

नमूना प्रश्न पत्र-1
उच्च माध्यमिक परीक्षा-2021
कक्षा-11
अंग्रेजी
Sample Question Paper-I
Senior Secondary Examination-2021
Class - XI
English

समय : 3:15 घण्टे
Time : 3:15 Hours

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SECTION A : READING

1. Read the passage carefully & answer the following questions (Any Eight)

Dussehra is a popular festival celebrated with joy all over India. It is an auspicious day signifying the victory of good over evil. This festival is also known as "Vijay Dashmi". Sanskrit word that utterly translate into "Dashahara" or "Remover of bad fate." It celebrates the triumph of "Dharma". The symbolic value of this festival is rooted in the Hindu epic Ramayana, according to which Lord Rama Killed Ravana, the king of Lanka as he had abducted Rama's wife Sita. Lord Rama is considered as a model of all the best qualities that a human being can possess. Along with his younger brother Lakshman their devotee Lord Hanuman and an army of gifted monkeys. Lord Rama fought with his army for 10 days. The day of the victory is called "Vijay Dashmi". This is also the reason why effigies of Ravana, his brother Kumbhakarna and son Meghnad are burnt in various parts of the country.

- i) What is the other name of Dusshera ? (8 Marks)
- ii) What does Dusshera signify ?
- iii) What is the Sanskrit meaning for Dusshera ?
- iv) Who killed Ravana ?
- v) Which epic does have the symbolic value of Dusshera ?
- vi) Name the Kingdom of Ravana ?
- vii) Name Rama's wife ?
- viii) What is the synonyms of reasons ?
- ix) What is the other word for different from the passage ?
- x) Write opposite of defeat from the passage ?

2. Read the passage carefully & answer the following questions (Any Eight)

One day a little Indian girl was shut up in room alone for a whole day by her father because she would not learn English. The child was Sarojini who later known as Sarojini Naidu, became one of the most distinguished poets in the very language she had refused to learn.

Sarojini, like the rest of her family was educated in her early years under her father's own care. Her father wanted her to become a great mathematician or scientist, but she didn't like doing sums or conducting experiments. She loved to dream and write poems. She wrote her first poem when she was hardly eleven. At the age of thirteen she wrote a long poem in the manner of the famous English poets. In this way began her poetic career.

After passing the Matriculation Examination in India and before she was fifteen she went to England for higher education. It was during her stay in London that she met Sir Edmund Gosse, a distinguished man of letters of the time. He was very impressed

by her knowledge, intelligence and learning. When he came to know from her that she wrote English verse, he asked her to show him some of her poems.

- i) For how many days the girls was shut up in the room. **(8 Marks)**
- ii) What the girl didn't want to do?
- iii) Who cared for Sarojini's education ?
- iv) What was Sarojini's father's wish about her career ?
- v) What was Sarojini's love to dream ?
- vi) At what age Sarojini wrote her first poem ?
- vii) Who impressed Sarojini in London?
- viii) Give one word for the person who is expert in science from the passage.
- ix) Give Masculine gender for mother from the passage.
- x) Give one word for the person who lives in India from the passage.

SECTION B : WRITING

3. Last Month your elder brother was seriously ill. So he was taken to Soni Hospital, Jaipur. Write the incident in about 100-120 words how you faced the crisis. you may use the following hints : **(8 Marks)**

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| (i) seriously ill | (ii) examined | (iii) gave treatment |
| (iv) managed blood | (v) doctor supportive | (100-120 Words) |

OR

Write a task in 100-120 words giving description of an event on "An Important Day in your Life" on how you celebrated and enjoyed the event of your Birthday based on the hints given below :-

- (i) Which day is important in your life.
- (ii) Why is so important.
- (iii) What happened that day
- (iv) How you enjoyed the day **(100-120 Words)**

4. Write an article on "Importance of Yoga" **(8 Marks)**

OR

Prepare a report under the Heading "A House on Fire"

5. You are Mukesh Kumar reading in Kota. Your Father has been transferred to Jaipur. Write an application to your Principal requesting him to issue your transfer certificate.

OR

Imagine that you are Ramesh Living in Bikaner. Your Father has lost his business. Write an application to your Principal requesting him to exempt you from school fees.

SECTION C : GRAMMAR

6. Fill up the sentences with suitable determiners (Any 5) (1 x 5 = 5)
- i) Sir C.V. Raman is _____ Newton of India. (a/the)
 - ii) Have you _____ difficulty ? (Some/any)
 - iii) I take _____ egg everyday (the/an)
 - iv) Mount Abu is _____ highest peak in Rajasthan (a/the)
 - v) How _____ eyes do you have? (many/much)
 - vi) Darjeeling is on _____ Himalayas (the/a)
 - vii) There was _____ traffic on the road (much/many)
7. Choose the Correct form of the verb. (1 x 6 = 6)
- i) God _____ everywhere.
a) live b) lives c) lived d) has been living
 - ii) The thief _____ the money yesterday.
a) is stealing b) had stolen c) will steal d) steals
 - iii) Reena _____ very sweet in the prayer everyday
a) sing b) sings c) will sing d) singing
 - iv) I _____ for you since morning
a) am waiting b) was waiting c) will wait d) have been waiting
 - v) I _____ as a principal since 2012.
a) am working b) was working c) have been working
d) will be working
 - vi) Ramesh was acting as if he _____ (be) a ghost.
a) am b) is c) was d) were

SECTION D : TEXTUAL QUESTIONS

8. Read the passage and answer the questions given : (Any 5)
- My grandmother always went to school with me because the school was attached to the temple. The priest taught us the alphabet and the morning prayer. While the children sat in rows on either side of the verandah singing the alphabet or the prayers in chorus, my grandmother sat inside reading the scriptures. when we had both finished we would walk back together. This time the village dogs would meet us at the temple door. They followed us to our home growling and fighting with each other for the chapattis we throw to them.
- When my parents were comfortably settled in the city, they sent for us. that was a turning point in our friendship. Although we shared the same room, my grandmother no longer came to school with me. I used to go to an English school in Motor bus. There were no dogs in the streets and she took to feeding sparrows in the country yard of our city house.

- i) Who used to go to school with author ?
- ii) What did the priest teach the children?
- iii) What did the dogs fight for ?
- iv) How the writer used to go to school. (By)
- v) Word for "Our Communication with God" from the passage.
- vi) Write the Plural word for 'Child' used in the passage.

OR

When I went in to comfort the children. Jon asked "Daddy are we going to die" ? I tried to assure him that we could make it. "But Daddy. "He went on, "We aren't afraid of dying if we can all be together - You and Mummy, Sue and I :

I Could find no words with which to respond, but I left the children's cabin determined to fight the sea with everything . I had to protect the weakened starboard side. I decided to heave to - with the undamaged port hull facing the oncoming waves using an improvised sea anchor of heavy nylon rope and 22 liter plastic barrels of paraffin.

That evening Many and I sat together holding hands, as the motion of the ship brought more and more water in through the broken planks, we both felt the end was very near.

- i) What is the name of the son ?
- ii) Was Jon afraid of dying ?
- iii) Who was sitting with writer's wife ?
- iv) Who felt the end was near ?
- v) Find out the words from the passage which means the following :
 - a) reply
 - b) ocean

9. Answer the following questions (Any Four) **(4 Marks)**

- i) Who was writer's best friend? (The portrait of a lady)
- ii) When history had taken a different turn according to Prof. Gaitonde? (The Adventure)
- iii) What was the height at the top of the pass ? (The Silk Road)
- iv) Which river does really flow from Mansarover? (The Silk Road)
- v) For how many years had the writer been preparing for the voyage ? (were not afraid to die.....)
- vi) When writer faced the gigantic waves? (we're not afraid to die.....)

10. Read the extract and answer the questions given below - **(4 Marks)**

The cardboard shows me how it was
 When the two girl cousins went peddling
 Each one holding one of my mother's hands,
 and she the big girl - some twelve years or so.

- i) What is the name of this poem ?
- ii) What is the name of its poet.
- iii) How many girls were there ?
- iv) What was the age of big girl ?

OR

Where did my childhood go ?

It went to some forgotten place.

That's hidden in an infant's face.

That's all I Know.

- i) Name the poem from which the extract is taken.
- ii) Name the poet of this poem.
- iii) About what the poet is talking in the extract ?
- iv) Where does the poet think his childhood has gone ?

11. Answer these questions briefly (Any 3) (3 Marks)

- i) Who doesn't want to talk to father ? (Father to Son)
- ii) When a person thinks that hell & heaven wouldn't be found in geography ?
(Childhood)
- iii) Who is laughing in the photographs ? (A Photograph)
- iv) What does the rain call herself ? (The voice of the rain)

12. Answer the questions given below (Any 3) (2 x 3 = 6)

- i) What was the address? Where the narrator went after the war? (The Address)
- ii) What Language was spoken in Hosahalli ? (Ranga's Marriage)
- iii) Who punished Albert Einstein ? (Albert, Einstein at school)
- iv) Who was hanged at last in the story ? (The tale of Melon City)

13. Answer any one question from the following :

- i) What kind of lad was Mrs. Dorling? (The Address)
- ii) Describe the Character of narrator's uncle Khosrove. (The Summer of the beautiful white Horse)

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SECTION A : READING

1. Read the passage carefully & answer the following questions given below : -
(Any Eight) (8 Marks)

One of the most widely spread bad habits is the use of Tobacco. Tobacco is now smoked or chewed by men, often by women and even by children almost all over the world. It was brought into Europe from America by Sir Walter Raleigh four centuries ago and has then spread everywhere. I very much doubt whether there is any good in the habit even when tobacco is not used in excess ; and it is extremely difficult to get rid of the habit when once it has been formed.

Alcohol is taken in almost all cool and cold climates and to a very much less extent in hot ones. Thus it is taken by people who live in the Himalaya mountains, but not nearly so much by those who live in the plains of India. Alcohol is not necessary in any way to anybody. Millions of people are beginning to live without it entirely; and once the United States of America had passed laws which forbade its manufacture or sale throughout the length and breadth of their vast country.

- i) What is the mostly spread bad habit ? (1 Mark)
- ii) Who brought tobacco into Europe from America? (1 Mark)
- iii) What is taken in cool and cold climates ? (1 Mark)
- iv) What is extremely difficult in this habit ? (1 Mark)
- v) Give opposite word for following from the passage. (2 Mark)
 - a) Warm
 - b) Narrow
- vi) Give similar words for the following from the passage. (2 Mark)
 - a) Bar
 - b) Uncertain

OR

(8 Marks)

Shalini was very happy when she got a nice house in an area near her place of work but her happiness was short lived. Her maid servant began to bring some rumours of theft and other horrible happenings in the neighborhood. Since Shalini was alone in that house and still a stranger to the place, she decided to call her brother to come and stay with her for a few days. But he was very busy with office work to be able to spare a few days leave. So Shalini became very nervous. She did not know what she would do if any wrong happened. So she took special care to hide her keys. Every night she hid them at a different place. Her memory was very poor. She was afraid lest she should forget where she had placed them. She also has an alarm fixed near her bed so that she could use it in case of emergency :

- i) Why was Shalini very Happy? (1 Mark)
- ii) Who brought rumours of theft ? (1 Mark)

- iii) Whom did she call to stay with her ? (1 Mark)
- iv) How was Shalini's memory ? (1 Mark)
- v) Where did she hide her keys every night ? (1 Mark)
- vi) Find out the similar word for started from the passage. (1 Mark)
- vii) Write One word for "A Place where we live with our family" from the passage. (1 Mark)
- vii) Fill up the words from the passage : (1 Mark)
 - a) I have no time, I am very _____
 - b) There is no one. I am _____ here.

SECTION B : WRITING

2. Write a task in 100-120 words giving description of an incident on "A Road Accident" based on the hints given below :
- (i) Going by bus
 - (ii) A Jeep ramed into a truck
 - (iii) Hospital Police
 - (iv) Life converted into dead bodies.
 - (v) Follow traffic rules
 - (vi) Accident dangerous.

OR

3. Write a task in 100-120 words giving description of a process for "Opening a Bank Account" based on the hint given below :-
- (i) to Open a bag account
 - (ii) fill up the form
 - (iii) necessary documents
 - (iv) deposit to with initial amount
 - (v) get account no. and passbook.

4. Write an article on "How to keep fit"

OR

Write a speech in about 100-120 words on "The Importance of Newspapers."

5. You have not received your Roll Number card for the Class XII examination. Write a letter to the Registrar, Examination Branch, RBSE asking for your Roll Number.

OR

Write a letter to the Chairman. Municipal Board of your town complaining about poor lighting in your locality.

SECTION C : GRAMMAR

6. **Fill up the blanks with suitable determiners : (Any 5) (Mark 1 x 5 = 5)**

- i) He came half _____ hour earlier (a/an)
- ii) She is _____ noble lady. (a/the)
- iii) She plays _____ harmonium daily (a/the)
- iv) _____ books are mine (this/these)
- v) He is _____ dull to understand any subject (too/to)
- vi) _____ the worlds is a stage (all/any)

- vii) I have _____ money. (any/some)
7. Choose the correct form of verb :
- i) Water _____ at 100⁰ Centigrade.
 a. boils b. boiled c. boil d. has been boiling
- ii) The students _____ making noise since morning.
 a. are b. have been c. is d. has been
- iii) The patient _____ dead before the doctor came.
 a. has b. had c. have d. is
- iv) _____ the teacher teach today ?
 a. why b. will c. who d. are
- v) They _____ a new bridge across the river.
 a. are building b. was building c. built d. have been building
- vi) Please _____ disturb me.
 a. do not b. does not c. did not d. had not
8. Choose suitable modals from the given hints in bracket
 (must, will, ought to, can, used to, may)
- i) I _____ help your sister in her work. (Promise)
- ii) You _____ not enter the office without permission (Prohibited)
- iii) He _____ do his work easily. (ability)
- iv) She _____ help her old mother . (moral duty)
- v) There _____ be some other girl. (possibility)
- vi) I _____ for a walk when I was a boy. (past habit)

SECTION D : TEXT BOOKS

9. Read the passage and answer the given questions :

The population of India estimated to be 920 million today - more than the entire populations of Africa and South America put together. No One familiar with the conditions in India would doubt that the hope of the People would die in their hungry hutments unless population control is given topmost priority.

For the first time in human history we see a transcending concern - the survival not just of the people but the planet. We have began to take a holistic view of the very basis of our existence. The environmental problem does not necessarily signal our demise, it is our passport for the future. The emerging new world vision has ushered in the Era of Responsibility. It is a holistic view, an ecological view, seeing the world as an integrated whole rather than a dissociated collection of parts.

Questions :-

(Any Five)

(1 x 5 = 5)

- i) What is the estimated population of India today according to writer ?
- ii) Which two countries are discussed here for less population than India ?

- iii) What would happen if the population is not controlled ?
- iv) Which problem is passport for future?
- v) What is the contribution of the emerging new world vision ?
- vi) Give opposite words for following from the passage :
 - a) End
 - b) Solution

OR

She could never have been pretty, but she was always beautiful. She hobbled about the House in spotless white with one hand resting on her waist to balance her stop and the other telling the beads of her rosary. Her silver locks were scattered untidily over her pale, puckered face, and her tips constantly moved in inaudible prayers. Yes, She was beautiful. She was like the winter landscape in the mountains, an expanse of pure white serenity breathing peace and contentment. My grandmother and I were good friends. My Parents left me with her when they sent to live in the city and we were constantly together. She used to wake me up in the morning and get me ready for school. She said her morning prayer in a monotonous sing-song while she bathed and dressed me in the hope that I would listen and get to know it by Heart. I listened because I loved her voice but never bothered to learn it. Then she would fetch my wooden stale which she had already washed and plastered with yellow chalk, a tiny earthen Inkpot and red pen, tie them all in a bundle and hand it to me. After a breakfast of thick, state Chapattis with for the village dogs. A little butter and sugar spread on it. We went to school. She carried several state Chapaties.

- i) The word 'She' is used in the passage for _____?
- ii) What does the author compare his grandmother to ?
- iii) Which words are used to explain grandmother's face ?
- iv) What did the author take for breakfast ?
- v) Give Synonyms for the following from the passage.
 - a) boring
 - b) Mary.

10. Answer the following questions :- (Any Four) **(4 Marks)**

- i) Who is the world's most dangerous animal ? (The Ailing Planet)
- ii) When did the green movement start? (The Ailing Planet)
- iii) Who were busy pumping out water ? (we are not afraid to die)
- iv) What was the purpose of writer's voyage ?
- v) Who was professor Gaitonde ? (The Adventure)
- vi) What was the height at the top of the pass ? (The Silk Road)

Poetry :-

11. Read the extract and answer the questions :- **(4 Marks)**

And who ant thou ? said I to the soft falling shown,

Which strange to tell, gave me an answer
as here translated
I am the poem of Earth, said the voice of the rain,
Entered I rise impalpable out of the land the bottomless sea.

- (i) Name the poem.
- (ii) Who is talking to rain ?
- (iii) Who gave the answer ?
- (iv) What did the rain call herself ?

OR

Father and son, we both must live
on the same globe and the same land.
He speaks : I cannot understand
Myself, why anger grows from grief.
We each put out an empty hand,
Longing for something to forgive.

- (i) From which poem this extract is taken ?
- (ii) Who cannot understand himself ?
- (iii) What do they both long for ?
- (iv) Whose hands are empty ?

12. Answer these questions briefly (Any 3) (3 Marks)
- i) Who speak like strangers ? (father to son)
 - ii) What was the poet looking for ? (childhood)
 - iii) Which two voices are there in the poem. (the voice of the rain)
 - iv) Whose death is the poet talking about ? (A Photograph)
13. Answer the questions given below (Any 3) (2 x 3 = 6)
- (i) Who was Ratna ? (Ranga's Marriage)
 - (ii) What was John Byro's Problem? (The Summer of the Beautiful white horse)
 - (iii) Who is Cyril? (Mother's Day)
 - (iv) Who was Elsa? (Albert Einstein at School)
14. Answer the questions in detail : (2 Marks)
1. Justify the title "Mother Day"? (Mother's Day)

OR

2. Describe the Character of the king from the story "The tale of Melon City"
(The Tale of Melon City)