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SHIVALIK PUBLIC SCHOOL (C)
SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – II (2016-17)
ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE
Class - IX

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 passage given below and answer the questions / Complete the sentences that follow : 5

Venice : The world's most beautiful city

1. Venice has more than 2,70,000 inhabitants and is the capital of Veneto Region and Veneto Province in north-east Italy. It was also historically an independent nation and the capital of the Serenissima Venetian Republic for more than a thousand years and known because of this as the "Serenissima".
2. Venice is world - famous for its canals it is built on an archipelago of 118 islands formed by about 150 canals in a shallow lagoon. The islands on which the city is built are connected by about 400 bridges. In the old centre, the canals serve the function of roads, and every form of transport is on water or on foot.
3. Venice is universally considered to be the most beautiful city in the world because of this unusual urban design and its inestimable artistic heritage; it is included in the heritage of humanity projects protected by UNESCO and has the highest number of visitors of any Italian city, many of whom are foreign tourists. Because of its unusual construction of canals and bridges it is a fascinating city to discover on foot or by water buses (vaporetti) or gondola.
4. The heart of the city is Piazza San Marco, the only square worthy of the name in Venice. The magnificent Basilica di San Marco, the cathedral of Venice, the most famous of the city's churches and one of the best known examples of Byzantine architecture, is in the centre of the square. It is covered by gilded Byzantine mosaics illustrating the story of Venice, together with wonderful bas-reliefs representing the months of the year. Other places of tourist interest includes Doge's Palace, Hall of the Great Council and the Rialto Bridge
 - (a) Why is Venice a fascinating city to be discovered on foot ?
 - (b) _____ is one of the best known examples of Byzantine architecture.
 - (c) Why is Venice universally considered to be the most beautiful city ?
 - (d) Name any two places of tourist interest as mentioned in the passage other than the Piazza San Marco.
 - (e) Which word in the passage refers to the art of creating images using small bits of stones, marbles or papers (paragraph - 4) ? mosaic

1b

Read the following passage.

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A certain man had two sons : and the younger of them said to his father, "Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me." And he divided unto them his living. And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living. And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want. And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into the fields to feed swine. And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that swine did eat; and no man gave unto him.

And when he came to himself, he said, "How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and say unto him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son : make me as one of thy hired servants."

And he arose and came to his father. But when he was yet great way off, his father saw him and had compassion for him and ran and fell on his neck, and kissed him. 'Father I have sinned against heaven and in thy sight, am no more worthy to be called thy son'. But father said to his servants, 'Bring forth the best robes, and put them on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet: and bring hither and fatted calf, kill it; and let us eat, and be merry: for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' And they began to be merry.

On the basis of your reading of the passage answer the following questions :

- (a) What did the younger son want from his father ?
- (b) Where did the younger son go ?
- (c) How did he spend his share ?
- (d) What was the father's reaction when he saw his son return ?
- (e) Find the word from the passage which means 'very big or huge.' (Para1)

(Open Text: 10 Marks)

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

Theme: Nurturing Compassionate Citizens

- 2a 'Don't be a bystander: stand by the victims of accidents.' How can bystanders help in making the accident impact minimal and exhibit responsible road behaviour? 5
- 2b Imagine you are Arjun. You feel shattered after the accident. You have now become an active member of the Road Safety Club of your school and spread awareness about road safety measures. Prepare a speech to be presented in your school assembly urging the students to follow the laws strictly and in being a witness to a road accident act swiftly, keeping in mind the significance of the 'Golden Hour'. 5

SECTION B(WRITING& GRAMMAR: 25 Marks)

- 3 Write an article in about 100-120 words on the influence of television on the children of today. Mention about the kind of programmes that are popular amongst them, taking ideas from the MCB unit 'Children' on the same. 5
- 4 On the basis of the picture shown below, write a short story in 150-200 words. Give it a suitable title. 10
Little Edward is a prodigy and shares a very special bond with his teacher Mr.Henderson.....



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

Meena was accused (a) _____ murder. She appealed (b) _____ the judge (c) _____ mercy.

- (a) (i) of (ii) with (iii) in (iv) off
(b) (i) for (ii) to (iii) with (iv) in
(c) (i) for (ii) on (iii) to (iv) at

- 6 The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in the space provided against the correct blank number. 4

The main argument of change is that everyone around us accepts you as you are-good and bad. It's part of yours personality.

Error Correction
(a) _____
(b) _____
(c) _____
(d) _____

- 7 Read the conversation given below and complete the paragraph that follows. Write the answers against the correct blank numbers in your answer sheet. Do not copy the whole sentences. 3

Yash : Wow! That gift shop had everything.

Daksh : Did you buy anything?

Yash : No. I wanted to check the prices here.

Yash exclaimed joyfully that (a) _____ Daksh enquired (b) _____. Replying in the negative, Yash told him (c) _____.

SECTION C (LITERATURE: 25 Marks)

Read the extracts given below and answer any one of them:-

- 8 He was a self - centered child, and, accepting the commercial traveller fiction, dismissed the subject from his mind and busied himself with things of more moment. 3

- (a) Why was Harold a self - centred child ?
(b) Explain 'accepting the commercial traveller fiction'.
(c) What is meant by 'self - centred' ?

OR

When I cry the hills laugh; 3
When I humble myself the flowers rejoice;
When I bow, all the things are elated
(a) When the rain falls heavily on the hills, what do the hills seem to do?
(b) When do the flowers rejoice?
(c) What does 'elated' mean?

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

- 9a What is the irony in the lesson, 'The Bestseller'? 2
- 9b Why does the poet think that she should have bought something else? ("Oh, I Wish I'd Looked After Me Teeth") 2
- 9c Why has the world been compared to a stage in poem 'The Seven Ages'? 2
- 9d How does the poem successfully awaken the reader to his dental hygiene and care? 2

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

- 10 Private Quelch was rightly assigned permanent cookhouse duties in the chapter 'The Man Who Knew Too Much'. Do you agree with this statement? Reflect on the values he should have possessed to avoid such duties. 4

OR

The Bishop has been portrayed as a kind and generous soul in the play. Do you think we have such people exemplifying goodness to everyone? Reflect on the values depicted through the Bishop's character. 4

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

- 11 What explanation does the Governor of Lagado give to Gulliver about the sad state of affairs? 10

OR

Gulliver hides the identity of his country and poses as a Hollander at Luggnag. Why does he do so? What light does this throw on his character? 10

OR

'Montmorency had a fight with the kettle during tea time.' Narrate the incident in your own words. 10

OR

Write a character sketch of Montmorency. 10

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