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SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – II (2016-17)
ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE
Class - IX

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Maximum Marks: 70

Time: 3 hours

Instructions :

The question paper is divided into Three sections.

Section A	:	Reading	20 marks
Section B	:	Writing & Grammar	25 marks
Section C	:	Literature & Long Reading Text	25 marks

SECTION A (READING & OTBA: 20 Marks)

1a

Read the following passage.

UNITED NATIONS ORGANISATION

The U.N.O. was formed in 1945 after the end of the Second World War. After the bitter experience of two world wars in 25 years, the necessity for forming a United Nations Organization, with greater powers than the League of Nations, was discussed first at Dumbarton Oaks Conference in October, 1944. It was finally put into the shape by the delegates of 51 nations assembled at San Francisco on the 26 June, 1945. At present almost all the countries of the world are its members. Every year 24 October is celebrated as the U.N. Day throughout the world. The headquarters of the U.N. is in New York.

The U.N.O. is a committee of nations. The original need was for a body to strive and keep peace in the world after the end of the Second World War. The brains behind the big move were the Big Three-Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin. A conference was called at San Francisco which was attended by all the Allied Powers. It prepared CHARTER of INTERNATIONAL PEACE - the Atlantic Charter. There are various units of U.N.O. such as the security council, the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council, the International Court of Justice and Trusteeship Council. The U.N.O. shares great responsibilities without having equally great powers. It has done solid job in Korea, Indo-China, Suez and the Congo in preventing major international conflicts and maintaining peace and order in the afflicted countries. It has been proposed that the U.N.O. should have an army of its own and it should also be entrusted with legislative powers for the whole world. The U.N.O. has become a hot-bed of politics. Only wise world leaders can save this organization as well as the humanity.

On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following questions/ fill in the given blanks:

- (1) What is the time gap between the two World Wars ?
- (2) How many nations assembled at U.N.O. ?
- (3) Who attended the San Francisco conference ?
- (4) What is the proposal for U.N.O. ?
- (5) The synonym for 'LEAGUE' is _____.

1b Read the passage carefully:

When I woke, I heard my mother coughing, below in the kitchen. She had been coughing for days but I had paid no attention. We were living on the old Cart Road reaching into Kasauli, a little army cantonment town in the Himalaya's, near Shimla. The coughing sounded terrible. I dressed, put on my socks and going downstairs, I saw her collapsing into a little armchair, holding her side. She had made an attempt to light the kitchen fire, but it had gone against her. She looked so tired and helpless that my heart turned over with compassion. I ran to her.

"Are you all right, amma?" I asked.

"I'll be all right in seconds, she replied trying to smile. "The old sticks were wet, and the smoke started me coughing."

"Go back to bed and I will light the fire," I said.

"How can I, child?" she said anxiously. "I have to go to work."

"You couldn't work like that," I said. "I'll stop at home from school and look after you."

It's funny thing about women, the way they'll take orders from anyone in trousers, even if he is only nine.

"If you could make yourself a cup of tea, I might be all right later on," she said guiltily, and she rose, very shakily, and climbed back up the stairs. I knew that she must be feeling really bad.

I put more sticks into the kitchen fire. My mother was so economical that she never used enough, and that was why the fire sometimes went against her. I used a whole bundle and I soon had the fire roaring and the kettle on. I made her a toast while I was about it. I was a great believer in hot buttered toast at all hours of the day. Then I made the tea and brought it up in a cup on a saucer. "Is that all right," I asked.

On the basis of your reading of the above passage, fill in the given blanks:

- (1) The narrator felt sympathy for his mother as _____.
- (2) The coughing got aggravated because _____.
- (3) The funny thing about women is _____.
- (4) Mother didn't waste anything. This is evident from the line _____.
- (5) Pick out the word from the passage which means 'breaking down' _____.

(Open Text: 10 Marks)

(* Please ensure that open text of the given theme is supplied with this question paper)

Theme: Nurturing Compassionate Citizens

- 2a Animals and humans have the same rights as living creatures and it is inherently immoral to inflict pain or injury on another living creature. 5

Write a short story about how you enacted the role of moral policing and safeguarded a poor and helpless animal against cruelty and ensured its well-being.

- 2b You have often witnessed cases of animal abuse and feel pained to see it. 5
Write a short outline of the animal cruelty laws in your region. Do you think they are sufficient? Is there a way to stop animal cruelty completely? Present your views on the same.

SECTION B(WRITING& GRAMMAR: 25 Marks)

- 3 Write an article in 100 - 120 words on "Green Mountains: A Distant Dream". The recent excursion to Dehradun made you realise how we litter and destroy nature thus harming the environment in our pursuit of happiness. 5

- 4 Radha turned the key in the front door, then walked into the entryway. She put her keys and purse on the table there, then moved to the living room. "Oh no!" she cried..... 10
Complete the story in your own words. (150 - 200 words)

- 5 Choose the most appropriate options from the ones given below to complete the following paragraph. 3

I (a) _____ in Minneapolis. I (b) _____ for more than a month now, and I (c) _____ to think about coming home. Everything I have seen so far is really very interesting.

- (a) (i) have just arrive
(ii) have just arrived
(iii) had just arrived
(iv) arrived
- (b) (i) have been travelling
(ii) travelled
(iii) travel
(iv) have travel
- (c) (i) am beginning
(ii) have begun
(iii) has been beginning
(iv) have been beginning

6 In the following passage one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the words before and after against the correct blank number. 4

	Before	Missing Word	After
At start of the retreat, he was literally standing		(a) _____	_____
outside the circle students, against the back wall,		(b) _____	_____
with that 'go ahead, impress me' look his face.		(c) _____	_____
He didn't readily join discussion groups.		(d) _____	_____

7 Look at the words/phrases given below and rearrange to form meaningful sentences. 3

a. Haryana, /Bihar, /people/Punjab, /of/ and / Uttar Pradesh/Goverdhan Puja/perform

b. decorate / flowers / worship them/ and then / with / they / cow dung hillocks

c. this festival/commemoration/of the/Mount/lifting/this/isin/ of/Krishna/Goverdhan/by.

SECTION C (LITERATURE: 25 Marks)

Read one of the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow:

8 Read the passage given below carefully and answer the questions that follow: 3

"Goodness knows I've never liked your profession, Bill, but there is this to be said for it, that it's earned you good money and made it possible for us to give Harold as good an education as any duke ever had, I'm sure.

(a) What profession is being talked about?
 (b) What is the opposite of 'earned'?
 (c) What has prompted the speaker to say this?

OR

I am dotted silver threads dropped from heaven 3
 By the gods. Nature then takes me, to adorn
 Her fields and valleys.

(a) Who is 'I' here? What does it compare itself with?
 (b) How does it come to the earth?
 (c) Which word in the passage means the same as 'decorate'?

Answer the following questions in 30 to 40 words each: (2+2+2+2)

- 9a Why does Pescud say that he is in the line of general prosperity? 2
- 9b What do you think are the reasons responsible for the perils beneath? (Oh, I Wish I'd Looked After Me Teeth) 2
- 9c Explain: 'mewling and puking in the nurse's arms'. 2
- 9d Why does the poet find brushing a useless activity? 2

Answer one of the following questions in about 80-100 words

- 10 The primary reason for the trainees' dislike for the Professor was that his intelligence and achievements overshadowed theirs. Comment with reference to the lesson 'The Man Who knew Too Much' highlighting the values the trainees should have possessed. 4

OR

The interaction of the Bishop with Mere Gringoire paves the way for the nobility shown by the Bishop to the convict. Comment. 4

Answer one of the following questions in about 150-200 words.

- 11 Without being successful in any of their experiments made in the Lagado academy, they are still convinced of success in future. Comment. 10

OR

Critically analyze the character of Don Pedro De Mendez.. 10

OR

Give a brief account of the fun that was caused by the fox-terrier dog of a young woman when she visited the Haymarket store. 10

OR

The author, Jerome, jumps into the river and becomes a hero. Describe the incident highlighting the traits of his character. 10

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