

10th Summative Assessment 1 2025-26
SECOND LANGUAGE – ENGLISH

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I. Four alternatives are given for each of the following questions/incomplete statements. Choose the correct alternative and write the complete answer along with its letter of alphabet. (4×1=4)

1) Choose the appropriate question tag for the statement :

It was a frightful proposition for Swami ____?

(A) didn't it (B) hadn't it (C) wasn't it (D) don't it

2) Read the given conversation and choose the language function for the underlined

Sudha: Hello Radha! Why are you standing here?

Radha : Hello! I'm waiting for the bus. I've to go to the market.

Sudha: Come, I will drop you. I'm going that way.

(A) Requesting (B) Seeking direction (C) Offering help (D) Agreeing

3) Read the following conversation and fill in the blanks.

Student: Good morning Sir.

Teacher: Good morning. Why are you late?

Student: Sorry sir. I couldn't catch the bus.

Teacher: If you had reached the bus stop in time youmissed the bus

(A) would have (B) wouldn't have (C) would (D) will

4) Read the following and choose the infinitive.

Roma Talreja jammed between other women, was trying to find some space.

(A) jammed (B) trying (C) was trying (D) to find

II. Do as directed :

(12×1=12)

5) Which one of the following words has one syllable ?

Reach, silver, kilo, paper

6) Combine the word in column – A with its collocative word in column – B :

Column – A

Column – B

call

(table, phone, centre, floor)

7) Fill in the blank using the correct article :

Who is _____ fastest bowler in the class ?

8) Fill in the blank using suitable linker :

Swami argued with father it was useless.

9) Fill in the blank with appropriate preposition :

Raji went to the railway station _____ 10.30 am.

10) Fill in the blank with appropriate tense form of the verb given in bracket :

We (be+ write) the test today.

11) Use the word 'smile' as verb in a sentence.

12) Change into comparative degree :

Seema is the tallest girl in our class.

13) Change into passive voice :

Man invented machines.

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14) Give one word answer for the given sentence :

One who travels to work place daily.

15) Write the correct form of the word given in bracket :

Supreme court gave correct _____ (judge) in the court today.

16) Read the following conversation and change the underlined sentence into reported

Latha : What are you doing?

Nikhitha : I am completing my maths homework

III. The following sentence has two errors. Edit the sentence and rewrite it in the answer book : (1×2=2)

17) Hemanth moved to the edge of the compound to pluck flowers. He last balance, fell down but broke his leg.

Clues: a) Spelling mistake to be corrected b) Conjunction to be corrected.

IV. Answer the following questions in 2-3 sentences each : (7×2=14)

18) Swami's father drew his attention to a report in the newspaper. What was the report about?

19) How did Dr Ambedkar and Mahatma Gandhiji try to wipe out caste discrimination from India?

20) What makes you think that Don Anselmo was a man of principles?

21) How can you say that Dr. Ambedkar was a voracious reader ?

22) Why is the poet 'querulous' ?

23) Why were Babu and Manju disappointed with the way the students were marching ?

OR

Why had Patil, the Sub-Inspector come to Mohan's house ?

24) How did Dicky Dolma prepare for the task of scaling Mount Everest ? OR

What can we learn from the Dolma's life??

v. Answer the following questions in 5-6 sentences each : (2×3=6)

25) How do you say that Baleshwar was kind enough to save Roma's life

26) How does the mother earth show her patience in each situation in the poem "I am the land" ?

VI. Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow : (4×3=12)

27) **"I'll make you the laughing stock of your school."**

a) Who is 'you' referred here?

a) Who wanted to make him the laughing stock of his school?

b) Why did speaker tell like that?

28) **"Please help me take her to a hospital."**

a) Name the speaker of the above lines.

b) Who did he request to help him?

c) What was the response?

29) **"I knew they were good people but I did not sell the trees in the orchard."**

a) Who is the 'I' here ? [2024 April]

b) Who were the good people ?

c) Why didn't he sell the trees ?

30. "What song shall I sing of you my mother"

- a) Who does I refer to ?
- b) Who is the mother here ?
- c) What type of song does the poet wish to Sing?

VII. Given below is the profile. Write a paragraph using the clues given below: (1×3=3)

31) . Name : Smt. Sowmya.

Age : 45 years

Height and weight : 5.2 feet and 52 kgs

Qualification : MA in Economics and MA in Music

Occupation : Teaches Music to children of all ages

Reasons for popularity : Cheerful, gives individual attention

Hobbies : Painting and Doll making

Achievements : Paintings displayed in exhibitions Performs at musical concerts

VIII. Develop the story using the clues given below : (1×3=3)

32) A poor woodcutter — cutting wood — tree on a river bank — axe fell into the river — goddess — golden axe — refused — silver axe — refused — wooden axe — happily accepted — goddess gave golden and silver axes — blessing — moral.

IX. Study the picture given below : (1×3=3)

33) Write a description or an account of what the picture suggests to you in a paragraph.



X. Quote from memory : (1×4=4)

34. The quality _____
_____ takes

OR

It is enthroned _____
_____ justice.

XI. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow : (1×4=4) (2×2)

35) The moon is the closest object to Earth in the sky. It looks bright at night because it reflects the light of the sun. The moon is round and has many holes called craters on its surface. It does not have air or water, so no people or animals can live

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there. The moon changes shape every night. Sometimes it looks like a circle, and other times like a half or a thin curve. These changes are called the phases of the moon. It takes about 29 days for the moon to go through all its phases. A long time ago, astronauts went to the moon in a spaceship. They wore special suits and brought back rocks to study. People on Earth watched this on TV. It was a big moment in history! The moon still helps us today by lighting up the night sky and controlling the ocean tides.

- a) Why does the moon look bright at night, and what are craters?
- b) What are the phases of the moon, and how long do they take?

XII. Answer the following question in about 8-10 sentences : (1×4=4)

- 36) Summarize in your own words the substance of the poem "Grandma Climbs a tree".

OR

How does the poet Marina de Bellagente explain the patience and self-assertion of the land?

OR

How does the poet V. K. Gokak want to praise mother India?

XIII. Write an essay on any one of the following : (1×4=4)

- 37) a) Global Warming b) Social Media c) water pollution

XIV. Write a letter using the information given below : (1×5=5)

38) Imagine you are Suhas/ Saritha studying in 10th std, Govt high school, Narayanapura. Write a letter to the municipal officer to provide drinking water facility in your locality

OR

Write a letter to your cousin Janaki inviting her to attend your brother's birthday.

I.

1. C) wasn't it?

2. C) offering help
3. B) wouldn't have
4. D) to find

II.

5. Reach
6. Center
7. The
8. But
9. At
10. Are writng
11. I smile at her. She smiled beautifully
12. Seema is taller than any other girl in the class.
13. Machines were invented by man
14. Commuter
15. Judgement
16. Nikhitha replied that she was completing her maths homework.

III.

17. A) last – lost
b) but - and

IV.

- V. 18. The newspaper report was about the bravery of a village lad who while returning home by the jungle path fought with a tiger. He stayed half a day on the tree till some people came and killed the tiger.
19. Both Dr B R Ambedkar and Mahatma Gandhiji tried their level best to wipe out cast discrimination. Mahatma Gandhiji and Babasaheb Ambedkar to repudiate cast and to proclaim the oneness of the Hindu community. Gandhiji did so by reminding the higher castes of their duty towards the depressed classes. Babasaheb Ambedkar did the same by reminding them of their inherent rights to Equality with the higher and more powerful castes. one stressed the duties, the Other stressed the rights together.
20. Americans surveyed the land and found that land was more than eight acre. They offered double amount for the land. He rejected the offer and stick to the words what he had already quoted. This shows that he was man of principle.
21. Dr B R Ambedkar had an insatiable thirst for books. He bought books curtailing his daily needs. In New York he said to have purchased about 2000 old books. And it is recorded that at the time of second round table conference in London, he bought so many books that they had to be sent to India in 32 boxes.

22. The poet querulous because the motherland did not wish to listen a song about physical features, temples, dams, lakes and technology of the country.

23. Babu and Manju were a bit disappointed with the way students were marching because the students marched in complete silence. There were no slogans, no shouts. They expected the protest to be violent.

OR

Patil, the sub inspector had come there to enquire about the cyclostyling machine and to warn about raid. Mohan's mother believed him. She allowed him to take the cyclostyling machine.

24. From the childhood days she had an urge to climb the Mount Everest. Daily she watched the beautiful, breathtaking view of the Mountain. She had firm determination and hard work she helped her. She practiced four hours daily. She had one track mind and ready to face hardships. Her desire grew when she came to know about the newly opened Mountaineering institute. O R Whenever hurdles come, we must face them boldly. Dolma's determination and hard work. Zeal for the work is emulating.

VI.

25. Baleshwar was shocked to see Roma falling from the moving train which was running in his opposite direction. Impulsively he grabbed the red emergency chain and pulled it frantically. Before the train could stop, he jumped off the moving train risking his own life. He ran back to the spot where Roma had fallen. Carrying the unconscious girl, he reached the road and requested the motorists to help him take Roma to the hospital. Though none came forward to help him, he did not lose hope. Finally with the help of a tempo truck driver Baleshwar admitted Roma to a hospital and informed her family about the accident. Though he was new to Mumbai and Roma was a stranger for him he saved her life out of humanity. If Baleshwar had not risked his life, Roma would have bled to death.

26. The poem 'I am the land' is written by Marina de Bellaganta. In this poem the poet depicts the mother earth as the speaker. Mother earth tells that she waits with patience when people claim that the land belongs to them. They occupy the land, plough, plant trees, grow fruits and grass. The children dance and play on the land. The land bears everything without a complaint. The soldiers come with guns fighting for the land. People build fences on the land to divide nations which suffocates like chains in her neck. But mother earth mocks at the people's behaviour with a tone of self assertion.

VII.

27. a) Swami.

a. Swami's father wanted to make Swami the laughing stock of his school.

b. Because Swami used to sleep beside his granny like a baby. He wanted him to be courageous.

28. a) Baleshwar Mishra.

b) the motorists.

c) no one stopped to help Baleshwar.

29. a) Don Anselmo

b) Americans

c) They belonged to the children of the village.

30. a) Poet V.K. Gokak

b) Mother India

c) The poet wished to sing praising song of mother India.

VII.

31. Smt. Sowmya is 45 years old. Her height is 5.2 feet and weight is 52 kilograms. She holds an MA in Economics and another in Music. Her passion for music and she teaches music for children of all ages. Though painting and doll making are her hobbies, she is a very good artist. Her paintings are displayed in various exhibitions. She is very talented and her warm personality has earned admiration from her students.

VIII.

32. A poor woodcutter accidentally dropped his axe into a river. A goddess appeared and offered him a golden axe, but he refused, saying it wasn't his. She then offered a silver axe, which he also declined. Finally, she presented his own wooden axe, which he gladly accepted. Impressed by his honesty, the goddess rewarded him with all three axes.

Moral: Honesty is always rewarded.

IX

33. This picture shows the harsh reality of child labour. Many children are seen working in the streets, doing jobs like shoe polishing, carrying heavy loads, and selling items. Instead of going to school, they are forced to work due to poverty. This situation is very sad because every child has the right to education and a happy childhood. Child labour must be stopped, and proper steps should be taken to give children a better future.

X

34. Poems

XI.

35. a) It looks bright at night because it reflects the light of the sun. The moon is round and has many holes called craters on its surface

- b) Sometimes moon looks like a circle, and other times like a half or a thin curve. These changes are called the phases of the moon. It takes about 29 days for the moon to go through all its phases

XII. 36. The poem 'Grandma Climbs a Tree' is written by Ruskin Bond. He calls his grandmother as "genius" because she could climb trees in a trice even at the age of 62. She was passionate to climb the trees and learned it from her loving brother at the age of six. Everybody feared that granny would fall from a tree one day. One day she climbed a tree but could not come down. After the rescue the doctor recommended her bed rest for a week. But for granny it was like a brief season in hell. Once she recovered, she demanded a house to be built in a tree. The poet's father who was dutiful, fulfilled his mother's wish, by the expert assistance of his son - the poet. Then granny moved up and enjoyed her life as her wish.

OR

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OR

The poem song of India is a type of conversation between the poet V.K. Gokak and mother India. The poet asks if he could sing about Himalayas oceans three seas. But mother India is not ready to listen such type of songs. She asked him to sing about beggars, lepers who swarm on the streets. When the poet asks the motherland if he might sing about temples soldiers seers and prophets. She becomes furious and order him to sing about millions of people who work hard for their livelihood and helpless poor children dwelling in bleak and dark homes. Further the poet asks nervously if he would sing about dams, lakes, Steel Mills, ship building yards, technology and atomic age. But she urged him to sing about strikes of early and late. Ultimately the poem ends with optimistic view. The mother India sitting on the waves and writes the book of future India.

XIII.

37.

38. a) Global Warming

Global warming is a consequence of increased greenhouse gas emissions. It is a significant issue causing rising global temperatures and climate change. This phenomenon is primarily driven by human activities like burning fossil fuels,

deforestation and industrial processes. It leads a rise in greenhouse gases like carbon dioxide and methane. By global warming sea level rises. Unexpected climate changes occur it disturbs the ecosystems. It effects the human health. We as a responsible citizens should try to stop global warming. We should go for renewable energy. We should plant trees. Our agriculture must be sustainable. It needs international co-operations. Global warming is a pressing issue with far reaching consequences, demanding urgent and collective action to mitigate its effects and create a sustainable future for all.

b) Social Media

Social Media has become an integral part of modern life. It offers a numerous benefit and drawbacks. It connects people globally. It facilitates information sharing. It promotes various forms of expression. Social Media platforms enable individuals to connect with friends, family and colleagues across geographical boundaries fostering a sense of community and belonging. It is very helpful for sharing information and awareness. It is useful for business and marketing. It increases study patterns. Social Media has a large number of disadvantages also. Sometimes it may share misinformation and fake news. It may affect mental health by addiction to it. Sometimes it may affect a person's privacy. It can be called as a double edged sword. If we use social media responsibly, it may be a benefit to the society.

c) Water Pollution

Water pollution happens when dirty things like garbage, chemicals, or oil are thrown into rivers, lakes, or oceans. This makes the water harmful for people, animals, and plants. Polluted water can cause diseases and kill fish and other water animals. People must stop throwing waste into water and use clean methods for farming and factories. We should all help to keep our water clean so that we can stay healthy and protect nature.

The effects of water pollution are far-reaching and devastating. Aquatic life is threatened, and many species are facing extinction due to habitat destruction and poisoning. Human health is also at risk, with waterborne diseases like cholera and typhoid fever spreading through contaminated water. Furthermore, water pollution has significant economic impacts, affecting industries like fishing, tourism, and water treatment.

To address water pollution, collective action is necessary. Governments, industries, and individuals must work together to implement stricter regulations, promote sustainable practices, and improve wastewater treatment infrastructure. Additionally, reducing plastic use, increasing recycling, and educating people about the importance of water conservation can help mitigate the effects of water pollution. By taking these steps, we can protect our water resources and ensure a healthier environment for future generations.

i) Suhas / Saritha
10th Std
G H S, Narayanapura.

15 May 2025

The Municipal Officer
Municipal office
Narayanapura

Dear sir

Sub: Request to provide water facility in our area.

I am a resident of Gandhi Colony, Narayanapura. I would like to bring to your kind notice that water scarcity is a lot in our area. The pipe line connection was done by the municipal office 6 months back. But no water flows in it. Here, the residents have to buy water tanks both for their drinking and household chores. The poor people can't afford money to buy water. The students go thirsty as there is no drinking water supply. So I request you to kindly provide water facility at the earliest and we will be grateful to you.

Thank you.

Yours
faithfully
xxxxxx

ii) Narayanapura
15 May 2025

Dear Janaki,

How are you? I am doing well here and hope everything is fine there.

You will be glad to know that my brother's birthday falls on 7th October. We are organizing a grand party to celebrate this occasion. You are invited to attend the same. The party will be held at our residence from 4 pm onwards. There will be lots of events like quiz, games, dance, etc. You will surely enjoy it. Request uncle and aunt also on our behalf to attend the party. We will wait eagerly for all of you.

Yours affectionately
xxxxxxx

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