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SESSION ENDING EXAM (2024-25)

SUBJECT: ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE (Code No.101)

CLASS- IX

MARKING SCHEME

Section: A . Reading Skills (20 marks)

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Marks-10

- (i) the first written public examinations were introduced with the establishment of the imperial examination system in 606 AD in China. (2M)
- (ii) (d) both (a) and (c). (1M)
- (iii) In terms of operating surplus, the CBSE board and Maharashtra board fare the best. (2M)
- (iv) Recently (1M)
- (v) The National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) conducts examinations through the distance mode. (1M)
- (vi) Heterogeneity (1M)
- (vii) False (1M)
- (viii) (b) Result should be declared within 45 days from the end of the examination (1M)

2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Marks-10

- (i) the message posted by the Australian ALS patient Philip O'Keefe using the neural interface in 2021 was: "hello, world! Short tweet. Monumental progress." (1M)
- (ii) (b) Elon Musk. (1M)
- (iii) theoretically, processes like deep brain stimulation could help fight Alzheimer's and Parkinson's, even depression and addiction. Thus, Neuralink could help patients suffering from brain diseases. Another potential benefit could be the usage of neural interfaces for memory and concentration enhancement. (2M)
- (iv) (d) People who have lost their limbs. (1M)
- (v) According to Musk, the people who have lost their limbs will be able to take control of their phone or computer, and thereby almost any device, just by thinking, which would be transformative. (1M)
- (vi) unprecedented (1M)
- (vii) The access to the human mind provided by the Neuralink raises the major concern for privacy, Neuralink could enable authorities to monitor every detail of human lives. Such a scenario raises the question of ownership of the data collected by such invasion of privacy. The access to this technology could also become a privilege and thus worsen the existing social inequalities. (2M)
- (viii) (b) People with stuttering issues. (1M)

Section B : Writing Skills (24 marks)

3. Notice Writing:

[Format – 1M, Content – 2 M, Accuracy – 1M]

[4 Marks]

Answer:

KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA NOTICE Cyber Bullying Talk Date: This is to inform all the students that our school is organising a Cyber Bullying Talk to address the issue of the increase in the number of cyber bullying cases in schools. The details of the event are as follows: Day: Date: Time: Venue: Mr. Vivek Solanki, the Director of Cybercrime Department, has accepted to address this issue. The talk is open to both students and parents. All students and parents are requested to attend the talk. XYZ (School Counsellor)
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4. : Dialogue Writing :

[Punctuation – 1M, Question tag -1M, exclamatory word & expression – 1M,Content : 2 M

[5 Marks]

Anita: Hi Saba. How are you?

Saba: Hello Anita. I am well. Good to see you. What brings you to my house today?

Anita: I wanted to discuss with you how we should celebrate Nupur's birthday. It is next week.

Saba: Oh, I nearly forgot. Maybe we should organise a party.

Anita: That's a great idea. We should gather all our friends and her parents, and also bring a cake.

Saba: Perfect! I can also cook some snacks at home and bring them.

Anita: That sounds great. But remember Saba, she can't know anything about it. It has to be a surprise.

Saba: You are right Anita. I will make sure no one tells her.

Anita: See you next week.

Saba: Bye. See you Anita.

5. Informal Letter Writing:

[Format: 1 M, Content: 4 M, Organisation of Ideas: 1M, Accuracy: 1M]

[7 Marks]

D-10, Mayuram Villa
Raipur

XX March, 2025

Dear Grandma

Hope you are doing well. I am sorry that I haven't been able to write to you for the last two months as I was busy organising an inter-school talent fair for my school. I was a part of the organising committee and was responsible for managing the hospitality for the 7 guest schools. There were 16 finalists in all, 14 of which had come from schools all over the state.

The fair was very successful and our committee was praised for our courteous behaviour with the participants. Our Principal addressed the school assembly today and read out a letter of thanks from all the guest schools that mentioned all our names.

It was a proud moment for me and I was overwhelmed to have received appreciation for being a good person. Thank you for instilling these values in me. Without your pearls of wisdom, I would have never been able to take care of strangers as my own people without losing my cool under pressure. But you have always taught me to be kind to others no matter what.

I hope I can always remain a kind person even when I am as old as you, grandma.
Until next time, love you and miss you!

Yours lovingly/ affectionately
Naveen / Nishita

6.

a. Paragraph Writing:

[Content: 4 M, Organisation of Ideas: 2 M, Accuracy: 2M]

(8 Marks)

Value Points:

Global Warming

- Global warming refers to a hike in the average global temperature on Earth. Burning of fossil fuels and the release of toxic fumes into the atmosphere are major causes of global warming.
- It can have disastrous effects on living organisms.
- The impacts of global warming are widespread and unspecific. Some areas experience a sudden rise in the temperature while others witness a sudden fall.
- It has been noted that the average temperature on the Earth has increased by 1.15 degree Celsius in the past decade.

- This is a reason for worry as it can damage ecosystems and might result in the disruption of the environment. Global warming can be checked if we take concrete steps towards restoring the lost vegetation in our forests.
- We can also use clean energy sources like wind energy, solar energy and tidal energy to check the rise in global temperature caused by excessive burning of fossil fuels.

OR

6. b.: Value Points:

Sunita Williams

- Sunita Williams, is a veteran of two long-duration space flights and has spent a total of three hundred and twenty two days in space.
- She holds a record for total cumulative spacewalk time by a female astronaut which covers fifty hours and forty minutes.
- She has been selected by NASA for commercial flights to the International Space Station from the US soil. Sunita is a US Navy Captain who received her commission in the Navy in May 1987.
- Later, she became a helicopter pilot logging more than 3000 flight hours in more than thirty different aircrafts.
- She now ranks sixth on the all-time US endurance list and second all-time for a female astronaut.
- Being an Indo-American, Sunita Williams mentioned Kalpana Chawla in a talk saying "I had to continue Kalpana's dream".

Section - C: Grammar (10 marks)

7. Gap filling:

[For each correct answer 1 mark is to be awarded.]

(1 X3 = 3Marks)

- a. (iii) is b. (iii) the c. (ii) could.

8. Editing:

(1X4 = 4 Marks)

[For each correct answer 1 mark is to be awarded. No partial credit is to be given.]

Error	Correction
(a) him	his
(b) Anyone	Someone
(c) didn't	don't
(d) men	man

9. [For each correct answer 1 mark is to be awarded]

i) **Rearrange the words / phrases given below to form a meaningful sentence. (1M)**

i) It is now a method by which a student goes through games and physical activities.

ii) **Report the dialogues to complete the paragraph that follows. (1x2=2M)**

(a) Why he wanted to be a computer analyst.

(b) he had always been interested in computers.

Section – D : Literature Reader (26 marks)

10. Answer any TWO of the given extracts (A), (B) and (C). [4M +4M = 8 Marks]

(A) 1 mark for each correct answer

[1X4=4Marks]

- (i) B. roles
- (ii) D. uninspiring
- (iii) A thing of beauty is a joy forever.
- (iv) Metaphor

(B)

[1X4=4Marks]

- (a) John A. Pescud is speaking to the narrator.
- (b) The conversation takes place in the chair car of a train.
- (c) The phrase means at their own social level or within their own social class.
- (d) The opposite of 'real' is 'unreal' or 'imaginary'.

(C)

[1X4=4Marks]

- (a) Mrs. Al Smith is talking to Gaston.
- (b) (iii) Gaston's lawyer.
- (c) The sale of the villa made by Gaston to Mrs. Al Smith is being discussed here.
- (d) Mrs. Al Smith's lawyer will get in touch with Gaston's lawyer to prepare the papers for sale of the villa.

11. Answer any SIX of the following (word limit 30- 40 words) : [2X 6 =12Marks]

[For each response – 2MARKS]

Content: 1 M, Expression: 1 M]

- (i) Duke was an intelligent and extraordinary dog. He jumped on Hooper when he returned from the hospital, but when he saw his master fight for balance, he realised his pain and helplessness and never repeated this act. He knew his job, which was to help his master to recover soon. It was only because his help that Hooper could walk on his feet again.
- (ii) Private Quelch was unpopular among friends and superiors alike because he believed that he was superior to others. If someone made a mistake, he would publicly correct him. He lectured to them relentlessly in his monotonous voice. They got sick of him and hit back at him with sarcastic comments and practical jokes.
- (iii) Harold's parents feared that after knowing the truth, Harold would be hurt and would not like it that his father was a professional boxer. However, ironically when Harold came to know about the secret, he surprised everybody by saying that he always admired 'Young Porky'.
- (iv) These lines form the refrain in the poem and carry the central idea of the poem. They have been repeated for the sake of emphasis. Human beings are mortals while the brook is immortal. All of us will die one day, but the brook and nature is never-ending and will outlive humans.

- (v) 'The difference' indicates that the poet's decision and choice to do so has had a significant impact in his life / journey. In other words, our choices influence and shape our life. The poet regrets that he has chosen the grassy road and because of that he has struggled a lot in his life.
- (vi) A tooth is like a friend. As a lost friend can never come back, a lost tooth never grows again. It cannot be regained or made naturally/ any other relevant answers.
- (vii) The rain falls with different intensities and these are suggestive of its varying moods. A cry indicates heavy rainfall which makes the hills green. When the rain is humble, it falls down moderately making flowers rejoice. And when the rain bows, it drizzles and makes everyone happy.

12. Answer *any One* of the following (word limit 120 words) :

[Content : 3 M, organisation : 2 M , Accuracy : 1 M]

[6 Marks]

Answer - a .

(Value Points)

“Education Can Make One Independent”

- Education is an important human activity which develops an individual's innate powers and potentialities and makes him/her self-dependent.
- A person who is not educated cannot be independent as he has to depend on others for a number of things.
- Such a person has no idea of his own rights. He finds difficulties in doing simple things such as filling forms, reading notices/ newspapers, opening a bank account etc.
- Such a person cannot do things independently.
- The grandmother in this story, who could read the episodes of the novel after being made literate by her granddaughter, exemplifies what an educated person can do.

Or

Answer - b .

(Value Points)

- The Convict was a product of unfortunate circumstances and an indifferent society. He was caught and sent to prison for stealing food for his sick wife.
- He was inhumanly treated there. His name and soul were taken away from him. This inhuman treatment changed him into a beast.
- The insensitivity of society and law as well as persistent and prolonged suffering in jail turned him into such a hardened criminal that he did not hesitate to kill, rob and steal.
- He lost faith in God and religion.
- Thus, the Convict is indeed justified in his statement.
- The unfortunate circumstances, violence, ill-treatment and torture that he had gone through in his life made him what he was.