

Class 10 – ENGLISH

Answer Key – 1

Section A – MCQ (1 × 10 = 10 Marks)

1. **b) Bravery**
2. **c) Modern**
3. **b) an**
4. **c) has done**
5. **a) English is taught to us by the teacher.**
6. **b) He said that he was busy then.**
7. **a) of**
8. **d) Exclamatory**
9. **c) longer**
10. **b) Environment**

Section B – Reading (10 Marks)

Q11. Answers

1. Short Answers:

- a) Reading improves vocabulary, imagination, critical thinking, and promotes empathy.
- b) Reading encourages deep thinking and reflection, unlike digital media.
- c) Parents can encourage children by motivating them to read books instead of spending excessive time on mobile phones and television.

2. Choose the correct option:

- a) **ii) imagination and thinking**
- b) **iii) 15 minutes**

Section C – Literature (20 Marks)

Q12. Short Answers:

1. Antarctica
2. He was a doctor/surgeon.
3. Mr. Lamb
4. Her long hair
5. Her brother (Annan)

Q13. Answers:

- a) Her hair was cut forcibly because the school authorities wanted to follow strict rules and suppress Native American identity.
- b) It symbolizes cultural oppression and loss of identity.
- c) The author resisted by crying, protesting, and later expressing her pain through writing.
- d) The message is about resistance against injustice and preserving cultural identity.

Q14. Extract Explanation:

- a) Franz was tempted because the weather was pleasant and he had not prepared his lesson on participles.
- b) It shows that Franz was careless but later became serious about his studies.
- c) It reflects guilt and fear.
- d) The theme is love for one's language and patriotism.

Q15. Poem – “Keeping Quiet”

Summary:

The poem emphasizes silence and introspection. The poet asks people to pause and reflect for a moment to promote peace and harmony.

Central Idea:

The central idea is that silence and self-reflection can lead to peace, understanding, and unity in the world.

Section D – Grammar (15 Marks)

Q16. Indirect Speech:

- a) He said that he was tired that day.
- b) She said that she had finished her work.
- c) Ram said that he would go to school the next day.
- d) The teacher said that the sun rises in the east.
- e) Mohan told me that he was preparing for the exam.

Q17. Correct Form of Verbs:

- a) goes
- b) were playing
- c) had finished
- d) watched
- e) are preparing

Q18. Do as Directed (Sample Answers)

- a) Active: Ram wrote a letter.
Passive: A letter was written by Ram.
- b) Passive: The work was completed by her.
Active: She completed the work.
- c) You are coming, aren't you?
- d) She is interested in music.
- e) This book is better than that one.
- f) He does not know the answer.

Section E – Writing (15 Marks)

Q19. Paragraph – Importance of Discipline

Discipline is the key to success in life. It teaches us punctuality, responsibility, and self-control. A disciplined student can achieve goals easily and maintain balance in life. Discipline helps in building strong character and respect in society.

Q20. Application for Sick Leave

To,
The Principal,
ABC School

Subject: Application for Sick Leave

Respected Sir/Madam,

I beg to state that I am suffering from fever and unable to attend school. Kindly grant me leave for two days.

Thanking you.

Yours obediently,
XYZ

Q21. Essay – Importance of Education

Education plays a vital role in shaping an individual's future. It develops knowledge, skills, and character. Education helps in building confidence and awareness. It contributes to the development of society and nation. An educated person can distinguish between right and wrong and contribute positively to society.