

UP Board Class 10 – English

Model Paper Set 5 –Answer Key

SECTION A – READING

Q1. Answers:

- (a) Success is the result of hard work, patience and determination.
 - (b) Many people fail because they give up too soon and lose hope.
 - (c) Failures are compared to **stepping stones to success**.
 - (d) To achieve success, one must remain confident, learn from mistakes and keep trying until the goal is achieved.
 - (e) The word which means “confidence” is **determination**.
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Q2. Answers:

- (a) Little drops of water make the mighty ocean.
 - (b) Little minutes form the mighty ages of eternity.
 - (c) The poet teaches that small efforts and small moments together create great achievements.
 - (d) The rhyme scheme of the poem is **AABB CCDD**.
 - (e) The word which means “small” is **little**.
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SECTION B – WRITING

Q3. Application for Cleanliness Drive

To,
The Principal,
ABC Inter College,
Prayagraj.

Subject: Permission to organize a cleanliness drive

Respected Sir/Madam,

I beg to say that our school campus needs proper cleanliness and awareness among students. Therefore, I request you to kindly grant permission to organize a cleanliness drive in our school.

This will promote hygiene and discipline among students. I assure you that the program will be conducted properly.

Thanking you.

Yours obediently,

Rahul Kumar

Class 10

Roll No. 20

Q4. Letter – Summer Vacation

15, Civil Lines

Kanpur

Date: 10 June 2026

Dear Amit,

I hope you are fine. I spent my summer vacation very happily. I visited my grandparents in the village. I enjoyed the natural beauty and fresh air there.

I also joined a summer coaching class to improve my English and Mathematics. In the evenings, I played cricket with my cousins. It was a memorable vacation.

Yours lovingly,

Rahul

Q5. Essay – Advantages and Disadvantages of Mobile Phones

Mobile phones have become an essential part of modern life. They help in communication, online education and entertainment. Students can attend classes and access study materials easily.

However, excessive use of mobile phones can cause addiction and waste of time. It may also affect health and concentration.

Thus, mobile phones are both useful and harmful depending on their usage.

SECTION C – GRAMMAR

Q6. Answers:

- (a) The work will be completed by her tomorrow.
 - (b) He is taller than any other boy in the class.
 - (c) I saw a man who was crying.
 - (d) She said that she could solve that problem.
 - (e) If you do not work hard, you will fail.
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Q7. Answers:

- (a) He **plays** cricket every Sunday.
 - (b) They **had finished** their project before the deadline.
 - (c) I **was sleeping** when he called me.
 - (d) She **did not go** to market yesterday.
 - (e) We **have lived** here for ten years.
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Q8. Answers:

- (a) She is proud **of** her achievements.
 - (b) He was sitting **under** the tree.
 - (c) This is **the** best book I have ever read.
 - (d) She arrived **at** the station late.
 - (e) He is good **at** mathematics.
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SECTION D – TEXTBOOK

Q9. Answers:

(a) Why was Lencho not surprised?

Lencho had complete faith in God. He believed that God would surely help him after the destruction of his crops. Therefore, he was not surprised to find money in the envelope.

(b) Character of Anne Frank

Anne Frank was intelligent, sensitive and optimistic. She was curious and thoughtful. As a student, she was talkative but sincere. She believed in goodness and had strong faith in humanity even during difficult times.

(c) How did Anil reform Hari Singh?

Anil reformed Hari Singh through kindness and trust. He gave him shelter and promised to teach him reading and writing. Hari felt guilty after stealing money and returned it. Thus, Anil's goodness changed him into an honest person.

Q10. Central Idea**(The Tale of Custard the Dragon)**

The poem humorously shows that true bravery is revealed in difficult situations. Though Custard looked cowardly, he proved to be the bravest when danger came.

Q11. Explanation

Context: These lines are taken from the poem "The Tale of Custard the Dragon" written by Ogden Nash.

Explanation: The poet introduces Belinda who lives in a small white house with her pets. The repetition of the word "little" creates a humorous tone and shows the playful nature of the poem.

Q12. Importance of Trees in Ecological Balance

Trees play an important role in maintaining ecological balance. They absorb carbon dioxide and release oxygen. They prevent soil erosion and control pollution. Trees also help in maintaining rainfall and provide shelter to animals.

Without trees, the environment would become unbalanced. Therefore, we must plant and protect trees.