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

**(SUB. CODE 184)**

CLASS: IX

Max.Marks: 40

MARKING SCHEME			
SET	QN.NO	VALUE POINTS	MARKS SPLIT UP
		Reading Passage - I	
	1. i)	<b>Why is green tea a recommended power food?</b> Green tea contains catechins which are effective in halting oxidative damage to cells.	1
	ii)	<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
	iii)	<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
	iv)	<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
	v)	<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
	vi)	<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
		<b>Case Study Passage</b>	<b>5 x 1 = 5</b>
	i)	difficult to forget (Para 3) - <i>haunting</i>	1
	ii)	ability to recover quickly (Para 5) - <i>resilience</i>	1
	iii)	The author was a below average student because he <b>didn't have an academic bent of mind.</b>	1
	iv)	What the author couldn't bear? his father crying/the sight of his father crying/his father in tears.	1
	v)	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
	vi)	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

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.	at.....on in.....as himself.....themselves	3 Marks
5.	The teacher asked/inquired Akash why he looked so worried. Akash told/replied/stated with concern that he hadn't prepared well for the exams.	2 Marks
6. a	<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
b	<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
c	<b>Did Custard match his physical appearance?</b>  <b>No.</b> Custard barely matched his appearance as <b>he looked ferocious but he actually was a coward.</b> He <b>always cried for a nice and safe cage</b> and <b>everyone laughed at him for his cowardice.</b>	2
d	<b>Which project did Richard undertake in the eighth grade?</b>  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>	2
e	<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.</b> Even now, <b>Kodavus are the only people in India permitted to carry firearms without a licence.</b>	2
f	<b>What message does the poet want to give through the poem, 'Amanda'?</b>  The poet wants to convey that parents in their endeavour to make their children well-behaved, mannerly having good habits, give them too many instructions or nag (always finding fault) them. They should adopt positive measures, acceptable to children. Otherwise, they will stop listening to them and indulge in day-dreaming as Amanda did.	2
g	<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	2

		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> .	
		Long Answers	2 x 4 = 8
	<b>a</b>	<p><b>Dr Urquhart contributed significantly to Ebright's growth as a scientist. Explain</b></p> <p>Richard had become bored with collecting butterflies. His mother got him a book on the migration of butterflies. Richard came in contact with Dr Urquhart through the book. Dr Urquhart directed him to study the migration pattern of butterflies.</p> <p>When he did not win any prize in the science fair in seventh grade, he again wrote to Dr Urquhart to guide him. The scientist gave him many suggestions for new experiments. Richard performed these experiments throughout his high school and won many prizes. Later, he worked on why bright spots are found on a monarch pupa, motivated by Dr Urquhart. It led to the discovery of a new hormone. The discovery of this new hormone further led to an important theory. The theory was about how cells read their DNA. In this way Dr Urquhart proved to be his true mentor.</p>	4
	<b>b</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><b>'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, simplicity and many more 'tokens', animals have been ranked much superior and nobler to humans. The poet explains his belief by stating that animals are simple creatures who never complain about their situations. It is true that the key to happiness is 'Do not complain but accept the situation. They have accepted their natural surroundings and thus, are happy and satisfied with their lives. 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. (or any other relevant points)</b></p>	4
	<b>c</b>	<p><b>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
		THE END	

