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MODEL PAPER - 2
Sub-English: Paper – II

Class: - X

Max marks 40

Time: 2hrs 45 mint.

Instructions:

- (i) This question paper contains three sections (section A, B and C) with question from 1 – 34
- (ii) 15 minutes time is allotted exclusively for reading the question paper and 2 hours 30 minutes for answering the questions.
- (iii) All the answer are to be written in the separate answer booklet
- (iv) Make use of the last page of the answer booklet for rough work, if necessary, while answering the questions under section – ‘C’.

SECTION – A Reading comprehension

Questions (1-5)

Read the following passage carefully.

Speech is a great blessing but it can also be a great curse, for while it helps us to make our intentions and desires known to our friends; it can also, if we use it carelessly, make our attitude completely misunderstood. A slip of the tongue, the use of an unusual word, and so on, may create an enemy where we had hoped to win a friend. Again, different classes of people use different vocabularies, and the ordinary speech of an educated man may strike an uneducated listener as pompous. Unwittingly, we may use a word which bears a different meaning to our listener from what is it does to men of our own class. Thus speech is not a gift to use lightly without thought, but one which demands careful handling. Only a fool will express himself alike to all kinds and conditions of men.

Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write the options (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet.

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(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

1. According to the passage, speech is a blessings because....
 - a) It makes our attitude completely misunderstood.
 - b) It helps us to reveal our intentions and desires.
 - c) It hurts others.
 - d) It helps us to express ourselves alike to all.
2. The expression 'Slip of tongue' means

 - a) Something said carefully.
 - b) Something said to make ourselves pompous.
 - c) Something said without giving proper thought.
 - d) Something misunderstood.

3. According to the passage, One can win a friend by

 - a) Avoiding ambiguity in speech
 - b) Using high vocabulary.
 - c) Using irony in speech
 - d) Giving scope to misunderstanding.

Answer the following questions in one or two sentences.

2×1=2 marks

4. Speech can also be a curse, Give examples to this.
5. Why do we change the style of our language according to the context?

Questions (6-10)

Read the following poem carefully

I Cannot remember my mother,

Only sometime in the midst of my play

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A tune seems to hover over my playthings,
The tune of some song that she used
To hum while rocking my cradle.
I cannot remember my mother;
But when in the early autumn morning
The smell of the shiuli flowers floats in the air,
The scent of the morning service in the temple.
Comes to me as the scent of my mother,
I cannot remember my mother,
Only when from my bedroom window I send my
Eyes into the blue of the distant sky,
I feel that the stillness of my mother's gaze
On my face has spread all over the sky.

- Rabindranath Tagore.

Q (6 – 7) Now, answer the following questions. Each questions has four choices, choose the correct answer and write the options (A), (B) (C) or (D) in your answer booklet

2 × 1 = 2 marks

6. What do you understand by the expression, "I cannot remember my mother"?
- The poet has forgot his mother"?
 - The poet's mother has run away from house.

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- c) The poet's mother died when he was very young.
d) The poet's mother deserted him when he was a little boy.
7. The tone of poem is
- a) Agony
b) sadness
c) piety
d) Joy

Q (8-10)

Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each. (3 × 1 = 3)

8. What does the scent of the morning service in the temple make him remember?
9. How does the poet feel the presence of his mother?
10. Do you love your mother? Why (not) ?

Questions (11-15)

Read the following passage carefully

Civil engineering is one of the oldest-disciplines of engineering. It involves the design. Construction and management of infrastructure, highways, railways, airports, harbors, bridges, tunnels, ensuring supply of high quality water among others, and hence the term is used in a very broad sense. It may not be an exaggeration to state that almost every major project has a contribution from civil engineer. The role of civil engineer has been continuously changing. Earlier, engineers, would focus their efforts on production of site-plans, crank out drawings, turn them over to contractors and pretty much be done with it. But things are much more sophisticated these days.

Q.No. (11-13) Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet.

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3 × 1 = 3 marks

11. According to the passage, the oldest discipline of engineering is _____

- a) Mechanical Engineering
- b) Automobile Engineering
- c) Aeronautical Engineering
- d) Civil Engineering.

12. Which one of the following is NOT involved in the civil engineering discipline?

- a) Designing and construction of buildings and highways
- b) Ensuring supply of high quality water.
- c) Management of infrastructure of airports.
- d) Dealing of computer related problems

13. The word "exaggeration" means---

- a) An overstatement
- b) An act of praise
- c) An unlawful situation
- d) An act of punishment.

Q.No. (14-15) Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each.

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14. What does the civil engineering discipline involve?

15. What are the changes that took place now a days in the role of civil engineer?

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Section – B Vocabulary & Grammar

Questions (16-18):

Read the following passage focusing on the parts that are underlined and numbered.

3 × 1 = 3 marks

16. He said “This is dangerous; have you got a hammer?” I ought to have been firm, but I thought that perhaps he really did know something about the business. I went to tool shed to see what I could find. (17) I came back and still he was sitting on the ground with the front wheel between his legs. (18) He was playing with it, twiddling it round between his fingers. The remnant of the machine was lying on the gravel path beside him.

Now, complete the following sentences and write them in your answer booklet.

16. He said that _____

17. When _____

18. Playing _____

Questions (19-22)

To the north of the Himalayas lies a land called Tibet. There are some snow – covered mountains, high land lakes, thick forests, rare birds and special animals. Tibet is our neighbouring country. Its people ____ (19) called Tibetans. They are nomads and they live ____ (20) tents. The tents are made of the belly – wool of the yak. It is very strong and ____ (21) for many years. The yak is the ____ (22) precious animals for Tibetans.

19. a) is
b) are
c) were
d) was

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20. a) in
b) on
c) under
d) beside
21. a) lasted
b) lasts
c) last
d) will last
22. a) more
b) Many
c) most
d) much

Questions (23- 28)

Read the following passage and fill in the blanks choosing the correct words given in brackets. Write the answers in your answer booklet.

6 × ½ = 3 marks

Everywhere Governments realize the importance of trees, it is ____ (23) (different/difficult) for it to ____ (24) (persuade/persuaded) the villagers to see this. The villager ____ (25) (wants / want) wood to cook his food with, and he can earn money ____ (26) (by / at) selling wood. He is usually too careless to plant and ____ (27) (look into / look after) new trees. So, unless the Government has a good system of control, or can ____ (28) (eradicate/educate) the people, the forests slowly disappear.

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Questions (29-32) :

Read the following passage and fill in the banks with the appropriate form of word given in the brackets.

4×1/2 = 2 marks

Now, next door to the old man, there lived a _____ (29) (greed) old man jealous of his neighbor's good ____ (30) (fortunate). He also packed some figs in abasket and took them to the place in the hope of getting gold. The king, on ____ (31) (learn) the man's motive, ordered him to stand in the compound and had him pelted with figs. The dd man returned home and told his wife the sad story. She consoled him by saying "You should be ____ (32) (thanks) that our neighbor did not grow coconuts".

Section – C : Creative writing (Discourses)

Question (33) :

Read the following information about kalpana chawla, the first women of Indian origin in Space.

Points to be covered	Details of the person
Date & place of birth	17 th march 1962, karnal, Haryana
Information about death	She was one of the seven astronauts who lost their lives in space shuttle Columbia disaster on February 1, 2003
Parents	Banarasi Lal chawla, Sanjyothi
Siblings	Two sisters Sunitha and Deepa, one brother sanjay
Education	Punjab Engineering college, University of Texas at Arlington, University of Colorado at boulder.
Spouse	Jean – pierre Harrison, a flying instructor and aviation

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	author.
Joining NASA	1988
First space mission	STS – 87 in 1997
Second space mission	STS – 107 in 2003
Awards	Congressional space medal of Honour, NASA Distinguished service medal, NASA Space flight medal.

Now, write a biographical sketch of kalpana Chawla based on the above information.

10 marks

(OR)

Today's parents are craving for their children's ranks and marks. They don't think about their physical activities. The teachers too give more importance to education the pupils are given excessive amounts of homework. They don't find time to play.

Now, prepare a "Essay" on the "Importance of sports and Games" you may use the following hints.

- Present situation
- Why are sports and Games important
- Problems faced by children
- What should we do?

Question (34):

You are the secretary of the cultural club" in your school. You want to conduct a school – level meeting on "Avoid Nuclear weapons and save the life on the Earth"?

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Prepare a "Poster" Keeping in view,

- What the poster is about (topic)
- Layout
- Who it is addressed to
- Who made the poster.

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