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**SET A**



**INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT**  
**SECOND TERM SECOND PREBOARD EXAMINATION**  
**ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE**

**(SUB. CODE 184)**

**CLASS: X**

**Max.Marks: 40**

MARKING SCHEME			
SET	QN.NO	VALUE POINTS	MARKS SPLIT UP
	1.i)	<b>What are the rules regarding the partaking of power foods?</b> Power foods should be prepared properly using season-fresh foods and identifying one's choice of flavour among power foods.	1
	ii)	<b>What is the advantage of including onions and garlic in our diet?</b> Onion and garlic help in the absorption of iron and zinc from the chickpeas.	1
	iii)	<b>Why is yoghurt and bananas, an enriching power food?</b> Yoghurt is full of proteins that help preserve muscle mass and bananas are packed with carbohydrates that help in refuelling energy and preventing muscle soreness.	1
	iv)	<b>Why is green tea a recommended power food?</b> Green tea contains catechins which are effective in halting oxidative damage to cells.	1
	v)	<b>What is the advantage of combining green tea with lemon juice?</b> Combining green tea with lemon juice helps the body to absorb catechins more easily.	1
	vi)	<b>What is the key to enjoying power foods in a wholesome way?</b> Power foods can be enjoyed in a wholesome way by including them in our daily diet to increase muscle development.	1
	2. A	<b>On the basis of your understanding of the passage, Complete all the four questions</b> <b>(1x4=4)</b>	
	i)	The author was a below average student because he <b>didn't have an academic bent of mind.</b>	1
	ii)	What the author couldn't bear? his father crying/the sight of his father crying/his father in tears.	1
	iii)	At the age of 18, the author felt a deep sense of fear and wondered whether <b>he would be able to overcome his failures/he would be able to succeed.</b>	1
	iv)	After being inspired by his neighbour, <b>he realized he could fight back/there is no age to learn to fight back/one's will is important to learn to succeed.</b>	1
	v)	<b>(B) Find words from the passage which are similar in meaning to the following: (Any ONE)</b> ability to recover quickly (Para 5) - <i>resilience</i>	1

	vi)	vi) difficult to forget (Para 3) - haunting	1
	3.	Analytical Paragraph - Content - 3, Organisation & Expression - 2 - Total - 5 (Or) Letter Writing - Content - 2, Expression -2, Accuracy - 1 - Total - 5 Marks (Split of marks as per CBSE new Marking Scheme)	5 Marks
	4.	Editing a) required.....requires b) apply .....applying c) being .....be	3 Marks
	5.	i) The teacher asked/inquired Akash why he looked so worried. ii) Akash told/replied/stated with concern that he hadn't prepared well for the exams.	2 Marks
	6. a	<b>Coorgis belong to a valorous and hospitable race. Comment on this statement with reference to the text.</b>  Coorgis are said to belong to a valorous and hospitable race as their homes have tradition of hospitality. There are innumerable tales of courage related to the people belonging to Coorg. In fact, <b>the Coorg Regiment is one of the most decorated in the Indian Army</b> , and the first Chief of the Indian Army, <b>General Cariappa, was a Coorgi. Even now, Kodavus are the only people in India permitted to carry firearms without a licence.</b>	2
	b	<b>Why didn't Valli want to make friends with the elderly woman?</b>  Valli did not want to make friends with the elderly woman because <b>she looked quite repulsive</b> . She had <b>big earholes and was wearing ugly earrings</b> . Apart from this, she was <b>chewing betel</b> and it seemed that the <b>juice of the betel would spill out of her mouth</b> .	2
	c	<b>What did the hack driver tell the narrator about Lutkins' mother?</b>  The hack driver told the narrator that <b>Lutkins' mother was a real terror</b> . He described her as a <b>large and hefty lady with a fierce temper</b> . He also said that she was <b>quick as a cat</b> .	2
	d	<b>What had Matilda's husband saved the money for? Why did he then part with his savings?</b>  Matilda's husband had <b>saved a good amount of money to buy a gun</b> for him. But when his wife refused <b>to attend the party</b> without a new dress, he had to give up buying the gun. He used <b>the saved four hundred francs to buy her costume</b> .	2
	e	<b>In what way did Bholi's village change over time?</b>  The <b>village changed into a small town</b> over a period of time. <b>The primary school had become a high school</b> . The <b>village had a cinema and a cotton ginning mill</b> . The <b>mail train</b> also stopped at the village railway station.	2
	f	<b>How did everyone react after Custard ate the pirate?</b>  <b>Belinda embraced Custard</b> because he had saved everyone by killing the pirate. <b>Mustard licked him</b> to show his affection while <b>Ink and Blink started dancing</b> around Custard out of happiness.	2

	<b>g</b>	<p><b>Which project did Richard undertake in the eighth grade?</b></p> <p>Richard undertook the project <b>to find the cause of a viral fever that had killed thousands of butterflies.</b> He thought that <b>a beetle might carry the virus although he was not able to prove it.</b></p>	2
		<b>Long Answers</b>	
	<b>7.a</b>	<p><b>Whitman’s ode to animals is merely a yearning for a simpler life. Do you agree? Justify your answer.</b></p> <p>‘The poet, Walt Whitman in the poem ‘Animals’ justifies the given statement. In the poem, animals are compared to human beings to highlight the differences between them. On the basis of their characteristics of happiness, equality, <b>simplicity and many more ‘tokens’</b>, animals have been ranked much superior and nobler to humans. The poet explains his belief by stating that <b>animals are simple creatures who never complain about their situations.</b> It is true that the key to happiness is ‘Do not complain but accept the situation. <b>They have accepted their natural surroundings and thus, are happy and satisfied with their lives.</b> Humans, on the other hand, have never accepted nature. They are always complaining about it and so, try to change it. Thus, they lead an unhappy life. The ever increasing expectations of human beings and their demanding, greedy and selfish nature leads to their unhappiness. <b>(or any other relevant points)</b></p>	4
	<b>b</b>	<p><b>a) Based on your reading of the play ‘The Proposal’, how might you describe nineteenth century upper class Russian society? Support your evaluation with instances from the text.</b></p> <p>In the 19th century middle class Russian society ownership of property was of much greater importance compared to love and romance in the consideration of marriages. The play makes fun of their tendency to marry for economic gain rather than love.</p> <p>Marriage seen as a social necessity – marriage for social status and economic stability – society pays no heed to love, romance, passion, emotion and personal desires - Primarily agricultural society – owning a land is of great importance – therefore argument over the Oxen Meadows – proud of huge wealth – fight over the comparative superiority of Guess and Squeezer - For a girl to get married is of great importance – father too feels relieved</p>	4
	<b>c</b>	<p><b>Ebright’s study of monarch pupas had a far reaching impact. Elaborate.</b></p> <p>For a long time the scientific community had regarded the <b>bright spots on a monarch pupa as purely ornamental.</b> But Dr Urquhart did not believe it. Nor did Richard. He started his experiments on the monarch pupa. He built a device with the help of a friend. This led to the discovery of a hormone. <b>Richard proved that the hormone was necessary for the growth of the butterfly.</b> This discovery got him many honours. Also, it led to another important study. <b>He began working on how cells read their DNA. DNA is the carrier of heredity and is called the blueprint of life.</b> His theory could find answers to many cancers and diseases.</p>	4