

Model Question Paper

English

Class – X

2021-2022

Time : 3 Hours. 15 Minutes

M.M.: 70

General Instructions :

- 1- First 15 minutes are allotted to the candidates for reading the question paper.
- 2- Marks are indicated against each question.
- 3- Read the questions very carefully before you start answering them.

**Section – A-Reading**

- 1- Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below:

Dolphins are regarded as the friendliest creatures in the sea and stories of them, helping drowning sailors have been common since roman times. The more we learn about dolphins, the more we realize that their society is more complex than people previously imagined. They look after other dolphins when they are ill, care for pregnant mothers and protect the weakest in the community as we do. Some scientists have suggested that dolphins have a language but it is much more probable that they communicate with each other without needing words. Could any of these mammals be more intelligent than man? Certainly the most common argument in favour of man's superiority over them, that we can kill them more easily than they can kill us, is the least satisfactory. On the contrary, the more we discover about these remarkable creatures, the less we appear superior when we destroy them.

- a. What human qualities do dolphins possess, according to the passage? 3
- b. Why do some people argue that man is superior to dolphins? 3
- c. Find out a word in the passage which means 'perhaps'. 2
- d. Find out a word in the passage which is opposite of 'inferior'. 2

**Section – B-Writing**

- 2-Write a letter to your friend to invite him on your birthday party. 4

Or

Write an application to your Principal for issuing Transfer Certificate.

3-Write a report on the Republic day celebration in your school  
in 60-80 words.

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(School decoration, flag hoisting ceremony, cultural programme, speech by  
Principal and others, sweet distribution)

Or

Write an article on the Importance of Morning Walk in about 60-80 words :

- Introduction
- Fresh air
- Keeps active and happy all day
- Good for studies
- Conclusion

### Section – C-Grammar

4- Choose the correct option to answer the following questions:

i-‘The old man came to me.’ Identify the adjective.

1X5=5

- a) the
- b) came
- c) man
- d) old

ii.He is a hard working man. Identify the verb -

- a) working
- b) is
- c) hard
- d) man

iii.The noun form of strong is -

- a) strange
- b) strongly
- c) stronger
- d) strength

iv-He is worried .....the examination.

- a) in
- b) on
- c) about
- d) of

v- 'I will not go with you.' Change into past perfect tense-

- a) I did not go with you.
- b) I had not gone with you.
- c) I do not go with you.
- d) I have not gone with you.

**5- Change the followings as directed in the brackets:**

1X5=5

i- Hari said to me, "Why did you do it?"

(Change into indirect speech)

ii- Who is writing a letter?

(Change into passive voice)

iii- Punctuate the following using capital letters wherever necessary:

shikha said to her friend why had you not come to school yesterday

iv- Frame a correct sentence by re-ordering the words.

was great palace this king a beautiful by built.

v- Complete the spelling of the following word:

obe\_i\_ nce

**6- Translate the following into English:**

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प्रकृति एक जीवित शक्ति है। यह अपने शांत और सुंदर रूप में हमारे चारों ओर विद्यमान है। जब हम प्रकृति के नियम तोड़ते हैं, यह उग्र हो जाती है। प्रकृति का संरक्षण एवं सम्मान करना हमारा नैतिक दायित्व है। हमें प्रतिदिन कुछ समय प्रकृति के सम्पर्क में अवश्य बिताना चाहिए।

### Section – D-Literature

7-Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it :

With a satisfied expression he regarded the field of ripe corn with its flower, draped in a curtain of rain. But suddenly a strong wind began to blow and along with the rain very large hailstones began to fall. These truly did resemble new

silver coins. The boys, exposing themselves to the rain, ran out to collect the frozen pearls.

- (i) What did begin to fall along with the rain? 2  
(ii) Why did the boys go out? 2

8-Answer one of the following questions in about 60 words : 4

- (i) How did Mandela's 'hunger for freedom' change his life?  
(ii) Give a character sketch of Anne Frank.

9-Answer any two of the following questions in about 25 words each : 2+2=4

- (i) Describe any two tourist places of Coorg.  
(ii) Where were the monthly accounts of the baker recorded?  
(iii) Why did Valli want to ride on the bus?

10-Match the words of List 'A' with their meanings in List 'B' 1X3=3

List 'A'	List 'B'
vendor	sage
preserved	hawker
monk	kept safe

11-Read the following extract and answer the questions given below it:

The way a crow  
Shook down on me  
The Dust of Snow  
From a hemlock tree

- (i) Where was the poet standing? 2  
(ii) Point out the rhyming words in the stanza. 2

12-Write the central idea of one of the following poems. 4

- 1- A Tiger in the Zoo  
2- The Trees

Or

Write four lines from one of the poems given in your text book. (Do not copy out the lines given in this question paper)

13-Answer two of the following questions in about 25 words each : 2+2=4

- (i) Why is Mrs. Pumphrey worried about Tricki?  
(ii) What were the reasons for Matilda's unhappiness?  
(iii) What was so strange about the furniture of Mrs Hall?

14-Answer one of the following questions in about 60 words: 4

- (i) Give a character sketch of Bholi.

(ii) How did Ebright discover an unknown insect hormone?

15-(a) Point out 'true' and 'false' in the following statements :

1+1=2

(i) Matilda always remained happy.

(ii) James Herriot was veterinary surgeon.

(b) Select the most suitable alternative to complete the following statements: 1+1=2

(i) Griffin was a -----.

(a) shopkeeper

(b) landlord

(c) scientist

(d) clergyman

(ii) Ramlal's eldest daughter was -----.

(a) Sulekha

(b) Radha

(c) Bholi

(d) Mangla