

INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT
FIRST PRE-BOARD EXAMINATION

SET C

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CLASS XII Marking Scheme – English Core

Q.NO.	PART A- 40 MARKS Answers	Marks (with split up) 1x10
1.	Any 10 i) b) webinars ii) c) Because the Covid outbreak doesn't allow us to be social iii) a) To be digital-first iv) (d) Only (b) and (c) v) (d) all of these vi) (b) It ensures the attention of the viewers. vii) (a) summary viii)c) Band C ix) b) March 2020 x) (d) Webinars have given a wonderful economy to the country xi) Jeopardise	1x10
2.	Any 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) (a) The countries should lift travel restrictions restoring the travellers' confidence. iv) (d) exceptional measures	1x10

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 1

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 1

formed any cooperative 1

iii) (a) Driven out 1

iv) (a) They are helpless 1

4. Any 1 1X4=4

A Answers

(i) c The Earth teaches us how silence is productive.

(ii) (a) It will lead us to introspect and attain tranquility.

(iii)(a) So that we can have ample time for introspection

(iv)Antithesis

B (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

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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| 9. | Any one | 5 |
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| 10. | Any 5 | 2x5=10 |
| | <p>i) Bangles are a symbol of Indian women's married status and thus are regarded sacred. It was meaningless to Savita as being a very young girl she was unaware of the sanctity of the bangles.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>vi)It means that the world is divided based on impulse and fancies. The school children discussed in the poem are restricted to the slum and have no chance to explore the world. The world seems to be meaningless and void to them.</p> | |
| 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

-The main reason of the farmers' discontentment and disillusionment was that the British landlords forced all the tenants to plant 15 percent of their holding with indigo and then surrender the entire harvest as rent.

-This increased the misery of the poor tenants It was already difficult for them to act according to the existing agreement but when synthetic indigo was developed and indigo plantation was no longer profitable, the landlords obtained fresh agreements from sharecropping to pay the compensation for releasing them from the 15%, arrangement.

- couldn't voice themselves- lawyers charged a hefty fee

- threatened by the landlords

- The peasants were already paying a heavy price to the Britishers. Gandhiji came in at this time and through nonviolence, he forced the landlords to refund 25 percent of the compensation money to the peasants

OR

-Man is merely a puppet in the hands of his own destiny. Similarly, it won't be wrong to say that it's our deeds that determine our destiny.

- The peddler himself fell in the trap of the thirty kronors and determined his destiny. It dawned upon him when he was given a warm welcome and regard by the iron master. He felt reluctant and cursed himself why he committed such

a sin .

-He could have accepted the invitation of the ironmaster, had he not stolen those thirty kronors but it made him realize that he was certainly at fault.

- human beings are prone to fall into the trap of material benefits. It is the human tendency to redeem oneself from dishonest. ways.

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 company. Derry 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