



KULAPATI MUNSHI BHAVAN'S VIDYA MANDIR, POTTORE

MODEL EXAMINATION SAI 2016-17

Grade: 10

ENGLISH

Time: 3 hours

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Max. Marks: 70

Instructions :

- (i) The question paper is divided into three sections.

Section A : Reading	20 marks
Section B : Writing and Grammar	25 marks
Section C : Literature	25 marks
- (ii) All questions are compulsory.
- (iii) You may attempt any section at a time.
- (iv) All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.



SECTION A – READING

20 marks

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (1x8=8)

Tourism is travel for recreation, leisure, religious, family or business purposes, normally for a limited duration. Tourism is generally associated with International Travel, but may also refer to travel to another place within the same country. The World Tourism Organisation defines tourists as “people travelling to and staying at places outside their usual environment for not more than one consecutive year for leisure, business and other purposes.”

Tourism has become a popular global leisure activity. Tourism can either be domestic or international and international tourism can be classified as either inbound or outbound tourism. Today inbound tourism is a major source of income for many countries specially in terms of foreign exchange earned by the country as a whole. It also has a substantial impact on the local economy and employment of a place frequently visited by tourists.)

India is a country with a rich cultural heritage which has always fascinated travellers. It is a unique land of diversities where all kinds of natural beauty including desert, sea, forests, mountains, flowers, wildlife is present within a single geographical boundary of a country. Anybody visiting India will have experience of different dresses, culture, flora and fauna in different states. Thus, India has always been a destination for tourists who want to enjoy this combination of culture, tradition and rich heritage. Not only this, foreign tourists act as “Ambassadors of Indian Culture” and take the message further across the world.

Indian government has made various efforts to take advantage of these unique possessions to promote tourism. One such big initiative is the scheme of e-Tourist Visa. The measure has been introduced to make travelling in India easier and simpler for foreign tourists.

The entire scheme began with the demand by the tourism industry to liberalise the visa regime for foreign tourists to give a boost to tourism in the country. In response, “Visas On Arrival” means that you need a visa to enter but it is possible to apply for and receive the visa only when you show up in the country of visit itself.

- (a) What do you understand by "tourists"?
- (b) How can international tourism be classified?
- (c) How is the economy of a country affected by tourism?
- (d) What are the unique possessions of India?
- (e) How do foreign tourists help promote Indian culture?
- (f) Why did the tourism industry demand for "Visa On Arrival"?
- (g) What do you understand by the term "Visa On Arrival"?
- (h) What is tourism generally associated with?



2. Read the passage given below.

Decision-making is a very vital part of our lives. This is because what we are today is largely a result of decisions we took in the past. Similarly, whatever happens tomorrow will be a result of the decisions we take in the present.

It is not possible to reverse the wrong decisions taken in the past but it is possible to train ourselves into becoming a good decision-maker for the future. Making decisions requires an internal thought process that weighs out the positive and negative aspects of each choice. For some, this process can be absolutely terrifying and the fear of making the wrong choice will ultimately cause them to avoid making any choice at all. Philosopher Walter Kaufman has called this fear of decision-making Decidophobia, which could ultimately lead to an unhealthy dependence on others or impractical methods of guidance and, subsequently, a total lack of control over the direction that their life will take.

All sorts of decisions big or small, relevant or irrelevant, conscious or unconscious punctuate our lives. Sometimes we don't even realise we are taking a decision. Those who avoid taking a decision leave everything to chance and float along life with a 'what will be, will be' attitude.

To enhance our decision-making, we must, first of all, gather as much information as possible about the issue before we make our decision. We might be heading for a failure if our decisions are based on half-baked information. If you have a set of guiding principles for your life, decision-making becomes a lot easier. For example, if you value integrity and honesty and consider them to be of vital importance, you will never waver.

Sometimes, decisions are very difficult to make, especially when the odds seem to be against us. In this case, giving ourselves a little time to decide wouldn't be a bad idea at all. Circumstances may change with time and then it may be easier to see which action is more preferable to the others.

Being clear about your goals can facilitate decision-making. If we know exactly where we want to be or what we want to do in the next five years or even ten, we will decide to undertake actions which will lead us to our goals. So outline your short and long-term goals in black and white.

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Action is a vital consequence of decision-making. It is the necessary follow-up. Only when we act will we get a feedback of whether our decision has been correct or not and then we can proceed in a more focused way. So it is essential to move from the world of thought to the arena of action.

2.1 On the basis of your reading of the above passage answer the following questions.



(2x4=8)

- (a) What is Decidophobia?
- (b) What is the first step towards decision-making?
- (c) What is it that helps in cases when decisions are very difficult to make?
- (d) How can outlining of goals facilitate decision-making?

2.2 Answer the following questions by choosing the most appropriate option: (1x4=4)

- (a) Find the synonym of the word 'enhance'.(para 4)
 - (i) depreciate
 - (ii) improve
 - (iii) diminish
 - (iv) worsen
- (b) Which word in the passage means 'to become weak or unsteady'?
 - (i) vital
 - (ii) reverse
 - (iii) conscious
 - (iv) waver
- (c) Which word in the passage means 'to interrupt repeatedly'?
 - (i) punctuate
 - (ii) relevant
 - (iii) facilitate
 - (iv) undertake
- (d) Find the antonym of the word 'consequence'.(para 7)
 - (i) cause
 - (ii) reaction
 - (iii) result
 - (iv) effect

SECTION- B (WRITING & GRAMMAR)

25 marks

3. Our metropolitan cities witness a large number of accidents every day. What do you think is the reason? What can be done to bring down the rate of accidents? Write a letter in 100-120 words to the Editor of a national daily expressing your concerns and offering solutions to this problem. You are Arun/Aruna, 112 Model Town, Delhi. (5)

OR

Due to a busy life, we get no time to admire nature and have moved away from it. How does contact with nature help us fight stress and maintain good health. Describe it in an article in 100-120 words. You are Shyam/Sheetal, 12 Fort Road, Kochi.

4. Develop a story in about 150-200 words on the basis of the following hints: (10)

People stood in lines at different counters of the Bank – three strangely dressed men and a woman entered the hall – suddenly – firing heard by all – panic

5. Complete the following paragraph by filling in the blanks with the help of the given options: (1x3=3)

India has produced many great men and women. Sant Tukaram was (a)..... such person. He was a saint of the (b)..... order. He felt that the best way we (c)..... serve God is to help the poor and the needy.

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| (a) (i) only | (ii) one | (iii) a | (iv) the |
| (b) (i) higher | (ii) high | (iii) highest | (iv) great |
| (c) (i) can | (ii) will | (iii) would | (iv) should |

6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the error and its correction as shown in the example. (½ x8=4)

	Error	Correction
Kodaikanal or Kodai Hills are a serene hill station	e.g are	is
who remains still unspoilt by the evils of urbanization.	(a)
Set high to the Palani Hills at an altitude of	(b)
over 2100 metres, Kodai Hills is 120 km drive to Madurai.	(c)
Surrounded by natural forests, it has a lake who is spread	(d)
out in a star shape over sixty acres. Kodai is endows with	(e)
thickly wooded slopes with waterfalls which fascinates one	(f)
and all. The all-round beauty is so attraction that one	(g)
doesn't resist visiting it again and again.	(h)

7. Read the dialogue given below and complete the paragraph that follows. (1x3=3)

Hemant : How long have you been living in Delhi?
 Prateek : I have been living here for the past three years. My parents and I will be leaving for Mumbai soon as my father is posted there.
 Hemant : When will you all be leaving?
 Prateek : We will be leaving by the first week of next month.

Hemant asked Prateek (a)..... . Prateek replied (b)..... and added that his parents and he would be leaving for Mumbai soon as his father was posted there. Hemant asked him (c)..... . Prateek replied that they would be leaving by the first week of the following month.

SECTION- C (LITERATURE & LONG READING TEXT)

25 marks

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow: (1x3=3)

But suddenly that part of him that was left behind convulsed in undignified haste
Writhed like lightning, and was gone
Into the black hole

- (a) What do you mean by 'convulsed'? Why did the snake convulse in undignified haste?
(b) How was the snake's movement in contrast to its earlier movement?
(c) Find the literary device in 'writhed like lightning'?

OR

O, pardon me, thou bleeding piece of earth
That I am meek and gentle with these butchers!
Thou art the ruins of the noblest man,
That ever lived in the tide of times.

- (a) Who is the speaker? Who is referred to as 'bleeding piece of earth'?
(b) When does the speaker say these lines?
(c) Who are the butchers referred to here? Why does he call them 'butchers'?



9. Answer any four of the following in 30-40 words each: (2x4=8)

- (a) Why was Patol Babu so anxious to know his lines?
(b) 'It was a vision fair and fortunate'. Whose 'vision' was Decius Brutus referring to and what was his interpretation of the vision?
(c) John Hallock could never displease Jenkins? Why?
(d) How was Shultz finally rescued by Michael?
(e) What does the partially destroyed statue of Ozymandias symbolize?

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10. Answer one of the following questions in about 80-100 words: (4)

The poem, 'The Rime of the Ancient Mariner' is based on the concept of sin and punishment. Justify.

OR

No work is small or petty. How has Satyajit Ray exemplified this in his story 'Patol Babu, Film Star'.

11. In spite of her disabilities, Helen showed exemplary determination and perseverance in her life. Explain this statement with references to the text. (10)

OR

What are the disadvantages of a college, according to Helen? Explain.