

Second Pre board Examination 2019-20

Class - 10th

Subject - Special English

Time : 03 Hours

M.Marks 100

Instruction -

1. Read all the questions carefully.
2. Answer should be complete and to the point.
3. Marks of each question are indicated against it.

Section-A  
[Reading]

Q.1 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it:

The scriptures clearly define the three qualities of Tamas, Rajas and Sattva present in all of us. Tamas is inertia or resistance to transformation. Rajas is aggressiveness, restlessness or result oriented action. Sattva is the characteristic of purity inside us.

As human beings, all of us have this quality of Sattva. Which gives us patience tolerance and establishes us in a state of utter tranquility. But our Sattvic nature has been pushed to the background. That is why we make no progress in spiritual practices like meditation. Total confusion, problems and worries are the fruits of Tamas. Lack of peace or a disturbed mind is the fruit of Rajas. Peace, happiness, and contentment are the fruits of sattva.

Our sattvic nature is given to us in the form of energy by God himself. It empowers us to cope with problems in very systematic way without affecting our mental peace or depleting our human qualities. It turns us to divinity and activates our soul. Just like we preserve food using a preservative, we should preserve our minds using the energy called Sattva. If we want to have unflinching inspiration, zeal, zest, and dynamism, we have to soak our minds in Sattva.

Questions :

- (i) Find the correct meaning of the word "inertia":
  - (a) in active all the time
  - (b) remain is the same condition.
  - (c) keep changing its status frequently
  - (d) changing its status in other's influences.      1
- (ii) Sattva comes out of us in the form of ..... (Choose any one correct option) -      1
  - (a) Peace (b) energy (c) vibration (d) mind
- (iii) find out the word used in the passage for holy writings of a religion .....      1
- (iv) A substance used for preserving, is called .....      1
- (v) What is represented by Tamas and Rajas?      2
- (vi) What happens when our sattvic nature is pushed in background?      2

Q.2 Read the following lines and answer the questions given below :

True Wealth

Knowledge is truest wealth, not this which dies  
 It cherishes a strange deep peace with in  
 Unutterably, not the robber's eyes  
 Ever shall find it out; to give it is gain,  
 It then grows most when parted with and poured,  
 With sleepless hand fills gloriously its lord.  
 Worlds perish may, Knowledge survive their fall.  
 This wise man cherish; O kings, your pride recall,  
 You have but wealth. They inner royalty  
 of lordiest wisdom. Who will these shall vie?

Questions :

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2. Match the words from column [A] to their meanings in column [B]

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| [A]          | [B]   |
| (a) Chastise | (i) to compete                                    |
| (b) Survive  | (ii) related to kings or queens                   |
| (c) Venerate | (iii) to keep fresh in memory.                    |
| (d) Regality | (iv) to live or exist after someone or something. |

- (ii) What does the knowledge bring in silently? 2  
 (iii) Is knowledge a safe treasure? Why 2

Q.5 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it.

The term Mahatma means a great soul. So, the great phrase Mahatma Gandhi means Gandhi, the great soul. At first he repudiated the title and begged his friends not to call him so. Sometimes, in the midst of severe disappointments when people called him by that exalted title he said emphatically, 'I do not wish that you should give me that honour any more I am the opposite of Mahatma I am Alpatma: But by this very act he has become great by reason of the way in which he has ordered his life. A man is to be judged by his conduct and character, and not merely by the opinion he holds or even the doctrine to which he devotes his life and the title of Mahatma rests on the greatness which he has won by his lofty character.

Of all the people that I have known he is the one that constantly subjects himself to rigorous self examination. He asks himself often during the day, "Have I said or done or thought anything which is unworthy?" and if in the course of that examination he discovers some failing some lapse on his part, he prays most humbly to the almighty that he should be saved in future from similar failings and lapses. By such a course of self examination, he has overcome one failing after another, so that now he may be regarded as an almost perfect man. But being very modest, living constantly in the presence of God and seeking to live according to his most exacting standards he calls himself a sinner. Knowing as we do, his perfect purity, his transparent honesty and his evident sincerity we cannot conceive how we can ever allow him to call himself a sinner. But he does it, because he tests himself most severely. It is not outward lapse which he condemns (that everybody does and no wonder), he condemns even lapse of thought. Stray tendencies, fleeting temptations such as pass through our mind very often indeed, in his opinion, amount to grievous sin for he wants that his character should be absolutely white, such as God will approve. It is difficult indeed for human nature to reach that standard of excellence.

Questions :

- (i) What does the word 'Mahatma' mean? 2
- (ii) What is the right way to judge a man? 2
- (iii) What does Gandhiji do for his self examination? 2
- (iv) Why can not we allow him to call himself a sinner? 2
- (v) What according to Gandhiji are grievous sins? 2
- (vi) Find out the correct word for "deny to accept" from the given options: 2
  - (a) Return (b) reclaim (c) repudiate (d) restore 1
- (vii) Find the appropriate antonym for the word "lofty": 1
  - (a) Tall (b) Giant (c) high (d) Short 1
- (viii) Give the exact word from the given option which means antonym of "We cannot see through it"..... 1
  - (a) Opaque (b) transparent (c) translucent (d) Clear 1
- (ix) Write the appropriate word for "Expressing complete disapproval" ..... 1
  - (a) Condemn (b) dislocate (c) insufficient (d) consolate 1

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Section-B

[Writing]

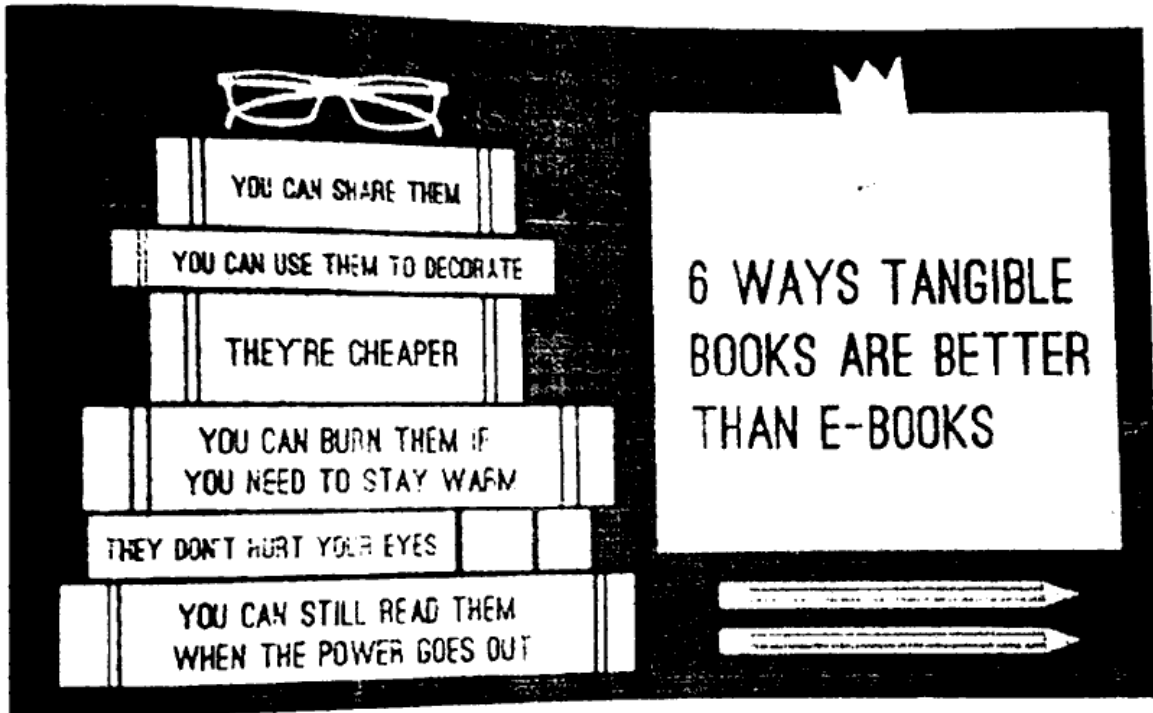
Q.4 Give an account of the "importance of obedience and discipline in a students' life." 5

OR

Write a paragraph on the importance of plantation  
Q.5 Your school is going to organize a career guidance camp to help student to chose right path to success. Write a notice to inform all the class X students under the role of secretary of student cabinet of your school. 5

OR

You are going to submit your application form to open a bank account. Write a message for your mother who is going to come from station.  
Q.6 On the basis of given visual inputs develop a write up in 100-150 words. 7



OR

Use the given clues to develop a write up in 100-150 words.

- (i) Madhubani - a style of painting
- (ii) From a village in Bihar
- (iii) Traditionally done by women.
- (iv) Make either on walls or floor.
- (v) Use rice paste on dark background.
- (vi) Stories of God and Goddess of Hindu mythology.
- (vii) Colours from natural sources like coal (soot), pollen grains, clay, indigo flower.
- (viii) Outlines are always with double lines. <http://www.mpboardonline.com>
- (ix) Borders decorated with flowers or geometrical designs.
- (x) Brush made by sharpened or flattened twigs.

Q.7 Write a letter to your sister telling her about the sports meet organized in your school. 6

OR

Write a letter to the principal of your school to give him valid medical papers and reason for your absent of three weeks continuously.

Q.8 Write an essay on any one of the topics given below in 200-250 words. 7

Total No. of Questions-15

- 1. Life without electricity.
- 2. Healthy mind in a healthy body.
- 3. Plants are important.
- 4. Global warming.
- 5. Pollution is a modern enemy.

Section-C  
[GRAMMAR]

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Q.9 Fill up the blanks (any ten)

- (i) Ram sent a goodwill greetings saying may you .....
- (ii) He ..... (work) since morning.
- (iii) It ..... happen to anyone. (may, can, will)
- (iv) You have worked hard, you ..... get good marks. (Should, must, ought to)
- (v) I ..... not talk to the commissioner directly. (can, should, dare)
- (vi) The students ..... come in time. (will, must, can)
- (vii) Either you or he ..... Wrong. (is, are, have)
- (viii) The Rajput fought ..... (use a suitable adverbial phrase.)
- (ix) You ..... a bank account. (fill up with a suitable auxiliary verb)
- (x) ..... a king rules justly his subjects love him. (Unless, As, If)
- (xi) We started our journey ..... Ujjain. (in, to, from)

Q.10 Do as directed. (any five)

5

- (i) Change the number.  
Good children always obey their teachers.
- (ii) Rewrite the sentence using "too.....to".  
He is so clever that he will solve this puzzle.
- (iii) Rewrite the sentence using "it".  
Obeying the law is everyone's duty.
- (iv) Rewrite using a gerund.  
I proposed to start a new business.
- (v) Change the narration.  
Arti says "The principal will attend the meeting today."
- (vi) Rewrite the following sentences replacing the adverb phrases by adverb clause.  
On his coming back we put many questions to him.

Section-D  
[TEXT]

Q.11 Read the following extract and answer the questions below :

I will arise and go now, for always night and day,  
I hear lake water lapping with low sounds by the shore,  
Which I stand on the roadway or on the pavements gray,  
I hear it in the deep heart's core.

Questions :

- (i) Name the poem from which this extract is taken. 1
- (ii) A path for pedestrians at the side of a road ..... 1  
(write the word used in the poem for it)
- (iii) How does the poet hear lake water lapping? 2

Q.12 Read the following extract and answer the questions given below :

You have crossed the chasm deep and wide  
Why build you the bridge at the eventide?"  
The builder lifted his old gray head.  
"Good friend, the path I have come," he said.

- (i) Name the poem from which this extract is taken. 1
- (ii) Find the word from the extract for the meaning -- A very deep crack or opening in the 1

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- surface of the earth or ice . . . . . 1
- (iii) What did the fellow pilgrim tell the old man about his attempt at building a bridge across the chasm. 2
- Q.13 Answer the following questions in 120-150 words (any one) 5
- (i) Which was harder to get the pie or the tart? Why?
- (ii) "One who is intelligent is powerful" How did Gerard prove that as he defeated the intruder by his intelligence
- Q.14 Answer any four of the following questions. 2x4= 8
- (i) Why is hasty selling disadvantageous?
- (ii) What did the author see when he looked through the glass partition?
- (iii) When does a society become static? ✓
- (iv) What did Johnsy want to paint someday? ✓
- (v) What would Helen like to see in the eyes of her teacher?
- Q.15 "Beauty strikes the eyes but goodness moves the heart." Write an incident when someone's goodness moved you. 4
- 'OR'
- Describe your childhood in your own words.

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