

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Class: X

Time: 2 hrs

Max Marks: 80

General Instruction:

1. Read all the questions carefully
2. Attempt all compulsory questions.
3. Marks are allotted in front of each question.

Question. 1

Write a composition on any one of the following in about 350-400 words. [25]

- (a) Write an original story entitled “The visit”
- (b) “Money can buy happiness”. Give your views for or against the statement.
- (c) Narrate an incident from your experience where you worked hard for an examination but at the day wasn’t able to do well.
- (d) One evening you came back to your room and saw all your things were scattered and disarranged and there was no one at home. Describe in detail what you saw, what you experienced. Also mention what happened in the end and what you learned out of it.
- (e) Study the picture given below. Write a story, description or an account of what the picture suggests you. Your composition may be about the theme of the picture or you may take suggestions from it, however, there must be a clear connection between the picture and your composition.



- Format – Content – expression
- Points to be remember:
1. Start with introduction of the topic.
 - 2- Describe the topic with supporting points.
 - 3- End with a conclusion.

Question. 2

[10]

(a) Your aunt has offered you a plane ticket to visit her this vacation and spend some time with her. Write a letter to her thanking her offer and mention when you'll be coming and what would you like to do.

- Format – Content -expression of Letter
1. Reference to the question
 2. Give introduction and mention the details of your departure.
 3. Mention things you want to do in vacations
 4. Should be written in an informal style.

(b) Your school is organizing its annual cultural festival for charity for a nearby orphanage. Write a letter to the director of the Cultural Authority of the city to be there as the chief guest and donate for the cause.

- Format – content – expression of the Letter.
1. Give introduction Mention the location of your school
 2. Give details of the festival and Charity program
 3. Invite the director explain about the cause and its outcome
 4. Should be written in a Formal Style.

Question. 3

[25]

Read the following passage carefully and answer the following questions:

Richard Parker was so named because of a clerical error. A panther was terrorizing the Khulna district of Bangladesh, just outside the Sundarbans. It has recently carried off a little girl. She was the seventh person killed in two months by the animal. And it was growing bolder. The previous victim was a man who had been attacked in broad daylight in his field. The beast dragged him off into the forest and his corpse was later found hanging from a tree. The villagers kept a watch nearby that night, hoping to surprise the panther and kill it, but it never appeared.

The Forest Department hired a professional hunter. He set up a small, hidden platform in a tree near a river where two of the attacks had taken place. A goat was tied to a stake on the river's bank. He hunter waited several nights. He assumed the panther would be an old, wasted male with worn teeth, incapable of catching anything more difficult than a human. But it was a sleek tiger that stepped into the open one night: a female with a single cub. The goat bleated. Oddly, the club, who looked to be about three months old, paid little attention to the goat. It raced to the water's edge, where it drank eagerly. Its mother followed it. Of hunger and thirst, thirst is the greater urge. Only once the tiger had quenched her thirst did she turn to the goat to satisfy her hunger.

The hunter had two rifles with him: one with real bullets, the other with immobilizing darts. This animal was not a man-eater, but was so close to human habitation that she might pose a threat to the villagers, especially as she was with cub. He picked up the gun with the darts. He fired as the tiger was about to attack the goat. The tiger reared up and snarled and raced away. But immobilizing darts don't bring on sleep gently, they knock the creature out without warning. A burst of activity on the animals' part makes it act all the faster.

The hunter, whose name was Richard Parker, picked it up and with his bare hands and remembering how it has rushed to drink in river, named it Thirsty. But the shipping clerk at the Howrah train station was evidently a man both confused and diligent. All the papers received with the cub clearly stated that its name was None Given. Richard Parker's name stuck. I don't know if the hunter was ever called Thirsty None Given

(a) Give the meaning of the following words as used in the passage: [3]

- (i) Immobilizing
- (ii) habitation
- (iii) quenched

- (i) stop moving, motionless, halt, freeze
- (ii) occupy, dwelling, act of inhabiting
- (iii) satisfy, extinguish, put out, cool

(b) Answer the following questions briefly: [12]

- (i) Why does the author declare that the panther 'was getting bolder'?
- (ii) Why the Forest Department hired a skilled hunter?
- (iii) What was hunter expecting to encounter? What actually did the hunter encounter?
- (iv) What was tiger's movement before turning to attack the goat? Why did the tiger do that?
- (v) Why the hunter planned to shoot the tiger though he knew it was not the man-eater?
- (iv) What was the name given to the cub by the hunter and why?

- (i) The panther was getting bolder as it had killed seven people in about two months. Recently, it carried off a little girl and the previously a man who was attacked in broad daylight in his own field.
- (ii) The villagers kept a sharp observe for the panther hoping to surprise and kill it, but it never appeared. So, the Forest Department hired a professional skilled hunter to their job by tracking and killing it.
- (iii) The hunter thought that the panther would be an old, exhausted animal with worn teeth, incapable of doing anything. But what he actually encountered was a lustrous tigress with her cub.
- (iv) The tiger had follow the cub to the water's edge and drank water thirstily before she turned to the goat to satisfy her hunger because thirst considered as a greater urge than hunger.
- (v) Because it was very close to human environment and might create a threat to the villagers, especially since she was her cub.
- (vi) The hunter named the cub 'Thirsty' as he recalls how the cub had hurried to drink water in the river.

(c) (i) Narrate how the hunter and his assistants captured the 3 tiger with its cub in not more than 60 words. [8]

(ii) Give a suitable title to your summary and also justify its name with suitable points. [2]

- (i) – Should be too the point
--Shouldn't cross word limit
- (ii) Suitable title with suitable reason.

Question. 4

(a) Fill in the numbered blanks with the correct form of the word given in brackets, do not rewrite the whole paragraph just answer the blanks. [4]

The girls(1)_____ (sit) in a uniformed circle(2)_____ (begin)(3)_____ (copy) their multiplication tables. Most (4) _____ (scratch) in the filth with sticks they had(5)_____ (bring) for that reason. The more opportune (6)_____ (has) slate boards that they(7)_____ (write) on with sticks(8)_____ (dip) in a mixture of mud and water.

- 1. sat
- 2. began
- 3. copying
- 4. scratched
- 5. Brought
- 6. had
- 7. wrote
- 8. Dipping

(b) Fill in the blanks with suitable words:

[4]

1. She congratulate me _____ my grand success.
2. The poor man afflicted _____ thyroid.
3. He is blind _____ the faults of the road accident.
4. The boss had many complaints _____ Shaan.
5. One must prepare well _____ the final examinations.
6. She is not attentive _____ the danger.
7. Ravina was perfect _____ his calculations.
8. They hid the money _____ the sofa.

- 1. on
- 2. with
- 3. to
- 4. against
- 5. for
- 6. of
- 7. With
- 8. under

(c) Join the following sentences without using and, but or so to make one complete sentence:

[4]

1. The minister was wise. The people did not trust him.
2. We reached the station. The train came on.
3. One should not lend money. One should not take money.
4. He will win the hamper. He deserves it.

- 1. Though the minister was wise, the people did not trust him.
- 2. When we reached the station, the train came on.
- 3. One should neither lend nor take money.
- 4. He will win the hamper as he deserves it.

(d) Rewrite the following sentences according to the instructions given

[8]

1. This dog is well trained than yours.
(Begin: Your.....)
2. The children will sit in the ground, if the weather is breezy.

(Begin: The children won't.....)

3. The bulgur ran so fast that the police could not catch him.

(Rewrite using: too.)

4. His attitude time and again annoys me.

(Rewrite using: annoyance)

5. The children disappeared as soon as the van stopped.

(Begin: Hardly.....)

6. There is no success without hard work.

(Begin: Whenever.....)

7. "Please teach me to drive" He asked her father.

(Rewrite in indirect form.....)

8. The peasants regarded him as a mentor and called him a leader.

(End:..... the peasants)

- 1. Your dog is not well trained as this
- 2. The children won't sit in the ground, if the weather is humid.
- 3. The bulgur ran too fast to be caught by the police.
- 4. His attitude is time and again is the cause of my annoyance.
- 5. Hardly had the van stopped when the children disappeared.
- 6. Whenever there is hard work, there is success.
- 7. He requested his father to teach him to drive.
- 8. He was regarded as the mentor and called a leader by the peasants.