

INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT
FIRST PRE-BOARD EXAMINATION

SET B

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CLASS XII- Marking Scheme – English

| Q.NO. | PART A- 40 MARKS Answers | 1x10=10 |
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| 1. | Any 10 | |
| | i) c) rational | |
| | ii) b) giving equal status to women | |
| | iii) c) lack of literacy and awareness among women | |
| | iv) a) by educating women | |
| | v) d) all of these | |
| | vi) c) oppressive | |
| | vii) d) With proper educational system | |
| | viii) b) educating girls is a charity | |
| | ix) b) by educating girls | |
| | x) c) eliminate | |
| | xi) c) Conducive environment can be created for girls through good economy | |
| 2. | Any 10 | 1x10 =10 |
| | i) (c) The governments have restricted business operations, travelling and people-to-people interactions. | |
| | ii) (d) It generates foreign exchange, drives regional development and businesses | |
| | iii) The countries should lift travel restrictions restoring the travellers' confidence. | |
| | iv) (d) exceptional measures | |
| | v) (b) To rebuild it by regaining its position as a provider of decent jobs and stable incomes | |

vi) (d) 120 million tourism jobs are at risk, with the economic damage likely to exceed \$1 trillion

vii) (c) That the potential shock of economy could range between a 60-80 % decline in the international tourism.

viii) (a) \$910 billion and \$1.2 trillion this year

ix) (c) If the restrictions on the movement of domestic flights and containment measures are lifted

x) (d) boosting economies and enabling countries to thrive.

xi) (c) Compensate

3. Any 2 4x2= 8

A. i) Edla Willmansson 1

ii) b) That we must be nice to the people who are nice to us 1

iii) c) Selma Lagerlof 1

iv) c) Because he himself was enticed with it as a prey 1

B. i) c) Dr Sadao 1

ii) a) if the wounded man was full in his senses 1

iii) b) Because he was a prisoner of war and enemy of his country 1

iv) a) Japan 1

C. i) a) The bangle-makers 1

ii) d) That they would be beaten and dragged to jail if they formed any cooperative

iii) (a) Driven out 1

iv) (a) They are helpless 1

4. Any 1 1X4=4

A(i) b It keeps us rejuvenated.

(ii) a) aabbc

(iii) b) That its effect never decreases but increases with the passage of time

(iv) (a) It provides us shade in the scorching heat , giving us relief.

OR

(i) (c) Alliteration

(ii) (b) The slum children are stuck in the traps of poverty till the end of their lives

(iii) (a) free verse

(iv) (a) The hunger stricken, thin bodies of the children, which look like heaps of garbage.

5. Any 8

1X8=8

i) (d) Because prestige of farmers was more important than money

ii) b) Transferred Epithet

iii) a) energy and movement that are missing in the lives of the slum children

iv) c) Traditional Japanese style

v) (c) Blame ourselves

vi) a) work very hard all through the day

vii) c) metaphor

viii) d) All of these

ix) c) the following day

x) c) Deep water

6. Any one

3

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7. Any one

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8. Any one

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9. Any one Format: 1 / Content: 2 /Expression: 2

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10. Any 5

2x5=10

i) Saheb was employed at a tea stall but the narrator has not consented Saheb's idea of being employed keeping his freedom and carefree life under the pressure of a time bound job. The writer feels sad for him and concerned for children like him

ii) Introspection is required because the poet feels that mankind has no time to be disciplined and organised to think beyond material benefits. A moment of peace would do them good to find out their blemishes.

iii) Franz had counted on the hustle and bustle that was usual when the school began in order to enter there unnoticed. He had thought he could depend on the commotion to get to his desk without anybody noticing that he was late for the class.

iv) Kamala Das is troubled by the thoughts of her ageing mother and tries to console herself by looking outside the car. The sight is full of youthful vigor. She watches the trees 'sprinting' past her speeding car and the children, full of life and activity, running out of their houses to play.

v) The challenge was to overcome his fear of water which was deep rooted in him. Douglas' fear of water made him a determined man and he decided to overcome it. He conquered his fear with determination and grit.

vi) Stephen Spender wants a quality life with equal opportunities for the slum children to learn and earn. Their life can be changed when the people in authority provide equal opportunities, good education and a respectable life.

11. Any 2

2x2=4

i) The mother does not approve of it because she did not want him to lose his identity. She did not want him to acquire the artificial and uncharacteristic smell of roses. Real friends would accept him the way he was.

ii) The enemy soldier was under emergency of medical treatment. He was on the brink of death. Dr Sadao was a nice gentleman who knew his duty well that a patient should not suffer in the presence of a doctor. So he decided to operate and save his life.

iii) Initially Sam thought it was just a waking-dream wish fulfilment. Later he believed that the third level actually existed and unconsciously moved into the

world which was free from the harsh realities of life.

12. Any 1

1X5=5

--Alsace and Lorraine were engulfed with the feeling of great remorse for neglecting their native language. It has affected them and it seemed alive to the French teacher as well as the village elders.

-They realised that their true identity which was solely their language was at stake and was on the verge of extinction.

-Since the people were never serious about learning their language, it was the day when only German was to be taught in the schools of Alsace and Lorraine. The villagers were left with nothing they should feel proud of.

-It has been generally experienced that the greatness of something is felt in its absence.

-The innocent words of Franz shook the hearts of the readers when he says, "Will they make them sing in German, even the pigeons?"

-All the back benches which usually remained vacant, were occupied by the villagers including old Hauser, former mayor and former postmaster.

-The students in the class were quiet and were inquisitive to make the best of the last opportunity to learn their mother tongue.

OR

-"Man is a social animal", is an old maxim, but when the tramp tried to live in the society, he was discarded and faced humiliations of the society.

-He too could have been identified as a man with dignity and honour in the society, had he been promoted and embraced with a little affection and compassion.

- The rattrap seller undergoes change in his personality the moment he experiences the shift from isolation community.

-The ironmaster at once bonded with the peddler without confirming his identity. Edla Willmanson, the daughter of the ironmaster, when insisted her father not to turn him out of his house, touched the innocent soul's heart that compelled him to repay her good treatment with a gesture of true gratitude.

-He left a note expressing his sorrow for he felt he had embarrassed her. So, we can see the peddler had never experienced social living and gathering. He was devoid of the sense of affection and love.

13. Any 1

1X5=5

Wars bring misery and tragedy for the family of the bereaved soldiers. It comes alone from the border wrapped in shrouds but no solution.

- Days spent by the soldiers are tough that sometimes they go hungry for quite some time. Nights appear to them as if it's never ending. But the point of thought is why and what we are trying to achieve.

-Soldiers fire on the soldiers fighting for their country without knowing what

wrong they have done. The only thing they focus is an enemy over the uniform and badges they possess

-Tom, the American soldier was fortunate enough that he met Dr. Sadao, else his life would have been unnoticed.

-He is the catalyst for human kindness, forcing Sadao and Hana to consider the universality of humankind and the inherent human impulse answerable to his country's victory.

- Had he not met Sadao he would not have received the respect that soldiers and mankind on the whole deserves.

OR

-A man is known by the company he keeps. But what if someone avoids to be into anybody's . was one such kind.

-Loneliness and a sense of detachment had turned him into a negative personality

- He got scared of people and their reactions and stayed away

- he indulged in self-pity and was always suspicious of others' intentions

-a victim of inferiority complex

-his anger and frustration made him withdrawn

- Lamb's optimism about life and sensible talks leave a positive impression on Derry's mind

- convinced with Lamb

- could have done well if he interacted with people more often with an open mind