

With OMR Sheet Based 20 MCQ

MODEL PAPER 2023

Class-X (ENGLISH)

(Only Question Paper)

Time: 3 Hr. 15 Mins.]

[Max. Marks : 70

Note:

- (i) The first 15 minutes are allotted only for reading the question paper.
- (ii) This question paper is divided into two sections.
- (iii) Section 'A' contains multiple choice questions. Candidates have to choose the correct option and write the answer in the answer script.
- (iv) Section 'B' contains descriptive answer type questions.
- (v) All questions are compulsory.
- (vi) Marks are indicated against questions.

Section-A (20 Marks)

(Q.No. 1-3) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow, choosing the correct option:

Florence Nightingale was the first woman who was awarded 'The Order of Merit' for her pioneering works in nursing profession. She was born on May 12, 1820 of a rich family in Florence, Italy. It was unthinkable for a woman of respectable family to go out for a job in those days. She offered herself to provide healing touch to the wounded soldiers in the Cremean war. She served them so well and with such great love that she became a legend in the nursing profession. We remember her as

an embodiment of love, sacrifice and dedication for mankind. At the over crowded Scutari Hospital, she was often found serving the wounded soldiers even in the midst of night holding a lamp in her hand. Its result is that succeeding generations know her as 'The Lady with a Lamp'.

In true sense she was a human being. Serving humanity means serving God. Serving needy people in the society and working for the humanity is a kind of worship. People who perform good deeds are always remembered.

1. When was Florence Nightingale born? **1**
(a) 1820 (b) 1830
(c) 1840 (d) 1850
 2. In the above passage who is the source of inspiration? **1**
(a) Mother Teresa
(b) Florence Nightingale
(c) Kasturba Gandhi
(d) None of these.
 3. Select word from the passage which means opposite to the word hatred. **1**
(a) love (b) cruel
(c) jealous (d) hate
- Q. (4-8) Choose the correct option to answer the following:
4. We must help.....poor. **1**
(a) a (b) the
(c) an (d) none of the above
 5. Theresome books in his bag.
(a) is (b) were
(c) was (d) have

6. I bought a beautiful dress. What is 'beautiful' in it? **1**

- (a) conjunction (b) preposition
(c) adjective (d) verb

7. ramesh is going to Agra. Who is incorrect word in this sentence? **1**

- (a) ramesh (b) Agra
(c) going (d) to

8. The road / of/ obey / we/rules/the/ must. **1**

- (a) The rules of the road must we obey.
(b) We obey the must rules of the road.
(c) We must obey the rules of the road.
(d) We must obey the road of the rules.

Q. No. (9-10) Read the Passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

Lencho showed not the slightest surprise on seeing the money; such was his confidence-but he became angry when he counted the money God could not have made a mistake, nor could he have denied Lencho what he had requested. Immediately, Lencho went up to the window to ask for paper and ink. On the public writing-table, he started to write, with much wrinkling of his brow, caused by the effort he had to make to express his ideas. When he finished, he went to the window to buy a stamp which he licked and then affixed to the envelope with a blow of his fist.

The moment that the letter fell into the mailbox the postmaster went to open it. It said:

"God: of the money that I asked for, only seventy pesos reached me send me the rest, since I need it very much. But don't

send it to me through the mail, because the post office employees are a bunch of crooks. Lencho."

9. Why did Lencho not show any surprise when he found the money in the letter? **1**

- (a) Faith in God
- (b) Faith in Postman
- (c) Faith in Post office staff
- (d) None of these

10. How much money did Lencho get? **1**

- (a) forty pesos (b) fifty pesos
- (c) seventy pesos (d) eighty pesos

Q. No. (11-13) Based on your understanding of Prose lesson choose the correct option to answer the following questions:

11. Where was Lencho's house situated? **1**

- (a) bottom of the hill (b) top of a hill
- (c) top of a plateau (d) in a city

12. Which party did Mandela join? **1**

- (a) Indian National Congress
- (b) African National Congress
- (c) National African Party
- (d) He did not join any party

13. What was Gautama Buddha's early name? **1**

- (a) Sidha (b) Sadhu
- (c) Siddhartha (d) Sidharth

Q.No. (14-15) Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow:

The way a crow
 down on me
dust of snow
 a hemlock tree

14. Who was sitting on the tree? **1**

- (a) crow (b) parrot
(c) sparrow (d) pigeon

15. Where was the poet standing? **1**

- (a) Under a Neem tree.
(b) Under a Hemlock tree
(c) Under a peepal tree
(d) None of these

Q. No. (16-20) Based on your understanding of the lessons in the book 'Footprints Without Feet'. Choose correct option to answer the following questions:

16. Who was Tricky? **1**

- (a) a cat (b) a monkey
(c) a dog (d) a rabbit

17. What did Hari Singh want from Anil? **1**

- (a) work (b) money
(c) eatables (d) home

18. Griffin was often: **1**

- (a) actor (b) shopkeeper
(c) scientist (d) landlord

19. Ebright was born in: **1**

- (a) Liverpool (b) London
(c) Reading (d) Oxford

20. What was Bholi's real name? **1**

- (a) Priya (b) Geeta
(c) Sulekha (d) Sita

Section-B (50 Marks)

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

In India, the joint family system has been in existence since ancient times. However, with the passage of time, the joint family system has disintegrated, giving rise to the nuclear family system.

A joint family is considered bigger compared to a nuclear family because a joint family includes grandparents, uncles, aunts, cousins, and in-laws, aside from the typical mother, father, and children. Nuclear families normally consist of two parents and the number of children. When you ask older people, many prefer the joint family, as grandparents help the parents take care of the children. The need to employ a babysitter or nanny to look after the little ones when the parents are working is not necessary in joint families.

On the other hand, there are many who prefer a nuclear family. One of the reasons that a nuclear family is ideal to them is because there are less issues happening within the household compared to a joint one which has many personalities that one would need to get along with.

A nuclear family has many advantages. In a nuclear family, the mother is able to look after the needs of her children well. She can take care of their personal needs in a much better way than she could in a joint family. The family earns, spends and saves money for itself. Parents can invest money for the education of their children. They can put them into good schools and provide them with better career opportunities. They can understand one another well. Joint family systems cannot ensure that children would get individual attention. The womenfolk never

find time to look after their children for they remain busy in the household work. Children are not educated much as they usually join the family occupation. The womenfolk face many restrictions and the chances of disharmony are higher because of the size of the family.

A nuclear family has its disadvantages too. Due to the high cost of living in cities, both the parents pursue a career of their own. This may leave the children unguided. They find no one for advice or discussion. They spend their childhood without the much needed love and company of their parents. Infants spend their time in crèches. Overcrowded, poorly ventilated buildings and apathetic staff of the crèches have a negative influence on the well-being of children.

The media is somewhat responsible for the disintegration of the joint-family system. It often portrays the mother-in-law as a threat to the well-being of the young bride. In some movies, she is shown to influence her son against the young bride. Many of the serials in television portray the negative aspect of elders. Newspapers also report about gruesome acts committed in some families. The foreign media has instilled western liberal views in the youth. All these factors curb the development of the family as a close knit unit.

However, the advantages of the joint family system outweigh the disadvantages. In the cycle of life, one will certainly reach old age and one will face the same problems as one's parents or grandparents. So, the elders should not be deprived of the love and care of their near and dear ones. But again, it is upto the younger generation to decide.

Questions:

- (a) What has led to the disintegration of the joint family? **2**
- (b) Differentiate between a nuclear family and a joint one. **2**
- (c) Pick out the words from the passage which mean lost unity. **2**
- (d) What is the opposite of the word 'ancient'? **1**

22. Write a letter to your father requesting him to send you three thousand rupees as you have to go on five days tour, organised by your college. **4**

Or

Write an application to the Principal requesting him to grant you full concession in fee.

23. You are Mandakini/Madan, a staff reporter of The Times of India. You have been asked to cover the incident of a daylight robbery when the inmates were present in a house in the outskirts of U.P. Write a report about the incident. **6**

Or

Write an essay (article) on the following topic in about 60-80 words:

- Introduction
- Preparation
- The prize Distribution
- Reception of the chief guest
- Cultural programme Prize Distribution
- Thank's by the Principal conclusion

24. (a) Rewrite the following by change into indirect speech

My father said to me, "Have you completed your work now?" **2**

(b) Change the following into passive voice. **2**

Akbar defeated Hemu in the battle of Panipat.

(c) Punctuate the following: **2**

my brother said to me you should not waste your time
oh'sundays.

(d) Translate the following into English: **4**

एक ईमानदार व्यक्ति सदैव न्याय और सच्चाई के पथ का अनुसरण करता है। वह कभी किसी को धोखा नहीं देता है। ईमानदारी सच्चे सुख व शान्ति का स्रोत है। उसके लिए ईमानदारी ही सबसे उत्तम नीति है। ईमानदार व्यक्ति समाज में सम्मानित होता है।

25. Answer the following questions in about 25 words each:

(a) How did Lencho feel when it began to rain? **2**

Or

What according to Mandela is true freedom?

(b) What made Valli sad on her return journey? **2**

Or

What do you know about the early life of Buddha?

26. Answer any one of the following questions in about 60 words: 4

(a) How did Siddhartha Gautam get enlightenment? Why did he name the big tree as the Bodhi tree?

(b) What are popular theories regarding the descent of the people of Coorg?

27. What does the poet compare their branches to? (in about 40 words) 4

Or

Write four lines from any poem prescribed in your syllabus. (Do not copy the lines given in the question paper)

28. Write the central idea of one of the following poems: 4

- (a) Fire and Ice (b) Fog

29. Answer any one of the following questions in about 30-40 words each: 3

- (a) Why was he chosen by Hari Singh as his new victim?
(b) What did Ramlal do to persuade Bishamber to marry Bholi?

30. Answer any one of the following questions in about 60 words: 4

- (a) Why did Mrs. Loisel remain dissatisfied from her life? Describe it in detail.
(b) Give a character sketch of Bholi.