

INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT
FIRST PREBOARD EXAMINATION

SET B

CLASS X

Marking Scheme – ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE

Q.NO.	Answers	Marks (with split up)
1	<p>Part A –Reading (ANY TEN)</p> <p>(i) b) 2 and 3</p> <p>(ii) c) 1 and 2</p> <p>(iii) a) 3</p> <p>(iv) a) 1 and 4</p> <p>(v) c) Taxes</p> <p>(vi) d) half of them will die of tobacco related diseases</p> <p>(vii) (a) Those people who are willing to get rid of this habit but are not able to do by their own</p> <p>(viii) b) She was finally hounded out of her job</p> <p>(ix) d) Stopping the use of tobacco at once or immediately</p> <p>(x) d) Only after they show serious symptoms of an illness</p> <p>(xi) a) Because government put high deterrent taxes on Tobacco companies, then the companies pass on the levy to the smokers resulting in higher prices of cigarettes .</p> <p>(xii) c) 2, 4 and 5</p>	1x10
2.	<p>Any TEN</p> <p>(i) c) 2 and 5</p> <p>(ii) c) kind</p> <p>(iii) (b) aggressive drive techniques</p> <p>(iv) c) amiable</p> <p>(v) d) 1, 2 and 5</p> <p>(vi) a) distracted drivers</p> <p>(vii) c) travel to and from</p> <p>(viii) b) the extra traffic on the road</p> <p>(ix) d) under the age of 19</p>	1x10

	(x) b) 1) and 4) (xi) b) be effective (xii) a) To forgive first and let it go	
3	(i) b) Diamond necklace (ii) a) in return of her imitation, Matilda returned her an original diamond necklace (iii) c) the victim of her showy nature and discontentment (iv) a) Because they have no money to pay for the necklace (v) b) To buy an expensive necklace OR (i) c) cure herself of the habit of talking ii) c) Both a) and b) (iii) b) She used convincing arguments in her essay (iv) b) As mature (v) c) Three pages	1x5
4.	(i) b) He should be snarling near the houses (ii) a) At the edge of the jungle (iii) c) by showing his fangs and claws (iv) d) canine teeth (v) c) edge-village OR (i) b) Under snow covered tree (ii) b) the snowflakes were so light and miniscule (iii) b) Metaphor (iv) d) shook snow (v) b) Robert Frost	1x5
5.	(i) c) the children were playing (ii) a) heard a loud noise, followed by a (iii) d) ran outside to see	1x3
6.	i) a) why he didn't bark to awaken their mistress	1x3

	(ii) c) that was not the time to complain (iii) b) as his master didn't care for him	
7.	ANY FOUR (i) b) Most (ii) b) should (iii) a) these (iv) c) is (v) a) might (vi) b) was	1x4
8.	Format – 1 Content—2 Expression--2	5
9.	Content—2 Expression—2 Fluency_1	5
10.	<p>A) (ANY TWO) (2x2=4)</p> <p>i) From whom have the inhabitants of Coorg descended, as per the legend? As per the legend, a part of Alexander's army, when retreating from India, went South and settled in Coorg when they found that they could not return home. Then they married among the locals and their descendants are the Kodavus. (the people of Coorg).</p> <p>ii) What was the competition about in the school? (Hundred Dresses) There was a drawing competition in the school. In the competition all boys had to draw a motorboat and all girls had to make sketches of a dress.</p> <p>iii) What do you know about the early life of Buddha? Gautama Buddha was born in a royal family. His childhood name was Siddhartha. At the age of 12, he was sent away for schooling in Hindu sacred scriptures and four years later he got married to a princess.</p> <p>(B)(ANY TWO)</p> <p>(i) What 'extra' did Mrs Pumphrey start to give Tricki and why?</p> <p>Mrs Pumphrey thought that Tricki was suffering from malnutrition, as he was weak and listless. So, she started to give him extra snacks like cod-liver oil and malt between the main meals and Horlicks after dinner to make him stronger. She aslo</p>	<p>2x2=4</p> <p>2x2=4</p>

	<p>continued his cream cakes and chocolates.</p> <p>(ii) Why did Griffin decide to slip into a big London store?</p> <p>Griffin decided to slip into a big London store, because the season was mid-winter, due to which it became difficult to wander around without clothes in London.</p> <p>(iii) How did Bholi react when the teacher asked her name?</p> <p>Bholi stammered when she spoke and could not tell her name completely when the teacher asked her to do so. So, she broke into tears.</p>	
11.	<p>ANY TWO</p> <p>A)</p> <p>(i) What made Valli sad in her bus journey ?</p> <p>The incident of the playful cow, being hit by a fast moving vehicle, indeed disturbed Valli a lot. It was a rude shock that the animal that she'd been laughing at a while ago, enjoying fully its clumsy efforts to dodge the vehicles, lay in the stillness of death. Stray animals on the road are definitely a menace and can endanger the safety of many commuters in addition to their own. The municipal corporation must see to it that the cattle are not let loose on the road just because they are not beneficial to their owners any more.</p> <p>(ii) What do you learn about Natalya from the play, 'The Proposal'?</p> <p>Natalya is the only daughter of the landowner Chubukov. She was very possessive about her land and was very determined not to part with it. She was a short tempered lady who used to quarrel with anyone very often. She always pinpointed the amount of help she had offered to her neighbours. Though well educated, she did not use her education wisely and thoughtfully.</p> <p>(iii) Mention three things that humans do and animals don't.</p> <p>Though humans differ from animals in innumerable ways, but</p>	3x2=6

	<p>this poem highlights some negative traits of humans that animals are free from. Humans are for ever fretting and complaining about their circumstances and condition, they get distraught with anxiety to gain material possessions and are ridden with guilt of sinful actions which deprive them of a sound sleep.</p> <p>ANY TWO</p> <p>B)</p> <p>i) Give examples from the text, that Bholi was a neglected child.</p> <p>Bholi was quite a neglected child at home, and this is evident from many citings in the passage. No new clothes were made for her and she was always passed on dresses of her elder sisters. No one cared to bathe her or oil her hair or even wash her clothes. The neglect was probably due to the fact that she was the youngest in a household of seven children. It might be that she failed to draw attention and affection of her parents because of her disadvantageous looks or her physical setbacks.</p> <p>ii) Why could Mrs. Forestier not recognize her friend Matilda at the end of the story?</p> <p>Matilda had to work very hard to lead her life. She had become a strong, hard woman, the crude woman of the household. In fact she had started looking old. One Sunday evening, when she was taking a walk in the Champs Elysees, she met Mrs. Forestier who still looked young and pretty. As Matilda had started looking old and haggard, she could't be recognized by her.</p> <p>iii) In the end of the lesson Mrs. Pumphery says “This is a triumph of surgery.” Why ?</p> <p>Mrs. Pumphrey’s dog, Tricki had fallen ill and had to be admitted for treatment to Dr. Herriot’s hospital. Dr. Harriot gave him a lot of water and exercise which helped Tricki to recover. When Mrs. Pumphrey went to collect him, Tricki jumped into her lap and</p>	<p>3x2=6</p>
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	<p>started licking her face. Seeing him fully recovered, Mrs. Pumphrey called it a triumph in surgery.</p>	
12.	<p>How did the narrator get out of the storm in the night to land safely?</p> <p>The narrator was flying his old Dakota aeroplane when he saw the black clouds. He was lost in the storm. Suddenly, he saw a black aeroplane by his side, which had no lights on its wings. The pilot instructed the narrator to follow as he had lost the way. He obeyed him like a child. He was very happy to follow him. After some time, the pilot of another plane started to land. The narrator followed him blindly through the storm and came out of the clouds. He saw the lights of the runway and landed safely.</p> <p>After his safe landing, he wanted to thank the pilot of the black plane. This shows his gratitude towards the pilot of the black plane. He was thankful to him for saving his life. It shows that the pilot of Dakota had a value of gratefulness in his character.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Paper has more patience than people'. Justify.</p> <p>Anne believes that people are not interested in other's life as they are stuck with their own problems so it is really hard to get someone who can give importance to her diary. People feel bored and become impatient when we talk about our problems.</p> <p>On the other hand when we write our feelings and thoughts on paper , we can write as long as we want without thinking of anyone, intention as it doesn't react. We can share our feelings, both sad and happy. It never gets bored or stops us to write. It behaves like a true friend who keeps your secret and listens to you patiently. So she thinks that paper has more patience than people.</p>	1x5=5

13.	<p>“A lawless scientist is a curse to the society.” Discuss.</p> <p>It is true, that a lawless scientist is a curse to the society. A true scientist uses his discoveries for the good of the society and welfare of the people. It helps the nations to progress. A lawless scientist increases the miseries and sufferings of society. In this story, we find how Griffin misuses his discovery.</p> <p>He causes pain and suffering to others. He causes destruction. Suppose the nuclear weapons fall in the hands of a lawless scientist, he can cause widespread destruction. He may ruin the achievements of other scientists. That’s why the leaders of the world are worried about chemical weapons falling into the hands of lawless heads of governments or terrorists. If this happens, all the scientists of the world will be doomed.</p> <p>Describe ‘Bill’ as seen through the eyes of the narrator.</p> <p>The narrator was much impressed with Bill. He first meets him at the station. He finds him to be friendly and cheerful. Bill is very helpful in his eyes as he offers to take him around in search of Lutkins. The narrator admires him when he goes looking for Lutkins on his behalf. Bill is full of a wonderful village charm. The narrator finds Bill to have a unique country wisdom. He admires him as a story teller. He appreciates him a lot when Bill even goes to Lutkins’ mother’s place to find him. For the narrator, Bill is a friendly man who helps others generously. He is so impressed by Bill that he decides to settle down in the village</p>	1x5=5
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