



**CBSE Class 10 English Communicative and
Literature Question Paper 2019**

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- 15 minute time has been allotted to read this question paper. The question paper will be distributed at 10.15 a.m. From 10.15 a.m. to 10.30 a.m., the students will read the question paper only and will not write any answer on the answer-book during this period.

ENGLISH

(Language and Literature)

Time allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 80

General Instructions :

(i) *The Question paper is divided into three sections :*

Section A — Reading

20 marks

Section B — Writing and Grammar

30 marks

Section C — Literature

30 marks

(ii) **All** questions are compulsory.

(iii) You may attempt any section at a time.

(iv) All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.



SECTION A – (Reading)

20 marks

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : 8

- 1 Cataract is the major cause of blindness, which is also caused by a damage to the cornea. It occurs more often in old age. As one starts growing old, the lens of the eye hardens, loses its transparency and becomes opaque. It obstructs the light rays from entering the eye.
- 2 The onset of cataract blurs the vision. Sometimes, the cataract patient sees multiple images instead of a single object image. Because of the gradual development of cataract, the afflicted person loses his/her vision and the world becomes dark to him/her.
- 3 The development of cataract is a complex process. However, the following factors can be attributed to its formation. Cataract generally develops in old age but sometimes, children are born with cataract because of hereditary defect. Eye injuries too, can cause cataract.
- 4 People exposed to sunrays for longer periods develop cataract earlier than others. Researchers opine that the smoke inhaled while smoking, carries substances internally damaging the eyes.
- 5 Ultraviolet radiation, invisible to the human eye, is linked to skin cancer. The victim loses vision and the world becomes dark to him.

1.1 On the basis of your understanding of the above passage, answer **any eight** of the following questions : 1×8=8

- (a) What is the major cause of blindness ?
- (b) When does cataract generally occur ?
- (c) Why does the lens of the eye become opaque in old age ?
- (d) How does one detect cataract in early stages ?
- (e) Give any two factors which are responsible for the formation of cataract.
- (f) How does cataract affect its victim ultimately ?
- (g) Which type of cancer is caused by ultraviolet radiation ?
- (h) How is smoking responsible for the development of cataract ?
- (i) Find the word from para 1 that means 'that through which light cannot enter'.



2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

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- 1 Spread over an area of 11,570 acres, Kalesar Reserve Forest is the only one of its kind in Haryana. It is home to a wide range of wild flora and fauna including three elephants, a male tiger, 16 male and female leopards, 19 panthers and some other animals as well.
- 2 Spread on both sides of Yamunanagar – Paonta Sahib Road in Yamunanagar district, it was designated a national park through a government notification in December 2003. However, it is alleged, lack of sufficient funds is proving to be a hindrance in wildlife conservation in the national park. The Divisional Forest Officer revealed that it is the only forest in Haryana with a natural ‘sal’ tree belt.
- 3 As for the steps taken to ensure protection of wildlife and environment, it was disclosed that staff had been given weapons by the State Government to tackle the menace posed by poachers. The State had also set up two special environmental courts, one each at Kurukshetra and Faridabad, to deal with crimes related to poaching and illicit felling of trees from the area. Eight watering holes have been dug up across the forest area to ensure that wildlife does not stray into human habitats on its fringes in search of drinking water. Similarly, earthen dams have been constructed to conserve rainwater for the future use of wildlife.
- 4 It was disclosed that work to fence the area would be undertaken in the near future and more steps taken to ensure that wild fauna does not face drinking water problem in their natural habitat in the reserve forest.

2.1 On the basis of your understanding of the above passage, answer **any four** of the following questions in 30 – 40 words each : 2×4=8

- (a) What is unique about Kalesar Reserve Forest ?
- (b) Which animals are found in Kalesar forest ?
- (c) What is proving to be a hindrance to conserving wildlife in the national park ?
- (d) What is done in the park for the conservation of water ?
- (e) Why have two special environmental courts been set up ?



- 2.2 On the basis of your understanding of the above passage, answer **any four** of the following with the help of the given options : $1 \times 4 = 4$
- (a) Kalesar Reserve Forest was designated a national park through a government notification in _____ .
(i) February, 2003 (ii) December, 2003
(iii) March, 2004 (iv) August, 2001
- (b) _____ watering holes have been dug up across the forest area to stop wildlife from going astray in search of water.
(i) Four (ii) Seven
(iii) Eight (iv) Ten
- (c) Which word in the passage means 'natural environment in which a particular species live' ?
(i) Habitat (ii) Flora
(iii) Fauna (iv) Waterhole
- (d) Which word in para 3 is a synonym of 'danger/risk' ?
(i) Disclosed (ii) Fringes
(iii) Poaching (iv) Menace
- (e) The word 'illicit' means
(i) not approved by society
(ii) not allowed by rules
(iii) obtained dishonestly or unfairly
(iv) not allowed by law

SECTION B – (Writing and Grammar)

30 marks

3.

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OR

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Write an article on 'Importance of Newspapers for Students' in 100 – 120 words. You are Rashmi/Rohan.

News of the world — make one aware of various activities — various government policies — public reaction — sports news — a good reading habit — more news than on TV — can be read at one's convenience

4. Develop a short story in 200 – 250 words with the help of the given cues. Give a suitable title to your story. 10

Swami Vivekananda — walking along a river bank — monkeys — very fierce — Vivekananda frightened — turned back — ran — monkeys chased — experienced old man — advised, to face monkeys — Vivekananda stopped — monkeys saw him fearless — ran away.

OR

Tortoise known for his slow pace — hare makes fun — tortoise challenges him to a race — referee appointed — start off — hare overconfident — takes a nap — tortoise wins.

5. Fill in the blanks in the sentences given below by choosing the most appropriate options from the ones that follow. Attempt **any four**. Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. 1×4=4

He would (a) beg than steal.

I have not met him (b) he has left school.

He was (c) sad yesterday.

The earth (d) around the sun.

He usually (e) breakfast before he goes to school.

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| (a) | (i) not | (ii) rather | (iii) no longer | (iv) nor |
| (b) | (i) as | (ii) for | (iii) when | (iv) since |
| (c) | (i) very | (ii) to | (iii) more | (iv) fairly |
| (d) | (i) moved | (ii) has moved | (iii) is moved | (iv) moves |
| (e) | (i) is eating | (ii) has eaten | (iii) eats | (iv) ate |



6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Identify the error and write down its correction against the correct blank number. The first one has been done for you. Attempt **any four**.

1×4=4

		<i>Error</i>	<i>Correction</i>
Countries near on equator are	e.g.	on	the
much warmer then countries	(a)	_____	_____
farthest to the north and south,	(b)	_____	_____
as all knows that Kerala is	(c)	_____	_____
warm than Punjab	(d)	_____	_____
on winter.	(e)	_____	_____

7. Rearrange **any four** of the following groups of words/phrases to make meaningful sentences :

1×4=4

- (a) of today / has / the young generation / a bright / future
- (b) winter sports / more and more / becoming / in India / are / popular
- (c) a / chocolate cake / my mother / birthday / baked / my / on
- (d) national / the / in / has been / hockey team / my brother / selected
- (e) coffee / people / enjoy / drinking / most

SECTION C – (Literature)

30 marks

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : 1×4=4

At twelve, he was sent away for schooling in the Hindu sacred scriptures and four years later he returned home to marry a princess. They had a son and lived for ten years as befitted royalty.

- (a) Who does 'he' stand for ?
- (b) What did 'he' study for four years ?
- (c) What does the phrase, 'as befitted royalty' mean ?
- (d) What happened after ten years ?

OR



If ever you should go by chance.
To jungles in the east;
And if there should to you advance.
A large and tawny beast,
If he roars at you as you're dyin'
You'll know it is the Asian Lion ...

- (a) Where can one find the Asian Lion ?
- (b) What are the characteristics of the Asian Lion ?
- (c) What is the effect of the roar of a lion on you ?
- (d) Identify the poem and the poet.

9. Answer **any four** of the following questions in 30 – 40 words each : 2×4=8

- (a) How did Maxwell get the otter ?
- (b) How was Wanda different from other girls ? How did they treat her ?
- (c) Why is the poet writing long letters ? Why does she not mention the departure of the trees ?
- (d) What was Horace Danby suffering from? How did it affect him ?
- (e) What is Think-Tank proud of? How do you know ?

10. Answer the following question in 100 – 120 words : 8

Valli's dream was to enjoy a ride on the bus to the nearest town. What preparations did she make to realise her dream ?

OR

How did Ebright use determination and perseverance to achieve his aim of becoming a scientist ?

11. Answer the following question in 200 – 250 words : 10

Anne's father was very close to her. What did she like about him ?

OR

How did Otto Frank make a plan to hide in the Annexe ?

OR

Write a character sketch of Helen's mother.

OR

How did Helen increase her knowledge of different subjects ? What did she enjoy reading more ?