

UP Board – High School
Class 10 – ENGLISH
Model Question Paper – Set 7

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

SECTION A – READING (15 Marks)

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

In the era of globalization, competition has increased in every field. Students today face immense pressure to perform well in academics as well as extracurricular activities. While ambition drives progress, excessive stress can affect mental health and overall well-being. Experts suggest that proper time management, balanced lifestyle and regular physical exercise can reduce stress. Parents and teachers must encourage students to focus on learning rather than merely scoring high marks. True success lies in knowledge, character and perseverance.

Questions:

- (a) What has increased in the era of globalization?
 - (b) Why do students face pressure today?
 - (c) How can stress affect students?
 - (d) Suggest two ways to reduce stress.
 - (e) Find a word from the passage which means “determination”.
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Q2. Read the poem and answer the questions: (7 Marks)

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high,
Where knowledge is free;
Where the world has not been broken up
Into fragments by narrow domestic walls.

Questions:

- (a) Name the poet.
- (b) What kind of mind does the poet wish for?
- (c) What does “knowledge is free” mean?
- (d) What are “narrow domestic walls”?
- (e) What is the central idea of the poem?

SECTION B – WRITING (15 Marks)

Q3. Write an application to the Principal requesting permission to participate in an inter-school debate competition. (5 Marks)

Q4. Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper about the increasing problem of cyber crime among students. (5 Marks)

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

- (a) Importance of Hard Work in Student Life
 - (b) Impact of Globalization
 - (c) Environmental Conservation
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SECTION C – GRAMMAR (15 Marks)

Q6. Do as directed: (5 Marks)

- (a) The students completed the project. (Change into Passive Voice)
 - (b) She is more intelligent than any other girl in the class. (Change into Superlative Degree)
 - (c) He was tired. He continued working. (Combine using 'although')
 - (d) The teacher said, "Honesty is the best policy." (Change into Indirect Speech)
 - (e) No sooner had he reached home than it started raining. (Rewrite using 'As soon as')
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Q7. Fill in the blanks with correct form of verbs: (5 Marks)

- (a) She _____ (study) for two hours before she went to sleep.
 - (b) They _____ (play) football every evening.
 - (c) He _____ (not receive) the letter yet.
 - (d) We _____ (travel) to Delhi tomorrow.
 - (e) The train _____ (arrive) before we reached the station.
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Q8. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles/prepositions: (5 Marks)

- (a) He insisted _____ paying the bill.
- (b) She is fond _____ reading novels.
- (c) I met him _____ the railway station.

- (d) This is _____ honest officer.
(e) He jumped _____ the river to save the child.
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SECTION D – TEXTBOOK (PROSE & POETRY) (25 Marks)

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

- (a) How did Nelson Mandela’s understanding of freedom change with age?
(b) Describe the character of Mme Loisel in “The Necklace”.
(c) How did Ausable outwit Max in “The Midnight Visitor”?
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Q10. Write the central idea of any one poem: (5 Marks)

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

“He hears the last voice at night,
The patrolling cars,
And stares with his brilliant eyes...”

Q12. Answer the following question: (5 Marks)

Discuss the importance of moral education in schools.