

UP Board Class 10 – English

Model Paper Set 4 –Answer Key

SECTION A – READING

Q1. Answers:

- (a) Education plays a vital role in shaping the future of a nation. It helps in the overall development of society and the country.
- (b) Besides knowledge, education builds character and develops moral values.
- (c) Education is important in today’s world because it provides better employment opportunities and social respect in this competitive era.
- (d) Education should include practical knowledge and life skills along with bookish knowledge.
- (e) The word which means “important” is **vital**.
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Q2. Answers:

- (a) The poet advises us to work while working and play while playing. We should focus completely on whatever we do.
- (b) When things are done by halves, they are never done properly or successfully.
- (c) “With your might” means with full strength and complete effort.
- (d) The rhyme scheme of the poem is **AABB CCDD**.
- (e) The central idea of the poem is that we should do every work sincerely and wholeheartedly to achieve success and happiness.
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SECTION B – WRITING

Q3. Application for Fee Concession

To,
The Principal,

ABC Inter College,
Varanasi.

Subject: Application for fee concession

Respected Sir/Madam,

I beg to say that my father is a poor farmer and the only earning member of our family. Due to financial problems, it has become difficult for us to pay my school fees.

Therefore, I request you kindly to grant me fee concession. I shall be highly thankful to you for your kindness.

Thanking you.

Yours obediently,

Rahul Kumar

Class 10

Roll No. 22

Q4. Letter to the Editor (Rising Prices)

15, Nehru Nagar

Lucknow

Date: 20 February 2026

To

The Editor,

The Times of India,

Lucknow.

Subject: Problem of rising prices

Sir/Madam,

Through the columns of your esteemed newspaper, I would like to draw the attention of the concerned authorities towards the problem of rising prices. The prices of essential commodities like vegetables, petrol and food items are increasing day by day.

It has become difficult for middle-class and poor families to manage their daily expenses. The government should take immediate steps to control inflation and punish hoarders.

I hope the authorities will take necessary action.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,
Rahul Kumar

Q5. Essay – Value of Time

Time is very precious in life. Once lost, it never comes back. Successful people always make proper use of time. Students should follow a timetable and complete their work on time.

Time management helps in achieving goals. Wasting time leads to failure and regret. Therefore, we must respect time and use it wisely for success.

SECTION C – GRAMMAR

Q6. Answers:

- (a) He had completed his work.
 - (b) Food was being cooked by her.
 - (c) He is so weak that he cannot walk.
 - (d) The teacher advised the boys to do their homework.
 - (e) If you do not work hard, you will not succeed.
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Q7. Answers:

- (a) She **has been preparing** for the exam since morning.
 - (b) They **visited** Agra last week.
 - (c) I **was reading** when the phone rang.
 - (d) He **did not attend** the meeting yesterday.
 - (e) We **have been waiting** for you for two hours.
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Q8. Answers:

- (a) He is afraid **of** snakes.
- (b) She is senior **to** me.
- (c) I have been living here **since** 2020.

(d) This is **a** unique opportunity.

(e) The book is **on** the table.

SECTION D – TEXTBOOK

Q9. Answers:

(a) Reaction of the Postmaster

The postmaster was surprised and amused by Lencho's letter to God. However, he was deeply moved by Lencho's faith. He decided to help him by collecting money from his colleagues and sending it to him.

(b) Character of Griffin

Griffin was a brilliant scientist but misused his knowledge. He discovered a formula to become invisible. However, he became selfish and cruel. He stole money and clothes and created chaos. His character shows that intelligence without morality can be dangerous.

(c) Freedom is Indivisible

Mandela believed that freedom cannot be separated. If one person is not free, no one is truly free. He felt that the oppression of black people affected the freedom of all. Therefore, true freedom means equality and justice for everyone.

Q10. Central Idea

(Fog)

The poem describes fog as a cat that comes silently and covers everything. It stays for a short time and then moves away quietly. The poet compares fog to a cat to show its silent and mysterious movement.

Q11. Explanation

Context: These lines are taken from the poem "Fog" written by Carl Sandburg.

Explanation: The poet compares fog to a cat. Just as a cat walks silently on its soft feet, the fog also comes quietly and unnoticed. This comparison makes the description vivid and imaginative.

Q12. Importance of Discipline in Student Life

Discipline is essential for students. It helps them follow rules and manage time properly. A disciplined student respects teachers and studies regularly.

Discipline builds character and self-control. It leads to success in examinations and future life. Without discipline, students cannot achieve their goals.