (my/your/their)

D) Fill in the blanks with appropriate sentence connectors:
   i) Ram ______ Mohan are friends.
   ii) The Sun is bigger ______ the Moon.
   iii) ______ you take rest, you will fall ill.
   iv) She is too poor ______ pay her fees.

E) Combine the following sentences:
   i) The Poem had slept on duty.
      He was tired.
   ii) He will fall ill.
      He eats too much
9. Do as directed : (any five) 5
   i) He said, "I lived many years in America".
      (Change into indirect)
   ii) Bombay is the biggest city in India.
      (Change into comparative degree)
   iii) Two thousand rupees are a good sum.
      (Correct the sentence)
   iv) I take coffee.
      (Change the voice)
   v) She saw me cross the road.
      (Rewrite the sentence using 'gerund')
   vi) We have taken tea.
      (Change into interrogative sentence)

   SECTION-D

10. Read the given extracts and answer the questions that follow:
   i) While I am lying on the grass
      Thy two fold shout I hear;
      From hill to hill it sees to pass
      At once far off and near.
      
      Questions :-
      i) a) Who is lying on the grass?
         i) Cuckoo ii) Poet
         iii) Parrot iv) Rabbit
      b) Name the poet of this poem.
         i) William Cowper ii) Rabindranath Tagore
         iii) Robert Frost iv) William Wordsworth
      c) What does the poet hear? What is he doing when he hears that?
ii) This little flute of a reed thou hart carried over hills and dales, and hart breathed through it melodies eternally new

a) Name the poem and the poem?

b) What does the poet mean by "this little flute of a reed"? Who carries it over hills and dales?

c) Find out the word form the extract that means 'valley'.

11. What was the significance of the last leaf in the life of Johnny?

OR

How did the happy Prince compensate his ignorance of his people's sufferings?

12. How did the mathematics teacher prove that he was more 'shrewd' than the former pupil?

OR

Narrate in your own words, how did Jean manage to get the pie from Marion.

13. 'A friend in need is a friend indeed'. How did sue prove that she was a friend indeed?

OR

Describe the problems faced by Gandhiji in Tolstoy Farm. How did the overcome them?
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SECTION-A

1. a) ii) villages 1
   b) iv) All of them 1
   c) iii) people who follow age long practices and rituals
   d) Gandhiji gave importance to villages because he wished for uplift men of village economy and cottage industry.
   e) Government has done a lot for village life. Hospitals and Parks are springing up. Villages are being electric field.
   f) After independence several projects have been started. Villages are linked with Cities. Roads are being built.

2) a) ii) When he is angry. 1
   b) i) The thing that goes against his principles. 1
   c) iii) most bad 1
   d) ii) Evils of anger 1
   e) An angry man forgets his duties towards his superiors and starts insulting then be cause under the influence of anger a man lore’s his power of reasoning and judgment.
f) The worst that a man can do is that he may commit the worst crimes, such as a murder.

3) a) iv) To build up the character of the students. 1
b) iii) Education 1
c) True

d) i) Radical

e) It is distressing to find that during all these sixty years of our independence we have been merely dabbling in schemes and projects.

f) Generally we borrow new fangled ideas from the west. 2
g) We have allowed matters the drift aimlessly instead of settling down to grapple with momentous issues.

h) The chief interest of the students now a days is to get through the examination any how.

i) The main aim of education is first to be build character, in the widest sense, and then to import knowledge.

SECTION-B

**How I spend my Evening**

4. Evenings are the most pleasant parts of the day. Everybody is free in the evening and wants to enjoy himself. I also enjoy my evening in different ways. Every evening some of my friends come we all sit in the garden and talk. We talk on all types of topics. We talk of our college, friends studies, politics and films these meeting are pleasant as well as useful. Some times we go to see films too we always go in a small group. I enjoy a film better with my friends.
After spending two to three hours together we all feel quite fresh. Then I go to my study room and study seriously until 11 O’clock. Then I go to bed and home a good sleep.

OR

Effect of Music

The effect of music upon the human mind and heart is great. Music has the power of soothing the oppressed heart and of in fusing courage and cheerfulness into it. So great is its power that under its influence even madness is found to be cured. Even wild and savage animals, to say nothing of human beings, cannot resist the charms of music. Tigers, deer and snake are particularly sensitive to music. The man who has ears for music and finds no delight in it, is capable of nothing.

Q.5 Notice

Donate Blood same a life the red cross unit of our school in holding a blood donation camp on 10th April on the occasion of silver jubilee celebrations of the school. The honorable education minister of Delhi will inaugurate the camp. All of you are requested to participate in this noble cause.

Suneel
(Secretary)
Red Cross Unit

OR

Receiver’s Name _____________
Receiver’s Address ____________
Congratulations And Blessing on your Daughter's Wedding
The evil of corruption is world wide. In India too, it is one of the most burning problems. No sphere of society is free from it. Because of this problem social institutions are weakened with the pollution of cartelism. A criminal becomes respectable to the people of his own caste inspire of his foul acts of rape or murder. Recently a list was published in a popular magazine, according to which no political party is free from criminals and history sheeters. Even the pious field of education is cast down with clouds of corruption corrupt teachers and students home defamed this noble profession.

Economic corruption is a curse to India. This has increased the ditch of rich and poor. Black money has changed the face of society. In fact, economic corruption is the root cause of all corruption. It results in moral and spiritual breakdown of people.

OR

32, Naya Bazar
Gwalior
July 27, 2012
My dear Rakesh,

I am glad to write that I had a chance to go to Nainital last week. We went by Car. My father and mother were with me. Nainital is a famous hill station. The journey up the hills was very interesting. But it was frightening to
see below. There are high mountain sand deep valleys all around. The are full of trees. Mountain sides also have huge trees. The peaks are covered with snow.

Nainital has a large lake we did boating in it, and enjoyed it very much. Nainital has several fashionable markets and hotels. There are many tourist sports near Nainital we visited than too. My visit to Nainital was memorable experience.

With love,
Yours Sincerely
Rajkumar

7. Getting Bus Pass made

Students are issued bus passes at concessional rates. For obtaining this concession pass they have to apply or prescribed forms, available from state Transport authority. The form is to be filled in by the student. The Principal of the school verifies that the applicant is bonafide student of the in situation. He attests he photograph too. After this the form is taken to pass issuing authority. The dealing clerk verifies the entries. The officer concerned counter signs. The due amount is deposited according to the route applied. After completion of formalities, the bus pass is handed over to the student.

OR

Do forestation for personal project has become a common practice. Big business men and business tycoons are purchasing and ceasing governmental property by unfair means. They are in the process of building their factories
and other multi story buildings for various purposes. For this they indulge in deforestation. The result of all this is that the ecological balance is disturbed. This disturbance in ecology produces abnormalities in human kingdom, animal kingdom, and plant kingdom. In fact, the industrial development is taking speed at the cost of ecological imbalance. It is high time for the development of some long term strategy. For this, protection of wild life and forest is necessary. Forests should be protected at any cost and should be declared nation property people should be encouraged to plant more trees. Those who are found in the activity of deforestation should be captivated under National Security Law. All the State Governments should work in complete collaboration with central Government in the protection of forests.

SECTION - C

8. A) i) is giving ½
   ii) did ½
   iii) have seen ½
   iv) have been waiting ½

B) i) should ½
   ii) can ½
   iii) will ½
   iv) shall ½

C) i) what ½
   ii) its ½
   iii) himself ½
iv) your
D) i) and
ii) than
iii) unless
iv) to

E) i) The peon had slept on duty because he was tired.
ii) He will fall ill if he eats too much.

9. i) He said that he had lived many years in America
ii) Bombay is bigger than any other city in India.
iii) Two thousand rupees is a good sum.
iv) Coffee is taken by me.
v) She saw me crossing the road.
vi) Have we taken tea.
vii) Importance sentence.

SECTION - D

10. i) a) Poet
b) William Words worth
   c) The poet hears the sound of the Cuckoo. He is lying on the grass when he hears the sound.

ii) a) The Poem is Gitanjali written by Rabindranath Tagore.
   b) "This little flute of a reed" stands for human body. God carries it over hills and dales.
   c) Dales

11. Johnry associated her life with the falling of the ivy creeper. She thought that she would die with the fall of the last leaf of the creeper. Its condition was turning form bad
to worse, thus, the last leaf was a question of the life and death. This leaf had psychological effect on her mind. At last when Johny was sleeping on unreal leaf was pointed on the wall by Behrman. When she awake she saw the leaf still there. She was happy and regained her confidence.

OR

The Prince lived happily in the palace till he met his death. He did not know what tears were because he lived in comfort. Gloomy, sorrow and worry were not allow to enter the palace. He never card to know what lay beyond the garden wall. He lived and died in pleasure and happiness.

He com pen sated his ignorance of his peoples suffering by crying at the right of ugliness and prevailing misery ass around him. He gave away precious stones carved into his precious stones carved into his sword and eyes and even gold leaves on his body to help the people until he become dull and grey. This was his remorse for his ignorance.

12. The mathematics teacher very tactfully proved him self to be more shrewd than the former pupil. His first question to Wasser Kopf was a simple one, but Wasser Kopf's answer was out of the way. The mathematics teacher showed his favour towards Wasser Kopf. He said that his claim for refund was correct. Then he asked him to calculate the amount of the refund correctly. Wasser Kopf did it with minute correctness. This answer proved that he was a mathematical genius.

OR

First of all jean went to Gaul tiers cake shop for alms but Marion, Gaul tier's wife told him that her husband was away hence. She could not give him alms. Soon he saw
Gaul tier going out to dine at Major's house. He asked his wife to send eel pie through a messenger. This messenger would come and kiss his hand. Jean prepared piers did the same and they managed to get the eel pie from Marion.

13. Sue was Johnny's friend. Jhansy suffered from pneumonia sue felt worried. She called a doctor. He told sue that medicine could not cure Jhonsy. She had lost he will do live her problem was less physical and more psychological. she tried that her death was not related to the falling of leaves lost of all she told about Jhonsys' fancies to an old painter the old painter painted a leaf on the wall. Jhonsy saw that the last leaf did not fall in spite of heavy rain and wind. She regained he will to live and got well. In this way, sue proved to be a good friend to Jhonsy.

OR

Gandhiji was scarce of both the resources and the money. No one would be prepared to work on a small salary at a long distance. He did not have adequate literary equipment. He had shortage of time. As such he could all of only three periods to literary training Gandhi ji had scanty know judged his ignorance. Besides, he could not do full justice to the students belonging to different religions. He had to learn shoe making to teach it to his pupils. He had to stay with the pupils all the time and keep him self disciplined. He over came all the problems by making self sacrifice and his personal involvement.