

Roll Number

SET A



INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT
FINAL TERM EXAMINATION
ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

CLASS: IX

Sub. Code: 184

Time Allotted: 3 Hrs.

13.02.2019

Max. Marks: 80

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SECTION – A : READING

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1. Read the passage given below :

1. A research conducted by SATHI says that it is a misconception that children living on platforms are abandoned or are wrecked from homes. In reality, most of the children flee from their homes without a thought and cannot retract their actions, either because they have no money or are too frightened to go back.
2. “We rescue 50 children daily from the platforms across the country. Some of these children get lost even as their parents search for them desperately,” said Anjali, project officer, SATHI.
3. Life on the platform is not easy. The longer a child lives on the platform, the more he falls prey to addictions, abuse, petty thefts and odd jobs for survival. There is no place like home for a child, therefore, in extreme cases of abuse and poverty the organization’s first course of action is ‘home placement’.
4. As SATHI’s secretary Pramod Kulkarni says, ‘A child on the platform never grows up, he just ages. Early intervention not only saves the child from the dangers of platform life but, also makes repatriation easier as the child is more willing to go back home’.
5. But, it is not an easy task. The organisation’s staff search the platforms across the country from morning till night. Children are rescued from the platforms and are placed within the safe

limits of the SATHI shelters. They are counselled and those who are willing to go back home are taken to their families as soon as possible.

6. Otherwise who are reluctant to go back home are enrolled in “home orientation campus”. Love, guidance and care provided, it paves the way for effective development of problem-solving and social skills needed to build self esteem and renew family ties. Children addicted to substance abuse are sent to de-addiction camps.

1.1 On the basis of your understanding of the above passage, answer the questions that follow: 1x8=8

- a) What has the research conducted by SATHI revealed?
- b) What does the phrase ‘Life on the platform is not easy’ mean?
- c) What is the aim of the organization working for the welfare of these children?
- d) Which is the most important step in saving the lives of children?
- e) Find the word from the passage which means the same as ‘advice’.
- f) After the child is in the safe limits, how is he helped further?
- g) What plans does SATHI have for children who do not want to go back home?
- h) How are the addicted children helped?

2. Read the passage given below :

- 1. Being healthy does not necessarily mean only physical fitness. It also includes mental and emotional well being. You need to follow some guidelines and maintain a time table of your daily activities in order to stay fit and fine throughout your life.
- 2. The first and the most important point to be taken care of in order to remain healthy is to follow healthy eating habits. One must avoid consumption of unhealthy junk foods. Try to include those foodstuffs that are rich in all the nutrients that are very essential for the proper growth of our body tissues. Make sure that these foods are rich in vitamins, minerals, proteins, good carbohydrates as well as fats. It is a misconception that fats, whether good or bad, are always harmful for your body. Not all fats are bad for health. There are some types of fats that are essential for the body as well. To make sure that your heart keeps healthy all the time, have a wholesome meal. By doing this you will also have a healthy brain and a good immune system.

3. Burning of calories is also very necessary for good health. For this, you will have to plan your schedule and give some time for exercise every day. This proves to be very beneficial in maintaining the wear and tear of all your body muscles. Another important point that you should always keep in mind is that you cannot stay healthy by skipping meals. Have your food at proper time intervals and avoid starvation. Instead of eating a large quantity of food at one single time, try to have 6-7 small courses of meals at regular intervals. This will help you maintain proper functioning of your digestive system.
4. Apart from the solid food, you must also pay attention towards liquids. Include beverages such as coconut water, fruit juices, and especially water. You must drink at least 10-12 glasses of water in the entire day. This maintains a very good rate of metabolism.
5. Sleep is another important factor with regards to health. Along with proper liquid and solid food you also need a sound and sufficient sleep to keep yourself fresh all day. If you do not have a sound sleep of 6-7 hours at night then you will feel tired and lazy all day and this will also affect your mood.

2.1 On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions in 30-40 words each: 2x4=8

- a) What do you understand by the term 'being healthy'?
- b) What are the essential nutrients required for proper growth of our body tissues?
- c) What are the advantages of exercise?
- d) Besides solid foods and exercise, what other things are needed to maintain a good rate of metabolism?

2.2 Select appropriate synonyms for the following words from the passage: 1x4=4

- a) using (para 2)
- b) wrong belief/idea (para 2)
- c) helpful/advantageous (para 3)
- d) weary/fatigued (para 5)

SECTION –B: WRITING AND GRAMMAR (30 Marks)

3. You happened to see a serious road accident in which two motor-cyclists were killed. This shocked you emotionally as hardly anyone stopped to provide some help to the victims. You called up the police at 100 when the people showed up indifferent attitude to the victims. Express your feelings in about 100-150 words in the form of a diary entry. 8x1=8

OR

May 9th is celebrated as Mother's Day. The big day also has its dark side. Mothers in the Old Age Homes wait for their children to come and look them up but in vain. Things remain gloomy and expectations high on this day. Write an article in about 100-150 words on the topic: "Crisis during Old Age" and give suggestions to overcome this problem.

4. Write a short story based on the cues given in about 150-200 words:

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Ravi fond of dogs - one day brings home a street dog - mother - angry - takes all the responsibilities of the dog - dog named Charlie - one day kidnappers try to kidnap his younger brother - Charlie barks incessantly and chases them - family wakes up - Charlie - bites one of the kidnappers - one kidnapper shoots him - Charlie died - child saved - mother cries a lot touching and caressing Charlie.

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A salt merchant - had a donkey - carried sack of salts to the market - very heavy for donkey to carry - donkey slipped - crossing the river - salt dissolved - load lighter - donkey felt happy - next day - donkey deliberately did it - merchant knew its trick - wanted to teach donkey a lesson - next day put sack of cotton instead of salt - donkey again did the same trick - cotton became heavier - repented - realized folly.

5. Fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate word from the options given below:

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6. The following passage has not been edited. There is an error in each of the lines. Write the incorrect word and the correction in the answer sheet:

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7. Rearrange the following words and phrases to make meaningful sentences:

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SECTION- C : LITERATURE (30 Marks)

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

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“But this aspiring musician faced a bigger challenge than most”.

- a) Identify the musician.
- b) Why was learning music a great challenge for the teenager ?
- c) What was the origin of the musician?
- d) Choose the word from above lines which mean the same as ‘dare’.

OR

“He brought them together and put a polythene sheet shelter for them. Women were mobilised to look after them, while the men secured food and materials for the shelter”.

- a) Who are ‘he’ and ‘them’ in the extract?
- b) Women were mobilised look after them. Why?
- c) Who secured food and material for the shelter?
- d) Find the idiom from the passage which means love and care.

9. Answer **any five** of the questions in 30-40 words each:

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- a) Why did Kezia avoid her father?
- b) Why did Einstein write a letter to the American President Roosevelt?
- c) What does the poet mean by the words ‘harvests’ and ‘war’?
- d) How did Sue help Johnsy during her illness?
- e) In what condition did the author go to his school after the fire incident?
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10. Answer the following questions in 100-150 words:

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While doing the packing the author and his friends do many foolish things. Give details of any four things.

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What is your opinion about killing a tree ? Is it justified to cut trees ? What are the feelings of the poet?

11. Answer the following questions in 100 - 150 words:

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One can get rid of the feelings of loss and tragedy if one has a solid social support from fellow-men and the society as a whole. Describe how this is shown in "A House Is Not a Home."

OR

What efforts did Prashant make to bring the people of his village out of their grief due to the devastation caused by the super cyclone?

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1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

1. Health insecurity is at an all-time high. In a time when thousands of people lose their health insurance every day, when health care is becoming elusive to even well-to-do Americans, and when any person is just one pink slip away from becoming uninsured, it becomes clear that health care for all is not just important to achieve, but imperative.
2. At its root, the lack of health care for all in America is fundamentally a moral issue. The United States is the only industrialized nation that does not have some form of universal health care (defined as a basic guarantee of health care to all of its citizens).
3. While other countries have declared health care to be a basic right, the United States treats health care as a privilege, only available to those who can afford it. In this sense, health care in America is treated as an economic good like a TV or VCR, not as social or public good.
4. Although it can be very complex and frustrating at times, it has come a long way from the health care organizations of yesterday. Previously, most health care facilities were a place where the sick were housed and cared for until death. Physicians rarely practiced in hospitals and only those who were fortunate, could afford proper care at home or in private clinics.
5. Today the level of health care has excelled tremendously, presently the goal of the health care

is to have a continuum of care for the patient, one which is integrated at all levels.

6. Many hospitals offer a referral service or discharge plan to patients who are being discharged. Plans for the patient are discussed with a discharge planner. The discharge planner is a person who is trained in assessing what the patient's requirements for health care will be after discharge from the hospital.

1.1 On the basis of your understanding of the above passage, answer the questions that follow: 1x8=8

- a) Why do Americans feel insecure with regard to health care?
- b) How is The United States different from other advanced countries in terms of health care as a basic right?
- c) Why does America consider health care as a privilege?
- d) What is today the level of health care in America?
- e) What is presently the goal of health care in the USA?
- f) What is a discharge plan?
- g) Supply a suitable title for the passage.
- h) The word 'assessing' means.

2. Read the passage given below :

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3. One night you were suddenly awakened by a ghostly shriek as if it were coming from beneath your bed. Then a shadow seemed to advance towards you. You felt choked and lost your consciousness. When you came to your senses you were on your bed, puzzled but safe. Express your feelings in about 100-150 words in the form of a diary entry.

8x1=8

OR

You happen to visit an orphanage and are greatly distressed to see how small children are kept in it and not well treated. You decide to write an article in about 100-150 words on the topic:

“Running an orphanage and helping the orphans to grow naturally”.

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Young boy – travelling by a train – has briefcase – containing lot of money – befriends a fellow traveller – train stops at a station for a few minutes – goes to bring some eatables – returns – briefcase gone.

OR

Robert Bruce, king of Scotland – often fought for the freedom of the county – no success – hiding in a cave – dejected – a spider drops by its thread from the ceiling – tries to get back to its web – again drops – succeeds in ninth attempt – inspired by example, Bruce tries again.

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