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**CLASS IX**

**SET A**

**Marking Scheme – ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE**

Q.N O.	Answers	Marks (with split up)
<b>1. A</b>	<b>Choose the best answer</b>	<b>1X4=4</b>
	1.c. used a log. 2.b. sails were made. 3.a. more economical and efficient. 4.b. inefficient.	
<b>B.</b>	<b>Read the given questions and write the answer in a sentence.</b>	<b>1X4=4</b>
	5. They carry goods and people. (Or )Trade among countries depends heavily on ships. 6. Galleys were long boats powered by a row of paddles. 7. Giant tankers / Passenger liners /Galleys / transatlantic liners ( <b>Any 2</b> ) 8. 'Michelangelo', the 'Raffaello' and the 'Queen Elizabeth II'. ( <b>Any 2</b> )	
<b>2.1</b>	<b>On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions in 30-40 words each :</b>	<b>2x4=8</b>
	1. Astronomer Brian Marsden, at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics had just announced that a newly discovered asteroid 1.6 km wide was headed for Earth and might pass as close as 48,000km in the year 2028. "The chance of an actual collision is small," Marsden reported, "but not entirely out of the question."	
	2. XF11 was discovered last Dec. 6 by astronomer Jim Scotti, a member of the University of Arizona's Spacewatch group, which scans the skies for undiscovered comets and asteroids.	
	3. Jack Hills, an astronomer at New Mexico's Los Alamos National Laboratory. "The space scares me,"	
	4. 30-year-old prediction was that the stars can be flung out of a galaxy by the supermassive black hole at its centre.	
<b>2.2</b>	<b>Choose the correct answer</b>	<b>1x4=4</b>
	1.c. it might be hit by an asteroid 2. c. it would cross the earth at a safe distance 3. b. it was noticeable in an unpleasant way 4. d. catastrophe	
<b>3.</b>	<b>ARTICLE -DESCRIPTIVE PARAGRAPH - Content -4 , Fluency -2, Accuracy -2</b>	<b>8Marks</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>STORY WRITING -Title - 1, Content - 5, Fluency -2, Accuracy-2</b>	<b>10Mark</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Fill in the blanks choosing the most appropriate words from the given options.</b>	<b>1x4=4</b>
	a. (iii) reached	
	b. (i) had been made	
	c. (iii) had expected	

	d. (iii) their curved blades	
6.	<b>EDITING</b>	<b>1x4=4</b>
	<p><b>INCORRECT      CORRECT</b></p> <p>a. was                <u>were</u></p> <p>b. after              <u>though/ if / when</u></p> <p>c. most               <u>more</u></p> <p>d. since              <u>is</u></p>	
7.	<b>Rearrange the given words and phrases into meaningful sentences</b>	<b>1x4=4</b>
	i) One day a farmer's donkey fell down into a well.	
	ii) The animal cried and the farmer did not know what to do.	
	iii) He invited all his neighbors to help him.	
	iv) The donkey did not realize what was happening.	
	<b>SECTION C: LITERATURE ( 30 Marks )</b>	
8.	<b>Read the extract given below and answer the following question. (Any One)</b>	<b>1x4=4</b>
a.	<p>i. that of tranquility (or any other related answer)</p> <p>ii. Baudhnath stupa has peaceful environment; Pashupatinath is full of people and is noisy.</p> <p>iii. It is a Buddhist shrine. (or any other related answer)</p> <p>iv. Refuge. (or any other related answer)</p>	
b.	<p>i. These lines were composed by Robert Frost.</p> <p>ii. "Both" refers to two roads which lead to different directions.</p> <p>iii. Doubted.</p> <p>iv. He doubts if he would ever be able to come back to take that other road.</p>	
9.	<b>Answer any FIVE of the following questions in 30-40 words</b>	<b>2x5=10</b>
a.	It was noticed first when Evelyn was 8 years old that she was deaf. At the age of 11 the doctor's came to the conclusion that she was deaf after her parents took her to the doctor on the advice of the headmistress. The loss was due to the gradual increase of the damage to the nerves. It took time for her to settle with the obstacle.	
b.	Albert Einstein was the most popular theoretical physicist in 20th century. - He was born in Germany but later moved to United States. - He is mostly-known for his Theory of Relativity - He wrote letter to American president Roseweld -He was honored with Nobel Prize (or any other relevant answers)	
c.	Jerome wanted to make Harris and George work under his supervision. So, when he had to work alone while Harris and George sat easily and found faults with his packing, it irritated him. Besides, Harris reminded about the shoes only after the bag had been strapped. Moreover, George's senseless laughter also irritated him.	
d.	When Prashanth went to visit his friend's house a huge cyclone had taken up which destroyed many houses in villages and killed many people and animals. The cyclone created a huge destruction in the nearby village including his friend's village.	
e.	Ishwaran was a cook of Mahendra when Mahendra was not at home, he spent his time by cooking food, praying, taking bath, bringing things from market and reading books. At evening, after dinner, when Mahendra come from his work, he spent his work by telling stories to him.	
f.	Whenever the rain fall on the roof, the sound will be pleasing to the heart. The tip top sound of the rainfall enhances us to improve positive directions and attitude in behavior. The poet of the poem says that rainfall creates immense pleasure for his heart. Usually, little children are highly fond	

	of rainfall.	
<b>10.</b>	<b>Answer ONE of the question in about 100-150 words</b>	<b>1x8=8</b>
i)	<p>It is true that a fearful situation can cripple us and leave us without any feelings. In the story, the doctor comes into close contact with a snake. Keeping in mind the distance shared between them, it is possible to understand the fear that clouded his mind. Such a situation can make us numb and often, we are unable to decide on our next action.</p> <p><b>(other Value points for this answer)</b></p> <p>Lose sense of judgment to react and to take any action, Acceptance, Lose courage, Reconciliation, start remembering god, Acceptance, love for parents, Mutual respect, Compassion, helpful to people in needs are the few examples that are perfect in the reference of 'The Snake and the Mirror'.</p>	
ii)	<p>Maria Sharapova had to pay a price to reach the top</p> <p>– The Tennis excellence came only at a price the world of tennis was highly competitive – Little Maria was not even 10 when she was packed off to a train in the United States – That trip to Florida with her father Uri put her on the path to success and stardom – She also got a heart wrenching separation from her mother for 2 years – Her senior pupils insulted her and make her work hard</p> <p>– She learnt how to take care of herself – She continued pursuing her dream she won the women's single Crown at Wimbledon in 2004 – The greatest honour came to her in 2005 she goes to the world number one in the following year.</p>	
<b>11.</b>	<b>Answer ONE of the question in about 100-150 words</b>	<b>1x8=8</b>
i)	<p>– Johnsy was suffering from pneumonia went into depression – Her long treatment made her think that she would not survive – From the window of a room she could see a creeper which was gradually shedding its leaves – Despair set in making her imagine the worst – She started associating her life with the leaves – each day she counted the leaves and decided that the day the last leaf would shed, she too would die – She lost her will to recover and stopped responding to the treatment – She became convinced for an impending death – It reveals how a negative state of mind can block hope and recovery – When German painted relief of the creeper which did not fall in spite of the storm it gave her hope – Hope replaced negative thoughts by positive ones. It revived her will to live. She started responding to the treatment</p>	
ii)	<p>– The child look happy when I entered the fair. – He was fascinated by all the things he saw, like garland of gulmohar, balloons, sweets – The child key to keen interest in the music played by the snake charmer – When he was separated from his parents, his mood was totally different. – He was filled with fear and restlessness. Tears started rolling down his cheeks. A kind hearted man lifted him up. – He took him to the roundabout and offered him other things but the child had no interest in all these things. – He wanted to go back to his parents – Thus, his behaviour shows that he had great love for his parents</p>	
	<b>The End</b>	