

SAMPLE PAPER

Subject - English

Time : 3.15 Hrs

Class - XII

Maximum Marks: 80

(Section-A)**Q.1 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:- (9x1=9)**

All of Earth's oceans share one thing in common : plastic pollution. Discarded plastic bags, cups, and bottles make their way into sea. Today, it seems that no part of the ocean is safe from plastic trash. In recent years, oceanographers have searched in vain for a pristine marine environment. They have found plastic everywhere they have looked, "It is a common global problem, we cannot point to a single habitat or location with no plastic. "Plastic harms wildlife and introduces dangerous chemicals into marine ecosystems-communities of organisms interacting with their surroundings. Once plastic enters the environment, it lasts a long time. Scientists are working to prevent plastic pollution from entering sea.

When people litter or when trash is not properly disposed of, things like plastic bags, bottles, straws, foam, beverage cups get carried to the sea by winds and waterways. About 80 percent of ocean plastic originates on land. The rest comes from marine industries such as shipping and fishing. In 2015, Engineer Jenna Jambeck at the University of Georgia and other researchers calculated that at least 8 million tonnes of plastic trash is swept into the ocean from coast every year. That's the equivalent of a full garbage truck of plastic being dumped into the sea every minute. If current trends in plastic production and disposal continue, that figure will double by 2025. A report published by the World Economic Forum last year predicts that by 2050, ocean plastic will outweigh all the fish in the sea. In today's world, plastic is everywhere. It is found in shoes, clothing, household items, electronics and more. There are different types of plastics, but one thing they all have in common is that they are made of polymers-large molecules made up of repeating units. Their chemical structure gives them a lot of advantages: they are cheap and easy to manufacture, lightweight, water-resistant, durable and can be moulded into nearly any shape. One way to keep the ocean cleaner and healthier is through clean up efforts. A lot of plastic waste caught in ocean currents eventually washes up on beaches. Removing it can prevent it from blowing out to sea again. Beach clean-up is ocean clean-up.

- (i) Why is plastic so multipurpose these days. Give its qualities.
- (ii) How can we keep our oceans clean and plastic free?
- (iii) What does the research calculation tell about the plastic trash swept in the oceans?
- (iv) Why are the plastic things that are generally carried to the sea by winds?
- (v) What does the report of world Economic forum predict regarding plastic pollution in ocean.
- (vi) Where does most of the ocean plastic come from?

Find the word from the passage which mean.

(vii) Things that do not allow water to enter easily.

(viii) as, area on the edge of the sea.

(ix) Scientists who study oceans.

Q.2 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:- (1x6=6)

Galileo Galilei, often known as Galileo, was an Italian physicist, mathematician, engineer, astronomer, and philosopher who played a major role in the scientific revolution. His achievements include improvements in the telescope and consequent astronomical observations and support for Copernicanism. Galileo has been called the "father of modern observational astronomy", the "father of modern physics", the "father of science" and the "father of modern science". His contributions to observational astronomy include the telescopic confirmation of the phases of Venus, the discovery of the four largest satellites of Jupiter (named the Galilean moons in his honour), and the observation and analysis of sunspots. Galileo also worked on applied science and technology, inventing an improved military compass and other instruments. In the Catholic world prior to Galileo's conflict with the Church, the majority of educated people subscribed to the Aristotelian geocentric view that the Earth was the center of the universe and that all heavenly bodies revolved around the Earth.

Indeed, to the casual observer, it seemed common sense that since the sun 'rose' in the morning and 'set' at night, it must have circled around the earth. Ancient authorities like Aristotle and the Roman astronomer Ptolemy had championed this viewpoint, and the notion was also supported by the Catholic Church, which placed mankind, God's principal creation, at the center of the cosmos. Yet, the Ptolemaic theory was soon under attack. Nicholas Copernicus, a Polish astronomer, openly questioned the Ptolemaic system and proposed a heliocentric system in which the planets including earth orbited the sun (Helios). This more mathematically satisfying way of arranging the solar system did not attract many supporters at first, since the available data did not yet support a wholesale abandonment of Ptolemy's system. By the end of the 16th century, however, astronomers like Johannes Kepler (1571-1630) had also begun to embrace Copernicus's theory.

(i) Who was Copernicus?

(ii) When did Johannes Kepler accept Copernicus' theory?

(iii) Who was Galileo?

(iv) What is Galileo called?

(v) Write the word from the passage which means 'Given up'.

(vi) Write the opposite word of 'Minor' from the passage.

(Section-B)

- Q.3** You want to sell your motorcycle. Draft an advertisement giving essential details such as model number. Condition of the engine, Kilometers run and expected price. Also give your contact or phone number. (4)

OR

Write an Arguments for and against of the topic Urban life versus Rural life.

- Q.4 You are Krishana, reporter of Rajasthan Patrika. Write a report in about 100 words on a bank robbery that took place in your city. (5)

OR

Write a paragraph on 'My plan for My career' in 100 words.

- Q.5 You have placed an order for few books with Raja Pustak Mandir, Chaura Rasta Jaipur. You have not received the book till date. Write a letter to them about the non-compliance of your order. You are Satish Gupta residing in Ran Nagar colony, Churu. (5)

OR

You are Ankush/Anu living at 3-Basant vihar, Ajmer. Write a letter to the editor of the Times of India, Jaipur expressing your views on the topic, 'Influence of mobile and internet' on student.

(Section-C)

- Q.6 Join the following sentences using the word given in brackets:- (2)

I feel happy. I help others. (when)

I don't know. Will it rain. (if)

- Q.7 Combine set of sentences into one sentence as directed:- (2)

He is foolish. He is obstinate. (Make a compound sentence)

- Q.8 Fill in the blanks by choosing the appropriate phrasal verb given in the brackets:-

(i) RBSE has _____ a number of books. (brought out / brought back) (1)

(ii) The patient will _____ soon. (come round / come up) (1)

(iii) How is he _____ at school. (getting by / getting on) (1)

- Q.9 Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct conjunction given in the brackets:-

(i) He is _____ old that he cannot walk. (so / as) (1)

(ii) He is loved _____ respected. (and / but)

(iii) He came to my house _____ I was out. (when / while) (1)

(Section-D)

- Q.10 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:- (1x6=6)

You saw Subbu always with The Boss but in the attendance rolls, he was grouped under a department called the Story Department comprising a lawyer and an assembly of writers and poets. The lawyer was also officially known as the legal adviser, but everybody referred to him as the opposite. An extremely talented actress, who was also extremely temperamental, once blew over on the sets. While everyone stood stunned, the lawyer quietly switched on the recording equipment. When the actress paused for breath, the lawyer said to her, "One minute, please," and played back the recording. There was nothing incriminating or unmentionably foul about the actress's tirade against the producer. But when she heard her voice again through the sound equipment, she was struck dumb. A girl from the countryside, she hadn't gone through all the stages of worldly experience that generally precede a position of importance and sophistication that she had found herself catapulted into. She never quite recovered from the terror she felt that day. That was the end of a brief and brilliant acting career — the legal adviser, who was also a member of the Story Department, had unwittingly brought about that sad end.

(i) The story department consisted of :-

- (a) A lawyer (b) Writers (c) Poets (d) All of these

(ii) The lawyer was officially known as the:-

- (a) Chief assistant (b) advocate
(c) Legal adviser (d) Attorney general

(iii) The girl could not quite recover from the:-

- (a) Fever (b) Terror (c) Excitement (d) anxiety

(iv) When the actress paused for breath, what did the layer say to her?

- (a) One hour, please (b) One minute, please
(c) Five minute, please (d) Seven minute, please

(v) Which of these words from the passage means 'emotional'?

- (a) Temperamental (b) Talented
(c) Incriminating (d) Helpless

(vi) Which of these words from the passage is opposite to 'naivety'?

- (a) Foul (b) Importance (c) Sophistication (d) Catapulted

Q.11 Answer any one of the following questions in about 60 words:- (3)

What was the ancient arrangement between the peasants and landlords at champaran?
(Indigo)

OR

What is the reason for the huge success of the novel, 'the Name of the Rose'?

Q.12 Answer the following questions on about 20-30 words:- (2x2=4)

(i) "What a thunderclap these words were to me! Which were the words that shocked and surprised Franz?"

(ii) What was pancake and why did the Gemini studios buy it in truck load?
(Poet and Pancakes)

Q.13 Explain the stanza with reference to context:- (5)

The hurt to the scenery wouldn't be my complaint
So much as the trusting sorrow of what is unsaid:
Here far from the city we make our roadside stand
And ask for some city money to feel in hand
To try if it will not make our being expand

Q.14 Answer the following question in about 60 words:- (3)

How is the poet associate beauty with grand monuments built to the mighty dead?
(A Roadside stand)

Q.15 Answer the following questions in 20-30 words:- (2x2=4)

(i) List the things that cause suffering and pain. (A thing of Beauty)

(ii) How do government and social service agencies befool the rural folks?

Q.16 Answer the following questions in about 60 words:- (3)

Describe briefly the scene at the third level of Grand central station as seen by
charley. (The third level)

Q.17 Answer the following questions in about 20-30 words:- (2x2=4)

(i) What would Sam have done in Galesburg for his living? Why (The third level)

(ii) What was the chief aim of the students on Ice programme? (Journey to the end of the earth)

Q.18 Choose the correct alternate:-

(1x9=9)

(i) What was the strangest thing at the third level?

- (a) Beards (b) Mustaches
- (c) Dresses (d) The corridor that led into past

(ii) What was Sam invited for according to the letter?

- (a) For a party (b) For a tea party
- (c) For a bachelor's party (d) For a lemonade party

(iii) The original cost of present was:-

- (a) Two annas and a quarter (b) Two annas and a half
- (c) Two annas and one third (d) Two annas and one annas

(iv) Derry entered Lamb's garden because it was a:

- (a) Busy place (b) Lonely place (c) Attractive Place (d) Good place

(v) According to Sam's letter, the people were singing the following song.

- (a) The Happy Life (b) World beyond stars
- (c) Seeing Nelly Home (d) Mysterious life

(vi) What was the reactions of Sadao's family servants when he decided to help the soldier?

- (a) They were unhappy and frightened
- (b) They were neither happy nor unhappy
- (c) They were happy and cooperated him.
- (d) They were untouched from this incident.

(vii) Derry suffered inferiority complex because he was:

- (a) Uneducated (b) Ugly (c) Very short (d) Very thin

(viii) He used to get his books from:-

- (a) Neighbour's house (b) From his teacher
- (c) From a library (d) From the city

(ix) The author on learning about the practice of untouchability was:-

- (a) Amused (b) Terribly sad (c) Happy (d) Very guilty