

**Solved  
Paper**

**C.B.S.E.  
2009  
Class-X**

**English**  
(Language and  
Literature)

**Time Allowed : 3 hours**

**Maximum Marks : 100**

**General Instructions :**

(i) This paper consists of four sections :

Section A	Reading	20
Section B	Writing	20
Section C	Grammar	15
Section D	Text Books	45

(ii) All Questions are compulsory.

(iii) Marks are indicated against each question.

**DELHI (Set-I)**

**Code No. 2/1/1**

**SECTION–A (Reading)**

**(20 marks)**

**1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :**

**12 marks**

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- 2 Thimpu is the capital of Bhutan. It is spread along a willow lined river, Wang Chhu. All buildings here are built in the traditional style and adorned with beautiful paintings. Thimpu has no traffic lights, something we Indians are not used to. Traffic is directed by policemen, standing on highly decorated boxes. They use exaggerated but elegant gestures to guide it. The main street, Norzim Lam, leads to the town centre and the clock tower with its adjoining hotels, shops and restaurants.
- 3 Here there are many places worth seeing. One can visit Telecom Tower situated at the height of 8,807 ft. On your way down you can stop at the mini zoo, where you can see goat-antelope, known as Takin. It is Bhutan's national animal. According to legend this large and certainly strange-looking animal was created by the 15th century saint, Lame Drukpa Kinleyn to prove his magical prowess.
- 4 In Thimpu, National Memorial Chorten is the most public religious place in the country. This white-domed building with its golden spires was built in 1974 in memory of the third king. Trashi Chhoe Dzong is the seat of the government as well as religious order. Built in the thirteenth century, it was renovated in 1962 when Thimpu became the capital.
- 5 Here Archery is a favoured sport which can be witnessed on weekends. Thimpu is the base for several walks into the stunning countryside. Indian nationals do not need visas to travel to Bhutan. (302 words)
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  - (d) Name the national animal of Bhutan. Where can you see it ? 1
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  - (f) What privilege do the Indians enjoy while travelling to Bhutan ? 2
  - (g) Find out from the passage the adjective forms of words given below: 2
    - (i) appropriately (Para 1)
    - (ii) beauty (Para 2)

- (h) Find out from the passage the words which mean the same as the following : 2
- (i) movements of a part of the body to convey meaning (para 2)
- (ii) pointed parts of a tower (Para 4)

2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : **8 marks**

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On the 4th of July morning in 1952, the sea was like an ice bath.” The fog was so dense she could hardly see her support boats. She struggled on -hour after hour -while millions watched on - television.

Alongside Florence in one of the boats, her mother and her trainer offered encouragement. They told her the goal wasn’t much farther. But all she could see was fog. They urged her not to quit. But with only a half mile to go, she asked to be pulled out. Several hours later she told a reporter that it was not fatigue or even the cold water that defeated her. It was the fog. She was unable to see her goal.

Two months later she tried again. It was the same dense fog. But she swam with her goal clearly pictured in her mind. She knew that somewhere behind the fog was land. And this time she succeeded. She became the first woman to swim the Catalina Channel, eclipsing the men’s record by two hours.

(210 words)

- (a) What was Florence Chadwick’s goal at the age of 34 ? 1
- (b) How did the people witness her performance ? 1
- (c) How did her mother and her trainer encourage Florence ? 2
- (d) What made her quit when she had only a half mile to go ? 1
- (e) In spite of the same fog, what made her succeed the second time ? 2
- (f) What record did she set ? 1

**SECTION–B (Writing)**

**(20 marks)**

3. You are Arun/Aruna, living at 537, D.D.A Flats, Prashant Vihar, Delhi. You have come to know that your cousin often misses his classes in his new school. Since he is very intimate with you, write a letter advising him to avoid the company of those students who bunk off classes. **8 marks**

*OR*

Injuries and death taking place due to undergauge driving are being reported almost everyday. Write a letter to the Commissioner of Traffic police asking him to be very strict in such cases and also take necessary steps to stop this practice. You are Abha/Abhinav, P-37, Suman Apartments, New Delhi.

4. Eating of fast food, lack of exercise and activity have been causing life style diseases such as obesity, heart disease, diabetes etc. even among children. Write an article, in about 125 words on the rising tendency of life style diseases among school children and how to prevent them. **8 marks**

*OR*

Yamuna in Delhi has become extremely polluted. It has been reduced almost to a drain. Using the hints given below write a paragraph, in about 125 words, on the causes of the pollution of the Yamuna river and how to bring it to its old glory.

Once an overflowing clean river - now polluted -all garbage, industrial and domestic waste thrown into it - animals bathe- rituals performed -throwing of garbage and waste to be banned- separate proper places to be allocated for rituals

5. You are Deepak/Deepika, Secretary of Ahimsa Club of Rishabh Public School, Delhi. On 2nd October your school observed “International Day for Peace and Non- violence,” organizing various activities such as visit to Raj Ghat, Charkha spinning, lectures by eminent Gandhians etc. Write a report in about 60 words for your school magazine. **4 marks**

*OR*

Yoga camp was organized in your school. Mentioning the activities, such as presentation of yogasans by the students of senior and junior wing, lectures delivered by experts on yogasans, pranayam, meditation, food etc., write a report in about 60 words. You are Pranav/Prerna, Head Boy / Head Girl of Sarvodaya Bal Mandir School, Gagan Vihar, Delhi.

## SECTION-C (Grammar)

(15 marks)

6. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet as given below against the correct blank number. Remember to underline the word that you have supplied.  $\frac{1}{2} \times 6 = 3$  marks

Robinson was shipwreck on a island. It was inhabited only by animals or birds. There was not a single human beings on an island. He saw a large number of multicoloured bird. Footmarks in the ground made him fear the presence of dangerous animals.

e.g. shipwreck - shipwrecked

(a)  
(b)  
(c)  
(d)  
(e)  
(f)

7. Fill in the following blanks with suitable non-finites :  $\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2$  marks

Three tourists from Delhi decided (a) ..... (visit) Goa last year. They went there. While (b) ..... (stand) at the Calangute beach, two of them decided (c) ..... (have) a dip in the sea. While (d) ..... (play) in the water they were swept away by the current.

8. Read the dialogue and complete the passage given below. Write the correct answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Do not copy the whole sentences.  $1 \times 3 = 3$  marks

Son : Mummy, I am very hungry. Is there anything for me to eat ?  
Mother : I am preparing your lunch.  
Son : When will it be ready ?  
Mother : In just 10 minutes.

The son told his mother that he was very hungry and asked (a) ..... for him to eat. The mother told him (b) ..... The son inquired when it would be ready. The mother replied that (c) .....

9. Look at the words and phrases given below. Rearrange them to form meaningful sentences. The first one has been done as an example. Write the correct sentences in your answer sheet. Remember to number the answers correctly.  $1 \times 2 = 2$  marks

Example : birthday / 22<sup>nd</sup> / is / August / of / Ishita's  
22<sup>nd</sup> of August is Ishita's birthday.

- a. on that / made / her / a big / mother / cake / occasion  
b. friends / party / invited / many / the / to / Ishita

10. Look at the sentences given below and complete the paragraph that follows. Write the correct answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Do not copy the whole sentences.  $1 \times 3 = 3$  marks

- (a) Brutus allowed Antony to speak.  
(b) Antony addressed the public.  
(c) His speech aroused them to revolt.

Roman general Caesar was killed by Brutus and his friends. His friend, Antony came to express his grief. He (a) ..... The public (b) ..... Hearing his speech they (c) .....

11. The underlined words in the following passage have been used inappropriately. Replace them with their appropriate forms. Write your answers in your answer sheet with correct numbers. Do not copy the whole passage.

He is a hockey player. He is not happy with the step-motherly (a) treat shown towards his (b) favour sport. The team was not given even a (c) receptive on their return to India after (d) win the world cup.

$\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2$  marks

## SECTION-D (Text Books)

(45 marks)

12. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. Remember to number the answers correctly.

He wandered for seven years and finally sat down under a fig tree, where he vowed to stay until enlightenment came. Enlightened after seven days, he renamed the tree the Bo tree (Tree of Wisdom) and began

to teach and to share his new understandings. At that point he became known as the Buddha (The Awakened or the Enlightened). The Buddha preached his first sermon at the city of Benaras, most holy of the dipping places on the River Ganges.

- (a) Which tree is referred to here ? 1  
 (b) What name did he give to it ? 1  
 (c) Why did he name it so ? 1  
 (d) Where did he give his first sermon ? 1  
 (e) Which word/phrase in the passage means the same as ‘places for bathing’ ? 1

13. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. Remember to number the answers correctly. 5 marks

The moon was coming up in the east, behind me, and stars were shining in the clear sky above me. There wasn't a cloud in the sky. I was happy to be alone high up above the sleeping countryside. I was flying my old Dakota aeroplane over France back to England. I was dreaming of my holiday and looking forward to being with my family. I looked at my watch : one thirty in the morning.

- (a) Who is ‘I’ ? 1  
 (b) What does ‘the sleeping countryside’ mean ? 1  
 (c) What was he doing ? 1  
 (d) What did he think of ? 1  
 (e) Which phrase in the passage means the same as ‘expecting/anticipating’? 1

14. Answer the following question in about 80 words. 6 marks

Who does Lencho write a letter to God ? What does he experience ?

*OR*

Why did Mr. Keesing assign Anne extra homework, an essay on “A Chatterbox” ? How did she justify her being a chatterbox ?

15. Answer any two of the following questions in 30-40 words each.

- (a) Justify, in brief, the title of the play, “The Proposal”.  
 (b) Why was the young seagull afraid to fly ?  
 (c) The people of Coorg have a tradition of courage and bravery. How has it been recognized in modern India ?

16. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet. Remember to number the answers correctly.

He should be snarling around houses At the jungle's edge,  
 Baring his white fangs, his claws,  
 Terrorising the village ?

- (a) Who is ‘he’ ? 1  
 (b) Where does he snarl around ? 1  
 (c) Why does he do it ? 1  
 (d) What effect does it have on the whole village ? 1

*OR*

All night the roots work  
 to disengage themselves from the cracks  
 in the veranda floor.

- (a) Where are the roots ? 1  
 (b) What are the roots doing ? 2  
 (c) Where have the cracks appeared ? 1

17. Answer any two of the following questions in 30-40 words each on the basis of the lines given below : 6 marks

- (a) To say that for destruction ice  
 Is also great  
 For the poet, what does ‘ice’ stand for ? How is it sufficient to bring destruction ? 3

- (b) They do not lie awake in the dark and  
Weep for their sins, .....
- Who are 'they' ? How are they different from human beings ?
- (c) The fog comes,  
on little cat feet.  
How does the poet compare the fog with cat ? Which poetic device is used here ? **3**
- 18.** Answer the following questions in about 100 words : **8 marks**  
Who was Anil ? How did he transform Hari Singh's character ?  
**OR**  
Describe the role of Ebright's mother in making him a scientist.
- 19.** Answer the following question in 30-40 words : **4 marks**  
What did Mrs. Pumphrey do to bring Tricki back to normal health ? Was she wise ?  
**OR**  
Why were two boys in London surprised ?
- 20.** Answer the following questions in 20-30 words : **3 marks**  
Why was it not difficult for Horace to open the safe ?  
**OR**  
Why did Bishambar's marriage with Bholi not take place ?



<b>DELHI (Set-II)</b>	<b>Code No. 2/1/2</b>
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**Note :** *Except these questions, all questions are from Set-I.*

- 8.** Read the dialogue and complete the passage given below. Write the correct answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Do not copy the whole sentences. **1 × 3 = 3 marks**
- Umang : I have problem with my homework. Will you please help me ?  
Pulkit : Yes, but what is the problem ?  
Umang told her brother (a) ..... with her homework. Requesting him she asked (b) ..... help her. Pulkit said that he would but wanted to know (c) .....
- 9.** Look at the words and phrases given below. Rearrange them to form meaningful sentences. The first one has been done as an example. Write the correct sentences in your answer sheet. Remember to number the answers correctly. **1 × 2 = 2 marks**
- Example : a/ came / house / into / my / monkey / one day  
One day a monkey came into my house.  
a. monkey / into / the / ran / bedroom / the  
b. into / my / came / a stick / the room / father / with
- 13.** Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. Remember to number the answers correctly. **5 marks**
- Wanda did not sit there because she was rough and noisy. On the contrary, she was very quiet and rarely said anything at all. And nobody had ever heard her laugh out loud. Sometimes, she twisted her mouth into a crooked sort of smile, but that was all.
- Nobody knew exactly why Wanda sat in that seat, unless it was because she came all the way from Boggins Heights and her feet were unusually caked with dry mud. But no one really thought much about Wanda Petronski, once she sat in the corner of the room.
- (a) Where did Wanda sit ? **1**  
(b) What type of girl was she ? **1**  
(c) Why did she sit there among rough and noisy boys ? **1**  
(d) Which word in the passage means the same as 'strangely'? **1**
- 14.** Answer the following questions in about 80 words. **6 marks**  
Why was the young seagull afraid of flying ? What compelled the seagull to finally fly ?

**OR**

What kind of person is Valli ? Illustrate your answer giving examples from the text.

18. Answer the following question in about 100 words : 8 marks

Griffin is not a true scientist as he misused his scientific discovery. Illustrate it from the text that you have read.

*OR*

What changes came in the life style of Matilda after she had lost the necklace ?



DELHI (Set-III)

Code No. 2/1/3

**Note :** *Except these questions, all questions are from Set-I & II.*

8. Read the dialogue and complete the passage given below. Write the correct answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Do not copy the whole sentences. 1 × 3 = 3 marks

Seema : Why does your flat remain locked ?

Rashmi : We have shifted to a rented house.

Seema : Why ?

Rashmi : We are getting our flat renovated.

Seema asked Rashmi (a)..... . Rashmi replied (b) ..... house. Seema enquired why she had shifted. Rashmi replied that (c) ..... their flat renovated.

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Example : Police / yesterday / held / there / were / persons / by the

Three persons were held by the police yesterday.

a. fake licenses / from / recovered / seven / were / possession / their

b. had been / for / years / they / running / this racket / many

13. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. Remember to number the answers correctly. 5 marks

During our childhood in Goa, the baker used to be our friend, companion and guide. He used to come at least twice a day. Once, when he sat out in the morning on his selling round, and then again, when he returned after emptying his huge basket. The jingling thud of his bamboo woke us up from sleep and we ran to meet and greet him. Why was it so ? Was it for the love of the loaf ? Not at all. The loaves were bought by some Paskine or Bastine, the maid-servant of the house! What we longed for were those bread-bangles we chose carefully. Sometimes, it was sweet bread of special make.

(a) How did the children regard a baker in their childhood ? 1

(b) When did the baker come the second time ? 1

(c) What made the children wake up from sleep ? 1

(d) What did the children long for ? 1

(e) Which word in the passage means the same as 'wished for very much/desired earnestly' ? 1

14. Answer the following question in about 80 words. 6 marks

How did the otter behave in the beginning ? How did he become familiar with the author ?

*OR*

What ideals does Nelson Mandela set out for the future of South Africa ?

18. Answer the following question in about 100 words : 8 marks

Why was the narrator sent to New Mullion ? Did he succeed in his mission ? Why / Why not ?

*OR*

Ausable wins over a very critical situation by his sheer presence of mind without using any physical force. Justify giving examples from the text.



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| (d) What made her quit when she had only a half mile to go ?          | 1 |
| (e) In spite of the same fog, what made her succeed the second time ? | 2 |
| (f) What record did she set ?   | 1 |

**SECTION-B (Writing)****(20 marks)**

3. Your sister has just got engaged and will get married during the summer holidays. Write a letter to your friend, Sharad, who is in Shimla, informing him about the ceremony and insisting upon him to keep himself entirely free at least for a week, for the occasion. You are Kamal/Kamla, of 132, Vijay Complex, Mayur Vihar, Delhi. **8**

**OR**

The road of your colony was repaired a few months back. It gave way to the first spell of rains resulting in deep pits at several places. Write a letter to the Chief Engineer of the Public Works department asking him to get it urgently repaired to prevent risk to the people. You are Kamna/Kartik living at 15, Mansarovar Apartments, Delhi.

4. Cars, motorbikes and other vehicles have been increasing day by day. They, along with industrial development, are causing a lot of air pollution, not only in big cities but also in small towns and even on hills. Write an article, in about 80 words, on air pollution. **8**

**OR**

Morning Assembly is one of the most important part of school activities; The day in school begins with it. Using the hints given below, write a paragraph in about 80 words on 'The Importance of Morning Assembly in Schools'.

School begins with it -presence of all students and teachers brings dignity -inculcates discipline, punctuality, good conduct, cleanliness etc. -activities such as speeches, cultural items lead to participation of all students -sets the tone/atmosphere for the whole day

5. N.C.C. cadets of your school participated in a training camp. Mentioning the number of participants, activities of the camp, qualities such as discipline, self-confidence, spirit of adventure developed during the training, write a report in about 60 words for your school magazine. You are Raman/Rama, Senior Cadet, N.C.C. of Arunodaya, Sr. Sec. School, Guwahati. **4**

**OR**

On the World Child Labour Day, your school worked for the cause of those children who labour as cleaners on roads, at roadside enteries, in hazardous industries etc. Mentioning the efforts made by the students in identifying such children in your area and getting them freed from there, write a report in about 60 words. You are Manoj/Manju, Head Boy / Head Girl of Mamta Sr. Sec. School, Sarojini Nagar, Delhi.

**SECTION-C (Grammar)****(15 marks)**

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Robinson and his friend lived at	e.g. at - <u>in</u>
peace for near a year. They	(a)
had everything that he needed.	(b)
They had so much to learning	(c)
that the time passed very quick.	(d)
Soon they knew how to dig a	(e)
soil, grind the corn etc. They	
loarned not to being afraid of guns.	(f)

7. Fill in the following blanks with suitable non-finites :  $\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2$  marks
- Yesterday the police came (a) ..... (know) about a person who was involved in (b) ..... (print) and (c) ..... (sell) of pirated best-sellers. He had been involved in this activity for several years. Around twenty thousand (d) ..... (pirate) books were recovered from him.

8. Read the dialogue and complete the passage given below. Write the correct answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Do not copy the whole sentences. **1 × 3 = 3 marks**

Sumit : My father has decided to gift me a bike on my birthday.

Vipul : O! It is a wonderful news.

Sumit : We will go on a long ride the day I get the bike.

Sumit informed his friend Vipul (a) ..... on his birthday. Vipul was very happy and said that for him (b) ..... . Sumit told Vipul (c) ..... on a long ride the day he got the bike.

9. Look at the words and phrases below. Rearrange them to form meaningful sentences. The first one has been done as an example. Write the correct sentences in your answer sheet. Remember to number the answers correctly. **1 × 2 = 2 marks**

Example :

revered / all over / Dalai Lama / world / the / is

Dalai Lama is revered all over the world.

(a) lives / as a / very / simple / he / monk / life / a

(b) six / for about / a day / sleeps / hours / he

10. Look at the sentences given below and complete the paragraph that follows. Write the correct answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Do not copy the whole sentences. **1 × 3 = 3 marks**

(a) People sent messages by reflecting light.

(b) People also used smoke for this purpose.

(c) Sometimes they made fire signals to send messages.

People used several methods to communicate messages in ancient times. Sometimes, messages (a) ..... by reflecting light. Smoke (b) ..... . Sometimes, fire signals (c) ..... to send messages.

11. The underlined words in the following passage have been used inappropriately. Replace them with their appropriate forms. Write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct numbers. Do not copy the whole passage.  **$\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2$  marks**

We celebrate certain events because they are (a) importance in our life. These are the days of (b) funny and laughter, joy and gaiety. Festivals are (c) main of two kinds. Some are (d) nation festivals and some are religious festivals.

#### SECTION–D (Text Books)

(45 marks)

12. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. Remember to number the answers correctly. **5**

It was the postman himself who handed the letter to him while the postmaster, experiencing the contentment of a man who has performed a good deed, looked on from his office.

Lencho showed not the slightest surprise on seeing the money; such was his confidence -but he became angry when he counted the money.

(a) Who delivered the letter and to whom ? **1**

(b) What did the postmaster do in the meantime ? **1**

(c) Which 'good deed' is referred to here ? **1**

(d) Why was Lencho not surprised on seeing the money ? **1**

(e) Find the noun form of the word 'content' from the passage. **1**

13. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. Remember to number the answers correctly. **5**

All I think about when I'm with friends is having a good time. I can't bring myself to talk about anything but ordinary everyday things. We don't seem to be able to get any closer, and that's the problem. May be it's my fault that we don't confide in each other. In any case, that's just how things are, and unfortunately they're not liable to change. This is why I've started the diary.

(a) What does Anne think about when she is with friends ? **1**

- (b) Mention any two problems which she thinks she has in relation to her friends. 2
- (c) What is the reason for her to start writing a diary ? 1
- (d) Which word in the passage means the same as 'to tell personal things privately to a person that one trusts' ? 1
14. Answer the following question in about 80 words: 6  
The pilot is lost in storm clouds. How does he reach safely ?
- OR*
- Describe Coorg's weather, main crops and the sports which fascinate the visitors.
15. Answer any two of the following questions in 30 -40 words each : 4
- (a) What is the play, 'The Proposal' about ?
- (b) Where does Wanda sit in the classroom and why ?
- (c) Why was the young seagull afraid to fly with his brothers and sisters ?
16. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet. Remember to number the answers correctly. 4
- Now the name of the little black kitten was Ink,  
And the little grey mouse, she called him Blink,  
And the little yellow dog was sharp as Mustard,  
But the dragon was a coward, and she called him Custard.
- (a) Who are the characters in this stanza ? 2
- (b) Who is 'she' ? 1
- (c) What does she call the dragon ? 1
- OR*
- The way a crow  
Shook down on me  
The dust of snow  
From a hemlock tree
- (a) What is the dust of snow ? 1
- (b) Who shook it down ? 1
- (c) What does 'the dust of snow' stand for ? 1
- (d) What is a "hemlock tree" ? 1
17. Answer any two of the following questions in 30-40 words each, on the basis of the lines given below : 6
- (a) On pads of velvet quiet,  
In his quiet rage.  
Who is referred to here ?  
Why does he express his anger quietly ? 3
- (b) (I am an orphan, roaming the street. ...)  
Who is 'I' ? Is she an orphan ? Why does she say so ? 3
- (c) long-cramped boughs shuffling under the roof  
Like newly discharged patients  
Why does the poet compare branches with patients ? 3
18. Answer the following question in about 100 words : 8  
Science is a good servant but a bad master. How is this applicable to Griffin's scientific discovery ? Give examples from the text.
- OR*
- Mrs. Pumphrey is a very loving and caring mistress for Tricki. Do you agree ? Give a reasoned answer.
19. Answer the following question in 30 -40 words: 4  
How did Hari Singh know that Anil had forgiven him ?
- OR*
-

What lesson did Elbright learn when he did not win anything at a science fair ?

20. Answer the following question in 20-30 words : 3

Why did Monsieur Loisel go out into the cold night minutes after returning from the ball ? Was he successful in his errand ? 3

**OR**

Why was the twentieth century called the 'Era of the' Book' ?

□□

**Outside DELHI (Set-II)**

**Code No. 2/2**

**Note :** *Except these questions, all questions are from Set-I.*

8. Read the dialogue and complete the passage given below. Write the correct answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Do not copy the whole sentences. **1 × 3 = 3 marks**

Father : Sonu, don't pull the cat's tail. It'll hurt the cat.

Sonu : Daddy, I am not doing anything. I'm simply holding the cat's tail. The cat is pulling.

Father asked his son, Sonu (a) ..... because (b) ..... Sonu wittily told his father (c) ..... . He was simply holding the cat's tail. He supported his statement saying that the cat was pulling.

9. Look at the words and phrases below. Rearrange them to form meaningful sentences. The first one has been done as an example. Write the correct sentences in your answer sheet. Remember to number the answers correctly. **1 × 2 = 2 marks**

Example :

social/ is / John Abraham / many / associated with / causes

John Abraham is associated with many social causes.

(a) a / lover / is / animal / passionate / he

(b) campaigned / birds / he / caged / free / to

13. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. Remember to number the answers correctly. 5

Two days later, Mijbil escaped from my bedroom as I entered it, and I turned to see his tail disappearing round the bend of the corridor that led to the bathroom. By the time I got there he was up on the end of the bathtub and fumbling at the chromium taps with his paws. I watched, amazed; in less than a minute he had turned the tap far enough to produce a trickle of water, and after a moment or two achieved the full flow.

(a) How did the author notice Mijbil escaping from his bedroom ? 1

(b) Where did he go ? 1

(c) What did he try to do there ? 1

(d) What act of Mijbil surprised the author ? 1

(e) Which word in the passage means the same as 'surprised' ? 1

14. Answer the following question in about 80 words: 6

In what way was Wanda different from the other children ? How did the children treat her ?

**OR**

On the basis of the reading of the story, 'Madam Rides the Bus', write the character-sketch of Valli.

18. Answer the following question in about 100 words : 8

Why did Bholi's parents think her 'a dumb cow' ? How did she turn out to be an outspoken and a fearless girl ?

**OR**

Horace was the thief who planned his work carefully. Describe how he did it before robbing the house at Shotover Grange.

□□

**Note :** Except these questions, all questions are from Set-I & II.

8. Read the dialogue and complete the passage given below. Write the correct answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Do not copy the whole sentences. **1 × 3 = 3 marks**

Rekha : Anita's mother is seriously ill and is in the hospital.

Dolly : What has happened to her ?

Rekha : She complained of chest pain yesterday.

Dolly : I will go to see her tomorrow.

Rekha told Dolly (a) ..... and was in the hospital. Dolly asked (b) ..... . Rekha told her that would go to see her the day after.

9. Look at the words and phrases given below. Rearrange them to form meaningful sentences. The first one has been done as an example. Write the correct sentences in your answer sheet. Remember to number the answers correctly. **1 × 2 = 2 marks**

Example : was / three / the stage / Panipat / for / battles / historic

Panipat was the stage for three historic battles.

a. in / fought / the battle / was / first / 1526

b. Ibrahim Lodi / by Babar / battle / in that / defeated / was

13. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. Remember to number the answers correctly. **5 marks**

They sipped the steaming hot liquid. Almost everyone in their compartment was drinking tea too.

“Do you know that over eighty crore cups of tea are drunk every day throughout the world ? Rajvir said.

“Whew !” exclaimed Pranjol. “Tea really is very popular.”

The train pulled out of the station. Pranjol buried his nose in his detective book again.

(a) Who are they ? **1**

(b) What is the hot liquid ? **1**

(c) Which statement of Rajvir points to the popularity of tea ? **1**

(d) Which word in the passage means the same as ‘drank very small quantity at a time’ ? **1**

14. Answer the following question in about 80 words. **6 marks**

How do you usually understand the idea of ‘selfishness’ ? Do you agree with Kisa Gotami that she was being ‘selfish in her grief’ ? Give reasons.

**OR**

What does courage mean to Mandela ? How did he learn the meaning of courage ?

18. Answer the following question in about 100 words : **4 marks**

How did the hack driver sketch the character of Lutkins ?

**OR**

What impression do you form of Ausable as a secret agent after reading the story, “The Midnight Visitor”?



## ANSWERS

DELHI (Set-I)

Code No. 2/1/1

## Section A

**Ans. 1. (a)** October November is the right time to pay a visit to Bhutan.

**(b)** Its blue skies, magnificent snow views, crisp mountain air and remarkable well preserved centre of Buddhist culture are worth enjoying.

**(c)** Traffic policemen stand on highly decorated boxes. They use exaggerated but elegant gestures to guide it.

**(d)** Goat antelope, known as Takin is Bhutan's National animal. It is mainly seen at the mini zoo.

**(e)** According to the legend this large and certainly strange looking animal was created by the 15th century saint, lama Drukpa Kinley to prove his magical prowess.

**(f)** Indian nationals do not need Visas to travel to Bhutan.

**(g)** (i) appropriate  
(ii) Beautiful.

**(h)** (i) Gestures  
(ii) Spires

**Ans. 2. (a)** At the age of 34, her goal was to become the first woman to swim from Catalina Island to the California Coast.

**(b)** The people witnessed her performance on the television.

**(c)** Alongside, Florence is one of the boats, her mother and her trainer offered encouragement, by telling her that the goal wasn't much farther.

**(d)** It was the dense fog that made her quit when she had only half a mile to go.

**(e)** She succeeded the second time with her goal clearly pictured in her mind. She knew that somewhere behind the fog was land.

**(f)** She became the first woman to swim the Catalina channel, eclipsing the men's record by 2 hours.

## Section B

**Ans. 3.** 537 DDA Flats

Prashant Vihar,

Delhi.

Dated 13 April, 2009

Dear Amit,

I have just received your letter. From your letter, I got the impression that you are not regular and often missed your class in the new school. From your letter I got the impression that you are spending all your time in watching T.V. There is nothing hidden. You have shocked me by having failed miserably in English and Maths.

Dear brother, excess of everything is bad. It will not only hinder you academically but also morally and in practical life too. You should rather read more

and more books to keep yourself up to date. You very well know that books are man's best friends. You are also advised to avoid company of those students who bunk off classes. I hope you will act upon my advice from today.

With best wishes

Yours lovingly

Arun

OR

P-37

Suman Apartments,

New Delhi

Dated 13th April, 2009

The Commissioner

Traffic Police, Delhi

May I draw your kind attention towards the injuries and deaths taking place due to underage driving. Almost everyday we get to hear of accidents caused by rash driving. The number of vehicles are growing day by day as young teenagers are seen driving the vehicles carelessly. They don't even follow the traffic rules. This results in serious accidents : Despite all this, the Municipal authorities have taken no action to ensure that this problem is drafted with an urgent basis. No attention has been given to solve this problem. These youngsters often obstruct traffic, leading to traffic jams and many a time small vehicle owners receive fatal injuries after colliding with them.

So I sincerely hope you will give this matter due attention so as to ensure safety to motorists on the city roads.

Your sincerely

Abhinav.

#### Ans. 4. Junk Food—A Health Hazard

In cities children are getting fond of junk food and soft drinks. They are not even bothered to take proper meals at proper time. They never think that such food and drinks prove a real health hazard. They developed constipation as obesity, fatness which, in turn, leads to many diseases. They often become the victims of cholera, dysentery, diabetes, heart disease etc. It has really grown up among school children. The number of such children is increasing day by day. The health conscious authorities should invariably be it in the school simultaneously encouraging them to take healthy fresh food. The health concerned authorities should regularly visit and lay importance on eating such food and should tell them the advantages of having such food in their daily routine. Student must be told about the harm caused by eating fast food. No fast food must be allowed in the school canteen. All these steps will really help the students to avoid having junk fast food. It will make them healthy and happy.

### Water Pollution in Yamuna

The existence of man has posed a great threat to his survival as he can't keep his surroundings neat and clean. Today the pollution has endangered us in all respects. People used to throw all the waste water of their localities and make the flow into a big storm water drain. This drain falls into the main river as a result of which the water gets polluted. Even the flowing water of the river is too polluted to be used because all the garbage, fifth and rubbish are directly thrown into the river. Which doing such an action, we should keep in mind the fact that consumption of that polluted water will resultantly harm us by causing the diseases like dysentery, vomiting, gastro enteritis cholera, asthma etc. Municipal authorities need to take some strict steps in order to overcome this problem of pollution. Common people should be made aware of the fact that what are the harmful effects of polluting Yamuna. Some penalties should be made to pay if someone is found polluting the river. Then only Yamuna can retain its old glory. Throwing of garbage and waste should be banned.

**Ans. 5.**

### International Day for Peace and Non-Violence A Report

**23rd Nov. :** On the 2nd of October this year on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti our school organized a visit to Raj Ghat the samadhi of our Father of Nation. On this day, Mahatma Gandhi was born at Porbunder in Gujarat. The peace loving, kind natured and a great supporter of non violence, this man has a great respect all over the world. All the students learnt how to spin charkha. Later on, during the function few of the eminent Gandhian gave lectures on the principles laid down by him. Student were told to follow these principles in order to lead a happy life. All the students of our school took pledge to follow the ideas and principle of this great man.

Deepak  
Secretary

Ahimsa Club

Rishabh Public School, Delhi

*Or*

### Importance of Yogasans

#### A Report

**14th April 2009 :** Last Sunday the Yoga camp was organised in our school. The student of senior and junior wing presented the yogasans. Few eminent experts delivered the lectures on the importance of yogasans, pranayam, meditation, food etc. Doing regular meditation keeps us tension free. Yogasan and pranayam keeps our body fit and flexible. One feel fresh and looks happy after performing these activities. The yoga camp was a great success. Almost all the students took pledge to perform these activities

in their daily routine. During the camp it was also told to take fresh food and with in a limit. Finally our P.T.I. sir gave a short note of Thanks to the organizers of Yoga Camp.

### Section C

**Ans. 6.**

- |            |   |       |
|------------|---|-------|
| (a) a      | — | an    |
| (b) or     | — | and   |
| (c) beings | — | being |
| (d) an     | — | the   |
| (e) bird   | — | birds |
| (f) in     | — | on    |

**Ans. 7.** (a) to visit

(b) standing

(c) to have

(d) playing

**Ans. 8.** (a) if there was anything

(b) That she was preparing his lunch

(c) It would be ready in just 10 minutes.

**Ans. 9.** (a) Her mother made a big cake on that occasion.

(b) Ishita invited many friends to the party

**Ans. 10.** (a) Allowed Antony to speak

(b) was addressed by Antony

(c) Were aroused to revolt.

**Ans. 11.** (a) treatment

(b) favourite

(c) reception

(d) winning

### Section D

**Ans. 12.** (a) Fig tree

(b) He named it the Bo tree.

(c) He named it so because it gave him enlightenment.

(d) He gave his first sermon at the city of Benaras.

(e) dipping places.

**Ans. 13.** (a) 'I' is the pilot of the Dekota aeroplane.

(b) 'Sleeping countryside' means the people of the country were sleeping.

(c) He was flying his old Dakota aeroplane over France back to England.

(d) He was thinking of his holiday and looking forward to being with his family.

(e) Looking forward.

**Ans. 14.** Lencho's cornfield was totally destroyed by the haistorm. Not a leaf remained on the trees. All flowers, it were gone from the plants. Lencho had nothing to live on, but he had deep faith in God. He was certain that God will help him. And he did write a letter to god for help. He experienced that God sent the money he asked for, but the employer of post office cheated and took away 30 Pesos. Lencho never thought that God would not sent him the full money.

*Or*

Keesing was Anne's Maths teacher. Anne used to talk much in the class. So one day he gave her an

essay as a punishment for it. It was to be written by her on "A Chatterbox". She wrote it. But she did not stop talking as it was hereditary. Then Mr. Keesing gave Anne another essay as a punishment. It was on 'An Incurable Chatterbox'. Still Anne could not be silent. Mr Keesing gave her the third essay as a punishment. It was to be on Suack, Quack, Duack.

**Ans. 15.** (a) The title of the play is suitable. The whole story revolves around the title of the play, "The Proposal". Stephen is sitting in the drawing room Lomov enters. He is well dressed. Stephen rises to greet him he asked him the reason to be well dressed. Lomov take his arm and requests to give a trouble Stephen asked him later to be clear in his aim. He requests that he has come to ask the hand of his daughter Natalya in marriage. This was the proposal. So we can say that the title of the play is suitable.

(b) The young seagull was afraid to fly because he thought that his wings were too weak to support him so he was scared to fly. Also, he was timid and could not muster up courage to fly. Some birds are more timid than others as the young seagull in the story was.

**Ans. 16.** (a) He stands for the tiger.

(b) He snarl around the jungle' edge.

(c) He does it to terrorise the people of the village.

(d) The whole village fears from the tiger but the tiger cannot harm the villagers as it is inside the cell.

*Or*

(a) The roots are in the veranda floor.

(b) The roots are trying to separate themselves from the cracks in the veranda floor.

(c) The cracks have appeared in the veranda floor inside the room.

**Ans. 17.** (a) "Ice" stands for hatred. It is growing with enormous speed. If we don't stop it from growing the world will perish very soon. So we must restrain our desires and love our fellow beings.

(b) 'They' in these lines stand for the animals. They are different from human beings because they are always satisfied. They do not possess the mania of possessing things. They are equal in sorrow and happiness.

(c) The poet compares the fog with the cat because both of them come silently, slowly, suddenly and gradually, leaves without making any kind of noise. The fog sits and goes on falling and looking silently over the harbours and cities. Personification is a poetic device used here.

**Ans. 18.** Anil was a freelance writer. He used to write for magazines to earn his living. He usually spent the money lavishly with his friends when he got it. Anil was a man of easy going nature. Hari Singh had gone with a purpose to steal but the goodness of Anil transformed a thief into a good person. He returns and puts the money back under the mattress. The desire to become big man, a clever and reputed man was something which made him return. In this way, Anil was able to transform Hari's character. By heart Hari Singh was a good fellow. His conscience

pricks him and make him change into a good human being.

*Or*

Ebright's mother always encouraged him. She was his best companion who bought all kinds of instruments needed. She encouraged his interest in learning. She took him on tips, bought him telescope, microscope, cameras, mounting materials and other equipments that helped him in many ways. When E. bright does not win anything, he had learned that the winner had tried to show real experiments. All this he learnt from her mother. Ebright's mother got him a book titled 'The Travels of Monarch X'. This book told him how monarch's butterflies migrate to Central America. So in this way we find that her mother helped him in each and every step.

**Ans. 19.** (a) Pumphrey was deeply worried when Tricki turned listless. He had lost interest in appetite. His eyes were blood red. All these were the cause of worry for Mrs. Pumphrey. So she called Dr. Herriot to take care of Tricki. Mr. Pumphrey sent all delicacies such as eggs for breakfast, wine and brandy were also sent. Her tears were real ones as she is sad due to Tricki's departure. Everyday she used to make phone calls at the surgeon.

(b) The two boys in London were surprised because Griffin happened to step in some mud. As a result his foot prints were left behind as he walked. Two boys were surprised by the foot prints without feet. They followed the foot marks. However, Griffin easily dodged them.

**Ans. 20.** Horace Danby was an expert lock-maker. He had stolen jewels fifteen years ago. He used to rob a safe once a year. On an average, it shows that he was skilled and experienced lock-breaker. Therefore, it was not difficult for him to open the safe. He had lived with locks and safes all his life.

*Or*

Ramlal had placed five thousand rupees at Bishamber's feet. It made Bholi furious with cold contempt. She considered Bishamber, the lame old man as mean, greedy, contemptible, coward and a heartless creature. She refused to get married. So the marriage did not take place.

□□

**DELHI (Set-II)**

**Code No. 2/1/2**

**Ans. 8.** (a) That she had problem.

(b) if he would please.

(c) what the problem was.

**Ans. 9.** (a) The monkey ran into the bedroom.

(b) My father came into the room with a stick.

**Ans. 13.** (a) Wanda usually sat in the next to the last seat in the last row of the room 13.

(b) Wanda was a poor girl. She lived at Boggin's heights. She was very quiet and said nothing at all.

(c) She sat there because her shoes used to be caked with mud.

(d) Unusually.

**Ans. 14.** The great expanse of sea stretched down for miles together. It terrified the young sea gull. The seagull was afraid that his wings would not support him. Then he could not gather up the courage to fly. The young seagulls parents left him alone without any food. The mother took the fish and started eating first within his sight. The young sea gull implored the mother to give him some. She came flying very near to him but did not give him any fish. Too anxious to get the food he dived but fell down and screamed. He opened his feathers and flopped them. He thus finally shattered his fear and started flying.

Valli was a Tamil girl of eight years. She was very much curious about things. She had no playmates. So standing in the doorway of her house had become her past time. She was a clever girl. She watched what was happening in the street outside. Thus, she got many unusual experiences. She was very much fascinated for the bus ride. It was an unending joy for her.

**Ans. 18.** (a) Griffin was a brilliant scientist. He has discovered how to make human body invisible. His discovery could be used for useful purposes, but he misused it. For example, he stole things from a big London store. He stole clothes etc. from there. Then he attacked the shopkeeper from behind and robbed him of his money.

At the village inn, Griffin broke into the clergyman's house and stole his money. When he saw the landlord and his wife in his room, he attacked the landlord. Later he became furious when the landlady wanted to know about his mysterious behaviour. As a result, he threw away his clothes and become invisible. When the constable tried to arrest him, he knocked him unconscious.

*Or*

(b) Matilda lost the necklace which she had borrowed from her friend. Matilda and her husband decided to replace it. The necklace costed 36,000 francs. So they had to borrow the money on high interest. Now their life took a turn. They rented some rooms in an attic. They removed the servant. Matilda started doing household work herself. She washed the floor, utensils and dirty clothes. She did marketing. Her husband worked in the evening and late nights. He arranged books of merchants and copied pages. They spent 10 years of their life in hell. Only then they were able to pay the borrowed amount.

□□

**DELHI (Set-III)**

**Code No. 2/1/3**

**Ans. 8.** (a) Why her flat remained locked.

(b) They had shifted to a rented house.

(c) They were getting.

**Ans. 9.** (a) Seven fake licences were recovered from their possession.

(b) They had been running this racket for many years.

**Ans. 13.** (a) The children regard a baker as their friend in the childhood.

(b) Second time the baker used to return after emptying his huge basket.

(c) The jingling thud of his bamboo made the children wake up from sleep.

(d) The children longed for bread bangles.

(e) Longed for.

**Ans. 14.** Mijbil was an otter. In the beginning he was neither friendly nor unfriendly. He simply kept a little distance. He slept on the floor as far away from the narrator's bed as possible. On the second night, he lost indifference and began to take a keen interest in his surroundings. Mijbil came to author's bed in the small hours and remained asleep in the crook of his knees until the servant brought tea in the morning and during the day he lost his apathy and take a keen, much too keen interest in his surroundings.

*Or*

He pledged to liberate his people from the continuing bondage of poverty, deprivation, suffering, gender and other discriminations. He promised never to let his country experience the oppression again.

**Ans. 18.** The narrator had been sent to New Mullion to serve summons on a man named Oliver Lukins. When he reached there he was disappointed to find streets were rivers of mud, with rows of wooden shops. No, the narrator did not succeed in his mission because the hack driver himself was Lutkins. He befooled the narrator in one way or the other. He took the lawyer to several places. The young lawyer wasted the whole and comes back with no result. In fact, we can say that he behaved in a very timid manner. He stood hidden behind the hack driver and did not even try to talk once to the villagers.

*Or*

Ausable was a clever secret agent when he entered his room he found another person from another organisation in his room. Ausable did not lose his calm. He made up a false story. He said that it was the second time, someone had entered his room through the balcony under the window. Max took the story to be true. It becomes a convincing story due to the simplicity and ease with which Ausable behaves. He does not even panic on finding a pistol in the hand of Max. If Ausable had not acted smartly, Max would not have believed him. The story has turned into a different one.

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**Outside DELHI (Set-I)**

**Code No. 2/1**

**Section A**

**Ans. 1.** See Q. No. 1 of Delhi set I.

**Ans. 2.** See Q. No. 2 of Delhi set I.

**Section B**

**Ans. 3.** 132, Vijay Complex

Mayur Vihar,

Delhi.

Dated 8th April, 2009

Dear Sharad,

I hope you are in the best of your spirits in Shimla, I was very happy to know that you have succeeded in getting top position in the school.

Now, the great news for you. My sister has got engaged and very soon she will get married and most probably in the coming summer vacations. As you know I am the only son in my family there will be a lot of work which need to get complete with in a short span of time. So I want your help at each and every corner. I want you to be totally free at least for a week for the occasion. You very well know I can't rely on any body else.

I kindly request you to do me the favour. Convey my heartiest regard to uncle and aunt and love to younger ones. Waiting for a word from you.

Your loving friend  
Kamal

Or

15,  
Mansarovar Apartments  
Delhi  
Dated 8 April, 2009  
The Chief Engineer  
Public Work Department,  
Delhi.

**Sub : To repair the road to prevent risk to the people**

Sir,

Through the esteemed letter I want to draw your kind attention towards the spoil roads of our locality.

The roads of our locality were repaired a few months back. The first rain of the monsoon resulted in deep pits at several places. It means that the roads were not repaired in a better way. The risk of accidents during the rainy season after seeing the bad condition of the road has increased a lot. It has become totally impossible for the people to move on the M.G.Road. The condition is becoming worst day to day.

So, I kindly request the concerned authorities to look into the matter and take certain necessary steps which might prove beneficial for the society. It will surely help to prevent risk to the people.

Thanking you

Yours Faithfully  
Kartik

**Ans. 4. Air Pollution**  
**An Article**

We are living in the age of pollution. Everything around us is polluted. The air we breath in, the food we eat, the water we drink, all are polluted. These days the air pollution has increased so much that human existence is in danger. Cars, motorbikes and other vehicles have been increasing day by day. All these growing number of vehicles emit smoke which is degrading the environment by causing pollution

not only in big cities but also in small towns and even on the hill slopes. Industrial wastage coming out of the chimneys also emit smoke and is one of the major factor that causes Air Pollution. It has given rise to many diseases. Atmosphere has become choked. It needs to be rectified as soon as possible. Govt, should take strict measures to eradicate this growing problem. It is must so that the environment looks clean and green and we all are able to take fresh air.

Or

**The Importance of Morning Assembly**

Morning Assembly during the start of the school is one of the major gathering during the school hours. In true sense, the day in school begins with it. It is one of the most important parts of school activities. During the morning assembly the presence of all students and teachers bring dignity. It really creates an admiring environment. It inculcates discipline, punctuality, good conduct, cleanliness etc. There are many activities being organised during the morning assembly. It includes activities, such as speeches, cultural items, news reading, One word substitution, thought of day and many others. It encourages all the students to participate in these activities and give their best. Morning Assembly sets the real tone or we can say the healthy atmosphere for the whole day.

**Ans. 5. Cadets Training Camp**

**A Report**

24th March, 2009 N.C.C. Cadets of our school participated in a training camp which was organised in D.E.I. institute Guwahati. About 60 NCC Cadets participated in the training camp. Activities of the participants included swimming, riding, long jump, rock climbing, shooting and many other daring activities. The training camp helped the cadets in developing qualities, such as discipline, self confidence, spirit of adventure, developed during the training period. In real sense the training camp was a grand success for the cadets of our school. We all decided to organise such kind of camps at regular intervals for moral boost up and to get confidence for performing dare devil act.

Raman

Senior Cadet NCC

Arunodaya S. Sec. School,  
Guwahati

Or

**World Child Labour Day**

**A Report**

Last week, on behalf of the World Child Labour day, our school worked for the cause of those children who are unable to live a decent life. These children work as a labourer. They are cleaners on roads, at roadside enteries, in hazardous industries. The students of our school formed a group of ten students and went in their local areas to see the real condition of these children, how they work as a labourer in these pitiable and unhygenic conditions. Students told them how to live a healthy life and why

it is necessary. They also talked to them about their problems and discussed to overcome them. Students of our school also laid stress that they should give some time to study and become literate. This will help them to know about the outside world. Students distributed free books and other study material to them. They also assured these labourers to come and teach them during the free timings. They also fed them properly. The students really saw the satisfaction and happiness. Over these poor and needy children. It was really a wonderful experience for the students as well as the labourers.

Head Boy  
Manoj  
Mamta Sr. Sec.School.  
Sarojini Nagar,  
New Delhi

### Section C

- Ans. 6.** (a) Near - nearly  
(b) he - they  
(c) learning - learn  
(d) quick - quickly  
(e) a - the  
(f) being - be

**Ans. 7.** (a) to know

- (b) Printing  
(c) Selling  
(d) Pirated.

**Ans. 8.** (a) That his father has decided to give him a bike.

- (b) it was a wonderful news.  
(c) that they would go.

**Ans. 9.** (a) He lives a very simple life as a monk.

- (b) He sleeps for about six hours a day.

**Ans. 10.** (a) Were sent

- (b) Was also used by people for this purpose  
(c) Were made

**Ans. 11.** (a) important

- (b) fun  
(c) Mainly  
(d) national.

### Section D

**Ans. 12.** (a) The postman himself delivered the letter to Lencho.

(b) In the meantime the postmaster experienced the contentment of a man who had performed a good deed, looked on from his office.

(c) 'Good deed' referred here is the help provided by the postmaster i.e. sending seventy pesos to Lencho.

(d) Lencho was not surprised on seeing the money because he was a confident man. Secondly, he had faith in God.

- (e) Contentment

**Ans. 13.** (a) When Anne is with friends she can only think of having a good time.

(b) Anne cannot bring herself to talk about anything but ordinary everyday things when she is with friends and they don't seem to be able to get any closer than they already are.

(c) Her inability to confide in her friends is the main reason for her to start writing a diary.

**Ans. 14.** The pilot of the old Dakota was lost in the black storm clouds. Suddenly he spotted another plane which had no light on its wings. The pilot of that plane signalled the Dakota to follow him. The plane turned towards the north and the first pilot followed. After an hour the first pilot was left with fuel for just about five minutes. Now he was frightened. Then the black aeroplane started moving down. The first pilot followed it and finally came out of the clouds. Just ahead of him, the first pilot saw the lights of the runway but the aeroplane that he had followed just disappeared.

*Or*

Coorg is home to evergreen forests, pines and coffee plantations. The evergreen forests cover thirty percent of this district. The season of joy, as it is called, starts from September and continues till March. The weather at this time is perfect, with just the right measures of rain. The air breathes of invigorating coffee. Coffee estates and colonial bungalows stand under tree canopies prime corners. Even the most relaxed person becomes converts to the lift of high-energy adventure with river rafting, canoeing, rappelling, rock climbing and mountain climbing. Numerous walking trails in this region are a favourite with trekkers.

**Ans. 15.** (a) The play 'The Proposal' is all about Chubukov's request to Lomonov for getting his daughter's marriage to him (Chubukov), Chubukov has often helped Lomonov with money whenever he requested for it. So he thinks and suspects that Lomonov will ask for money. But this time the case is different. He requests a proposal to get Natalya's hand in his since long, Chubukov has been considering Lomonov as a suitable match for his daughter. Finding fault in his favour, Chubukov changes uses sweet words and becomes ready to hand over the hand of his daughter in Lomonov's

(b) Wanda used to sit in the next to the last seat in the last row in room thirteen in the corner where the rough boys who did not make good marks used to sit. Nobody exactly knew why she used to sit on that seat, may be because she used to come from Boggings Heights and her feet were caked with dry mud.

(c) The young seagull was afraid to fly with his brother and sisters because the young seagull thought that his wings were too weak to support him so he was scared to fly. Also he was timid and could not muster up courage to fly.

**Ans. 16.** (a) The characters in this stanza are little black kitten, little grey mouse, little yellow dog and the dragon.

(b) 'She' is a girl named Belinda who lived in a little white house.

The dragon was a coward and she called him custard.

*Or*

(a) 'The dust of snow' is cold dry and gloomy weather of winter season.

(b) The crow shook it down.

(c) In real sense 'the dust of snow stands for sadness and gloomy nature in one's life. It shows that when you are sad you can't imagine of sweet and beautiful things.

(d) 'Hemlock' is a poisonous tree with bitter fruit. It represents the dark and bitter side of the nature.

**Ans. 17.** (a) 'Tiger' is referred to here. He expresses his anger quietly as the tiger feels helpless to do anything for he is confined to the cage. The word quiet is contrast, with the condition of the tiger in the cage that (in his quiet rage) which means the anger, frustration that animal must be having is silent *i.e.*, within himself.

(b) The speaker is Amanda. Yes, she is an orphan. She says so because she wants to enjoy her life with great joy and happiness.

(c) The poet compares their branches with newly discharged patients who are leaving from the hospitals. In the same way branches are stiff because they try to move ahead. They have become stiff due to tiredness.

**Ans. 18.** Griffin's scientific discovery was misused by him. Being a lawless person he used his discovery to trouble other people. When his landlord in London tried to eject him he set fire to the Landlord's house, I revenge and then he became invisible so that he could get away without being seen. He never used his discovery for a constructive purpose but always misused it to escape after committing an unlawful act. He troubled and harassed people after becoming invisible. He evades arrest, after knocking down the village constable jaffers by becoming invisible. So the saying – 'Science is a good servant but a bad master' is truly applicable to Griffin's scientific discovery.

*Or*

Though Mrs. Pumphrey was Tricki's loving and caring mistress, her love and care did more harm than good for Tricki. She pampered him incessantly and over-fed him making him fat like a bloated sausage. She did not realise that her over-caring and over-loving attitude towards Tricki was making him sick. She felt she was looking after him not realising that she was pampering him. It is ironical that in her loving care Tricki became sick and it was only after he was taken away from her, did he recover. This goes to prove that excess of any emotion can be not only harmful but absolutely criminal for anyone.

**Ans. 19.** Hari Singh, the thief did not lack expe-

rience because of his young age. He was a successful thief at the age of fifteen. He chose Anil as his next victim. Anil behaved in a normal way. All these Act made the thief feel that he had been for- given.

*Or*

When Elbright does not win anything at a Science fair, he learned that the winner had tried to show real experiments. So he decided to do a real experiment. He thought that to do something in real is must in order to win anything at a Science Fair.

**Ans. 20.** The loss of the diamond necklace made Monsieur Loisel go out into the cold night minutes after returning from the ball. No, he was not successful in his errand.

*Or*

The twentieth century book was called " The Era of the Book" because in those days book had everything from ant eaters to Zulus.

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**Outside DELHI (Set-II)**

**Code No. 2/2**

**Section A**

**Ans. 1.** See Q. No. 1 of Delhi set I.

**Ans. 2.** See Q. No. 2 of Delhi set I.

**Section B**

**Ans. 8.** (a) not to pull the cat's tail

(b) it would hurt the cat.

(c) He was not doing anything.

**Ans. 9.** (a) He is a passionate animal lover.

(b) He campaigned to free caged birds.

**Ans. 13.** (a) When the author entered his bedroom he noticed Mijbil's tail disappearing round the bend of the corridor that led to the bathroom.

(b) He went to the bathroom.

(c) He was trying to open the tap.

In less than a minute's time he had turned the tap far enough to produce a trickle of water. This act of Mijbil surprised the author.

(e) Amazed.

**Ans. 14.** Wanda was different from other children as she did not have any friends. She had a funny name, she came to school and went back home alone. She always wore a faded blue dress that didn't hang right and had never been ironed properly. She liked watching small girls playing hapschach. She used to sit in the last row in room thirteen in the corner where the rough boys who did not make good marks used to sit. Nobody knew exactly why she used to sit on that seat.

*Or*

(1) Valli was a Tamil girl of eight years. She had no playmates. It was her favourite past time to stand on the front door doorway of her house. She watched what was hapenning in the street-outside. She had the keenest desire to have a bus ride. She listened the conversation between her neighbours and the people who were regular bus commuters.

(2) Valli was a clever girl. She was calculating the time needed for the trip. The trip of the town took forty five minutes. She took the afternoon bus of one o'clock. She would return by two forty five.

(3) Valli was a smart girl, she always had a superiority complex in her mind. She did not want to call herself a child. On hearing herself as a child, she pleaded that she was no child. She had paid thirty paise like every one else.

Valli was a superior girl. She highly disliked the elderly women for her big holes in the ears. The earrings were very ugly. She was chewing the betel nut. Its juice could fall at any moment. She was putting irrelevant questions to Valli.

(5) Valli was a wise girl, she was a wise girl. She saved her every penny to have a ride in the bus. She resisted every temptation to buy balloons, toys paper mints and so on.

**Ans. 18.** Bholi's parents thought her to be very simple. Everybody could be fool her. So she was nick named Bholi. She was ugly. She had lack of sense. She was an obedient daughter. Since childhood She had accepted everything without questioning. Her parents were worried about her marriage. When Bholi went to school she got a guide in her teacher there. She inspired and encouraged her at each and every step. This experience changed her attitude and life. She filled her with confidence and courage. It was really her teacher who shaped her character.

*Or*

Horrace robbed a safe every year which was enough to last for twelve months. He planned his robbery very meticulously. For two weeks he had been studying the complex situation of the house at shat over Gange. In the magozine he had read the situation of rooms, electric wires, paths and its garden. He had studies the detailed plan of the drawing room. He had seen the housekeeper hang the key. He had even learnt the name of the dog. He was a planned thief who had always studied the minutes details. He had studied the details of the shot over Grange and knew that family lived in London so he did not have the slightest idea of going wrong.

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**Outside DELHI (Set-III) Code No. 2/3**

**Ans. 8.** (a) That Anita's mother was seriously ill.  
(b) What had happened to her.  
(c) She had complained of chest pain the day before yesterday.

**Ans. 9.** (a) The battle was first fought in 1526.  
(b) Ibrahim Lodhi was defeated by Babar in that battle.

**Ans. 13.** (a) Rajvir and Pranjal are referred to as 'They'.

(b) Tea is the hot liquid.

(c) "Do you know that over eighty crore cups of tea are drunk everyday through out the world ?" This statement of Rajvir points out to the popularity of tea.

(d) Pranjal once again started reading his detective book.

(e) Sipped.

**Ans. 14.** We generally understand the idea of 'Selfishness' with the point of thinking of only our own ends, benefits, purpose, motives and so on. We fail to take a wider prospective of thinking benefit for others in this chapter kissa Gotami is selfish in her grief. She goes from house to house for the medicine to save her child but there is no alternative. At the advice of the Buddha, she again visits but no result. She tries and sees the lights flickering and exting ing. The wisdom prevails on her. She then realises that she is very selfish in her grief.

*Or*

His comrade taught him what courage meant. It is not the absence of fear but victory over it. No one is born hating nother on the basis of colour of skin or religion. He believed in the theory if one can learn to hate then why not learn to love which comes naturally. He believed in the goodness of man that never dies the brave is not he who does not feel afraid but he who conquers that fear. Mandela learned the meaning of courage from his comrades.

**Ans. 18.** Lutkins openly as hack driver, drives the laywer all over the village He takes him to so many places such as the Beinckis Gustaff's barber shop, Gray's barber shop, poolroom and his mother's farmyard, Hack driver was a clever fellow who had bargained at the rate of two dollars, an hour. He himself talks low of Lutkins who owes money to many. The Hack driver called Lutkins as a good for nothing fellow. He had a craze for playing poker. He owed to many. He was skilled in the act of duping others. He was known for his dishonesty. Each time he tells a new story about Lutkins. In this way he changes his fare and befools the young lawyers. He makes him the subject of mockery.

*Or*

Ausable is an important character of the story 'The Midnight Visitor'. He is a very fat man. He lives in a French hotel on the top floor. There is an American accent in his spoken language. He is an American spy. He lives very simply. When he goes in his room with flower, he finds Max in the room. He has a pistol in his hand. He threatens Ausable to hand over the report about new missiles to him. At that time also Ausable does not lose courage. He is calm. With his wit, he gets rid of a big problem. In this way we see that Ausable is a very intelligent and clever person. He is physically fat but not mentally.

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