

Tenth Class English Paper-I Model Paper



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Max. Marks: 40 Time: 2 Hrs. 45 Min.

SECTION - A

Reading Comprehension

(Q.No: 1-7): Read the following Passage

I looked at father's bare feet. Never having worn shoes, his feet had developed cracks and somehow resembled those of an elephant. I noticed this for the first time. I hadn't noticed that the road was uneven. I didn't have to since I was wearing a pair of hunting boots. I checked my wallet and saw I still had around Rs.40 with me. A pair of canvas shoes would cost around Rs.12 and the remaining amount would be enough for me to get to Bomdila.

My father protested. 'Give me an old pair. You don't have to spend money on new shoes.' I couldn't convince him to buy a new pair. Reluctantly I gave him the hunting boots I was wearing. I then took out my pair of leather shoes from the trunk, and noticed my father's face lighting up with contentment. Suddenly he looked at me and said, 'Take care. Write to us...'

Father wanted to say something but the bus started moving. I saw my father gradually receding into the distance. I saw that the road we had come by looked like a giant motionless rope. Father would use the same road to go back home. Simultaneously our journeys started in two opposite directions, with me seated in the luxurious seat of a bus and father walking back with weary legs on the pebble-strewn road.

Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in the answer booklet. $4 \times 1 = 4$

- According to the author, his father's feet had developed cracks because.....
A) he walked through the uneven and pebble-strewn road.
B) he carried a heavy trunk.
C) he had never worn shoes.
D) he often walked.
- "My father protested." Here, the father protested against.....
A) wearing a pair of hunting boots
B) spending money to buy a new pair of shoes
C) wearing old pair of shoes
D) taking a pair of leather shoes.
- The author for the first time noticed that.....
A) the road was uneven and pebble-strewn.
B) his father's feet had developed cracks in them.
C) he still had around Rs.40 in his wallet.
D) his father was wearing an old pair of shoes.
- What type of text is the above passage?
A) a report
B) an essay
C) a story
D) a biography



Answer the following questions in two or three sentences. $3 \times 2 = 6$

- Why did the narrator give his father a pair of old shoes?
- "Simultaneously our journeys started in two opposite directions...." Whose journeys are referred to here? How are they different?
- Why was father's face lighting up with contentment?

(Q.No: 8 - 12): Read the following poem.

Once upon a time, son,
they used to laugh with their hearts
and laugh with their eyes:
but now they only laugh with their teeth,
while their ice-block-cold eyes
search behind my shadow.

There was a time indeed
they used to shake hands with their hearts:
but that's gone, son.
Now they shake hands without hearts:
while their left hands search
my empty pockets.

'Feel at home!' 'Come again':
they say, and when I come
again and feel
at home, once, twice,
there will be no thrice -
for then I find doors shut on me.

So I have learned many things, son.
I have learned to wear many faces
like dresses - homeface,
officeface, streetface, hostface,
cocktailface, with all their conforming
smiles
like a fixed portrait smile.

Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet. $3 \times 1 = 3$

- The expression "they only laugh with their teeth" symbolizes.....
A) the warmth and honesty of the people now.
B) the frankness of the modern people.
C) the honesty and sincerity of people that existed long time ago.
D) the hypocrisy and superficiality of modern people.
- The line "with all their conforming smiles like a fixed portrait smile" is an example for...
A) Personification
B) Metaphor

- C) Simile D) Hyperbole
10. The tone of the poem is.....
A) Cheerful B) Nostalgic
C) Humorous and entertaining
D) Anger

Answer the following questions one or two sentences. $2 \times 1 = 2$

- What does the expression 'feel at home' mean? Does the poet 'feel at home' in the situation he describes in this stanza?
- '...while their left hands search.....'. What do they search? What is the significance of this 'search'?

SECTION - B

(Vocabulary and Grammar)

(Q.No: 13-17) Read the passage given below. Five sentences in the passage are numbered from 13 to 17 at the beginning. Each of these sentences has an error. Correct and rewrite the sentences in your answer booklet. $5 \times 1 = 5$ marks

A few years later war broke out between the potter's country and a much stronger neighbour. (13) The king immediately gathered a largest army. (14) But he realized that it was not enough strong to save his country from defeat. (15) He needed a hero to leading his army. (16) Where could he found such a brave man? (17) The king hurriedly called his ministers together or asked their advice.

(Q.No: 18-22) Complete the following passage choosing the right words from those given in the box. Write the answers in your answer booklet. $5 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2 \frac{1}{2}$ marks

sages, storehouses, country, inheritors, aspired, told, tradition

India has a rich cultural heritage. We are _____ (18) of several grand treasures in the fields of music, fine arts, dance, drama, theatre and sculpture. Our _____ (19) and seers have left behind a _____ (20) of piety, penance, spiritual greatness, conquest of passion, etc. Our scriptures are the _____ (21) of spiritual wisdom. Our saints _____ (22) to the realisation of the infinite.

(Q.No: 23-27) Some words/sentences in the following passage are underlined. Rewrite then as directed in your answer booklet. $5 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2 \frac{1}{2}$ marks

During the annual Shri Sita Rama Kalyanam ceremonial (23), our family used to arrange boats with a special (24) platform for carrying idols of the Lord from the temple to the marriage site, situated (25) in the middle of the pond called Rama Tirtha who (26) was near our house. Events from the Ramayana and from the life of the Prophet was (27) the bedtime stories my mother and grandmother would tell the children in our family.

23. Write the correct form of the underlined word.

24. Give the antonym of the

underlined word.

25. Give the meaning of the underlined word.
26. Use the correct word in the place of the underlined word.
27. Replace the underlined word with a correct one.

SECTION - C

(Creative Writing - Discourses)

(Q.No: 28)

10 Marks

In the reading text "I Will Do It", you have read about the life of Narayana Murthy. You have also come to know how he became a pioneer of India's software industry and started the Information Technology wave.

Imagine that you have met Narayana Murthy during one of your journeys and you have got an opportunity to converse with him.

Now write a possible conversation between you and Narayana Murthy.

You may use the following ideas.

- Details of his education and career
- How he prepared for IIT entrance exam
- Get some advice to become successful

(OR)

You have read how a woman forgets her own name in the text "What is my name?". She asks many people about her name, but unfortunately they do not know it. She becomes totally restless in the quest of knowing her name. At one point she feels very hard to live without a name.

Describe the feelings of the housewife expressing her anguish and loss of identity on forgetting her own name.

You may include the following ideas in your description:

- reasons for forgetting the name
- significance of having one's own identity
- her extreme pain and distress
- efforts made to know her name.

(Q.No: 29) In the play "The Dear Departed", you have learnt that Victoria is truly attached to her grandfather. When she saw the elders in her family quarrel over the inheritance, she was bewildered and upset by their attitude. Imagine you are Victoria and write your feelings in the diary.

You may include the following ideas:

- the elder's concern towards Abel.
- Victoria's views about the behavior of elderly people

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కాన్సెప్ట్స్ వల్ డీచింగ్

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