

UP Board Class 10 – English

Model Paper Set 2 –Answer Key

SECTION A – READING

Q1. Answers:

- (a) Science has changed human life by providing electricity, transport, communication and medical facilities. It has made life easier and faster.
 - (b) Mobile phones and the internet have made communication easy.
 - (c) Modern machines have reduced human labour.
 - (d) One problem created by science is pollution (or environmental damage).
 - (e) The word which means “harm” is **damage**.
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Q2. Answers:

- (a) In the poem, life is compared to something that moves fast and cannot be replayed.
 - (b) There is no rewind in life because once time passes, it never comes back.
 - (c) The poet gives the message that we should enjoy every moment of life.
 - (d) The rhyme scheme of the poem is **ABCB**.
 - (e) The word which means “pleasure” is **enjoy**.
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SECTION B – WRITING

Q3. Application for Character Certificate

To,
The Principal,
ABC Inter College,
Kanpur.

Subject: Application for issuing Character Certificate

Respected Sir/Madam,

I beg to say that I have passed the High School Examination from your esteemed institution. Now I need a Character Certificate for further admission.

Therefore, I request you kindly to issue me my Character Certificate at the earliest. I shall be highly obliged to you.

Thanking you.

Yours obediently,

Rahul Kumar

Class 10

Roll No. 25

Q4. Letter to Younger Brother

15, Station Road

Lucknow

Date: 12 February 2026

Dear Rohan,

I hope you are fine. I have come to know that you are spending time with some boys who are not good in habits. Bad company can spoil your future and studies.

You should focus on your studies and choose good friends who inspire you. Remember that your career depends on your present actions. Avoid bad habits and obey your teachers and parents.

I hope you will follow my advice.

Your loving brother,

Rahul

Q5. Essay – Importance of Trees

Trees are very important for life on earth. They give us oxygen and absorb carbon dioxide. They provide fruits, wood, medicines and shade.

Trees help in controlling pollution and preventing soil erosion. They also maintain ecological balance and bring rainfall. Without trees, life would become impossible.

Therefore, we must plant more trees and protect them for a better future.

SECTION C – GRAMMAR

Q6. Answers:

- (a) She **was singing** a song.
 - (b) They will **not win** the match.
 - (c) **How clever the boy is!**
 - (d) He said that he had finished his work.
 - (e) Ram completed the work.
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Q7. Answers:

- (a) He **wrote** a letter yesterday.
 - (b) They **are waiting** for you now.
 - (c) She **has not come** to school today.
 - (d) We **saw** the Taj Mahal last year.
 - (e) The sun **rises** in the east.
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Q8. Answers:

- (a) He is afraid **of** dogs.
 - (b) She is good **at** English.
 - (c) I was born **in** July.
 - (d) This is **an** umbrella.
 - (e) He goes to school **by** bus.
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SECTION D – TEXTBOOK

Q9. Answers:

(a) How did the postmaster help Lencho?

The postmaster was deeply moved by Lencho's faith in God. He collected money from his colleagues and sent it to Lencho in an envelope signed as "God". He wanted to keep Lencho's faith alive.

(b) Why did Anne Frank write a diary?

Anne Frank wrote a diary because she had no close friend with whom she could share her feelings. She expressed her thoughts, fears and hopes in her diary. It became her true companion during the days of hiding.

(c) How did Hari Singh change?

Hari Singh changed because of Anil's kindness and trust. After stealing money, he felt guilty and returned the money. He decided to give up stealing and become an honest person.

Q10. Central Idea

(A Tiger in the Zoo)

The poem describes the contrast between a tiger in a zoo and a tiger in the jungle. It shows how animals feel helpless and frustrated in captivity. The poet highlights the cruelty of keeping wild animals in cages.

Q11. Explanation

Context: These lines are taken from the poem "A Tiger in the Zoo" written by Leslie Norris.

Explanation: The poet describes how the tiger should move freely in the forest. He should hide in the shadows and move through the long grass near the water hole to catch his prey. But instead, he is locked in a cage. The stanza shows the tiger's natural habitat and freedom.

Q12. Duties of a Good Citizen

A good citizen obeys the laws of the country. He respects elders and helps others. He pays taxes honestly and protects public property.

A good citizen also votes wisely and works for the development of the nation. He maintains cleanliness and promotes unity and peace in society.