

# Tenth Class English Paper-I Model Paper

## Instructions:

1. This question paper has 35 questions in three sections ( A, B, and C).
2. Answer all the questions on a separate answer book supplied to you.
3. 15 minutes of time is allotted exclusively for reading the question paper and 2-30 hours for writing the answers.
4. Answer all the questions of Section - B (Grammar) in the same order at one place in your answer book.
5. Start answering the questions as you read them.

## Section - A

### Reading Comprehension

**Q.No. (1 - 5) : Read the following passage carefully.**

My parents were truly proud of me . It was through me that they had earned a degree of admiration and respect from the villagers. My father would not like to see me carrying a trunk on my back and would be very hurt if I did so. I concluded that it would be better to let him carry it. Father was used to carrying luggage anyway. He was stronger and more skilled than I in these matters. I had never got used to physical labour having stayed in hostels right from my child hood. So, inspite of my youth and strength, I was physically useless. I continued walking silently with father. We rested at two places on the way and had our tiffin but we hardly talked. Finally, we reached Dirang. The bus from Tawang had not yet reached Dirang and so we had some time in hand. We entered a tea shop and sat facing each other. Father appeared tired. I felt sorry for him but could not bring myself to say anything. I asked the waiter to get us two cups of tea. Just as I was going to take my first sip, I heard fathers voice, Do you have a pair of old shoes? Why ? I asked. The road is uneven and full of pebbles. It hurts while walking. ( The Journey )

**Now, answer the following questions.**

1. How did narrator justify his guilt in his mind?
2. Why do you think the narrator and his father hardly spoke each other?
3. Father wanted an old pair of shoes because \_\_\_\_\_  
(A) he has a new pair.  
(B) he did not want to get tired.  
(C) the road was uneven with pebbles.
4. " I felt sorry for him." Why did the narrator feel so?  
(A) His father couldn't walk on uneven road.  
(B) The bus from Tawang has not yet reached.  
(C) His father was tired because of carrying the luggage.
5. They went to a tea shop because \_\_\_\_\_  
(A) They were in a happy mood.  
(B) The bus has not arrived.  
(C) They were thirsty.

**Q.No. (6 - 8) : Read the following stanza carefully.**

Let us control the riots,  
Which leave us with no choice,  
But to hang our heads in shame,  
And say we have miserably failed,  
We have the power to win,  
So why not this din ?! ( A Plea For India )

**Choose the correct answers to the following questions.**

6. According to the poet, Indians are proud to be \_\_\_\_\_

- (A) Very traditional  
(B) A strong democracy  
(C) A strong nation

7. What leaves us in poor plight ?  
(A) fights (B) corruption.  
(C) castes.
8. WE should forget our castes because \_\_\_\_\_  
(A) It has been creating problems.  
(B) It makes us loose our charm  
(C) It is not giving us equality.

**Q.no. (9 - 10) : Read the following passage (conversation) carefully.**

Victoria : Oh, Grandpa, I'm so glad you're not dead.  
Mrs. Slater : (in a vindictive whisper) Hold your tongue, Victoria.  
Abel : Eh? What's that? Who's gone dead?  
Mrs. Slater : (loudly) Victoria says she's sorry about your head.  
Abel : Ah, thank you, Vicky, but I'm feeling better.

(The Dear Departed - II)

**Now, answer the following questions.**

**2 × 1 = 2M**

9. What made Victoria glad?  
(A) Seeing her grandfather alive  
(B) Seeing her grandfather with headache  
(C) Hearing that her grandfather is feeling better .
10. Mrs. Slater's words and her behaviour in this conversation indicate that she wants ...  
(A) to make Abel happy  
(B) Victoria to help the grandfather  
(C) to hide something unrevealed

**Q.no. (11 - 15) : Read the following passage carefully.**

Later he worked very hard, and focussed on one thing, never bothering about his personal life or comforts. He shared his wealth with others. He never used the help of any caste, community or political connections to go up in life.

A son of a school teacher showed other Indians it was possible to earn wealth legally and ethically. He built a team of people who were equally good.

He became a pioneer of India's software industry and started the Information Technology wave. Today he has become an icon of simplicity, uncompromising quality and fairness, apart from being a philanthropist. He really believes in the motto, 'Powered by intellect and driven by values.'

He is none other than Nagavara Ramarao Narayana Murthy, the founder of Infosys, a leading IT company in the world.

(I will Do It)

**Now, answer the following questions.**

**5 × 1 = 5 M**

11. List out the positive qualities mentioned in the passage.
12. What does he show to other Indians?
13. What was the great quality that made him pioneer of India's software industry?  
(A) His poverty  
(B) His caste and community  
(C) (iii) his uncompromising nature
14. Choose the sentence that supports his philanthropic nature.  
(A) He shared his wealth with others.  
(B) He never used the help of political connections to go up in life.  
(C) He built a team of people who were equally good.
15. This passage says that.....  
(A) If you want to become great, your father should become a

school teacher.

- (B) We cannot earn money without illegal activities  
(C) Knowledge and ethics help us grow in life.

### Section - B

#### Grammar

Note: Answer all the questions of Section - B (Grammar) in the same order at one place in your answer book.

#### 16. Edit the following passage correcting the under lined parts 4 × ½ = 2 M

There was a farmer in Africa which (a) was happy and content. He was content because he was happiness (b). One day a wise come (c) to him and told him about the glory of diamond and a (d) power that goes along with them.

#### 17. Combine the following sentences using 'who'.

1 M

The three themes are related. They are like the African stool.

#### 18. Combine the following sentences using 'a perfect participle'.

1M

I walked fast. I was tired .

#### 19. Change the following sentence into passive voice. 1M

Ray knew both English and Bengali well..

#### 20. Change the following exchange into reported speech. 2M

Murthy said, " Anna I have passed the exam".

Father said, " Well done my boy ."

#### 21. Combine the following sentences using 'such \_\_\_\_\_ that'. 1M

It is an interesting city. We are going to visit it again.

#### 22. Combine the following sentences using 'though'. 1 M

We booked a holiday. We had very little money .

#### 23. Combine the following sentences using 'neither \_\_\_\_\_ nor'. 1 M

He did not have enough money. He did not have a house of his own.

#### 24. Rewrite the following sentence using 'so \_\_\_\_\_ that'. 1 M

Rakesh is too timid to talk to his headmaster.

#### 25. Combine the following sentences using 'if'. 1 M

Call me. I will help you

#### 26. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions given in the bracket.

2 × ½ = 1M

(a) You should wear socks \_\_\_\_\_ (in addition to / in spite of / instead of) Rambabu daily.

(b) This factory belongs \_\_\_\_\_ (by / to/of ) my friend's father.

#### 27. Fill in the blanks with suitable forms of verbs given in brackets.

4 × ½ = 2 M

(a) In the evenings we \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to park last summer.

(b) I \_\_\_\_\_ (know) her for nearly four years.

(c) After she \_\_\_\_\_ (complete) her work, she \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to bed.

#### 28. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles.

(Mark the omission of the article with 'X' mark)

2 × ½ = 1 M

We went to \_\_\_\_\_ movie yesterday, \_\_\_\_\_ movie was absolutely terrible.

#### 29. Your friend being poor in English lost an interview. Give him/ her advice using, it's time \_\_\_\_\_'. 10M

#### 30. Your friend does not wash his / her hands before taking his / her lunch. You think it is not a good habit. Advise him / her to wash hands before taking lunch. 1M

#### 31. Change the following into polite request. 1M

You to your friend; ' Drop me at the post office ".

#### 32. What do the following sentences mean?

Put a [ ✓ ] Tick mark against the right answer.

2 X ½ = 1M

(i) Perhaps you would apologize for your rudeness.

[A] suggesting [ ]

[B] demanding [ ]

[C] hoping [ ]

[D] enquiring [ ]

(ii) Shall I make a cup of coffee for you?

[A] Expressing inability. [ ]

[B] Offering [ ]

[C] Expressing capacity [ ]

[D] Expressing doubt [ ]

### SECTION-C:

#### Creative expression

#### 33. (a) You have read the lesson The Dear Departed- II, Mr Abel merry weather made a shocking announcement of marrying Tattersall at the end. Amelia and Elizabeth were shocked at this. Now, write a possible conversation between Amelia and Elizabeth in this context. 5 Marks

[OR]

(b) In the lesson, 'Every Success Story Is Also a Story of Great Failures', you read that a teacher sent Edison out of school as he found Edison a very slow learner. He wrote a letter to Edison's mother saying 'your Tommy is too stupid to learn, get him out of the school.' Edison's mother received the letter and read it.

Now, write a paragraph describing the feeling of Edison's mother in the above context.

#### 34. (a) In the lesson, " My childhood " Kalam had a chance of earning money for helping hand to catch the bundles of newspapers from the moving train to help his cousin Samsudin 5Marks

Now, imagine you are Kalam and make a diary entry about it.

[OR]

(b) In the lesson, 'Rendezvous with Ray', you read many things about the great director, Satyajit Ray.

Imagine, you are the secretary of your school English Language Club. You have to make a speech next Saturday. Prepare a script for your speech using the following hints.

Ray - a great Indian film director - belongs to Bengal - a shy person - does not show his emotions - massive stature - does not like to talk about his films - Apu Trilogy - a set of three films - brings fame and name - does not like to hurt others - affectionately called Manikda - liked by the rich and the poor - the powerful and the humble - worked as the co-founder of Chitrabani, a film institute founded by Roberge - left the world in 1992.

#### 35. Read the following passage carefully focusing on the underlined parts.

The next day he went with his wife to the capital(A). The king was pleased to see him and ordered the potter to lead the army into the battle the next day(B). The enemy were not far far from the gates of the city. A splendid house (C) has been prepared for the potter and his wife, The horse which would carry him into battle (D) was ready in the stable.

That night the potter could not sleep. He was nervous and worried because he did not know how to ride a horse.( E )

Now, frame 'WH' questions to get the underlined parts in the passage as answers. 5 Marks

## Answers

- 1) My father would not like to see me carrying a trunk on my back.
- 2) Because the narrator was filled with guilt for making his old father carry the luggage .On the other hand father was too tired.
- 3) C
- 4) B
- 5) C
- 6) C
- 7) A.
- 8) B
- 9) A.
- 10) C
- 11) simplicity and uncompromising
- 12) It was possible to earn wealth legally and ethically
- 13) C
- 14) A.
- 15) C
- 16) a) who. b) happy c) came. d) the
- 17) The three themes which are related are like the African stool.
- 18) Having walked fast I was tired
- 19) Both English and Bengali were known well to Ray
- 20) Murthy told that he had passed the exam.His father appreciated that he had done well .
- 21) It is such an interesting city that we are going to visit it again
- 22) Though we had very little money,we booked a holiday
- 23) He had neither enough money nor a house of his own
- 24) Ramesh is so timid that he can't talk to his headmaster
- 25) If you call me I will help you
- 26) a) in addition to b) to
- 27) a) go. b) knew. c) had completed. d) went
- 28) a, the
- 29) It's time you improved your English
- 30) You should wash your hands before taking your lunch
- 31) Please drop me at the post office.
- 32) I) A II) B