

Annual Examination, 2026
English
Class—11

EF/911

[M.M. : 100

Time : 3 Hrs. 15 Mins]

General Instructions :

- (i) The first 15 minutes are allotted to the candidates for reading the question paper.
- (ii) This question paper is divided into *four* sections—A, B, C and D.
- (iii) *All* questions are compulsory.
- (iv) Marks are indicated against questions.

Section—'A' : Reading

1. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

The first thing that a good citizen has to do is to set about building up his character. No one is too young to begin learning how to be brave, truthful, honest and the earlier you begin, the easire it will be when you grow up. If you want to serve your country, you have to force your self to do the hardest work, whatever the cost. It may be very pleasant, for example to lie in bed instead of getting up early in the morning but if you do so, you will miss your lesson, be late for school and have a bad report at the end of the term. Remember that the men, women whom we honour and respect would have achieved nothing if they had been lazy.

- (a) What should a good citizen do ? 3
- (b) At what age can we learn good qualities ? 3
- (c) How can we serve our country ? 3
- (d) What results do we get if we remain lying in bed lazily ? 3
- (e) (i) Choose a word in the paragraph which is similar to 'found'. 1
- (ii) Explain the phrase 'set about.' 1
- (iii) Choose an antonym to 'Pleasant' in the paragraph. 1

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Section—'B' : Writing

2. **Write an article on any *one* of the following topics in about 100-150 words :
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- (a) Mobile Phone : A Boon or a Bane
- (b) Price—Rise
- (c) A Visit to a Zoo

3. **Write a letter to your younger brother advising him to study hard and avoid bad company** **10**

Or

Write a letter to your friend inviting him to attend your elder brother's marriage.

Section—'C' : Grammar

4. **Choose the correct option to answer the following questions : $5 \times 2 = 10$**

(a) **A person coming to a foreign land to settle there :**

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| (i) Immigrant | (iii) Tourist |
| (ii) Emigrant | (iv) Settler |

(b) **The phrase 'fall out' means :**

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| (i) to have a fall | (iii) quarrel |
| (ii) fall out side | (iv) to be injured |

(c) **The synonym of 'allow' is :**

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| (i) admit | (iii) submit |
| (ii) permit | (iv) commit |

(d) **"What is the time in your watch ?"**

Which word in this sentence is an error :

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| (i) what | (iii) in |
| (ii) time | (iv) watch |

(e) **The antonym of 'virtue' is :**

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| (i) fraud | (iii) vice |
| (ii) crime | (iv) wickedness |

5. (a) **Change any *one* of the following into indirect speech :** **2**

(i) Mohan said to me, "Where are you coming from ?"

(ii) Sita said to her mother, "The sun rises in the east."

(b) **Combine any *one* of the following as directed :** **2**

(i) She is rich. She is not happy. **(into complex sentence)**

(ii) He was ill. He went to school. **(into simple sentence)**

(c) Transform any *one* of the following as directed : 2

(i) He is more intelligent than any other boys in the class. (into superlative degree)

(ii) They taught me Hindi. (into negative voice)

(d) Correct any *one* of the following sentence : 2

(i) Two miles are not a long distance.

(ii) Sun gives us life and light.

(e) Use any *one* of the following pairs of words in your own sentences to make the difference in their meanings clear : 2

(i) Birth – Berth

(ii) Die – Dye

6. Translate the following passage into English : 5

हमें पालतू और मूक पशुओं की तरह किसी के पीछे नहीं चलना चाहिए। जीवन के संघर्षों एवं आने वाले खतरों का निर्भीकता एवं साहस के साथ सामना करना चाहिए। भविष्य चाहे कितना ही उज्ज्वल एवं लुभावना क्यों न हो, हमें उस पर भरोसा नहीं करना चाहिए। हमें बीती हुई बातों को बार-बार सोचना नहीं चाहिए। बस अपने कर्तव्य के प्रति सचेत रहना चाहिए।

Section—'D' : Literature

7. Answer the following questions in about 40 words each :

(a) What were the results of C.T. scan ? 4

Or

What do you think are the reasons for the extinction as language ?

(b) Do you think it is important to preserve languages ? 4

Or

Laws are never respected nor enforced in India. Describe this.

8. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about 80 words : 7

(a) How does the story suggest that optimism helps to endure “the direct stress” ?

(b) List the deeds that led Ray Johnson to describe Akhenaten as “Wacky”.

9. Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions that follow :

$3 \times 2 = 6$

And who art thou ? said I to the soft-falling shower,

Which, strange to tell, gave me an answer, as here translated,

I am the Poem of Earth, said the voice of the rain,
Eternal I rise impalpable out of the land and the bottomless sea.

- (a) What did the voice of the rain say ?
- (b) From which two places does the rain rise in the form of water vapour ?
- (c) Who is the poet of this poem ?

10. Write the Central Idea of any *one* of the following poems : 4

- (a) The Voice of the Rain
- (b) Childhood
- (c) Father to Son

11. Answer the following questions in about 40 words each :

- (a) Why did Mourad wake up Aram ? How did Aram react to what he saw ? **4**

Or

How do Mrs. Pearson and Mrs. Fitzgerald come together ?

- (b) Why was Andrew so serious and overwrought that particular evening ? **4**

Or

What custom was enforced to get a new ruler ?

12. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about 80 words : 7

- (a) Give a character-sketch of Mrs's daughter.
- (b) How does a melon become the ruler of the state ? Why are the people happy with him ?