

**CBSE – Class X**  
**English Language & Literature**  
**MODEL QUESTION PAPER – (SET-2)**

**Time:** 3 Hours

**Maximum Marks:** 80

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**General Instructions**

1. The question paper consists of **Section A, B, C and D.**
  2. All questions are compulsory.
  3. Read the questions carefully before answering.
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**SECTION A – READING SKILLS (20 MARKS)**

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**Q1. Read the passage given below carefully:**

*(10 Marks)*

Failure is often misunderstood as the opposite of success, but in reality, it is a part of the journey towards achievement. Many great inventors and leaders failed several times before reaching their goals. Failure teaches important lessons such as patience, resilience and problem-solving. Instead of fearing failure, one should analyse mistakes and try again with greater determination. Those who accept failure as a learning opportunity grow stronger and wiser with time.

**MCQs based on the passage:**

1. Failure is described as—
  - a) The end of success
  - b) A sign of weakness

- c) A part of success
  - d) A waste of time
2. What did great leaders do before succeeding?
- a) They gave up
  - b) They never failed
  - c) They failed many times
  - d) They avoided challenges
3. Failure teaches lessons of—
- a) Fear and doubt
  - b) Patience and resilience
  - c) Anger and regret
  - d) Laziness
4. What should one do after failure?
- a) Blame others
  - b) Give up
  - c) Analyse mistakes
  - d) Ignore problems
5. Find a word from the passage meaning **“ability to recover quickly”**.
- a) Patience
  - b) Determination
  - c) Resilience
  - d) Opportunity

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**Q2. Read the passage given below carefully:**

*(10 Marks)*

Technology has transformed modern education in many ways. Online classes, digital textbooks and educational apps have made learning more accessible. Students can now learn at their own pace and revise concepts easily. However, excessive use of technology can reduce face-to-face interaction and affect physical health. Therefore, technology should be used wisely to support learning rather than replace traditional methods completely.

**MCQs based on the passage:**

6. How has technology helped education?
    - a) By increasing homework
    - b) By making learning accessible
    - c) By reducing learning
    - d) By replacing teachers
  7. What advantage do digital tools provide?
    - a) Fixed learning speed
    - b) Difficult revision
    - c) Flexible learning pace
    - d) Limited access
  8. What is one disadvantage of excessive technology use?
    - a) Better communication
    - b) Improved health
    - c) Reduced interaction
    - d) Increased creativity
  9. How should technology be used?
    - a) As a replacement for schools
    - b) Without limits
    - c) Wisely to support learning
    - d) Only for entertainment
  10. The passage mainly discusses—
    - a) Online exams
    - b) Role of technology in education
    - c) Health problems
    - d) Traditional teaching
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**SECTION B – WRITING SKILLS (20 MARKS)**

**Q3. Write a formal letter to the District Transport Officer complaining about overcrowded buses and lack of safety measures.**

*(10 Marks)*

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**Q4. Write an article on “Benefits of Regular Physical Exercise” in about 120–150 words.**

*(10 Marks)*

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**SECTION C – GRAMMAR (20 MARKS)**

**Q5. Choose the correct option to fill in the blanks:**

*(5 × 1 = 5 Marks)*

11. She \_\_\_ preparing for the exam since morning.
- a) has been
  - b) have been
  - c) was
  - d) is
12. Students \_\_\_ obey school rules.
- a) may
  - b) must
  - c) could
  - d) might
13. He is interested \_\_\_ learning new languages.
- a) in
  - b) on
  - c) with
  - d) at
14. If you practise daily, you \_\_\_ improve.
- a) would
  - b) will
  - c) might
  - d) could
15. This book is \_\_\_ than the previous one.
- a) interesting

- b) more interesting
  - c) most interesting
  - d) very interesting
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**Q6. Identify and correct the errors:**

*(5 × 1 = 5 Marks)*

- 16. She do not know the answer.
  - 17. He has ate his lunch.
  - 18. We was waiting for the teacher.
  - 19. She is senior than her brother.
  - 20. He did not went to school.
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**Q7. Choose the correct option for reported speech:**

*(5 × 1 = 5 Marks)*

- 21. He said, "I can solve this problem."
    - a) He said he can solve that problem.
    - b) He said he could solve that problem.
    - c) He told he could solve that problem.
    - d) He says he can solve it.
  - 22. She said, "I am feeling cold."
    - a) She said she was feeling cold.
    - b) She said she is feeling cold.
    - c) She told she was feeling cold.
    - d) She says she was feeling cold.
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**Q8. Rearrange the words to form meaningful sentences:**

*(5 × 1 = 5 Marks)*

- 23. success / patience / requires

- 24. children / exercise / should / daily
  - 25. reading / improves / vocabulary
  - 26. environment / save / must / we
  - 27. honesty / builds / trust
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**SECTION D – LITERATURE (20 MARKS)**

**Q9. Answer ANY TWO of the following questions in 40–50 words:**

*(2 × 5 = 10 Marks)*

- 28. What effect did the dust of snow have on the poet?
  - 29. Why was Lencho confident that God would help him?
  - 30. How did Anne Frank view her diary as a companion?
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**Q10. Answer ANY ONE of the following questions in about 100–120 words:**

*(10 Marks)*

- 31. Describe how perseverance helps a person overcome difficulties, with reference to “*A Letter to God*”.

**OR**

- 32. Explain the symbolic meaning of fire and ice in the poem “*Fire and Ice*”.
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