

CLASS 10 – CBSE ENGLISH
BOARD- ANSWERS SHEET (SET-5)

✓ SECTION A – READING SKILLS

Q1. MCQs (1-5)

1. **b) Stay calm in difficulties**
 2. **b) High expectations of quick results**
 3. **b) Emotional control**
 4. **c) By handling stress better**
 5. **b) Tolerance**
-

Q2. MCQs (6-10)

6. **b) It is limited for human use**
 7. **b) Pollution and wastage**
 8. **c) Rainwater harvesting**
 9. **c) Secure future**
 10. **c) Importance of saving water**
-

✓ SECTION B – WRITING SKILLS

Q3. Formal Letter (10 Marks)

ABC Colony

Lucknow

10 February 2026

To

The Municipal Commissioner

Municipal Corporation
Lucknow

Subject: Complaint regarding water shortage in our locality

Sir/Madam,

I would like to draw your attention to the severe water shortage in our locality. For the past few weeks, residents have been facing irregular water supply, which has caused great inconvenience. People are forced to depend on private water tankers.

The problem has become serious for students, elderly people and daily wage workers. Despite repeated complaints, no effective action has been taken so far.

I request the concerned authorities to look into the matter urgently and ensure regular water supply. I hope you will take necessary steps at the earliest.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,
XYZ

Q4. Article – *Value of Patience in Life* (10 Marks)

Patience is one of the most important qualities in life. It helps a person remain calm during difficult situations and make better decisions. In today's fast-paced world, people expect quick success and easily lose patience.

Patience teaches tolerance, emotional control and perseverance. Students who practise patience can handle exam pressure and failures in a better way. It helps them stay focused and work steadily towards their goals.

True success comes to those who wait, learn from mistakes and continue their efforts. Therefore, patience plays a vital role in achieving success and happiness in life.

✔ SECTION C – GRAMMAR

Q5. Fill in the blanks (11–15)

- 11. a) has been
 - 12. b) must
 - 13. b) about
 - 14. b) will
 - 15. b) more difficult
-

Q6. Error Correction (16–20)

- 16. She **does not** like waiting.
 - 17. He has **written** the answer.
 - 18. We **were** preparing for the test.
 - 19. She is **older** than her cousin.
 - 20. They did not **finish** the work.
-

Q7. Reported Speech (21–22)

- 21. a) He said that he was learning English.
 - 22. b) She said she would attend the meeting.
-

Q8. Rearranging Sentences (23–27)

- 23. Patience leads to success.
- 24. We should save water.
- 25. Students need discipline.
- 26. Exercise improves health.
- 27. Honesty builds character.

✓ **SECTION D – LITERATURE**

Q9. Answer ANY TWO (40–50 words)

28. Effect of dust of snow on the poet

The falling dust of snow changed the poet's feelings. It removed his sadness and made him feel refreshed. The small incident taught him that little moments can bring positive changes in life.

29. Lencho writing to God

Lencho wrote directly to God because his crops were destroyed by a hailstorm. He had strong faith that God would help him by sending money to overcome his loss.

30. Anne Frank and her diary

Anne Frank felt comfortable writing in her diary because she considered it her best friend. She could freely express her thoughts, fears and emotions without any hesitation.

Q10. Answer ANY ONE (100–120 words)

31. Patience and Faith in “A Letter to God”

The story highlights the importance of patience and faith through Lencho's character. After the hailstorm destroyed his crops, Lencho did not lose hope. He patiently trusted God and wrote a letter asking for help. His faith gave him strength to face his problem. Even when he received less money, he did not doubt God. The story teaches us that patience and faith help us overcome difficulties in life.

OR

32. Fire and Ice – Warning Against Extreme Emotions

The poem “Fire and Ice” warns humans against extreme emotions. Fire symbolises desire and greed, while ice symbolises hatred and coldness. Both emotions can destroy humanity if they go out of control. Desire leads to selfishness and hatred leads to cruelty. The poet believes that either

emotion is enough to cause destruction. The poem teaches us to control our emotions.