



**BLOOM PUBLIC SCHOOL**  
**Vasant Kunj, New Delhi**  
**SAMPLE PAPER PERIODIC ASSESSMENT II (2017-2018)**  
**ENGLISH:- X**

**TIME : 3 Hrs.**

**M.M:- 80**

**Date:-**

**General Instructions :-**

- All questions are compulsory.
- All answers must be correctly numbered.
- Read each question carefully and follow the instructions.
- This question paper is divided into three sections:

**Section A Reading 20 Marks**

**Section B Writing 30 Marks**

**Section C Text Books & Long Reading Text 30 Marks**

**SECTION- A**  
**(READING)**

**(20 Marks)**

**1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :**

**(1 X 8)**

- (1) Mother Teresa was a humanitarian. This means she did things to help out other people. Her entire life was devoted to helping the poor, the sick, the needy, and the helpless.
  - (2) Mother Teresa was born in Uskub, Ottoman Empire on August 26, 1910. This city is now called Skopje and is the capital of the Republic of Macedonia. Her birth name was Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu. Her father died when she was eight and she was raised by her mother. She was raised as a Roman Catholic and decided at a young age to devote her life to God. She joined the Sisters of Loreto at the age of 18 to become a missionary in India. She first had to learn English. So she went to Ireland to learn English at the Loreto Abby.
  - (3) A year later she started her missionary work in Darjeeling, India. She learned the local language, Bengali, and taught at the local school. She soon took her first vows as a nun and took the name, Teresa. She taught for many years in India, becoming the headmistress at a school in eastern Calcutta.
  - (4) When she was 36 years old, she felt the call from God to help the poor of India. She received some basic medical training and then set out to help the sick and the needy. This wasn't an easy task in 1948 India. She had very little support and, while trying to feed and help the poorest of the poor, she herself was constantly hungry and even had to beg for food.
  - (5) Soon other women joined her and she formed the Missionaries of Charity. Mother Teresa described the purpose of the Missionaries of Charity as an organization to take care of "the hungry, the naked, the homeless, the crippled, the blind, the lepers, all those people who feel unwanted, unloved and uncared for throughout society."
  - (6) It wasn't an easy task to build such an organization and to keep the focus on the poorest people. In 1979, Mother Teresa was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for work undertaken in the struggle to overcome poverty and distress, which also constitutes a threat to peace. She was beatified in 2003, the first step on the path to sainthood, within the Catholic church. She worked almost up until her death on September 5, 1997.
- (a) Why was Mother Teresa called a 'humanitarian'?
  - (b) When and where was Mother Teresa born?
  - (c) Why did she go to Ireland?

- (d) When did Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu change her name to 'Teresa'?
- (e) When did she decide to help the poor in India?
- (f) What hardships did she face while helping the poor?
- (g) What is the purpose of the Missionaries of Charity according to Mother Teresa?
- (h) Why was Mother Teresa honoured with the Nobel Peace Prize?

**2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :**

**12**

Many people in the world, especially Indian feel proud of being vegetarians. The idea behind vegetarianism is that of ahimsa, non-violence or compassion towards all. So when you order your veggie Mac with Coke, veggie delight pizza with Pepsi, puri bhaji, shrikhand, chole batura, dal bhatti, jalebi, churma, rasgulla etc, is there no himsa there? You are killing your own stomach. Too much food is a form of cruelty too; you are being cruel to your own stomach.

So many among us cringe when we see chickens packed in stuffy carriers and goats on altars, and can't generally stand the idea of a chicken or non-veg dish on the same table as yours; or despise people who eat non-veg. But are you being truly compassionate? Or is your compassion reserved only for animals?

Being a vegetarian is about practicing non-violence and compassion towards all, including yourself. Ahimsa is a much deeper philosophy, and not as superficial as ordering eggless pastry or disallowing non-veg restaurants in your neighbourhood or forcing all restaurants in the neighbourhood to serve only veg food. And like everything else, this ahimsa has to start with being kind or compassionate towards yourself. If we continue to load our stomachs then all benefits of vegetarianism are lost. A stuffed stomach is in a much more pitiful condition than the chicken in the stuffy carriers going over speed breakers.

On the other hand there are non-vegetarians who can't stop pitying the poor vegetarians. They argue that vegetarians are deprived of meat which is so rich in proteins and great in taste. Our body's ability to digest and absorb proteins depends on our state of mind, time of the day and most importantly on how full we are feeling. So if you have binged on your favourite chicken dish thinking it's all protein so it won't convert to fat, you are just being hopelessly optimistic.

Veg or no-veg, whatever you choose to eat, be kind to yourself and your stomach and eat only a little at one time. Remember the golden rule, just fill half your stomach at one time. With this you will be practicing ahimsa even while consuming non-veg food.

- (a) In their lives what do vegetarians feel proud of?
- (b) How are we cruel to ourselves when we eat too much of food?
- (c) How do meat eaters feel superior to vegetarians?
- (d) What is the best attitude one must have towards food?
- (e) What is meant by the word, 'compassion'? (Para 1)
- (f) What is meant by the word, 'cringe' ? (Para 2)
- (g) What is the antonym of the word, 'superficial' ? (Para 3)
- (h) What is the antonym of the word 'optimistic' ? (Para 4)

**SECTION:- B**

**(WRITING SKILL AND GRAMMAR)**

**(30 Marks)**

3. You recently saw how first aid can help save a life. Write a letter to the editor of a national daily on the importance of first aid. **8**
4. Deepika wanted to write a story for her school magazine, but she could not complete it. Complete her story in about 150-200 words on the basis of the beginning given below: **10**  
Away from the crowds of cities, in a far flung village, lived a boy named Ravi, who became an orphan when he was still a baby. One day, an old woman came to his hut and said.....
5. Read the paragraph given below. Fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate words / phrases from the given options. **4**  
Phalke (a) \_\_\_\_\_ a film company, Hindustan Films in (b) \_\_\_\_\_ with five businessmen from Mumbai, in (c) \_\_\_\_\_ hope that, by having the financial aspect of his profession \_\_\_\_\_ by experts, he would be free to pursue the creative aspect.
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|-----------------|---------|--------------|----------|
| (i)             | (ii)    | (iii)        | (iv)     |
| (a) forms       | formed  | form         | forming  |
| (b) partnership | partner | partnerships | partners |
| (c) a           | the     | this         | an       |
| (d) handling    | handled | handle       | handles  |
6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the error and the correction in your answer sheet against the correct blank number. The first one has been done as an example. **4**

	Error	Correction
The year 2012 marks the 50th anniversary for	e.g. for	of
the James Bond films. A first James Bond	(a) _____	_____
movie title, 'Dr. No' was released in 1962.	(b) _____	_____
Numerous events was held for fans	(c) _____	_____
on over the world.	(d) _____	_____

7. Rearrange the following words/phrases to make meaningful sentences. **4**
- (a) young learners/ as a / body/ formidable/often regard/grammar/ of rules
- (b) learning/and pleasurable/this book/makes/unforced/of grammar/
- (c) provided/grammatical item/explanations are/each/for/and structure
- (d) relevant/ more/and/content/the/is/challenging

**SECTION:- C**

**(LITERATURE & LONG READING TEXT/NOVEL)**

**(30 Marks)**

8. Read one of the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow: **4**

"The whole universe is built up through love and the grief of separation is inescapable".

- (a) When did the speaker acquire this philosophy?
- (b) What pain has the speaker gone through?
- (c) What does the word, 'inescapable' mean?
- (d) Name the chapter and the author

**OR**

Now the frog puffed up with rage.

"Brainless bird-you're on the stage-

Use your wits and follow fashion.

Puff your lungs out with your passion".

- (a) Why was the frog puffed up with rage?
- (b) Give the antonym of 'Brainless'?
- (c) What happened when the nightingale puffed up her lungs?
- (d) Name the poem and poet

**9. Answer the following questions in about 40-50 words.**

**2 X 4 = 8**

- (i) Why did Mrs. Packletide give up hunting forever?
- (ii) What does poet mean by judgement Day?
- (iii) How is Victoria different from her mother?
- (iv) How was the nightingale used by the frog to earn money?

**10. Answer any one of the following questions in about 80-100 words:**

**8**

With reference to the lesson, Two Gentlemen of Verona, mention what qualities of a gentleman you have observed in the conduct of the two boys.

**OR**

Ali's wait for his daughter's letter extends beyond his grave." Bring out the truth of this statement by referring to the lesson 'The Letter'.

**11. Answer ANY ONE the following questions: (150 words)**

**10**

The diary is a reflection of Anne's courage and a belief in the goodness of people. Comment.

**OR**

Describe the Van Daan couple who were part of the team in the secret Annexe?