

Class-X English**Time allowed: Three Hours****Paper-1****Maximum Marks : 90****Section-A (Objective Type Questions)****1. Attempt the following : (10 Marks)****A. Answer The Following questions :**

- 1) Why did the swallow put up between the feet of the Happy Prince ?
- 2) What Should be the ultimate aim of science ?
- 3) Which is the greatest day in any individual's life ?

B. Write True or False against each statement 2

- i. Sir Pertab Singh Was the King of Jaipur.
- ii. Lawyer Tolman gave the money to Robert Gillian.

C. Choose the Correct options : 2

(i) Phatik Chakravatri was the amongst the boys of the village.

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| (a) wisest | (b) ugliest |
| (c) ringleader | (d) only idiot |

(ii) Terry had never seen a tree growing in life.

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| (a) mango | (b) guava |
| (c) birch | (d) christmas |

(d) Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the words in brackets 3

- (i) She can't bear (live) away from her children.
- (ii) How long do you expect (stay) in Agra ?
- (iii) She is sick (by\of) your company.

Section-B (Reading Skills)**2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : (10 Marks)**

Ashoka , the most trusted son of Bindusera and the grandson of Chandragupta Maurya, was a brave soldier. He was the most famous of the Mauryan Kings and was one of the greatest rulers of india. Ashoka extended the Maurya Empire to the whole of India, reaching out even into central Asia. Ashoka succeeded in conquering Kalinga after a bloody war in which 100,000 men were killed,

150,000 were injured and thousands were captured and retained as slaves. The sight of the slaughter involved in his conquest deeply affected his mind. He renounced war and sought peace in Buddha's preachings of love and non-violence. So he gave up hunting.

- (a) What was the name of Ashoka's grandfather ?
- (b) What happened in the war of Kalinga ?
- (c) Complete the following sentences :
 - (i) Ashoka was one of the
 - (ii) For Ashoka, the war of Kalinga was a
- (d) Match the word in column A with their meanings in column B :

A	B
Renounced	well-known
Famous	gave up

Or

Read the poem given below and answer the questions that follow :

Stone Walls Do Not A Prison Make :

Stone walls do not a prison make
 Nor iron bars a cage :
 Mind's innocence and quietude
 That form a hermitage.
 If I have freedom in my love,
 And in my soul am free,
 Angels alone that soar above
 Enjoy such liberty.

- (a) what does not make a prison ?
- (b) According to the poet, what does not make a cage ?
- (c) Which quality of the mind makes a hermitage ?
- (d) Match the words in column A with their meanings in column B :

A	B
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Prison	spirit
soar	freedom
soul	jail
liberty	rise

Section-c (Textbook)

Main coursebook (prose)

3. (a) Answer any three of the following questions in 15-20 word each : (3*3=9 marks)

- (i) What are machines doing for the humans ?
- (ii) What did Della think when she looked at herself in the mirror ?
- (iii) What rewards did the three goddesses promise Paris ?
- (iv) How were oceans and seas formed ?
- (v) What was the intruding passenger talking of ?

(b) Answer the following question in 30-50 words : (5 marks)

Why can't Shylock take Antonio's pound of flesh ? (The Merchants of Venice)

Or

Write a note on the character of Iona Potapov. (The Grief)

Supplementary Reader

4. Answer any four of the following questions in 25-30 words each : (12 marks)

- (a) Who was Robert Harding ? Who lived with him ? (A Vine on a House)
- (b) Why did Subbiah ask the man to wait ? What reason did he give ? (Half a Rupee Worth)
- (c) Did Smith welcome Watson calling on him ? How do you know ? (The Dying Detective)
- (d) Which suggestion did Gillian accept ? What did he do then ? (One Thousand Dollars)
- (e) Who knocked at the door gently ? What did the bacteriologist do then ? (The Stolen Bacillus)
- (f) Why was the boy called 'Sausage' ? (Return to Air)

Main Coursebook (Poetry)

5. (a) Answer any two of the following questions after reading the stanza : (6marks)

Sweet are the use of adversity,
 Which, like the toad, ugly and venomous,
 Wears yet a precious jewel in his head :
 And this our life, exempt from public haunt,
 Finds tongues in trees, books in the runnings brooks,
 Sermons in stones, and good in everythink :
 I would not change it.

1. What does the speaker compare adversity with ?
2. What is the life in the woods free from ?
3. What does the speaker say about the life in the woods ?

(b) Answer the following in 30-50 words: (3 marks)

What does the expression 'scythe and spade' stand for ? (Death the Le Leveller)

Or

What is the 'toil and trouble' that the poet refers to ? (The Table Turned)

Section-D (Vocabulary & Grammar)

6. Attempt the following :

(a) Fill in the blanks with suitable words from those given in the brackets : (4 marks)

(i) He is opening the garden (gate,gait)

(ii) If a man is not , he can hardly expect to succeed . (industrious ,industrial)

(b) Use the following idioms in sentences of your own :

(i) At a stretch (ii) Call it a day.

(c) Correct the following sentences :

Each of the guests must bring their own card.

(d) Give one word for the following :

(i) Something that can be heard.

(ii) A thing that can be broken easily.

7. Do as directed : (12 marks)

(a) Fill in the blanks with suitable Determiners :

India is (i) country. We are proud of (ii) rich heritage. There are (iii) Languages spoken in (iv) country.

(b) Fill in the blanks with suitable Modals given in the brackets :

(i) He..... Be rich , but he is very cruel. (will / may)

(ii) we..... Show respect to our elders. (ought to / can)

(c) Fill in the blanks with suitable Prepositions :

(i) His house is situated..... front of the post office.

(ii) A drowning man catches a straw.

(d) Change the voice

(i) What cannot be cured must be endured.

(ii) It was hoped that he would pass.

(e) Change the Narration :

(i) He said to me, "Why did you write me such an insulting letter ?"

(ii) Krishna said, "Let's do our duty and not run after the reward."

(f) Combine the following sets of sentences, using a Non-finite verb :

(i) Mohan is trying. He wants follow Gandhiji.

(ii) You should not blow horn near a hospital. It is forbidden.

Section-E (Writing Skills)

8. (a) You are Tanbir Singh, living at G-312, Adarsh Colony, Moga. Write a letter of condolence to your friend, Amrita on the death of her mother (8 marks)

Or

You are Raghu, staying at 12, Balmik Colony, Gurdaspur. Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper to create awareness among the masses about pollution hazards.

(b) Develop a paragraph using the given outline in not more than 100 words (6 marks)

Big city Fast, busy, devoid of peace Crowded and unsafe smoke Factory chimneys breathe fresh and pure air food adulterated costly rents high..... No fellow feeling peace of mind Lead contened life nothingendless Race.

Or

My hobby..... Reading books good and useful books Knowledge pleasure
.....great writers Noble things of lifebest friends endless store..... food for the
mind not very expensive..... borrow books from libraries.

(c) Read the following telephonic conversation and write the message in about 50 words :

Gulzar : Is it 8287135 ?

Sonam : Yes. Who is calling ?

Gulzar : I am Gulzar from JCT Phagwara. I would like to speak to Dhruv.

Sonam : He is not at home. I am his sister and you can give me the message.

Gulzar : Please tell him that he has been selected for the post of Junior Engineer and he must join tomorrow at 10 a.m.

Sonam : Thank You. Anything else ?

Gulzar : Yes, tell him to bring along the photocopies of his certificates.

Sonam : Sure. I'll convey your message.

Gulzar : Thank you.Bye.

Write the message for Dhruv as Sonam has to go out for dinner.

Or

Draft an advertisement for 'Chamak Detergent Powder'.