

08.01.2020 EVERWIN VIDHYASHRAM (GROUP A)
STD: X (FN) REVISION EXAM -II Time:1½hrs
ENGLISH- PART I Marks:50

SECTION-A

I. Read the following passage and answer the following questions:

During our growing up years , we as children were taught – both at home and school - to worship the photos and idols of the Gods of our respective religions. When we grew a little older, we were told to read holy books like the Bhagwad Gita , the Bible and the Quran; we were told that there are a lot of life lessons to be learnt from these holy books . We were then introduced to stories from our mythologies which taught us about ethics and morality ----- what is good and what is bad . I also learnt to be respectful towards my parents who made my life comfortable with their hard work and love and care , and my teachers who guided me to become a good student and a responsible citizen.

Much later in life, I realized that though we learn much from our holy books, there is a lot to learn from our surroundings. This realization dawned upon me when I learnt to enquire and explore. Everything around us ---- the sun ,the moon, the stars , rain, rivers , stones , rocks, birds, plants and animals ----- teach us many valuable life lessons.

No wonder that besides the scriptures in many cultures, nature is also worshipped. The message that we get is to save our environment and maintain ecological balance. People are taught to live in harmony with nature and recognize that there is God in all aspects of nature .

Nature is a great teacher . A river never stops flowing. If it finds an obstacle in its way in the form of a heavy rock, the river water fights to remove it from its path or finds an alternative path to move ahead . This teaches us to be progressive in life, and keep the fighting spirit alive.

Snakes are worshipped as they eat insects in the field that can hurt our crops, thus protecting the grains for us. In fact, whatever we worship is our helper and makes our lives easy for us . There are many such examples in nature, but we

are not ready to learn a lesson . Overcome with greed , we are destroying nature. As a result, we face natural disasters like drought, flood and landslides. We don't know that nature is angry with us.

However, it is never too late to learn . If we learn to respect nature , the quality of our life will improve .

A) Answer the following questions: (Any Five) 5X1=5

1. What are we taught in our childhood and growing years ?
2. Why should we respect our parents and teachers?
3. What message do we get when we worship nature?
4. How does a river face an obstacle that comes in its way?
5. What does a flowing river teach us ?
6. What is the reason behind the destruction of nature?

B) Choose the meaning of the words given below with the help of the options that follow: 4X1=4

i)guided

a)answered b)advised c)fought d)polished

ii)explore

a)search b)frequent c)describe d)request

iii)harmony

a)beauty b)friendship c)discomfort d)honesty

iv)ethics

a)conduct b)deed c)action d)moral philosophy

SECTION-B

II. Write an article about 'Water Pollution to create awareness among the people and to the young generation . You are Iqbal/ Amna. (8 MARK)

III. Complete the paragraph given below by filling in the blanks with the help of options that follow : 5x1=5

Yesterday , a rich woman from West Bengal

a) _____ to Delhi to buy jewellery . She was sitting outside b) _____ jewellery shop . Suddenly two young boys came there c) _____ snatched

the chain that she was d)_____. She called the police e) ----- the snatchers had run away.

a) i) come ii) comes iii) came iv) coming

b) i) a ii) an iii) the iv) some

c) i) and ii) comes iii) but iv) how

d) i) wear ii) comes iii) wore iv) wearing

e) i) so ii) because iii) but iv) only

IV. The following passage has not been edited . There is an error in each line against which a blank is given . Write the incorrect word and the correction in the correct blank:

5x1=5

Anne is in need of the true friend with
who she can share her joys and
sorrows. She has loving parent and about
thirty people whom she can call friend .
When she is with his friends she can
talk about matters of everyday but cannot share her feelings .

a) _____
b) _____
c) _____
d) _____
e) _____

V. Read the conversation given below and complete the passage that follows:

3x1=3

Ram: can I help you?

Sanjay: I want a book on organic chemistry.

Ram: We have so many written by different authors.

Sanjay: May I borrow one.

Ram asked sanjay a) ----- We replied b) ----- . Ram said that c) -----.

Sita asked if he might borrow one.

VI. Explain with reference to the context :

4x1=4

Though to distinguish beasts of prey

A novice might nonplus,

The Crocodiles you always may

Tell from the Hyenas thus;

Hyenas come with merry smiles;

But if they weep they're Crocodiles.

a) Who would be confused to differentiate between the crocodile and hyena?

b) The crocodiles in the forest are identified by their-----

c) Whose smile is delightful?

d) Find out the word from the passage which means the same as 'Puzzled or confused'.

VII. Answer the following questions : (any four)

4x2=8

1. How did Lencho's hope change to despair ?

2. What did the young seagull do to attract his mother's attention?

3. A pilot is lost in the storm clouds. Does he arrive safe ? Who helps him?

4. What was unusual about the dress of Wanda?

5. What kind of a girl was Peggy?

VIII. Answer in a paragraph :(Any One)

(4 Marks)

1. Write a brief character – sketch of Hari Singh in the light of his honesty .

Express your opinion also.

2. How can you say that Mrs. Pumphrey was rich lady?

IX. Answer in a paragraph :(Any One)

(4 Marks)

1. What is the central idea of the poem "The Trees".

2. According to the poet, in what respect is the fog similar to a cat? Do you think the comparison made is appropriate?

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ENGLISH-PART II Marks:50

I. Read the following passage and answer the following questions :.

I know poverty and misery and I quite appreciate by personal experience what it is to be poor , what it is to have no clothes , what it is to have no books , what it is to struggle through life , what it is to walk through the streets without an umbrella , without conveyance along miles on dusty roads . I have been through it all and I can understand the difficulties that most of you graduates have to face today . I am speaking from a long experience of 60 years . Please do not imagine that all the 60 years were milk and roses . To be able to accomplish something , I want to tell you that you have to go through such experiences.I admit , success in life is not always to the intelligent or the strong , and it is to some extent a bit of a gamble , but nonetheless , those who got their minds right and those who know their job sooner or later , will sooner perhaps than later make their way in life . But they should not be disappointed if they do not , they have to face up life and take it as they have to face up life and take it as they find it .

What I say is this that the great things in life are not really great things in life . What I love is to enjoy the common things of life . I am happy that I am still able to sleep at night provided I have three miles walk in the evening . I am still able to enjoy a good lunch or a good dinner . I am still able to look at the blue sky and like it . I still like to walk in the open fields and like the smell of the Ragi or the Jowar .

We think that happiness consists in going to pictures and seeing thrilling films and techni – color dramas . Not at all , the great things in life are the God – given things which cost nothing . What you need is the desire to appreciate them . If you have your minds and hearts open , you have around you things which give you joy . There is the butterfly jumping about in flourishing colours on all sides . Look at the wonderful things that God has given for our enjoyment . We have to

love nature and appreciate nature and appreciate her wonderful gifts , of nature’s marvellous ingenuity , its resourcefulness , and infinite variety . It is the same thing that has inspired me all my life .

A) Answer the following questions: 5x 1 = 5

1. How had C.V. Raman's childhood been difficult ?
2. Why has life been termed as a gamble ?
3. How does C.V. Raman’s speech inspire us ?
4. What instances , quoted by C.V. Raman’s in his speech, show that we are a nature lover ?
5. According to C.V. Raman, where can we seek real happiness and where can it not be found.

B) Choose the best option from the words given below which mean the same :_(Any Four) 4 x 1 = 4

a)despair

i)disappointed ii)hopelessness iii) misery iv) distress

b) endless

i)unlimited ii) continuous iii)infinite iv)unreachable

c) prosperous

i)rich ii)flourishing iii)wealthy iv)fortunate

d)exciting

i)joyful ii)funny iii) exhilarating iv)thrilling

f)nonetheless

i)but ii)and iii)still iv)although

SECTION-B

II. You are Ms. Monika / Mr. Patel , the Sports Instructor in Army Public School, Agra . The Principal has asked you to place an order for buying necessary sports equipments required. You decide to place an order to M/S Sethi Sports Jalandhar . Write a letter placing an order for the same . (8 Marks)

III. Read the following passage. There is a word missing in each line against which a blank is given . Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after : $5 \times 1 = 5$

A boy drowning in a river a)____ ____ ____
and he shouted help. A b)____ ____ ____
man who passing jumped c)____ ____ ____
into the river saved his life. d)____ ____ ____
As man was leaving, the boy asked him e)____ ____ ____
why he had risked his own life.

IV. Read the dialogue given below and then complete the report that follows : $5 \times 1 = 5$

Ram : I want to meet the Principal.

Peon : Sir , he is not in his office .

Ram : When will he come back to the office ?

Peon : I think in another ten minutes .

Ram : What are the meeting hours ?

Ram went to the Principal's office and told the peon a)_____ the Principal
Respectfully , the peon told him that b)_____. So Ram asked him
c)_____. The peon replied that d)_____minutes . Ram again
enquired from the peon e)_____ .

V. Rearrange the following words / phrase to form meaningful sentences : $3 \times 1 = 3$

1. by/ notorious/ the police/ was caught / the / thief.
2. refused/ beyond / Alexandra's army / to go / the river Beas .
3. in/ the cactus/ very hot/ grows/ dry places

SECTION-C

VI. Explain with reference to the context : $4 \times 1 = 4$

"I heard an old religious man

But yesternight declare

That only God, my dear,

Could love you for yourself alone
And not your yellow hair".

- a) Whom did she hear?
- b) Who could love herself alone?
- c) Who is most dear to her?
- d) What is the colour of her hair?

VII. Answer the following questions : (any four) $4 \times 2 = 8$

1. What pained Nelson Mandela on becoming the president of South Africa ?
2. Why does Anne want to keep a diary ? Why does she feel she can trust a diary more than the people?
3. Comment on the significance of a bread baker in a traditional Goan village?
4. Where is Coorg situated ? What type of place it is?
5. How are the tea – pluckers different from the other farm labourers?

VIII. . Answer in a paragraph (Any One) (4 Mark)

1. What is the underlying message for us in our hectic life with reference to the poem , 'Dust of Snow'?
2. What does 'Fire' and 'Ice' stand for and what is the general opinion regarding the world ?

IX. Answer in a paragraph : (Any One) (4 Mark)

1. Describe the character sketch of the hack driver?
2. How had Mme. Loisel's sacrifice all been in vain?