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SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT- II, 2014-15

SUBJECT: ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE

CLASS IX

Time: 03 Hrs

MM : 70

General Instructions:-

- (i) *Attempt all the questions. Marks are indicated at the end of every question.*
- (ii) *The question paper has been divided into three sections:*

<i>Section A : Reading Skills +OTBA</i>	<i>20 marks</i>
<i>Section B : Creative Writing Skills and Grammar</i>	<i>25 Marks</i>
<i>Section C : Literature Text book and Long Reading</i>	<i>25Marks</i>

Section A : Reading Skills + OTBA : 20 Marks

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions: (5 Marks)

1. Conversation is indeed the most easily teachable of all arts. All you need to do in order to become a good conversationalist is to find a subject that interests you and your listener. There are, for example, numberless hobbies to talk about. But the important thing is that you must talk about the other fellow's hobby rather than your own. There lies the secret of your popularity. Talk to your friends about the things that interest them and you will get a reputation for good fellowship; charming wit and brilliant mind. There is nothing that pleases people so much as you are interested in their interests. A good conversationalist can be effective only if he/she is able to blend humor, wit, topics of good interest, presence of mind, knowledge of various things, logical thinking etc, in fine proportion.

Praise and appreciate people, for nothing pleases a man as mere appreciation and flattery.

It is just as important to know what subjects to avoid as what subject to select for good conversation. If you don't want to set down a wet blanket of bore, be careful to avoid certain unpleasant topics. Avoid talking about yourself unless you are asked to do so. Use simple words and let the conversation be lucid. Avoid flowery use of language jargons etc. Do not beat about the bush or talk boastfully about your own-self. Let the talk be exuberant, lively and interesting. People are interested in their own problems, not yours; sickness or death bores everybody. Similarly age-old tales, happenings of the past even though they may be real, will never interest the listeners. The only one who willingly listens to such talk is the doctor, may be sometimes even to nonstop nonsense, because he gets paid for it.

1. Answer the following questions briefly: (1x5= Marks)

- (a) What is the basic need of good conversation?
- (b) What is the most important thing in a good conversation?
- (c) What is the criterion for the conversation to be effective?
- (d) What are things that will never interest the listener?
- (e) Why the doctor is a good listener?

2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions : (5 Marks)

Legends will tell you that flamingoes are no ordinary visitors to Kutch. They were the honoured guests of king Lakho and he had forbidden the hunting of flamingoes, which came to Kutch from various parts of the world every year to breed. For centuries the reason has been has been a haven for the migratory bird. Today, Flamingoes city is an island in the middle of Kutch, known the world over as one of the biggest breeding grounds of the greater flamingoes, is strewn with bodies of hundreds of flamingo chicks.

The parents of these chicks have fled the island due to lack of food.

Zooplanktons, algae and small fish that these birds survive on are dying due to sudden increase in the salinity of the Rann water. One can ever see dead fish floating.

Flamingoes need salt-encrusted, damp mud to build nests. The place where they build their nests has to be inaccessible to predatory cats and birds. It should also have sufficient food. The right mix of sweet brackish water in the Rann is crucial for the proliferation of planktons and algae that the flamingoes feed on. Faced with starvation flamingoes have fled the island living where chicks to fend for themselves. Till date around a thousand flamingoes have died.

Read the questions below and write the answer :

(1x5=5 Marks)

2. (a) What King Lakho has forbidden?

(b) Where Flamingo city situated?

(c) Why flamingo city has become a mortuary?

(d) Why did the parents of the chicks flee the island?

(e) Write the name of the fishes from the passage.

3. Your friend's account has been hacked and displayed on social media. He/she is not able to face society/friend. Advise your friend for the next course of action to be taken and support him/her with good morale advice. (10 Marks)

SECTION: B : CREATIVE WRITING AND GRAMMAR: 25 MARKS

4 . You are Anil/Astha of Modern Public School, New Delhi. You came across a news items of about lack of fitness and stamina on the part of children who fall down during assembly and games period. Write an article for a newspaper highlighting the importance of games and sports and physical fitness for students in about 100-120 words. (5 Marks)

5. Write a story using the following hints:

(10 Marks)

Two brave brothers---Ram and Shyam---lived in a tribal village near Satpura Forest---wanted to save the forest from the thieves who cut the trees and escape without detection---once they saw strange light in jungle--- went in jungle ---saw some thieves cutting the trees---saw a parked truck---Shyam went to local police---Ram placed a big stone in front of the tyre in order to stop the truck---Ram used diversions to save himself from the thieves---Inspector Pratap Singh arrived --- arrested the robbers.

6. Complete the following passage by choosing the most appropriate options from the ones given below : (1x3=3 Marks)

An All India Organisation with branches in all the states (i) -----executives to be posted at branches offices. The selected will be (ii) -----

threemonths training and a stipend of Rs 5,000. The candidate(iii)-----
--position should have B.C.A. with a year's experience in the field of sales marketing.

- (i) (a) is requiring (b) giving (c) requires (d) require
(ii) (a) given (b) giving (c) been given (d) give
(iii) (a) of (b) for (c) with (d) from

7. In the passage given below, there is an error in each line. Write the incorrect words and the correction against the correct blank number in your answer sheet. (1x4=4 Marks)

Incorrect Correct

We made another too (a)-----
useful experiment to show the difference among pure and impure air (b)-----
--- We fill some flasks with both and(c)-----
then exposed some of them to a stuffy (d)-----
air in room and sealed them up again.

8. Rearrange the following words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. (1x3=3 Marks)

- (i) grandeur/inside/it was/the palace hall
(ii) the flower garlands/pearls/interwoven/with/were/sparkling
(iii) decorated/was/the/wooden stage/with a/painted backcloth.

SECTION : C : LITERATURE AND LONG READING

(25 Marks)

9. Read the extract given below and answer the following questions :

(1x3=3 Marks)

“All the world’s a stage;
And all the men and women merely players;
They have their exits and their entrances;
And one man in his time plays many parts;
His acts being seven ages.

Questions:

- (a) All men and women are
 - (i) parts of this world
 - (ii) human being
 - (iii) the citizens of this one world
 - (iv) actors on the stage of life
- (b) “Have their exits and their entrance” means
 - (i) They can come and go and their will
 - (ii) they have their way of coming and going out
 - (iii) they enter the world by taking birth and go out when they die
 - (iv) They have fixed time for exits and entrances
- (c) This extract has been taken from Shakespeare’s famous play
 - (i) As you like it
 - (ii) King Lear
 - (iii) Othello
 - (iv) Julius Caesar

10. Answer the following questions : (2x4-8 Marks)

- (a) Why was Mrs. Bramble proud of bringing such a prodigy as Harold into the world?
- (b) Why is the rain divine?
- (c) Why did the poet need to go to a dentist? How could she have avoided it?
- (d) Why was convict sent to prison? What was the punishment given to him?

VALUE BASED QUESTION

11. Write a character sketch of Private Quelch in about 100 words. (4 Marks)

Or

Describe the circumstances that led to the convict’s arrest and imprisonment. How did the prison life, ‘the hell’ converted him from “a man” to “a wild beast”? Describe his transformation in the end.

12. Write a character sketch of Jerome. (10marks)

OR

Describe the end of the novel

NOTE : Listening and speaking Assessment

(20 marks)

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Marking Scheme

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SECTION : A : READING SKILLS AND OTBA

(20 Marks)

Q1.

(1X5=5 marks)

(a) The basic need of good conversation is to get the subject that interest both, the listener and the speaker.

(b) The most important thing in a good conversation is to praise and appreciate people.

(c) If the conversation has to be effective, the speaker should blend humour, , wit, topics of good interest, presence of mind, knowledge of various things etc.

(d) It is just as important to know what subjects to avoid as what subject to select for good conversation. Avoid talking about yourself unless you are asked to do so. Use simple words. Avoid flowery use of language, jargons etc.

(e) The doctor is listening carefully as he is paid for it.

2.

(1x5=5 marks)

(a) King Lakho forbidden the hunting of flamingo.

(b) Fleming city is situated in the middle of Kutch of Gujarat.

(c) Fleming city has become mortuary as the dead fishes are lying there.

(d) The parents of chicks flee away as there is no food for their survival.

(e) The fishes are planktons and algae.

Q3

10 marks

Content - 6 marks

Fluency-2 marks

Accuracy-2 marks

SECTION : B : CREATIVE WRITING AND GRAMMAR (25 MARKS)

Q4. 5 marks
Content- 3 marks
Fluency- 1.5 marks
Accuracy-1.5 marks

Q.5 10 marks
Content – 6 marks
Fluency – 2 marks
Accuracy-2 marks

Q6. 1x3=3 marks

(i) (c) requires (ii) (a)given (iii) (b) for

Q.7 1x4=4 marks

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Q.8 1x3=3 marks

- (a) It was all grandeur inside the palace hall.
(b) The flower garlands were interwoven with sparkling pearls.
(c) The wooden stage was decorated with a painted backcloth.

SECTION : C : LITERATURE AND LONG READING (25 MARKS)

Q.9 1x3=3 marks

- (a) (iv) actors on the stage of life
(b) (iii) they enter the world by taking birth and go out when they die
(c) (i) As you like it

Q.10 2x4=8 marks

- (a) The professor meant that he had read everything thoroughly and with concentration.
(b) Different from ordinary children-----devoted to books----perfect model of goodness and intelligence.-----taken the spelling and dictation prize at Sunday – school.
(c)The shimmering drops of rain look like silver threads dropped from heaven from the gods. Moreover it is a life giving force that elates and smiles all flowers, fields and valley.

(d) The poet went to the dentist for filling and drilling. She could have avoided all these if she had taken proper care of her teeth.

(e) Convict was jobless, having no money—wife was ill and starving---caught stealing food and sent to imprisonment for ten years.

VALUE BASED QUESTION

Q.11

4marks

Soldier without rank---tall stooping man—frowning through horn-rimmed spectacles—appearance-reading habits---deep knowledge---earned nickname—professor.Had brain---sure to get commission---on first to get V shaped stripe---not only ambitious but also very intelligent---borrowed training manuals---reads day and night---utilised intelligent reading to check the instructors—irritated a Sergeant by his interruptions—bombarded by Sergeant with so many questions---was punished---allotted permanent cook house duties---was too showy—feels much superior to all his fellow soldiers--- avoided by fellowmen.

OR

The convict was also a man once—had little cottage with vines growing on---had a wife who loved him---fortune changed to worse—had not job—no money-wife critically ill and dying---starving---stole to buy food---was caught---pleaded but laughed at---sentenced to ten years in prison---Jeanette died on the day of arrest---prison nothing less than hell---transformed a man into a wild beast ---ill treated---chained like wild animal---lashed like hound—fed on filth ---covered with vermin—soul and name taken away---reduced to a number---escaped from jail ---was a victim of circumstances---convict's transformation---due to sympathy, kindness and noble gesture by the bishop---saved from going to "hell" again—generosity of Bishop transformed hard-hearted convict---faith in God and humanity returned-----a man once again.

. Q.12

10 marks

Central character of the novel---peace and leisure loving character-----peaceful environment of the village---friend suggestion-----natural surrounding-----lazy character---tries to avoid work---feels ill always---high degree of friendship---a nice friend---Harris and George try to pursue him---tries to avoid tension to friend---brilliantly reads the demand of situations-----find suitable way---remarkable sign ---friendly character.

OR

The novel "Three Men in a Boat" written by Jerome K Jerome---given satisfactory end-----Life warriors-----three friends back home---did every as planned---said boatman ---keep boat ready---failed to turn up---write to him---went hotel ---had food well---not eaten well for fortnight---raining outside---enjoyed well---Harris claimed pleasant trip---thanked father Thames----out of boat well---Montmorency expressed consent by barking.