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SESSION ENDING EXAM (2024-25)
SUBJECT: ENGLISH CORE
CLASS: XI

Max. Marks. 80

Time: 3:00 Hours

MARKING SCHEME

SECTION: A [READING]

1. NOTE: No marks should be deducted for mistakes of grammar, spelling or word limit. Full marks may be awarded if the student has been able to identify core ideas. If a student literally lifts a portion of the given passage as an answer to a question, no mark(s) to be deducted for this as long as it is relevant.

Q. 1. (i) (d) Because we can live life, work and enjoy each new day.

(ii) (c) our mistakes and failures in the past can depress us.

(iii) (a) if circumstances are adverse, make them favourable.

(iv) (b) He wants to be able to give.

(v) Take initiative, take risk, start things

(vi) (b) efforts ... results.

(vii) succession

(viii) conflict

(ix) False

(x) row

Q.2 (i) (a) True

(ii) (b) 1-50 miles

(iii) (a) abundant low-level moisture

(iv) (c) Debris from the train explosion was scattered from here and there.

(v) F2 classification

(vi) Devastating effect

(vii) (a) dry air overlays moist air near earth's surface

(b) rapidly decreasing temperature with height

(viii) not only strong but also turn with height in a clockwise or veering direction

Q.3. NOTE MAKING:

If a student has attempted only summary or only notes, due credit should be given. Minimum 3 Main Headings and 3 Sub-Headings for content with Maximum being 5 should be given. Notes provided below are only guidelines. Any other title, main points and sub-points should be accepted if they are indicative of the student's understanding of the given passage and the notes include main points with suitable and recognizable abbreviations minimum 4 and maximum 6. Abbreviated words can be underlined. Complete sentences should not be accepted as notes.

Numbering of points can be indicated in different ways and these should be accepted as long as a consistent pattern is followed.

Distribution of Marks:

Title:

1 Mark

Content (Min. 3 & Max. 5 Headings and sub-headings with proper indentation, numbering and notes)

3 Marks

Q.3 (a) EFFECTIVE LISTENING LEADS TO EFFECTIVE SPEAKING**1. In competent listening**

- (a) attention drift
- (b) lis'nr counters arguments and completes
 - (i) filters msgs
 - (ii) reacts to the msg

2. How to listen effectively

- (a) concentration is needed
 - (i) alertness helps in concentration
 - (ii) physical fitness –mental alertness
- (b) Note-taking aids effective listening
 - (i) lis'nr tries to capture main pts
 - (ii) note-taking helps the spkr too
- (c) Determination is needed to
 - (i) overcome voice & other peculiarities
 - (ii) decipher the form of msg
- (d) Posture helps
 - (i) upright posture of lis'nr helps in concentration
 - (ii) helps the spkr

3. Conclusion

Effective speaking impacts the lis'nr & the spkr.

3. (b) Summary

Good listening can aid the speaker and can lead to good speaking. Incompetent listeners disturb good speaking by countering the speaker or by competing with him.

For good listening concentration on receiving the message is needed. Determination to receive the message, mental alertness and a good posture help. Taking notes is also an aid to concentration and good listening.

Good listening helps the speaker through eye contact. An attentive posture of the listener increases the speaker's confidence.

SECTION B : GRAMMAR

Q.4 (a) was known (b) feed (c) clothe (d) took (e) did/ had been doing (f) was loved

1/2x6=3

Q.5. ANY FOUR

- (a) She is inviting all her friends to her birthday party next week. 1x4=4
- (b) I would like to look at the books on Indian architecture.
- (c) No sooner did the Sun rise, than the mist disappeared.
- (d) When the train whistled off from the station, we began to play cards.
- (e) A Library is a place where books are kept and stored for reading.

SECTION C: CREATIVE WRITING

Q. 6. ADVERTISEMENT (Car for Sale)

3 marks

Format -1 mark (can be either classified or display)

Content- 1 mark

Expression -1 mark

Suggested value points :

- catchy caption /Heading
 - all necessary details in points – brief details of car-make model, mileage etc.
 - contact address, name, and telephone number, box
- (Due credit should be given for the economy of words used)

OR

ADVERTISEMENT (Situation Vacant)

Format -1 mark – (heading, brief details and contact address)

Content- 1 mark

Expression 1 mark

Suggested value points :

- catchy caption /Heading-Situation vacant
 - all necessary details in points – age, qualifications, experience etc. in points.
 - contact address, name, and telephone number, box
- (Due credit should be given for the economy of words used)

Q.7. POSTER

3 marks

Title : -1 mark

Content: 1 marks

Expression-grammatical accuracy, spellings -1 mark

Suggested value points for: Earthquakes-How to save oneself

- * ☐ take refuge in the corner of room
- * keep away from building if you are in the open
- * don't panic
- * have patience
- * keep away from electrical points
- * box
- * issuing authority

OR

Suggested value point for “Save water-Save Life”

- * Repair leaky taps * water level going low year by year
- * Use drip irrigation * Store and use rain water
- * Do not waste water * Don't let water run while shaving
- * Each drop of water is precious * Note- slogan/ pictures can be used
- * box to be used * issuing authority

Q.8. SPEECH :

5 marks

Format (opening address and conclusion) -1 mark

Content -2 marks

Expression -2 marks

Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spellings [1]

Coherence and relevance of ideas and style [1]

OR

Suggested value points: Education gives one power

Education-*trains the mind *sharpen skills *source of power*improves self* be
*independent-*earn money- *ignorance to knowledge*removes superstition*develop a
free spirit*important for women-free*independent.

Suggested value points : HIV/AIDS awareness

- * AIDS- serious illness
- * does not spread through-shaking hands, sharing food, using common toilet
- * transmitted through-unprotected sex, blood transfusion from HIV positive Individual
- *Infected mother to baby during child birth

9. DEBATE - *Electronic media (TV news) will bring about the end of print media / “Life in a village is better than life in the city”* **5**

marks

- Format - 1 mark
- topic introduction, addressing the audience, mention for /against the motion
- Content - 2 marks
- use hints, addressing the issue, current situation, reasons in favour or against, possible suggestions
- Expression - 2 marks
- Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [1]
- Coherence and relevance of ideas and style [1]

Suggested Value points: Hints given in questions are to be presented effectively either in for or against the motion.

SECTION: D [TEXT BOOKS]

10. A

3 marks

- (i) (c) alliteration (ii) The Sea (iii) transient

Q.10. B

- (i) (c) alliteration (ii) The stillness of the Laburnum tree
- (iii) serenity and quiet

Q.11.A

3 marks

- (i) the narrator, his wife (ii) (b) simile (iii) (b) right side

Q.11.B

- (i) (c) memorise (ii) (a) he loved her voice (iii) They were good friends

Q.12. A

4 marks

- (i) (c) he was adventurous (ii)(c) born in this world (iii) Strong desire
- (iv) The summer of the Beautiful White Horse, William Saroyan

Q.12.B

- (i) (a) She thought that everyone in Mrs s’s family was dead.
- (ii) (d) Only the author had survived the war in her family
- (iii) musty
- (iv) The family usually remained behind closed doors / moisture/ dampness prevailed.

Q.13. SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS

3x2=6 marks

Hornbill- Prose

A. Content:

2 Marks

Expression:

1 Marks

Grammatical Accuracy, Appropriate Words and Spelling: ½ Marks

Coherence and Relevance of Ideas and Style: - ½ Marks

Suggested Value points

Q.13 (a) Howard Carter was held responsible-cut the body in many pieces, stuck to the bottom of coffin, ritual resin had become hardened, had to cut apart the limbs.....

OR

Many people moving towards pandal, lecture was going on, presidential chair on the platform-unoccupied. Gaitonde felt the chair to be kept vacant for him.

Q.13 (b) The poet realised - adults preached of love and talked of love, their behaviour was totally different and full of manipulation. They were all hypocrites, behaved differently from the way they talked.

OR

Rain falls to the earth i.e.-its birth place, falling of rain gives life to the seeds and plants which support all life of the earth.

Q.14. Doris, Mrs. Pearson's daughter finds that her tea is not ready. Moreover, Mrs. Pearson tells her to iron her dress herself. She announces that she might go out to Clarendon for a meal. All this is unusual for Doris and she gets irritated. And says.... **3 marks**

OR

Dr, Andrew made frantic efforts to save both the mother and her baby. It was really a very tough job to concentrate on because he had to focus on two lives. So when he got success in it, he uttered, "I have done something; Oh god! I have done something real at last" he thanked God and felt a sense of relief. He was satisfied that as a doctor 'he did something real at last'.

15. LONG ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS

6 marks

Content:

3 Marks

Expression:

3Marks

Grammatical Accuracy, Appropriate Words and Spelling: 1½ Marks

Coherence and Relevance of Ideas and Style: 1½ Marks

Q.15. (a) suggested value points:-

- * **Father to Son**-father longs for loving and warm relationship
- * there is no understanding or love
- * father -ready to make amendment/ welcome his son
- *poem is in deep melancholic tone
- * **We are not afraid to Die**...father -captain of Wavewalker
- * wave walker -badly damaged in a storm
- *father- responsible for the safety of his family
- * fulfils his responsibility-navigation skills-optimistic

OR

***Silk Road**

- *undertaken journey to Mount kailash
- *Travel over a rough mountainous terrain
- *the road covered with snow and ice- made the journey dangerous
- * Recovered using Tibetan Medicines

Discovering Tut.....

- * Archaeologists-Had to face extreme heat of Desert in order to carry out investigation
- * using advanced technology
- * CT scan
- * After scan-body had to be carried back to his tomb

Q.16. long answer

6 marks

- * **The Tale of melon City**-humorous, ironical
- * Arc was constructed to edify people
- * Oldest man was considered wisest man
- * ordered- whosoever fitted- gallows -die
- * king was hanged.
- * selection of new king -melon-humorous
- * king-indecisive
- * poem- revolves around fun and laughter

OR

- * Mr Pearson did not wish to drink tea
- * he gets angry when knows his tea is not ready
- * Mrs pearson tells him that he is laughed at in the club
- * He is hurt by this fact. His son raises objection to this revelation
- * Mrs Pearson says sometimes it is good for people to get burt.
- * This brings realization and reformation our behaviour.
