



# INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT SECOND PERIODIC ASSESSMENT

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

CLASS: IX

Sub. Code: 184

Time Allotted: 50 mts.

12.11.2019

Max. Marks: 20

### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

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### SECTION – A (WRITING SKILLS)

- You happened to be on a picnic in the countryside. As you were enjoying your day, you happened to see a little girl drowning. Write a diary entry in not more than 100-150 words, on how you saved the little girl. 8

### SECTION - B (LITERATURE)

- Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow: 1x4=4  
(answer any one of the extracts)

(a) “The second world war broke out in 1939, when I was eight years old. For reasons I have never been able to understand, a sudden demand for tamarind seeds erupted in the market. I used to collect the seeds and sell them to a provision shop on Mosque Street”.

- Who is the speaker here?
- How old was the speaker?
- What was in sudden demand?
- What did he do with it?

OR

(b) “ And being faint with fasting,  
For the day was almost done,  
He asked her from her store of cakes,  
To give him a single one.”

- Who is ‘He’ in the extract?
- Why was he fainting?
- What did he ask her to give him?
- Trace a word from the extract that means “weak”.

3.
Answer any two of the following questions in 30-40 words each.
2x2=4
- a) Of the three friends, Jerome, George and Harris, who do you think is the best or worst packer?
b) How does the poet suggest in the poem “The Legend of Northland” that all people on the earth are the same?
c) Why do the courtiers call the Prince “The Happy Prince”? Is he really happy? What does he see all around him?

SECTION – C (GRAMMAR)
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The following passage has not been edited. One word is missing from each line. Identify the missing word and write it in your answer sheet. Remember to underline the missing word. The first one has been done as an example.
- BeforeOmittedAfter

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You have just received the news that you are one of the ten finalists who have been selected for a Teen Talent Hunt show. Your excitement knows no bounds. Write a diary entry in about 100-120 words describing your excitement.

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#### 2. SECTION - B (LITERATURE)

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- (a) "Dear Prince," said the swallow, "I cannot do that," and he began to weep.  
"Swallow, Swallow, little Swallow," said the Prince, "do as I command you."

- What is 'that' in these lines?
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a) the only country have the mobile plan.	.....	....	.....
b) We work a very strong design team	.....	....	.....
c) and consumer insight team, whose	.....	....	.....
d) jobs are research the best ways.	.....	....	.....

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