

**KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA SANGATHAN-MUMBAI REGION
HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION 2025-26**

CLASS: VI

SUBJECT: ENGLISH (184)

Time: 02.30 Hours

Max Marks: 60

SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER

General Instructions:

i) This question paper comprises 12 questions.

ii) The question paper contains THREE sections.

Section – A : Reading Skills

Section – B : Grammar and Creative Writing Skills

Section – C : Literature

iii) Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.

SECTION – A (READING SKILLS) (15 MARKS)

Q.1

Read the passage and answer the question given below:

8 Marks

Reading is a wonderful activity that can take us to different places and introduce us to fascinating characters without us ever leaving our chairs. When we read a book, we can travel to ancient times, explore distant galaxies, or solve thrilling mysteries alongside a brave detective. Books expand our minds and help us learn new things every day. For example, a book about animals might teach us about a lion's roar or a whale's song, while a historical story can show us what life was like long ago.

Not only does reading make us more knowledgeable, but it also improves our ability to think. As we follow the story, we learn to understand different points of view and think critically about what is happening. It's like a workout for our brain! Furthermore, reading helps to improve our language skills. We learn new words, understand how to form sentences, and develop a better sense of how language works, which makes us better at speaking and writing.

Answer the following questions, based on the passage above.

- i) What is one of the main benefits of reading, according to the passage? (1Mark)
- (a) It helps us get physically fit.
 - (b) It teaches us about animals and history.
 - (c) It helps us win races.

(d) It makes us strong.

- ii) How does reading affect our brain? (1Mark)
- (a) It makes it tired. (b) It improves our thinking skills.
(c) It makes us feel sad. (d) It slows it down.
- iii) What does the passage suggest reading helps us improve in terms of language? (1Mark)
- (a) Our ability to shout loudly. (b) Our understanding of how to form sentences and new words.
(c) Our ability to sing songs. (d) Our ability to play sports.
- iv) Give one example of what we can learn from a book about animals. (1Mark)
- v) Find a word in the passage that means the same as "fascinating". (1Mark)
- vi) Why reading is called a "workout for our brain"? (2Mark)
- vii) Find a word in the passage that means the same as "belonging to History" (1Mark)

Q. 2. Read the passage and answer the question given below: (7 Marks)

Water is a vital and finite resource, essential for all life on Earth. While Earth appears to be a "blue planet" because of the vast oceans, only a tiny fraction of this water is fresh water that humans can use. Most of the freshwater is locked away in glaciers and ice caps. The remaining freshwater is found in rivers, lakes, and groundwater, which are the primary sources for drinking, agriculture, and industries.

However, this limited freshwater supply is under tremendous pressure. Rapid population growth, increasing agricultural demands, and industrial expansion have led to a significant increase in water usage. Water pollution from agricultural runoff, industrial waste, and untreated sewage further reduces the amount of usable freshwater.

To ensure a sustainable future, everyone must embrace water conservation. Simple actions, such as fixing leaky faucets, taking shorter showers, and using water-efficient appliances, can make a big difference. In agriculture, using drip irrigation systems can deliver water directly to plant roots, significantly reducing waste. Industries can recycle and reuse water in their processes.

By conserving water, we protect this precious resource for future generations, maintain healthy ecosystems, and ensure access to clean drinking water for all.

Answer the following questions, based on the passage above.

- a) What percentage of Earth's water is fresh water that is readily available for human use? (1Mark)
(a) most of the water on Earth (b). a tiny fraction
(c) all the water in glaciers (d) only the water in rivers
- b) Which of these is NOT a major cause of increased water demand? (1Mark)
(a) population growth (b) industrial expansion
(c) increased rainfall (d) agricultural demand
- c) What is an example of a water conservation method for agriculture? (1Mark)
(a) letting water flow freely from the tap (b) building more lakes
(c) using drip irrigation systems (d) drinking large amounts of water
- d) Why is it important to conserve water for future generations? (2 Marks)
- e) **Finite:** (from the passage) means: (1Mark)
(a) unlimited (b) essential
(c) limited (d) endless
- f) The antonym of essential is: (1Mark)
(a) vital (b) important
(c) crucial (d) unnecessary

SECTION – B

(Grammar and Creative Writing) (15 Marks)

- Q. 3.** Fill in the blanks with suitable adverbs from the box given below. (3 Marks)
[smoothly, quickly, beautifully]

- (a) He solved the mathematics problem _____
(b) The car moved _____ along the highway.
(c) The musician played the guitar _____

- Q. 4.** Fill in the blanks with the present progressive form of verbs. (2 Marks)
- (a) She _____ to be a lawyer. (study)
(b) We _____ a snowman. (make)
(c) I _____ on my project. (work)

(d) The train _____ through the tunnel.(pass)

Q. 5. Add suffix to the root words. (2 Marks)

- (a) Move _____ (b) Love _____
(c) Happy _____ (d) Invent _____

Q. 6. Attempt ANY ONE question the given below. (4 Marks)

- a) You are Aman /Abha of class VI of Delhi Public School. You have lost your Titan wristwatch somewhere in the school premises. Write a notice to be put upon the school notice board requesting fellow students to return it to you if anyone has found it student about it.

OR

- b) Read the following telephonic conversation between Rahul and Sonu. Sonu is about to leave for school and will not be able to meet her brother Mohit. She leaves a message for him. Write the message in about 50 words.

Rahul: Hello! Can I speak to Mohit, please?

Sonu: He is not at home. I'm his sister. Would you like to leave a message for him?

Rahul: I'm his friend Rahul. Kindly tell him that tomorrow we are going to Pragati Maidan tomorrow, where a book-fair is going to be held. Tell him to call me in the evening, in case he is interested.

Q. 7. Write a paragraph on ANY ONE topic. (4 Marks)

- a) Describe how your friendship started with your friend

OR

- b) Hard work is key to success

SECTION – B (Literature) (30 Marks)

Q. 7. Read the following extract and answer the questions: (4 Marks)

The Raven, who did not see the joke,
forgot that his voice was just a croak.
He opened his beak, in his foolish pride
and down fell the morsel the Fox had eyed.

Answer the following question based on the above extract:

- i) The purpose of the joke was to
(a) get Raven's morsel of food (b) to praise the Raven's beauty

(c) to surrender the morsel

(d) Insult the Raven

ii) What did the Raven forget?

(a) his beauty

(b) his sweet method of singing

(c) he forgot that his song was simply not sweet

(d) none of the above

iii) 'Croak' is

(a) harsh noise

(b) baritonic

(c) rough

(d) pleasing

iv) When did the morsel fall down?

(a) when the Raven flew

(b) when the Raven opened his mouth to sing

(c) when Reynard spoke in praise

(d) all of the above

Q. 9.

Read the following extract and answer the questions.

(4 Marks)

A farmer passing by saw the dog. "Buntree," he yelled. The dog ran to him. The farmer hugged the dog and told the mahout that he was looking for his dog ever since he disappeared from his house. He was glad he found him now. The mahout had no objection to the farmer taking the dog home. The farmer tossed a rope round the neck of the dog, saying, "Come Buntree, let's go home."

Answer the questions based on the above extract.

a) **Fill in the blanks:**

A farmer passing by saw _____

b) **True/False**

The farmer had found the dog immediately after it disappeared.

c) Why was the farmer glad to see the dog?

d) Did the mahout allow the farmer to take the dog home?

Q. 10.

Do as directed

(6 Marks)

Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct option.

i. The fox _____ at the Raven. (laughed/looked)

ii. It is not _____ to be too proud of oneself. (wise/unwise)

- iii. The man tells his plan to his wife.(True/False)
- iv. The farmer called the dog _____. (Name)
- v. How does the poet feel about special friends?(one word answer)
- vi. Mario's friends were very caring and helpful. (True/false)

Q. 11. Answer ANY SIX of the following questions in 30-40 words each. (2 x 6=12)

- a. How did Rama Natha and Madhumati create wealth?
- b. Why did the sage ask Rama Natha to do everything himself?
- c. How does Reynard make the Raven sing?
- d. What did the thief wish would happen? Did it happen?
- e. How did the mahout come to know that Gajaraj was sad?
- f. How was Mario able to find his real friends?
- g. Which part of the Neem tree is used to make kajal and how does it help?

Q 12. Answer ANY ONE of the following questions in 70-80 words. (1 x 4=4)

- a. Do you think cleverness can help us solve our problems?why do you say so?

OR

- b. Do you also pray for your friend? What do you wish for? Discuss