

Summative Assessment-I, 2015-16**Subject : English (Lang. & Lit.)****Class : X****Time : 3 Hrs.]****[M. M. : 70****Instructions :**

The question paper is divided into Three sections.

Section A : Reading	20 marks
Section B : Writing & Grammar	25 marks
Section C : Literature & Long Reading Text	25 marks

**SECTION 'A':
(Reading : 20 Marks)**

1. Read the passage given below and complete the sentences that follow :

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Plastics form an important class of synthetics—plastics are also polymers. Since most plastics can be easily moulded into any shape after heating, they are used for making a variety of objects of different shapes and sizes. Plastics are poor conductors of heat which make them suitable for making handles of cooking vessels, for use in refrigerators, and for making containers used in microwave ovens.

Plastics are also poor conductors of electricity and that is why they are used as covering materials in electrical appliances like cords and wiring. Plastics are insoluble in water and are, therefore, used for making bottles, buckets and other containers. Most plastics are inflammable. However, they do not corrode, or rust and so are mostly used in homes and laboratories.

Despite the many different uses of plastics, there are environmental and health hazards associated with their disposal. This is because plastics are non-biodegradable. Accumulation of plastics is considered a serious problem because most of the methods used to dispose them of, result in some type of damage to the environment. Though somewhere between 500 million to 1 trillion plastic bags are consumed worldwide each year, most plastic wastes end up littering roadsides and form ugly dumps that harbour many disease-causing

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organisms. Plastics dumped in water bodies pose a threat to aquatic life; plastics that get buried prevent rain water from seeping into the ground. This affects the growth of plants. When plastics are burnt, they produce toxic gases and smoke.

Hence, reducing the usage of plastics and recycling plastic objects and using bio-degradable environmental friendly plastics is the only solution.

- (a) Plastic is useful because it is water.
- (b) Plastics are mostly used at home and laboratories because they
- (c) Plastics pose serious environmental and health problems when we try to
- (d) Plastics dumped in lakes and rivers
- (e) The word that means 'penetrating' in para 3, is
- (f) Burning of plastics is very risky as
- (g) This problem can be partly solved by
- (h) The best and the only solution is by using plastics.

2. Read the passage given below carefully.

1. Involving children in household tasks at an early age can have a positive impact later in life. In fact, says Rossman, "the best predictor of young adults' success in their mid-20's was that they participated in household tasks when they were three or four."
2. Doing chores gives a child the opportunity to give back to their parents for all you do for them. Kids begin to see themselves as important contributors to the family. They feel a connection to the family. Holding them accountable for their chores can increase a sense of themselves as responsible and actually make them more responsible. Children will feel more capable for having met their obligations and completed their tasks.
3. One of the most frequently cited causes of over-indulgence stems from parents doing too much for their children and not expecting enough of them. Not being taught the skills of everyday living can limit children's ability to function at age appropriate levels; for example, 5-year-old Sara goes to kindergarten and is one

of the few students who has no idea how to put on and button her own coat. Or Sam, age 7, goes to a friend's house for dinner but does not know how to pour juice for himself or fast forward to Beth who at age 18 goes away to college not knowing how to do her own laundry. By expecting children to complete self-care tasks and to help with household chores, parents equip children with the skills to function independently in the outside world.

4. With only so many hours in a day, parents need to help children decide how to spend their time and to determine what is most important. If you let children off the hook for chores because they have too much schoolwork or need to practice a sport, then you are saying, intentionally or not, that their academic or athletic skills are most important. And if your children fail a test or fail to block the winning shot, then they have failed at what you deem to be most important. They do not have other pillars of competency upon which to rely. By completing household tasks, they may not always be the star student or athlete, but they will know that they can contribute to the family, begin to take care of themselves, and learn skills that they will need as an adult.

2.1 Based upon your reading of the passage, answer the following questions :

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- (a) What are the benefits of involving children in household tasks at an early age ?
- (b) What values are inculcated in children if they involved in doing household chores ?
- (c) How can parents equip children with the skills to function independently in the real world ?
- (d) What can help children gain a sense of satisfaction ?

2.2 Answer the following questions :

1 × 4

- (a) Which word in para 2 means the same as 'responsibility' ?
 - (i) connection
 - (ii) opportunity
 - (iii) obligation
 - (iv) capable
- (b) Which word in para 3 means the same as 'prepare' ?
 - (i) stems
 - (ii) equip
 - (iii) function
 - (iv) skills

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- (c) Find a word in para 3, which is the opposite of 'unsuitable'.
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| (i) appropriate | (ii) over-indulgence |
| (iii) ability | (iv) self-care |
- (d) Find a word in para 4, which is the opposite of 'incapable'.
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| (i) determine | (ii) intentionally |
| (iii) competency | (iv) contribute |

SECTION 'B'

(WRITING & GRAMMAR : 25 Marks)

3. In 100-120 words, write a letter to the editor of The Daily Express, expressing your views on the topic of *Teacher's Day*—using hints given below. 5

* Celebration and enjoyment

* respect and value of a teacher

4. Complete the following story in 150-200 words : 10

A little girl was sleeping. Suddenly she heard a loud noise and got scared. She woke up and saw that all the family members were looking curiously at her because

5. Choose the most appropriate option from the ones given below to complete the following passage. Write the answer in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Do not copy the whole passage. 3

Your uniform (a) be kept neat and clean and your shoes polished daily. You (b) use your cell phone (c) school hours.

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| (a) (i) shall | (ii) must |
| (iii) can | (iv) may |
| (b) (i) mustn't | (ii) can't |
| (iii) shouldn't | (iv) won't |
| (c) (i) at | (ii) in |
| (iii) for | (iv) during |

6. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction against the correct number blank in your answer sheet as given in the example.

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	Inco r rect	Correct
You would use your cell phone on the campus	eg. woul d	could
but it shall be switched off during the training	(a)	
sessions. Before you join you are requiring	(b)	
to have the medical check-up. You are	(c) ...	
expected to comply to all the rules.	(d) .	

7. Rearrange the words and phrases given below to form meaningful sentences. Write your answers in the answer sheet against the correct serial number. The first one has been done for you as an example.

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Eg. bird / in the / the / world / largest / at / can't / fly / all

The largest bird in the world can't fly at all.

- (a) are / impossible / ostriches / so / big / it / that / is / the m / for / to / fly
 (b) can / as / fast / they / as / run / racehorses
 (c) wander / in / they / around / large / flocks

SECTION 'C'

(LITERATURE & LONG READING TEXT : 25 Marks)

8. Read one of the passages given below and answer the questions that follow :

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It was not only a display of pinpoint precision and military force, but a demonstration of the military's loyalty to democracy, to a new government that had been freely and fairly elected. Only moments before the highest generals of the South African defence force and police, their chests bedecked with ribbons and medals from days gone by, saluted me and pledged their loyalty.

- (a) What type of government was chosen in South Africa ?
 (b) How was it chosen ?
 (c) Write the verb form of the noun 'demonstration'.

OR

Eager to get away from crowded London he took a train to the village of Iping, where he booked two rooms at the local inn. 3

- (a) Identify 'he' in the above lines ? What was his mode of transport ?
- (b) Why did Griffin move to Iping ?
- (c) What does the phrase 'get away' mean ?

9. Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words :

- (i) What kind of a girl was Wanda Petronski ? 2
- (ii) Explain the statement : 'I was very happy to go behind the strange aeroplane like an obedient child.' 2
- (iii) Why was the thief able to steal Anil easily ? 2
- (iv) Why did Ausable say that Fowler must be bored after meeting him ? 2

10. Answer one of the following questions in about 80-100 words. 4

"No one knows how often I think of her and still love her". The above statement of Anne shows that she really missed her grandmother but she did not tell this to anyone. What does this tell you about Anne ? Did she lack the courage to share her feelings ? Discuss the values Anne lacked and what values we can learn from her experiences.

OR

"You haven't a kick in you but I think I know a cure for you." Which type of cure was Herriot talking about ? Did Tricki need to learn the joy of struggling for his food ? Discuss the values that Tricki needs to imbibe.

11. Answer one of the following questions in about 100-120 words. 10

Describe the visit of the carpenter in the hiding place.

OR

A lot of ups and downs can be found in the relationship between both the sisters in 'The Diary of a Young Girl'.

What can be concluded about them after reading the diary ?

OR

Explain how the Christmas eve was celebrated after Miss Sullivan came to Tuscomb.

OR

“Any teacher can take a child to a classroom, but not every teacher can make him learn.” What kind of a teacher was Miss Sullivan to her student ?