

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

समय : 3:15 घण्टे
Time : 3:15 Hours

पूर्णांक : 80
Marks : 80

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EXAMINEES:

1. Candidates must write his/her Roll Number on the question paper.
2. All the questions are compulsory.
3. Write the answer of each question in the answer sheet only.
4. For question having more than one part, the answers to those parts are to be written together in continuity.
5. Write down the serial number of the question before attempting it.

| Area of Learning | Marks |
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| Reading | 16 |
| Writing | 16 |
| Text Book : Woven Words | 24 |
| Drama : Julius Caesar | 8 |
| Fiction : The Guide | 8 |
| Literary Terms - Elegy, Epic, Sonnet, Ode, Lyric, Ballad, Satire, Fiction, Melodrama, Monologue | 4 |
| Figures of Speech - Simile, Metaphor, Alliteration, Onomatopoeia, Personification, Paradox, Oxymoron, Euphemism, Epithet, Antithesis | 4 |

SECTION-A

16 Marks

1. Read the passage given below and answer the following questions.

Every man that is born in this world has a desire to live well. The life has various aims for various people. To some life is an empty dream without a motive. They eat and drink and continue to exist for the sake of living. They have no ideal, no mission for which to struggle and fight Their ideal is to eat well, to make merry and to enjoy the material things of life. Their activities aim at amassing the wealth by hook or by crook and using the wealth for the sake of luxury and comfort and pleasure.

The life is, however, not so easy at present. Even to make money for the sake of comforts and luxuries you have got to work hard and perform the social duty before the society can allow on to earn a lot of money and amass wealth. Modern states work under certain principles of social behaviour and do not allow people to go about making money without caring to perform certain duties which are useful to society. A businessman or an industrialist must pay to his labourers well so that the labour does his duty honestly and dilligently and enable the enterpriser to make profits from goods produced. The only easy way of making money is cheating or stealing which have consequences of their own law has prescribed imprisonment for the robbers, thieves and the cheats life is complicated in modern time. It needs to be well planned if you want to achieve anything worthwhile. Whatever your mission or ideal is materialistic or spiritual you have got to plan. To make life worth living you must work hard towards the objects of your mission. A life without mission is a life lost. A life without planning is a life wasted. Discipline, mission and hard work are important virtues of a successful man.

Find out the word from the passage which means :

- i) Useful enough : (1)
(a) worthwhile (b) Ideal (c) Exist (d) virtue
- ii) Purpose of doing something : (1)
(a) Dream (b) Mission (c) Struggle (d) Achieve
- iii) Versatile : (1)
(a) Desire (b) Various (c) Motive (d) Sake
- iv) Collect : (1)
(a) Amass (b) Exist (c) Enjoy (d) wealth
- v) Someone who organizes a business venture : (1)
(a) Enterpriser (b) Consequences (c) Spiritual (d) Worthwhile

- vi) What is the desire of every man in this world? (1)
- vii) What is the ideal of majority of people? (1)
- viii) What is needed to achieve anything worthwhile? (1)
- ix) What are the important virtues of a successful man? (1)
- x) How is life in modern time? (1)

2. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow :

The world is too much with us : late or soon
 Getting and spending, we lay waste our powers;
 Little we see in Nature that is ours;
 We have given our hearts away, a sordid boon!
 This sea that bares her bosom to the moon:
 The wind that will be howling at all hours,
 And are up-gathered now like sleeping flowers:
 For this, for everything we are out of tune.
 It moves us not - Great God! I'd rather be
 A Pagan suckled in a creed outworn.
 So might I standing on this pleasant lea.
 Have glimpses that would make me less forlorn;
 Have sight of Proteus rising from the sea.
 or bear old Triton blow his wreathed horn.

- (i) Write the summary of this poem. (1)
- (ii) Who are the Gods mentioned in the poem- (1)
 - (a) Aphrodite and Hestia
 - (b) Eros and Athena
 - (c) Proteus and Triton
 - (d) Kronos and Dione
- (iii) What does the poem focus on- (1)
 - (a) taking life for granted
 - (b) the wind always howling
 - (c) giving our heart away
 - (d) the sea and her bosom
- iv) What does the poem compare the wind to- (1)
 - (a) Screaming roars
 - (b) rain
 - (c) Sleeping flowers
 - (d) birds singing
- v) What does the sea give to the moon- (1)
 - (a) her light
 - (b) her place
 - (c) her bosom
 - (d) her body

- vi) According to the persona, we "are out of" (1)
- (a) time (b) food
(c) tune (d) money

SECTION-B

8 Marks

3. Define the following literary terms. (Any four) : (1×4 = 4)
- (i) Elegy (ii) Sonnet
(iii) Ode (iv) Lyric
(v) Fiction (vi) Satire
4. Name the figure of speech used in the following lines : (1×4 = 4)
- (i) "You are as brave as a lion."
(ii) "All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players."
(iii) "She sells seashells by the sea-shore."
(iv) "Man proposes, God disposes."

SECTION-C

16 Marks

5. Write an essay in about 150 words on the following topics : (Any one) (5)
- (a) Importance of Yoga (b) An Educational Tour
(c) The Annual Day Function
6. Write an article on "Eradicate Child Labour." (5)

OR

Write a report under the heading "Blood Donation Camp".

OR

Prepare a speech in about 100 words on "My duty As a Citizen of India."

7. Write a letter to the Head Postmaster complaining against the irregular delivery of letters in your locality. (6)

OR

You are Nikunj/Neha. Write a letter to the editor of The Hindustan Times commenting on "The influence of T.V. and internet on students."

OR

You are Raj Kumar reading in Kota. Your father has been transferred to Jaipur. Write an application to the Principal of your school requesting him to issue your Transfer Certificate.

SECTION : D**40 Marks**

8. Read the passage given below and answer the following questions:

The good book of the hour, then- I do not speak of the bad ones- is simply the useful or pleasant talk of some person whom you cannot otherwise converse with, printed for you. very useful often, telling you what you need to know; very pleasant often, as a sensible friend's present talk would be. These bright accounts of travels : good- humoured the witty discussions of questions lively or pathetic story- telling in the form of novel, firm fact - telling by the real agents concerned in the events of passing history - all these books of the hour, multiplying among us as education becomes more general, are a peculiar characteristic and possession of the present age : we ought to be entirely thankful for them, and entirely ashamed of ourselves if we make no good use of them. (1×6=6)

- (i) What is the good book of the hour?
 - (ii) What are the qualities of a good book?
 - (iii) What should we be entirely thankful for?
 - (iv) Why should we be entirely ashamed of?
 - (v) Find out the word from the passage which means 'Witty'
 - (a) Humour
 - (b) Pleasant
 - (c) Converse
 - (d) Novel
 - (vi) The act of having and controlling property :
 - (a) Possession
 - (b) sensible
 - (c) Account
 - (d) peculiar
9. Answer the following questions in about 80 words (Any two) (2×3=6)
- (i) What impression of the character of Iona do you get from this story? (The Lament)
 - (ii) What message does the writer seem to convey through the story? (A Pair of Mustachios)
 - (iii) How did the narrator adjust to the ways of the life first in London and then in Cambridge, USA?
 - (iv) List the distinctive features of the tribal arts. (Tribal verse)
10. Answer the following questions in about 40-60 words : (Any two) (2×2 = 4)
- (i) How does the horse serve as a true friend and companion to Iona? (The Lament)
 - (ii) Who was Roger Presbury and how was John Garrideb connected with him? (The Adventure of The Three Garridebs)

- (iii) Locate the instances of irony in the story. (The Luncheon)
(iv) What was the importance of the watch to the author? (The watch)
11. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow : (04)

My heart aches, and a drowsy numbness pains
My sense, as though of hemlock I had drunk,
Or emptied some dull opiate to the drains
One minute part, and Lethe - words had sunk :
Tis not through envy of thy happy lot,
But being too happy in thine happiness,
That thou, light - winged Dryad of the trees,
In some melodious plot
Of beechen green, and shadows numberless
Singing of summer is full - throated ease.

- (i) How does the poet feel?
(ii) What is the name of the poet of this poem?
(iii) "My heart aches my sense," Why does the poet feel so?
(iv) Where and how is the nightingale singing?

OR

His loud sharp call
Seems to come from nowhere.
Then, a Flash of turquoise
in the peepal tree.
The Slender neck arched away from you
as he descends,
and as he darts away, a glimpse
of the very end of his tail.

- (i) Why does the peacock's loud sharp call seem to come from nowhere?
(ii) What does the poetess mean by 'a flesh of turquoise' in the Peepal tree?
(iii) How does the Peacock behave while descending?
(iv) Why does one get only a glimpse of the end of his tail?
12. Answer the following questions in about 60-80 words : (Any two) (2×2 = 4)
- (i) Why does Wordsworth wish to be a Pagan?
(The World Is Too Much With Us)

- (ii) How has the poet brought out her emotional attachment to her mother tongue?
(Mother Tongue)
- (iii) Why is the poem entitled "Hawk Roosting"?
- (iv) What makes the urgency of the child's demand seen logical? (For ElKana)
13. A Major theme of Julius Caesar is that power can corrupt Explain. (8)

OR

Do you think Brutus was an "honorable man"?

OR

Who is the hero of the play, Julius Caesar, in your opinion? Discuss.

14. Answer the following questions in about 75 words (Any one). (2×2 = 4)
- (i) Discuss the central theme of the novel, "The Guide."
- (ii) Why did Marco abandon his wife?
- (iii) Draw a character sketch of Raju. (04)
15. Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words: (Any two) (2×2 = 4)
- (i) Why did Raju feel at home on the railway platform?
- (ii) Who was Gaffur?
- (iii) What was the cause of quarrel in the village Mangal after the drought?
- (iv) Describe the activities when the train first came to Malgudi.