

**SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – I (2015-16)**  
**ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE**  
**Class - IX**

**Maximum Marks: 70**

**Time: 3 hours**

**Instructions :**

The question paper is divided into Three sections.

<b>Section A</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>20 marks</b>
<b>Section B</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Writing &amp; Grammar</b>	<b>25 marks</b>
<b>Section C</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Literature &amp; Long Reading Text</b>	<b>25 marks</b>

**SECTION A**  
**(READING : 20 marks)**

1 Read the passage given below and complete the statements that follow:

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Cancer has emerged as the second-leading cause of death globally after cardiovascular diseases. Proportion of deaths due to cancer around the world increased from 12% in 1990 to 15% in 2013 while the number of new cases almost doubled in India during the period.

In India, deaths from the disease have increased by 60%, according to the latest report 'Global Burden of Cancer-2013', released worldwide on Friday.

"Even if we adjust for the rise in population in India over this period, the new cancer cases have increased by 30% per unit population and deaths have risen by 10%," says Lalit Dandona, co-author of the study and Professor at the Public Health Foundation of India and Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation.

In 2013, there were 14.9 million new cancer cases registered globally, whereas 8.2 million people died due to the disease. The report is based on a global study of 28 cancer groups in 188 countries by a consortium of international researchers from University of Washington and Institute of Health Metrics and Evaluation.

The report suggests that new cases of virtually all types of cancer are rising in countries globally -regardless of income-but the death rates from cancer are falling in many countries

primarily due to its prevention and treatment. However, it says there is a threat of increasing incidence in developing countries due to ill-equipped health systems.

While incidence of breast cancer is highest in India as well as globally, most number of cancer deaths in India are caused due to stomach cancer, which is globally the second most common reason for death.

- (a) Cancer is next only to \_\_\_\_\_ diseases resulting in deaths, worldwide.
- (b) The report \_\_\_\_\_ claimed that cancer deaths in India have risen.
- (c) The death rates from cancer in many countries are coming down mainly due to \_\_\_\_\_ and treatment.
- (d) The developing countries have failed to control the death rate due to \_\_\_\_\_.
- (e) All types of cancer are on an increase regardless of \_\_\_\_\_.
- (f) The incidence of \_\_\_\_\_ is the highest in India as well as globally.
- (g) Most number of cancer deaths in India are caused due to \_\_\_\_\_.
- (h) The synonym of the word phrase 'come out' is \_\_\_\_\_  
(last para)

2 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :  
(2x4)+(1x4)=12

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1. Want to feel better, have more energy and perhaps even live longer? Look no further than exercise. The health benefits of regular exercise and physical activity are hard to ignore. And the benefits of exercise are yours for the taking, regardless of your age, sex or physical ability.
2. Regular physical activity can improve your muscle strength and boost your energy. Exercise and physical activity deliver oxygen and nutrients to your tissues and help your cardiovascular system work more efficiently. And when your heart and lungs work more efficiently, you have more energy to use in your daily activities.
2. Physical health affects the mind and vice-versa. Let us be clear that a sound mind in a sound body are required for high efficiency and good quality work in the office, factory or field, which lead to a sense of achievement and fulfilment.
4. Our health is, of course, important not only to us, but also to our families and even to our employers. No wonder then those companies everywhere have a stake in the health and fitness of their employees and are willing to spend a lot of money for this purpose. Japanese companies particularly excel in this and the more successful among them start off the day with a body bending and stretching session and even singing the company song aimed to promote loyalty and motivation among the workforce!
5. It is estimated that some 20,000 American firms have established in-house health clubs. Typical of them is the soft drink manufacturer, Pepsi Cola which has spent about 2 million dollars in setting up a health

club at its head office in New York State. Such expenditure has proved to be a wise investment in achieving better efficiency and high productivity. It has indirectly also helped reduce the premium on the health insurance of staff. Hundreds of companies have come up for the management of health clubs and fitness centres.

- (a) How is exercising the most inexpensive way to keep healthy?
- (b) How does regular physical activity help?
- (c) What shows that the health of the employees is important to a company?
- (d) Why is expenditure on health a wise investment?
- (e) What is meant by 'ignore'? (Para 1)
- (f) What is meant by '~~prerequisites~~'? (Para 2) *everyday?*
- (g) Find the word opposite in meaning to 'low-grade'. (Para 3)
- (h) Find the word opposite in meaning to 'exact'. (Para 4) *s*

**SECTION B**  
**(WRITING & GRAMMAR: 25 Marks)**

3 You went to see the Taj on a trip organised by your school. You were spell bound to see the spectacular beauty of the monument but the lack of cleanliness around it disappointed you. Write a diary entry in about 100 - 120 words expressing your admiration and your disappointment. 5

4 You were in the market – came across an old woman begging – took pity on her and gave her money – also thought of taking her to a nearby restaurant – you turned back – did not find her. Where did she disappear? What happened to her? What was the real story behind? Imagine and write a story in about 150-200 words with a suitable title. 10

5 Complete the following passage by choosing the most appropriate options from the ones given below. Write your answers in the answer sheets against the correct blank number. Do not copy the entire passage. 3

Kabir, (a) \_\_\_\_\_ famous saint, was neither a Muslim nor a Hindu. He (b) \_\_\_\_\_ a 'fakir' (c) \_\_\_\_\_ preached love, peace and unity to humanity.

- (a) (i) a (ii) one
- (iii) the (iv) most
- (b) (i) is (ii) has been
- (iii) was (iv) had been

- (c) (i) who (ii) which  
(iii) that (iv) whom

There is an error in each line. Write the error and the correction in the answer sheet as given below: 4

	Error	Correction
My day begins on five o'clock in the morning.	(a) _____	_____
It has been so since the last forty years	(b) _____	_____
except for the two years which I was	(c) _____	_____
very ill. I wake up on the sound of an aeroplane	(d) _____	_____

Rearrange the given words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. Write the correct 3 sentences in your answer sheet.

e.g. : are located / the Arctic and the Antarctica / at the / of the earth / poles

The Arctic and the Antarctica are located at the poles of the earth.

- (a) the / at both / atmosphere / is / cold / these places / very  
(b) experience / they / extreme / solar / periods / exposure  
(c) several / therefore / similarities / weather patterns / in the / there are

**SECTION C**  
**(LITERATURE & LONG READING TEXT: 25 Marks)**

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

8 "The pair set daily goals; Monday, the sixth fence post, Tuesday, the seventh fence post, Wednesday \_\_\_\_\_"

- (a) Identify the 'pair' here.  
(b) What were their daily goals?  
(c) Pick out from the line the word similar in meaning to 'targets'.

OR

"Now, who be ye, would cross Lochgyle,

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*This dark and stormy weather ?"*

*"O, I'm the chief of Ulva's isle,*

*And this, Lord Ullin's daughter.-*

- (i) Who speaks the first two lines and to whom ?
- (ii) Why does the request to cross Lochgyle surprise the speaker of the first two lines ?
- (iii) Which words in the above passage mean the same as without light?

**Answer the following questions in about 30 - 40 words:**

~~9(i)~~ Why was Triveni popular among the masses in those days ? 2

~~9(ii)~~ Why has the poet used the word, 'babble' for the brook ? 2

~~9(iii)~~ Who hung the sign, 'For Sale' and for how long had the sign been hanging ? 2

~~9(iv)~~ How did grandmother identify herself with the protagonist of 'Kashi Yatre'? 2

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

~~10~~ From time immemorial, dog and Man have been inseparable. How has this belief proved to be true in the story, *A Dog Named Duke*? Describe the values that have helped them share a bond. 4

OR

"Material things wouldn't give us true happiness". Comment with reference to the play 'A Villa for Sale'. 4

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

~~11~~ Describe in your own words the encounter between Gulliver and the giant reaper. 10

OR

**OR**

What kind of person was the King ?

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**OR**

Holidays are a time to de-stress. Was it so in the case of Jerome and his friends ? Give reasons for your answer. 10

**OR**

Do you find people, who followed Harris in the maze, in our daily life too ? Are they any different ? Give reasons. 10

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