

**CBSE – Class X**  
**English Language & Literature**  
**MODEL QUESTION PAPER – (SET-9)**

**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. Attempt questions in sequence.
  4. Use correct grammar, spelling and appropriate vocabulary.
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**SECTION A – READING SKILLS (20 MARKS)**

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

*(10 Marks)*

Responsibility is an important quality that shapes a person's character. Being responsible means being accountable for one's actions and decisions. Students who develop a sense of responsibility complete their tasks on time and learn to manage their duties effectively. Responsibility also helps individuals earn trust and respect in society. When people avoid responsibility, it often leads to confusion and failure. Therefore, cultivating responsibility from a young age is essential for success in life.

**MCQs based on the passage:**

1. Responsibility mainly means—
  - a) Giving orders
  - b) Being accountable for actions

- c) Avoiding duties
  - d) Depending on others
2. Responsible students usually—
- a) Delay their work
  - b) Ignore rules
  - c) Complete tasks on time
  - d) Blame others
3. What does responsibility help individuals earn?
- a) Fear
  - b) Punishment
  - c) Trust and respect
  - d) Wealth
4. Avoiding responsibility often results in—
- a) Success
  - b) Discipline
  - c) Confusion and failure
  - d) Confidence
5. Find a word from the passage meaning “**important**”.
- a) Essential
  - b) Accountable
  - c) Effective
  - d) Respect

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

*(10 Marks)*

Digital media has become an inseparable part of modern life. It provides instant access to information, entertainment and communication. While digital media connects people across the world, excessive use can lead to problems such as reduced concentration, lack of physical activity and social isolation. Students should learn to balance screen time with outdoor activities and face-to-face interaction. Responsible use of digital media can make it a powerful tool for learning and growth.

**MCQs based on the passage:**

6. What does digital media provide instantly?
    - a) Only entertainment
    - b) Information and communication
    - c) Physical fitness
    - d) Discipline
  7. One negative effect of excessive digital media use is—
    - a) Improved concentration
    - b) Social isolation
    - c) Better health
    - d) Creativity
  8. What should students balance screen time with?
    - a) More screen time
    - b) Online games
    - c) Outdoor activities
    - d) Television
  9. Responsible use of digital media makes it—
    - a) Harmful
    - b) Useless
    - c) A powerful learning tool
    - d) Boring
  10. The passage mainly focuses on—
    - a) Social networking
    - b) Digital entertainment
    - c) Responsible use of digital media
    - d) Online education
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**SECTION B – WRITING SKILLS (20 MARKS)**

**Q3. Write a formal letter to the School Principal requesting permission to organise a digital awareness workshop for students.**

*(10 Marks)*

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**Q4. Write an article on “Importance of Responsibility in Student Life” 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 her presentation since morning.
- a) has been
  - b) have been
  - c) is
  - d) was
12. Students \_\_\_ follow school rules strictly.
- a) may
  - b) must
  - c) could
  - d) might
13. He is responsible \_\_\_ completing the task.
- a) for
  - b) of
  - c) with
  - d) to
14. If we use digital media wisely, we \_\_\_ benefit from it.
- a) would
  - b) will
  - c) might
  - d) could
15. This chapter is \_\_\_ than the previous one.
- a) informative

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

(5 × 1 = 5 Marks)

- 16. She do not take responsibility seriously.
  - 17. He has finish his assignment.
  - 18. We was planning the event.
  - 19. She is more responsible than her sister. (*incorrect form*)
  - 20. They did not followed the instructions carefully.
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**Q7. Choose the correct option for reported speech:**

(5 × 1 = 5 Marks)

- 21. He said, "I am attending the workshop."
    - a) He said that he was attending the workshop.
    - b) He said he is attending the workshop.
    - c) He told that he was attending the workshop.
    - d) He says he was attending the workshop.
  - 22. She said, "I have reduced my screen time."
    - a) She said she has reduced her screen time.
    - b) She said she had reduced her screen time.
    - c) She told she had reduced her screen time.
    - d) She says she had reduced her screen time.
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**Q8. Rearrange the words to form meaningful sentences:**

(5 × 1 = 5 Marks)

- 23. responsibility / builds / character

- 24. students / balance / should / life
  - 25. digital / learning / supports
  - 26. success / discipline / requires
  - 27. habits / good / develop / must / we
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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. How did the incident of dust of snow help the poet see life differently?
  - 29. Why did Lencho believe that God would definitely help him?
  - 30. How did Anne Frank’s diary give her strength during difficult times?
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**Q10. Answer ANY ONE of the following questions in about 100–120 words:**

*(10 Marks)*

- 31. Describe how responsibility and faith play an important role in “*A Letter to God*”.

**OR**

- 32. How does the poem “*Fire and Ice*” warn humans about the consequences of extreme emotions?
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