

UP Board – High School
Class 10 – ENGLISH
Model Question Paper – Set 10

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

SECTION A – READING (15 Marks)

Q1. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions: (8 Marks)

Success in life depends upon strong determination and continuous effort. Many students dream of achieving high marks, but only those who work sincerely reach their goals. Time management plays a crucial role in success. One must avoid distractions such as excessive use of mobile phones and social media. Self-confidence, discipline and regular practice are the keys to academic excellence.

Questions:

- (a) On what does success depend?
 - (b) Who reach their goals?
 - (c) What plays a crucial role in success?
 - (d) Name two distractions mentioned in the passage.
 - (e) Find a word from the passage which means “regular”.
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Q2. Read the poem and answer the questions: (7 Marks)

Life is real! Life is earnest!
And the grave is not its goal;
Dust thou art, to dust returnest,
Was not spoken of the soul.

Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime;
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.

Questions:

- (a) Who is the poet of these lines?
- (b) What does the poet say about life?

- (c) What do the lives of great men remind us?
 - (d) What are “footprints on the sands of time”?
 - (e) What is the central idea of the poem?
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SECTION B – WRITING (15 Marks)

Q3. Write an application to the Principal requesting permission to arrange extra classes for English before Board Examination. (5 Marks)

Q4. Write a letter to your friend explaining your plan to prepare for the Board Examination. (5 Marks)

Q5. Write an essay on any one of the following topics: (5 Marks)

- (a) Importance of Hard Work
 - (b) Online Education – Advantages and Disadvantages
 - (c) Role of Parents in Student Life
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SECTION C – GRAMMAR (15 Marks)

Q6. Do as directed: (5 Marks)

- (a) She has written a letter. (Change into Passive Voice)
 - (b) He is too proud to admit his mistake. (Remove ‘too’)
 - (c) The weather was cold. We enjoyed the picnic. (Combine using ‘although’)
 - (d) He said, “I am going to school.” (Change into Indirect Speech)
 - (e) As soon as he reached home, it started raining. (Rewrite using ‘No sooner...than’)
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Q7. Fill in the blanks with correct form of verbs: (5 Marks)

- (a) She _____ (prepare) for the exam since morning.
 - (b) They _____ (visit) Agra last year.
 - (c) I _____ (read) when the phone rang.
 - (d) He _____ (not complete) his work yet.
 - (e) We _____ (go) to Delhi next week.
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Q8. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles/prepositions: (5 Marks)

- (a) He is fond _____ cricket.
 - (b) She was born _____ 2009.
 - (c) I saw _____ eagle in the sky.
 - (d) He has been living here _____ five years.
 - (e) The book is _____ the table.
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SECTION D – TEXTBOOK (PROSE & POETRY) (25 Marks)

Q9. Answer any two of the following questions: (5×2 = 10 Marks)

- (a) Why did Lencho have complete faith in God?
 - (b) Describe the character of Nelson Mandela as a leader.
 - (c) How did Bholi change at the end of the story?
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Q10. Write the central idea of any one poem: (5 Marks)

- (a) Fire and Ice
 - (b) A Tiger in the Zoo
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Q11. Explain the following stanza with reference to the context: (5 Marks)

“He should be lurking in shadow,
Sliding through long grass
Near the water hole...”

Q12. Answer the following question: (5 Marks)

Explain the importance of self-discipline in achieving success.