

Name of the School: _____

SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – I (2026–27)

Class IX — ENGLISH (Third Language)

Common for English and Telugu Medium

Model Question Paper — Set B

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

Name of the Student: _____ Roll No.: _____

Syllabus covered: Unit 1 Humour (The Snake and the Mirror; The Duck and the Kangaroo; Little Bobby), Unit 2 Games and Sports (True Height; What Is a Player?; V.V.S. Laxman, Very Very Special), Unit 3 School Life (Swami Is Expelled from School; Not Just a Teacher, but a Friend; Homework), Unit 4 Environment (What Is Man without the Beasts?; The River; Can't Climb Trees Any More), Unit 5 Disasters (A Havoc of Flood), with grammar and discourses covered in these units

Instructions:

1. This paper has two parts. Part A (60 marks) is to be answered in the answer booklet within the first 2 hours 30 minutes.
2. Part B (20 marks) is to be answered on the question paper itself in the last 30 minutes.
3. Read the passages carefully before answering. Write neatly and within the word limit wherever given.

PART – A

Time: 2 Hours 30 Minutes

Marks: 60

SECTION – A: READING COMPREHENSION (30 Marks)

Read the following passage and answer the questions in one or two sentences each. (5 × 2 = 10)

The students of the Zilla Parishad High School in a small village near Warangal were tired of the dusty playground behind their school. The members of the eco-club decided to do something about it. With the help of their science teacher, they collected saplings of neem, teak and guava under the state's Haritha Haram programme. Every student adopted one plant. They watered it before the morning assembly, protected it with a fence of thorny twigs and wrote its height in a notebook every Saturday. In the summer holidays, when the school was closed, a few students took turns to walk to school and water the plants. Two years later the playground had become a green, shady place where birds sang in the afternoons. The headmaster proudly told visitors that the trees had been planted by the children, but grown by their patience.

1. Why did the eco-club members decide to plant trees?
2. Name any two kinds of saplings the students planted.
3. How did the students take care of their plants?
4. What did some students do during the summer holidays?
5. What did the headmaster mean when he said the trees were "grown by their patience"?

Read the following poem and answer the questions that follow. (5 × 2 = 10)

I come from haunts of coot and hern,
I make a sudden sally,
And sparkle out among the fern,
To bicker down a valley.

I chatter over stony ways,
In little sharps and trebles,
I bubble into eddying bays,
I babble on the pebbles.

— Alfred Tennyson, 'The Brook'

6. Who is the speaker in the poem?

7. Where does the brook come from?
8. Which words tell us that the brook makes sounds as it flows?
9. Where does the brook 'bubble' and 'babble'?
10. Pick out any two pairs of rhyming words from the poem.

Answer any TWO of the following in about 80–100 words each. (2 × 5 = 10)

11. Answer any two:

- (a) Describe the thoughts of the doctor in 'The Snake and the Mirror' as he looked at himself in the mirror before the snake appeared.
- (b) What made Swami take part in the protest in 'Swami Is Expelled from School'? What were its consequences for him?
- (c) What childhood memories does the narrator recall in 'Can't Climb Trees Any More'?

SECTION – B: CREATIVE WRITING (DISCOURSES) (30 Marks)

Answer each question. Choose (a) or (b) in each. (3 × 10 = 30)

12. (a) Write a notice for your school notice board about a tree plantation drive organised by the eco-club.

OR

- (b) Write a letter to the Municipal Commissioner complaining about garbage piling up near your school.

13. (a) Write a biographical sketch of Pullela Gopichand using the details given below.

- (i) Born: 16 November 1973
- (ii) Achievement as a player: All England Open Champion, 2001
- (iii) Founded: Gopichand Badminton Academy, Hyderabad (2008)
- (iv) Famous students: Saina Nehwal, P.V. Sindhu
- (v) Honours: Dronacharya Award (2009), Padma Bhushan (2014)
- (vi) Qualities: dedication, sacrifice, discipline

OR

- (b) Prepare a poster on "Be safe during floods" giving at least five safety tips.

14. (a) Write a conversation of about 10 exchanges between two friends about whether homework is useful or not.

OR

- (b) Develop a story using the hints: a boy teases his friend for being short – school kabaddi match – friend's quick moves win the game – boy apologises – true height is in the heart.

PART – B

Time: 30 Minutes

Marks: 20

I. Grammar

Choose the correct answer and write its letter in the bracket. (10 × 1 = 10)

1. Laxman is _____ elegant batsman. []
(A) a (B) an (C) the (D) no article
2. The students were proud _____ their trees. []
(A) of (B) for (C) with (D) about
3. When I reached the station, the train _____. []
(A) left (B) has left (C) had left (D) leaves
4. Unless you practise daily, you _____ win. []
(A) will (B) won't (C) would (D) can
5. Choose the passive form: "Swami broke the window." []
(A) The window is broken by Swami. (B) The window was broken by Swami.
(C) The window has broken Swami. (D) The window broke by Swami.
6. Choose the reported form: Ravi said, "I will play tomorrow." []
(A) Ravi said that he will play tomorrow.
(B) Ravi said that he would play the next day.
(C) Ravi said that I would play tomorrow.
(D) Ravi told that he played the next day.
7. This river is _____ than that one. []
(A) long (B) longer (C) longest (D) more long
8. Let's go to the playground, _____? []
(A) will we (B) shall we (C) don't we (D) won't you
9. Either the teacher or the students _____ to clean the room. []
(A) has (B) have (C) is (D) was
10. He ran fast _____ he could catch the bus. []
(A) so that (B) because (C) although (D) unless

II. Vocabulary

Choose the correct answer and write its letter in the bracket. (5 × 1 = 5)

11. The synonym of 'elegant' is []
(A) graceful (B) clumsy (C) rough (D) plain
12. The antonym of 'expel' is []
(A) remove (B) admit (C) punish (D) send
13. Choose the correctly spelt word. []
(A) enviroment (B) environment (C) envirnoment (D) enviornment
14. Which word comes last in dictionary order? []
(A) river (B) rivet (C) rival (D) rise
15. The noun form of 'patient' is []
(A) patiently (B) patience (C) patientness (D) impatient

III. Match the words with their meanings

(5 × 1 = 5)

No.	Word		Meaning
16.	sapling ()	A.	a young tree
17.	brook ()	B.	a small stream
18.	enthusiasm ()	C.	great eagerness
19.	cancel ()	D.	to call off
20.	disaster ()	E.	a sudden event causing great damage
		F.	a large lake

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