

## Half Yearly Examination 2019-20

Subject : English (Compulsory)

Class : XI (Eleventh)

M.M. : 70

Time : 3¼ Hrs.

### General Instructions :

- (1) Candidates must first write their Roll Nos. on the question paper.
- (2) All the questions are compulsory.
- (3) Paper is divided into Four sections A, B, C and D all the sections are compulsory.
- (4) For question having more than one part the answers to those parts are to be written together in continuity.

### Section—A (Reading)

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follows :

1×7 = 7

Terrorist use terror as their weapon to put across their demands or to catch the attention of the government. Their main aim is to disrupt the administration and make the public doubt the strength of the government. They may use unconventional means and catch the government unaware. They strike without warning. In September 2001 terrorist used planes as weapon to destroy the twin towers of the World Trade Centre in New York.

Similarly, the terrorist attacked the Taj Hermitage at Mumbai on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2008. On 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2016 terrorist attacked Pathankot Air Base Station. Terrorist also committed shameful act by attacking near town of Uri in Kashmir on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2016. They may not only use guns; bombs and ammunition but also chemical and biological weapon the germs of anthrax are used as biological weapon some of these weapon can be dispersed by simple means of spray cans, mailed packed. These can cause large scale damage without getting detected.

The only way to counter terrorism is to spread awareness among people to defeat the intentions of terrorists. One should be aware of terrorist threats in local area. Never touch suspicious threats in local area. Never touch suspicious looking objects, unattended luggage or packets. On spotting such items, we should inform the police for early detection and action. The way we can contribute to the fight against terrorism.

- (i) How do terrorist use terror?
- (ii) What is their main aim?
- (iii) What did the terrorists do in September, 2001.
- (iv) When did terrorist attack Pathankot Air Force Station?
- (v) What are their weapons other than guns, bombs and communication?
- (vi) What is the only way to counter terrorism?
- (vii) Find out the words from the passage :
  - (a) untraditional
  - (b) doubtful as same as these words.

### Section—B (Writing)

2. Your friend has been issued ATM card for first time. You are given a task to instruct him to operate it for various purpose in about 100 - 120 words using the following hints :

- (i) Slot at the door of the cabin.
- (ii) Push the door
- (iii) Insert the card in the slot
- (iv) Enter the pin
- (v) Choose appropriate option
- (vi) Collect card

OR

Write a task in 100 - 120 words giving description of an event on : "The Annual Day Function" based on the hints given below :

annual day ..... school ..... auditorium decorated ..... district collector .....  
chief guest ..... prize distribution ..... speech ..... enjoyed.

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3. Write an article on "Swachcha Bharat Abhiyan".

OR

Put the following information in form of report in about 100 -120 words :

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| (i) Horrible accident took place.          | (ii) The train derailed        |
| (iii) Great loss                           | (iv) Cries and shrieks         |
| (v) Thirty people killed and sixty injured | (vi) Victims taken to hospital |
| (vii) Govt. declared compensation          |                                |

4. You are Rajveer Ranawat/ Urvarshi Ranawat monitor of class XI, reading at Govt. Sr. Sec. School Palri (Sirohi). Write a letter to the Principal of your school complaining about the notorious boys of the class.

OR

You are Manish living at housing board Sirohi. Write a letter to the editor of "The Times of India" about the problem of frequent electric/ power failure in your colony.

**Section—C**

5. Fill in the blanks with appropriate forms of the verbs given below :

1×3=3

- (i) I ..... (study) when he came.  
(ii) Narendra Modi ..... (develop) India vision.  
(iii) It ..... (rain) since morning.

1×3=3

6. Name the correct parts of speech for the underlined words in the following sentences :

1×3=3

- (i) She sat with bowed head.  
(ii) I have treated her as my mother.  
(iii) Rama Rao suddenly found himself in the streets.

7. Fill in the blanks suitable modals with help the words given in brackets :

1×3=3

- (i) ..... you live long. (wish)  
(ii) We ..... take a bath daily. (advice)  
(iii) PM Modi ..... solve Kashmir problem easily. (ability)

8. Change the following sentences into passive voice :

1×3=3

- (i) Shut the door.  
(ii) Mr. Shanker Singh is making project.  
(iii) Mr. Ram Mohan taught us English.

9. Change the following sentence into indirect speech :

1×3=3

- (i) He said to Meena "Where are you going?"  
(ii) The teacher said "The sun rises in the east".  
(iii) The doctor said to the patient "Take light food".

10. Combine the sentences as indicated in the brackets :

1×3=3

- (i) Ram entered the room. He saw a Snake. (Simple sentence)  
(ii) Get in you may catch cold. (Compound sentence)  
(iii) He has done me a good turn. I cannot forget it. (Complex sentence)

11. Transform the following sentences as directed :

- (i) He always comes school late. (Negative)  
(ii) Everyone wants to be a millionaire. (Interrogative)  
(iii) How hot the day is! (Assertive)

**Section - D**

12. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below :

1×4=4

The refreshments of usage in countries where English has bazar, status, are worth study, one London bus you will never hear conductor cry "Ticket Ticket". He approaches the passengers and says "Thanks you" and on receiving the fare says "Thank you sir". I found out that one could calculate the number of passengers in a bus by having total numbers of "Thanks" in a bus by having total numbers of "Thanks heard". In any western country if a receptionist ask's "can I help you", It really mean have you any business here if so state it or it may mean exidently you have wondered off into a wrong places if go away.

"A man who wants to pass you always say Excuse me". While he may with all justice burst and what do you mean by standing there gaping the world while you block everybody passage stand aside man. When you sent

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card in the busy man's secretally appears and whisper in your ear. "Would you have to wait". Through one is one of consultation you have no choice in the matter. The thing to do is not to answer the question say thanks and look for comfortable seat in the waiting room.

What does a conductor on Landon bus do to collect fare?

How could the author calculate the total number of passengers. In the bus?

What does a receptionist really mean. When she says "Can I help you".

Find the words from passage which mean :

(a) Clearly

(b) Seem

Answer the following questions : (word limit 10 - 15 words) *four*

1×4=4

1. What was Dr. Kalam's Second Vision for India? (Vision 2020)

2. What according to the author is the principal source of our legends and parables. (What India can teach us)

3. What according to Swami Vivekanand is real patriotism? (India Our Motherland)

4. Who is the ancestor of our domestic poultry? (Man and Nature in India: The Ecological Balance)

5. What does Eco tourism aim at? (Eco Tourism)

Read the extract given below and answer the following question :

1×3=3

From smoke I learn disappearance

From the ocean unprejudice

from birds.

How to find a real house

In the storm

(i) What does the Ganga learn from smoke?

(ii) What is the name of poet?

(iii) What do birds know?

OR

A piece of silken tassel tipped with  
gold tied round the wrist by loving  
sisters hand a sacred day in  
Shravan when the lands are bathed in  
welcome rain is said to hold.

A potent charm for good.

(i) What do the words "A piece of silken tassel, tipped with gold" stand for?

(ii) When are the lands bathed in welcome rain?

(iii) Write name of poem and poet?

15. Answer any three questions : (Word limit 10 - 15)

1×3=3

(i) What do happy bands of brother still do?

(ii) Why do children go to river?

(iii) What does the leopard know?

(iv) How is weather in Shravan.

(Raksha Bandhan)

(Songs of the Ganga)

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(Raksha Bandhan)

1½×2=3

16. Answer any two questions in about 30 - 40 words :

(i) Why did the officer think that Aksinof had murdered the merchant?

(ii) How did the man get rid of the animals.

(iii) Why is Sripati perplexed when he returns from Ranihat?

(God Sees The Truth but wait)

(The Gentlemen of the Jungle)

(Living or Dead)

17. How did Marianna succeed both as a mother and as a citizen. (The Mother of a Traitor)

1×4 = 4

OR

Write a note on the unstable worth of commerce hinted in the story.

(Out of Business)

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