

**INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT**  
**SECOND PRE-BOARD EXAMINATION**

**SET A**

**FEBRUARY 2020**

**CLASS X**

**Marking Scheme – ENGLISH**

Q.NO.	Answers	Marks (with split up)
1.1	a) iv) Both i) & ii)	1X4=4
	b) ii) our thoughts	
	c) good cheer	
	d) iv) all of these	
1.2 a)	What should our thoughts be combined with to achieve success?	
	Our thoughts to blossom into success, should be combined with definiteness of purpose, perseverance and a burning, pulsating strong desire to translate them into action.	
b)	How can we mar success?	
	If your desire is weak and your efforts are erratic, your achievements will also be slight and fleeting.	
c)	When can one be successful?	
	The goal should be well-defined, clear-cut and specific and should be linked to a fixed timeframe, so that our definite energies and efforts can be focused and forcefully directed towards its attainment. Success is then a sure bet!	
d)	What can you rely upon in any venture?	
	Faith in yourself as well as the confidence that you can and will succeed, are the key to your success in any venture.	
<b>2.1</b>	<b>On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions</b>	<b>2x4=8</b>
a)	What was the purpose of advertising?	
	Advertising was meant to make people aware of the goods available in the market. It was as simple as announcing what you have in your store or the services you offer in your premises.	
b)	How does advertising affect us?	
	Advertising does influence people. 1. Advertising makes people lavish their own products rather than real people, thereby destroying human relationships. 2. We have become trapped in the web of advertising where products like brands of beer and cigarette take over our minds, doing away with our core family values. 3. Most of the advertisements are filled with images that equate emotional well-being with material acquisition and associate independence and leisure with consumption of alcohol. (any 2 pts)	
c)	What do you discover when you look at advertisement critically?	
	You will discover how persuasive the advertisers are in deciding for us what, when, how much and why to buy. How we strike a healthy balance between the two will definitely have a direct bearing on the	

	future of our country.	
d)	How do advertisements make us irrational?	
	Advertising create unnecessary wants and excess consumption in most of us. This is a craving for harmful products that we are better off without. It preys on our minds rendering us completely irrational.	
2.2	<b>On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following:</b>	1x4=4
	a) iii) craving    b) ii) confirmed    c) precisely    d) initially	
3.	Format-1 mk, Content- 4 mks, Expression-3 mks	8 mks
4.	Title -1 mk, Content- 4 mks, Expression – 5mks	10 mks
5.	a) iii) on    b) iii) by    c) ii) and    d) i) to	1x4=4
6.	a) a the    b) his its    c) is are    d) in of	1x4=4
7.	a) The Hornbill festival is the most anticipated cultural carnival of Nagaland. b) Located in Northeast India, Nagaland is a very beautiful and ethnically diverse state. c) The festival is named after the Indian Hornbill. d) The Hornbill is often displayed on the traditional tribal headgears worn during Naga festivities.	1x4=4
8.	a) i) to new born liberty    b) iv) racial discrimination    c) South Africa d) take its birth that day <b>OR</b>	1x4=4
	a) iv) for nearly a month    b) iii) with a selection of toys    c) a ping-pong ball    d) engrossed	
9.a)	It is said that people of Coorg are of Greek or Arabic origin. A part of Alexander's army is said to have settled here. This is clear from their traditions and rites which are different from the Hindus. The theory of Arab origin draws support from the long, black coat worn by the Kodavus, which is known as Kuppia.	2x5=10
b)	Horace was no ordinary thief because he loved rare, expensive books. So he robbed a safe every year. Each year he planned carefully. What he would do that he stole enough to last for twelve months and secretly bought the books he loved through an agent.	
c)	Kisa Gautami's only son had died. She was overwhelmed with grief. She carried the dead child to all her neighbours. She asked them for medicine to cure her son. The neighbours thought she had lost her senses. A dead child could never be cured.	
d)	Lutkins was to be produced in the court as a witness the next day. The narrator had failed to serve summons on him. Therefore he was sent back to New Mullion. A man who had worked with Lutkins went with him	
e)	Valli did not consider herself a child. She had paid full fare of thirty paise for the trip like others. When an elderly man called her a child and requested her to sit down, she was amazed and said that there was none a 'child.'	
f)	The next thought of the poet is that the tiger should be in the open forest because forest is his natural habitat. There he would lurk in the shadow to hunt deer.	
10.	Peggy's remarks to Wanda in a derogatory manner embarrasses Maddie. The ire of Peggy on Wanda is more due to her wearing faded and unfitting dresses and on top of it is never ironed. Maddie too comes from a humble background but economically a little better than Wanda. Maddie resides at a place better than that of Wanda. Maddie resides at a place better than that of Wanda. As such her feet are not muddy like that of Wanda. Maddie's outgoing nature helps her to make friends with	

	<p>almost all the girls of her class. Whereas, Wanda's introvertness keeps her isolated from others.</p> <p>The difference between them is that Maddie, for fear of being scorned by others, never tells any lies about the dresses she had. But Wanda in order to protect her self respect would not mind telling lies.</p>	
	<b>OR</b>	
	<p>Natalya Stepanovna is the only daughter of Stepan Stepanovich Chubukov. She is about twenty-five. She is a well- educated woman and can serve as a good housewife. She possesses all the good traits of head and heart. She is very much attached to her household belongings and does not want to part with them.</p> <p>At this age, she has become love-sick. There visits Lomov and both have a hearty-talk. There arises a long controversy over the Oxen Meadows since both are the claimants of the said property. Till then she does not know that Lomov has come for her. Her father calls Lomov a blind hen who has come with a proposal for her. Immediately she softens and asks her father to call back Lomov.</p>	
11.	<p>After seeing the books, Think Tank jumps to a strange conclusion. He says that the books are sandwiches. He asks Omega to eat it. At last, Oop bites the corner of the book and reports that it is not delicious. Noodle guesses that the books are communication devices. Noodle again suggests that they are perhaps for eye communication and not for ear-communication. Nursery rhymes.....</p>	
	<b>OR</b>	
	<p>A good spy need not be handsome, attractive and smart. Physical strength can be additional advantage but certainly not the essential one. Secret agents have to face critical situations at every step. One night, Ausable found Max in his room.</p> <p>There was an automatic pistol in his hand. He had come there to take the report from Ausable. Max was also a secret agent of another organisation. Ausable was not the least afraid of Max's presence. He thought of a clever trick. He convinced Max about a balcony outside the window. Just then there was a loud knock at the door.</p> <p>Ausable told Max that it was police to provide him security. Max had no time to think. Max rushed towards the window and dropped to the non-existent balcony and met his tragic end. Ausable did not use physical strength. He won over the critical situation by his sheer presence of mind.</p>	