

Board of High School and Intermediate

Education, Uttar Pradesh

Class X – ENGLISH

Question Paper: SET-4

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

General Instructions

1. All questions are compulsory.
 2. Marks are indicated against each question.
 3. Write answers neatly and in correct English.
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Section A – Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ)

(1 × 10 = 10 Marks)

1. Choose the correct synonym of *Brilliant*:
 - a) Dull
 - b) Intelligent
 - c) Weak
 - d) Ordinary
2. Choose the correct antonym of *Expand*:
 - a) Increase
 - b) Grow
 - c) Spread
 - d) Reduce
3. Choose the correct article:

___ one-eyed man helped the poor child.

 - a) a
 - b) an
 - c) the
 - d) no article
4. Choose the correct tense:

They ___ in this village since 2010.

 - a) live
 - b) lived
 - c) are living
 - d) have been living

5. Choose the correct passive voice:
“The police caught the thief.”
a) The thief is caught by the police.
b) The thief was caught by the police.
c) The thief has caught by the police.
d) The thief had caught by the police.
6. Choose the correct indirect speech:
She said, “We are going to Delhi tomorrow.”
a) She said that they were going to Delhi the next day.
b) She said that we were going to Delhi tomorrow.
c) She told that they were going to Delhi.
d) She said that they are going to Delhi the next day.
7. Choose the correct preposition:
The train arrived ___ the station late.
a) in
b) on
c) at
d) to
8. Identify the type of sentence:
“Do not waste your time.”
a) Assertive
b) Interrogative
c) Imperative
d) Exclamatory
9. Choose the correct degree of comparison:
She is ___ than her sister in mathematics.
a) intelligent
b) more intelligent
c) most intelligent
d) very intelligent
10. Choose the correct spelling:
a) Governement
b) Goverment
c) Government
d) Governmant

Q11. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below:

PASSAGE

In today's competitive world, time management has become an essential life skill. Students, professionals, and homemakers alike struggle to balance multiple responsibilities within limited time. Effective time management does not mean working continuously without rest; rather, it involves planning tasks wisely and setting priorities to achieve goals efficiently.

Poor time management often leads to stress, anxiety, and reduced productivity. When individuals procrastinate or fail to organize their schedules, they feel overwhelmed by pending tasks. This not only affects their performance but also disturbs their mental well-being. On the other hand, people who manage their time effectively experience a sense of control and confidence in their daily lives.

Developing good time-management habits requires self-discipline and consistency. Making to-do lists, setting realistic deadlines, and avoiding distractions such as excessive use of social media can significantly improve efficiency. Taking short breaks between tasks also helps maintain focus and prevents burnout.

Educational institutions should guide students in learning time-management skills from an early age. When students are taught how to plan their studies, extracurricular activities, and leisure time, they become more organized and responsible. In the long run, effective time management not only improves academic and professional success but also leads to a healthier and more balanced life.

1. Answer the following questions briefly:

(2 × 4 = 8 marks)

- a) What does effective time management involve?
- b) How does poor time management affect individuals?
- c) Mention two ways to improve time-management skills.
- d) Why should students learn time management at an early age?

2. Find words from the passage which mean the same as:

(1 × 2 = 2 marks)

- e) Delaying tasks (para 2)
- f) Strongly needed (para 1)

Q12. Answer the following questions: (5)

1. What profession did Umberto Eco belong to?
2. Where did Charley see the *third level*?
3. Which animal was the Tiger King obsessed with killing?
4. Which continent is described in **Journey to the End of the Earth**?
5. What was Dr. Sadao's profession?

Q13. Answer the following questions: (5)

“It was all much more tempting than the rule for participles, but I resisted and hurried off to school.”

Questions:

- a) What was tempting Franz?
- b) Why did he resist the temptation?
- c) What does this line show about Franz's attitude?
- d) Which theme of the chapter is reflected here?

Q14. Explain the following extracts with reference to context: (5)

Antarctica is the place where human civilization has never reached.”

Questions:

- a) Why is Antarctica important to study?
- b) What warning does the author give to humanity?
- c) How is human survival linked with nature?
- d) What message does the chapter convey?

Q15. Answer the following questions: (5)

“Why do you do rag-picking?” I asked Saheb.

“I have no work,” he replied.

When I asked him why he was not in school,

he looked at me, embarrassed.”

a) Write the summary of the prose lesson in your own words.

Section D – Grammar

(15 Marks)

Q16. Change the following sentences into **Indirect Speech**: (5)

- a) He said, “I am not satisfied with the result.”
 - b) She said, “I have lost my purse.”
 - c) Ravi said, “I will join the army.”
 - d) The teacher said, “Practice makes a man perfect.”
 - e) Sita said to me, “I am waiting here.”
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Q17. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs given in brackets: (5)

- a) She ___ (complete) her homework before night.
 - b) We ___ (visit) Agra last year.
 - c) He usually ___ (get) up early.
 - d) They ___ (watch) a movie when I called them.
 - e) The players ___ (practice) hard these days.
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Q18. Do as directed (any five): (5)

- a) Change into Passive Voice.
 - b) Change into Active Voice.
 - c) Make a Question Tag.
 - d) Use the correct Preposition.
 - e) Change Degree of Comparison.
 - f) Correct the error.
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Section E – Writing

(15 Marks)

Q19. Write a **paragraph** on any one of the following topics: (5)

- a) Importance of Kindness
 - b) Value of Hard Work
 - c) My Favourite Teacher
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Q20. Write a **letter** on any one of the following topics: (5)

- a) An application to the Principal requesting a transfer certificate.
 - b) A letter to your friend describing your school life.
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Q21. Write an **essay** on any one of the following topics: (5)

- a) Importance of Discipline
- b) Role of Youth in Nation Building
- c) Pollution and Its Effects