

**10<sup>th</sup> CLASS MARCH – 2020**

**ENGLISH Paper- 2**

Time : 2.45 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 50

- Instructions:**
1. This question paper has 28 questions in three sections (A, B and C).
  2. Answer all the questions on a separate answer book supplied to you.
  3. 15 minutes of time is allotted exclusively for reading the question paper and 2.30 hours for writing the answers.
  4. Answer all the questions of Section-B (Vocabulary) in the same order at one place in your answer book.
  5. Start answering the questions as you read them.

Marks : 25

**PART – A**

Time : 1 ½ Hrs

**Questions (1–5) : Study the information given in the table.**

The table shows the discount rate on four different items in five different shops

Shops	Item 1	Item 2	Item 3	Item 4
A	25%	15%	-	30%
B	20%	-	16%	-
C	-	12%	-	15%
D	10%	30%	20%	-
E	30%	-	10%	20%

Now, answer the following questions.

5 x 1 = 5

1. What does the table show?
2. In which shop does a consumer enjoy a lot of discount on most of the items?
3. Which shop gives the largest discount on item 2?  
( )  
i) A      ii) E      iii) D
4. Which shop is giving the least discount on all the items?  
( )  
i) B      ii) C      iii) E
5. Choose the true statements among the following. ( )  
i) All the shops except 'C' is offering discount on item 1.  
ii) Item 3 is the largest discount one.  
iii) The shop 'C' gives discount on all items.

**Questions (6–10) :Read the following passage carefully.**

I was a below average student. Both in schools and colleges, rarely my teachers knew me by name. Since failures were more a habit than an exception, a below par performance never disturbed me. Neither were my teachers proud of me nor did I make my parents feel proud of me. Of-course my parents being noble hearted, never gave up hope on me. They never put me down in the presence of others. Infact, to shield me, they always projected a positive image of me to the world.

In 1984, while pursuing my graduation in mathematics, I had failed in one of the subjects in my fourth semester. I had already three arrears, for the first time, hearing about my failure, I saw tears in my father's eyes. This is my first experience of seeing my father cry. I couldn't handle his crying. To withdraw myself, I escaped to the terrace of my apartment. I suffered a fear like I have never known before. I was trembling, I never wanted my parents to ever cry again because of my failures,. But I was scared. "Was it too late to begin in my life ?" I doubted. I was already over 18, just about 50 marks in my four semesters, 4 arrears to clear and 3 regular papers to face in my fifth semester. No talent, no special abilities, never won a prize in my life , not a single certificate truly wanted to make it very big in life. If not for my sake, just to make up for all that I had put my parents through my thoughts were haunting me. My neighbor, Vijayaraghavan, Who learnt about the sobbing of my soul, casually said "Rajan, the harder you press the spring, the faster it will bounce back so what if your life has been pressed by failures for 18 years? Decide to bounce back and bounce big in life. Even God will not stop you". Bounce back I did! I bounced back big to clear all the 7 papers in first class.

Now, answer the following questions.

6. How can we say that the author was a below average student?

7. What was the nature of his parents?

8. His failures and poor performance made his parents and teachers \_\_\_\_\_.

- i) proud of him.
- ii) Pleased with him.
- iii) Dejected.

9. The author couldn't bear \_\_\_\_\_.

- i) The sight of his father sobbing
- ii) His teachers in tears
- iii) he himself in tears

10. Choose the true statement among the following

- i) Vijayaraghavan said if you decide to bounce, God will stop you.
- ii) His teachers encouraged him in his failures.
- iii) He had no special abilities.

**Questions (11–15) : Read the following passage carefully.**

Long, long ago, in a big forest, there were many trees. Among the cluster of trees, there was a very tall pine tree. He was so tall that he could talk to the stars in the sky. He could easily look over the heads of the other trees. One day, late in the evening, the pine tree saw a ragged, skinny girl approaching him. He could see her only because of his height. The little girl was in tears. The pine tree bent as much as he could and asked her, "What is the matter? "Why are you sobbing?" The little girl replied, I was gathering flowers for a garland for goddess Durga, who I believe, would help my parents to overcome their poverty and I have lost my way." The pine tree said to the little girl, "It is late in the evening. It will not be possible for you to return to your house. Sleep for the night at this place". The pine tree pointed out to an open cave like under him. The little girl quickly crept into the cave – like place. The pine tree stood like a soldier guarding the place. The little girl woke up in the morning and was amazed to see the pine tree standing guard outside the cave. But another great surprise awaited her. The pine tree brought out a bag full of gold coins which had been lying for years in the hole in its trunk and gave it to the girl. With teary eyes she thanked her benefactor and went away.

Now, answer the following questions.

11. The little girl was amazed to see the pine tree guarding her.

12. The little girl believed that goddess Durga would help her parents.

13. The Pine tree had gold coins in its trunk.

14. The pine tree could see the tops of all the other trees.

15. The girl was frail with old and torn clothes.

**Note : Copy the box in your answer booklet. Write the numbers to indicate sentences.**

A:

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### Section –B: Vocabulary

**Note : Answer all the questions of section –B (Vocabulary)in the same order at one place in your answer book.**

16. Read the paragraph and write the synonyms of the underlined words choosing from the words given in the box.

**Discrimination, loyalist, revolutionary, conventional, strict, flexible.**

On the whole, the small society of Rameswaram was very rigid (a) in terms of the segregation (b) of different social groups. However, my science teacher Sivasubramania Iyer, though an orthodox (c) Brahmin with a very conservative wife, was something of a rebel (d).

17. Read the paragraph and match the words under 'A' with their antonyms under 'B'.

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**Write your answers and their corresponding numbers in the answer book.**

If one compares (a) the last major prose (b) piece of Tagore, which he wrote at the beginning of the second world war, which contains his immortal (c) dictum that inspite of what was happening it would be a sin (d) to lose faith in man.

- A
- a) Compares  
b) Prose  
c) Immortal  
d) Sin
- B
1. Profane  
2. Mortal  
3. Virtue  
4. Contrasts  
5. Poetry  
6. Analogy

**18. Fill in the blanks with the right form of the words given in brackets**

One important fallout of this \_\_\_\_\_ (a) (friendship / friendliness / friendly) was the establishment of Chitrabani a \_\_\_\_\_ (b) (communicative / Communication / communicate) and film institute, the first of its \_\_\_\_\_ (c) (kindness / kind / kindly) in West Bengal, which Roberge \_\_\_\_\_ (d) (found / founded / foundation) in 1970.

**19. Complete the following spellings with 'ie, ea, ei, ai, or ia'.**

The three legs: one leg is p \_\_\_\_ ce, the other leg is good governance and third leg is sust \_\_\_\_ nable management of resources.

**20. Complete the words with correct suffixes given in brackets.**

- a) Roberge does not speak with the arroga \_\_\_\_\_ (ance/ence) of the West.  
b) Roberge does not endorse the accusation of Ray's detract \_\_\_\_\_ (ors/ers).

**21. Find the wrongly spelt word and write its correct spelling.**

- a) Unique, elegance, residence, esthetics,  
b) iminent, optimism, premiums, conservative

**22. Arrange the following words under correct heading.**

**malicious** /mə'liʃəs/ *adj.* having or showing hatred and a desire to harm sb or hurt their feelings. **spiteful**, **malicious gossip/lies/rumours**, **malevolent**, **He took malicious pleasure in telling me what she had said** **maliciously** *adv.*

**Now , answer the following questions using the information above**

- a) What is the part of speech of the word 'malicious'  
b) Write the two synonyms of the word 'malicious'.

**23. Arrange the following words under the correct headings.**

Imaginative; outgoing; haughty; stingy; malicious; meticulous; fincky; logical

Positive Attitude		Negative Attitude	
1		1	
2		2	
3		3	
4		4	

24. Use the following expressions in negative attitude of your own.  $4 \times 1 = 4$

- a) Phrasal verb : Take off
- b) Idiomatic expression : Give way
- c) Binomial expression : Pick and choose
- d) Foreign expression : Ex officio

Match the following one – word substitutes in part –A with their meaning in part –B.

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Write only letters of part – B in the appropriate brackets corresponding to part –A

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

Part A

Part B

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| 1. Philosopher ( ) | A) Something designed to teach people some moral.                          |
| 2. Culprit ( )     | B) Who possesses many talents.   |
| 3. Epitaph ( )     | C) A person who believes in solving human problem with the help of reason. |
| 4. Didactic ( )    | D) Words inscribed on a tomb   |
|                    | E) A person who is responsible for a crime.                                |
|                    | F) a scientist who studies physics.  |

### Section – C : Creative Expression

26. a) Write a letter to your friend inviting him to your town to watch the district level sports meet. 5M

being organized by your 'Kalam youth club'

(or)

b) Write a news report describing the district level sports meet being organized by your 'Kalm youth club'

27. a) Write a bio – sketch of Mother Teresa with the help of notes provided below in 80 – 100 words. 5M

- Born** : August 27, 1910, skopje
- Originally Named** : Agnes Gonxhe Bojaxiu.
- Profession** : missionary nun
- Founded** : Missionaries of Charity. Kolkata
- Parents** : Nikola, Dranfile Bojanchu
- Education** : Loreto Abbey, Rathfarnham (1928)
- Awards** : Nobel Peace Prize, Bharat Ratna, Order of smile, Golden Honor of the Nation
- Died** : September 5<sup>th</sup> 1997.

(or)

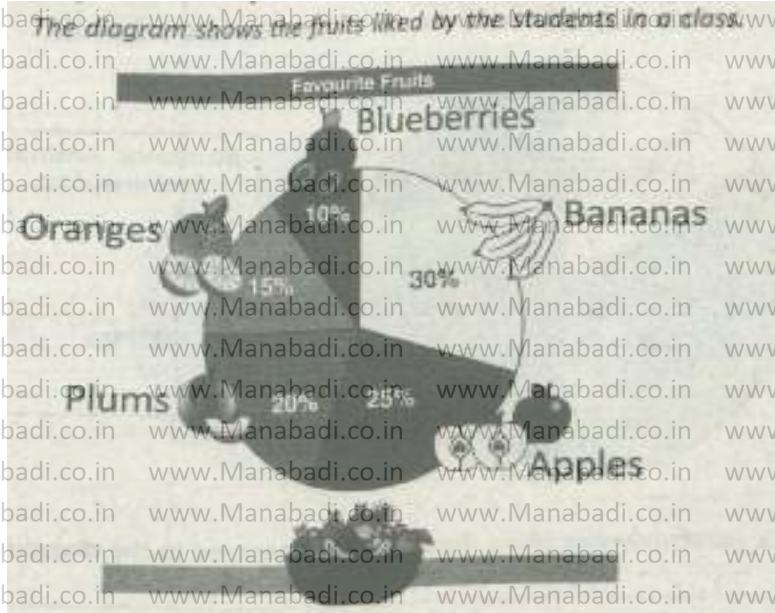
b) Write a story using the following hints.

A cyclonic flood everywhere – many houses, drowned – a copper pot and an earthen pot – washed a way in flood – copper pot laughed at earthen pot – you are weak – I will save you – the earthen pot replied no, thank you – both began to swim towards the river bank – water got into copper pot – drowned. Earthen pot – reached the bank safely.

28. Study the following bar graph. 5M

Bar chart showing the time spent on watching TV by students.





Now, write a paragraph describing the information depicted in the diagram above.