

Tenth Class English Paper-I Model Paper

Max. Marks: 40 Time: 2 Hrs. 45 Min.

Reading Comprehension

(Question No:1-7): Read the following Passage

After spending a leisurely Sunday at home, the very thought of returning to work on Monday is tiring. Lethargy creeps in if the holiday continues over an extended period. That is how I felt when I was preparing to return to my place of work after spending six months at home. The fact that I was to leave behind my newly-wed wife and go to a far-off place did not help either. Obviously I did not want to go.

However, I finally did decide to go. I did not have much to carry by way of luggage - just a trunk. Ours is a hilly terrain, without any motorable roads- and there is no certainty that we are ever going to have any roads. In any case, while coming home we do not carry bedding. Besides, I had come home this time round for a special purpose: to get married. My parents had arranged my marriage, according to the customs of our tribal society. Time flew, and five months into my marriage I realized it. Initially I thought of extending my leave-even taking unpaid leave. But after some dilly-dallying, I finally decided against it because marriage had increased my responsibilities and I had got into debt.

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. (4 × 1 = 4 marks)

- What type of discourse is the above passage?
A) skit B) narration
C) interview D) biography
- The above passage is a part of "The Journey" lesson. Who is the author of the passage?
A) Govind Hoval
B) Yeshe Dorjee Thongchi
C) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
D) Marguerite Siek
- Which word/phrase in the passage refers to "taking a long time to do something, go somewhere or make a decision".
A) lethargy B) creeps
C) dilly-dollying D) customs
- What was the special purpose of the narrator to visit his native place?
A) to get married B) to see parents
C) to take leave
D) to increase responsibilities

Answer the following questions in two or three sentences.

(3 × 2 = 6 marks)

- "Lethargy creeps in if the holiday continues over an extended period." Do you feel the same? Justify your answer.
- Why did he decide to go to work reluctantly?
- List out the features of his village in the passage?

(Question No:8-12): Read the following Passage

There was something really wrong with the State Transport bus. It had come up the winding road in the mountain as if with a life-time effort. The road was now down-hill and yet the bus moved as slowly as a sick man walking with the help of another. It reached the plain where the dispensary building was situated, and stood still, like an obstinate bull. Now, the destination was hardly a mile or two away. But the driver was sore and the conductor had no option but to be silent. When they realized that the bus wouldn't move any faster, a couple of passengers exclaimed: "Goddammit for a bloody nuisance!"

The conductor asked the passengers to get down and they all put their strength together to push the bus. Having gained this initial momentum,

the bus started. Passengers clambered up, jostling one another. The conductor rang the bell and the bus gradually took on speed. It entered the village reluctantly like a truant child being dragged to school. As it would its way through the curves on the outskirts, it groaned and croaked like a hen about to lay eggs, and stopped with a bang in front of Bhujaba Patil's residence. As it halted, it gave a big lurch, sending the passengers helter-skelter, churned like water in a pitcher when the carrier stumbles.

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. (3 × 1 = 3 marks)

- The expression "Goddammit" is used for:
A) Angry B) Happy
C) Sad D) Surprise
- The passage consists of poetical personifications. What is personified here?
A) Village B) Bus
C) Road D) House
- In the passage "helter-skelter" means:
A) Up and down B) Making noise
C) Very slowly D) In disorderly haste

Write answers for the given questions in one or two sentences

(2 × 1 = 2 marks)

- Have you ever travelled by bus to any hilly region? Write your experience/ opinion in one sentence.
- List out the comparisons of the bus in the passage.

Section - B

Vocabulary & Grammar

(Question No: 13-17): Read the passage given below. Five sentences in the passage are numbered 13 to 17 at the beginning. Each of these sentences has an error. Correct and rewrite them in the answer booklet.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

(13)Telugu audiences are proud for many great producers, directors and artistes. Savitri is one such prestigious artiste. (14) Ever since she is eight, she evinced interest in learning dance. (15) Later she associated himself with the theatre. She formed a theatre organization as well. (16) She has been little difficulty in entering the film field. (17) When Savitri was twelve, she was offered a role in the film, Agnipareeksha, and was finally dropped as she looked too young for the role.

(Question No:18-22):

Complete the passage choosing the right word from those given in the box. Each blank numbered. Write the answers in your answer booklet. (5 × ½ = 2½ marks)

Dimensions Several ethnic amidst numerous unity

India, a country of many _____(18) groups, is a land of myriad languages, a veritable babel of tongues and _____(19) modes of apparel. For the most part, the continental _____(20) of the country account for these variations and diversities. Besides, there are _____(21) religions, sects and beliefs. But there are certain common links and uniting bonds that people have sought to develop in order to achieve the eminently desirable goal of unity _____(22) diversity.

(Question No: 23-27): Some words / phrases in the following passage are underlined. Rewrite them as directed in your answer booklet.

(5 × ½ = 2 ½ marks)

I was amazed. Here before my eyes, a white baby, for they were little

more than babies, was imposing his will on (23) a little black boy. And the little black boy submitted. I puzzle (24) within myself as I went down the road. Could it be that the little dark boy was the son of a servant in the home and therefore had to do the white boy's bidding? (25) No. They were obvious (26) dressed alike, the little dark boy was of equal class with his playmate. No. They were playmates, the little dark boy was a neighbour's child. I was sure of that. Then how was it that he obeyed (27) so faithfully the white boy's orders?

23. Replace the underlined word with the appropriate one.
24. Replace the underlined word with the appropriate form
25. Write the meaning of the underlined word.
26. Write the suitable form of the underline word.
27. Write the opposite word of the underlined word.

Section-C

Creative Writing (Discourses)

28. You have read about Nick in the lesson "Attitude is Altitude". Imagine that 'Nick' came to your town/city/village to attend a programme as chief guest. You got an opportunity to interact with him.

Write a possible conversation (between you and Nick) not less than twelve exchanges.

(10 marks)

You can use the below hints
His childhood
Disability
Inspiration
Self confidence

Abilities: reading, writing, computer typing, golf, swimming, surfing
Motivational speeches
Awards received.

(OR)

You have read the lesson "The Storeyed House". In that Bhujaba Patil shows discrimination on Bayaji's family. At the end Bayaji's sons start working to build a storeyed house.

Now convert the story as a small skit. Use the same characters but you can change any dialogues as per your convenience. (10 Marks)

29. "The Dear Departed" Play showcased the breaking relationships in the society. Imagine that you are advised to prepare a notice on behalf of your Headmaster to conduct a family photo contest. The contest is to reward the Highest membered family group photo. Prepare a notice on it. (5 marks)

ANSWERS

Section-A

- 1) B
- 2) B
- 3) C
- 4) A
- 5) Yes. In Sankranti, Dasara and Summer Holidays it happen. We used to play and enjoy with friends and relatives in holidays. The next day mind doesn't like to change routine.
- 6) He wanted to spend more time with his newly wed-wife. But his leaves are over. He had got into debt. He has to go to work. So finally he decided to go reluctantly.
- 7) The features are: hilly terrain, without any motorable roads, tribal society with their customs. We can imagine that it is far from city.
- 8) A
- 9) B
- 10) D
- 11) Yes. I experienced it in Tirumala tour. It is thrilling and sometimes I was afraid of the turnings.
- 12) Comparisons are: sick man walking with the help of another, an obstinate bull, a truant child being dragged to school and a hen about to lay eggs

Section-B

- 13) Telugu audiences are proud of many great producers
- 14) Ever since she was eight, she evinced interest in learning dance.
- 15) Later she associated herself with the theatre.
- 16) She had little difficulty in entering the film field.
- 17) When Savitri was twelve, she was offered a role in the film, Agnipareeksha, but was finally dropped as she looked too young for the role.
- 18) ethnic
- 19) numerous
- 20) dimensions
- 21) several
- 22) amidst
- 23) upon
- 24) puzzled
- 25) ordering
- 26) obviously
- 27) disobeyed

Section-C

- 28) Conversation between You and Nick
or The Storeyed House skit
- 29) Notice.

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Notice

All the students and teachers are hereby informed that "Family Relations Day" is to be celebrated on 1st April, 2020 in our school. For the occasion an innovative contest is announced as below. All the students utilize this opportunity and send your entries.

Contest : Family Group Photo contest

Eligibility: Any student in the school

Last Date for submission: 29th March, 2020

Photos : Max size colour photo to be submitted

Criteria : Highest membered family group photo will be rewarded

Prizes : I, II, III and two consolation prizes

Contest Coordinator: Kavitha Kalapala

Sd./-

Date: 15-03-2020.

Gazetted Headmaster