

**CBSE Class 11 English Sample Paper
Term II 2021-22**

SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER TERM II

SESSION 2021-22

Class: XI

SUBJECT: ENGLISH

MAX MARKS: 40

TIME: 2 hours

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. *This question paper is divided into two parts: A and B.*
2. *All questions are compulsory.*
3. *Separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary.*
4. *Read these instructions very carefully and follow them.*
5. *Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.*

SECTION – A (READING)

Q.1) READ THE PASSAGE GIVEN BELOW:

A SIGHT FOR SORE EYES

- a) For lasting and clear eyesight, eyes need care in the form of preventive measures, a continuous life-long exercise. Eyes don't just see, they do the talking. This is why of all our senses the most precious is eyesight. Eyes need care in the form of prevention, and knowing some preventive methods in eye care can make your eyes look bright and healthy and leave you with excellent eyesight.
- b) How do we keep eyes bright and healthy? Eat good helpings of vegetables, fruits, omega-3 fatty acids, beta carotenes with vitamins A, C and E, enjoy good sleep and avoid direct sunlight. Therefore, good habits and good general health care does play a major role in eye care. Eyes are windows to the human body; while you look out through this window, we, the eye doctors, can look in to find conditions such as glaucoma, abnormal blood pressures, diabetes, heart diseases and other health concerns much before you notice its adverse impact, and help you take preventive measures.

- c) It is never too early to begin eye check ups. Throw a torchlight from different directions and look for fixation in newborns and, if in doubt, take the baby to an eye specialist. By the time a child is four, it is imperative to have a check up every year to look for squint, signs of opacity brought in by cataracts and minus or plus powers to decide whether or not glasses are needed. Ultraviolet- protective sunglasses from childhood can help protect eyes from the harmful UV rays. Once in the teens, contact lenses can be worn in place of glasses, but never sleep with them on as they reduce the supply of air and blood to the cornea and can damage eyes. When in 20s, you can get rid of glasses with lasers, Lasik or permanent contact lenses.
- d) An emerging and alarming trend is the Computer Eye Syndrome, which appears to be catching on in early adult life. We cannot escape the use of computers but, sadly, our eyes are not designed to cope with these screens. Continuous staring at the monitors reduces blinking, causes strain to the eyes and can lead to dry eyes as well. Therefore, it is always better to take a break of 10 minutes every hour and look at distant objects such as the landscapes or even television.
- e) Glaucoma or raised pressure in eyes and diabetic retinopathy are silent killers of eyesight. Therefore, checking eyes once every six months is essential. If afflicted with diabetes, diet, exercise and drugs are to be remembered in that order to keep the doctor away.
- f) Around the age of 40, more or less everybody requires reading glasses, a condition known as presbyopia. But now you can get rid of these glasses as well, with lasers called INTRACOR and SUPRACOR. One can develop cataract- defined as the loss of transparency in the natural lens of the eye - at any age, but it usually strikes in old age. It's treated by replacing the opaque lens with an artificial lens called the intraocular lens. The latest in cataract removal techniques is called femtosecond laser assisted cataract surgery, which is blade-free, hands-free and makes the operation precise, safe and accurate.
- g) That said, eye care is, inevitably, a continuous exercise through life.

- Dr Kasu Prasad Reddy

On the basis of your understanding of the passage answer any 8 the following questions given below: (1x8=8M)

- a. In what way can we keep our eyes bright and healthy?
- b. By examining the eyes, the doctors can detect health conditions like.....?
- c. Eye check ups should begin at what age?
- d. What are the harmful effects of wearing contact lenses for long hours?
- e. What are the best ways to avoid eye problems?
- f. What will prevent eyes from harmful UV Rays?
- g. Excessive Computer usage causes which problem ?
- h. What is 'presbyopia' ?
- i. Find word from the passage which means the same as 'Grievously affected especially by disease' (Para e)
- j. Find words from the passage which means the same as 'by necessity' (Para g)

Q.2 Read the passage carefully.

1. The monsoon is such a welcome respite from the scorching summer thanks to the overcast sky, gentle rain and lush greenery all around. Almost all of us love to savour spicy and crunchy food items such as fritters (pakoras) and chaats like panipuri, sevpuri teamed with cutting chai as the rainwater lashes against the window pane. However, the season also brings along a lots of diseases such as dengue, malaria, conjunctivitis, typhoid, viral fever, pneumonia, gastrointestinal disturbances, diarrhoea, food poisoning, cholera, cough and cold and jaundice due to bacteria in the environment.

The challenge lies in going about your daily routine without falling ill. If you suffer from low immunity, you are at a higher risk of contracting these diseases. However, the right dietary tips can strengthen your immunity and help you stay hale and hearty.

2. Due to the humid climate, you may not feel too thirsty and consume just one litre of water every day. But you need to be well hydrated as sweat doesn't evaporate quickly in monsoon. Consequently, this prevents the body from releasing heat. So, consume a lot of water as it helps to flush out toxins from the body. Ensure that the water is clean, pure and safe to drink. Avoid aerated drinks; instead consume warm beverages such as green tea with holy basil leaves, ginger, pepper and honey as they have anti-bacterial properties. A bowl of hot vegetable soup is also a good option. The hot beverages increase your body temperature (which will in turn give you warmth) while the ingredients will boost your immunity.
3. Consume fruits such as cherries, bananas, apples, pomegranates, plums, litchis and pears as they are packed with anti-oxidants and are rich in vitamin A, E, C and minerals. Vegetables such as cauliflower, potatoes, cluster beans, lady's finger, kidney beans, pigeon pea and sprouted grains get spoilt easily due to the humidity. So, they should be avoided. Opt for cooked or steamed veggies. Avoid salads as they comprise raw vegetables that contain active bacteria which lead to various infections and affect the body's immunity. Avoid strong smelling or extra sweet fruits such as mangoes and jackfruit that attract flies as their excess intake can cause skin irritation and stomach ache. It's also important to store vegetables the right way during the rains. Do not wash the veggies thoroughly before storing, as the moisture will attract pathogenic fungus. These bacteria can spread to other susceptible food items as well, making them unhygienic. Instead, pat dry and store

separate food items in different containers. Buy them in limited portions and use them as soon as possible.

4. Dehydration makes your hair brittle and scanty. So, hydrate yourself. Zinc and iron help to keep your tresses healthy and beautiful. Consume nuts, eggs and walnuts to maintain hair strength. Walnuts are rich in biotin and vitamin E, which are excellent antioxidants. Proteins are important for hair strength too. So, add curd to your diet, as it is a great source of protein. Amla juice, oranges and other citrus foods are rich in vitamin C. Vitamin C keeps your hair strong as it helps in production of collagen that among other things strengthens the hair capillaries (ensuring proper nutrient supply to our hair). Also, ensure that you wash your locks on alternate days and cover them well during the monsoon. Dried apricots, roasted sunflower seeds and lentils are better foods to consume during monsoon than other iron-rich foods which are susceptible to microbial attack. Do not forget to eat yummy corn on cob as corn is also rich in iron and zinc.
5. So, the secret to enjoy the rains, without the fear of affecting your health is to go light on eating. Have a safe and healthy monsoon.

A. On the basis of your reading of the above passage make notes on it, using headings and sub-headings. Use recognizable abbreviations (wherever necessary – minimum four) and a format you consider suitable. Also supply an appropriate title to it. **3M**

B. Write a summary of the notes prepared, in not more than 80 words. **2M**

SECTION – B (WRITING & GRAMMAR)

- Q.3.** Design a poster in not more than 50 words for your school library on the value of books and good reading habits. Use appropriate slogans.

3M

OR

Regular exercise is one of the best things you can do for your health, but it should not be at the cost of your life. Recently, Kannada film star, Puneeth Rajkumar died of cardiac arrest and left a throng of grieving fans. Design an effective poster, raising awareness about how excessive workout may be hazardous.

Q.4. You are Amogh, 214-B, Nehru Nagar, M.G. Road, New Delhi-16. You saw an advertisement regarding a course for training and preparing students for the IELTS. You wish to join the course. Write a letter to the course Director of 'British Fluentzy', Indraprastha Nagar, Delhi-20 enquiring about all the details.

5M

OR

'Online teaching cannot replace classroom teaching'. Write a debate either for or against the motion.

Q.5. Make meaningful sentences by filling in the blanks with an appropriate word. (½ x 4 = 2M)

Uniforms are a great team-building resource (i) _____ (for/to) your staff, (ii) _____ (but/and) they can improve overall customer service as well as brand awareness. Company uniforms make it easy for buyers to locate employees (iii) _____ (in/among) a crowd, cutting down on response time. Uniforms also benefit client satisfaction by extending awareness of your company, both during and outside of work hours. Employees who wear uniforms with a company's logo and colours allow your business to become instantly recognisable (iv) _____ (for/by) local customers.

Q.6. Read the jumbled sentences with proper focus and then arrange the sentence in its correct order. (½ x 4 = 2M)

- (a) erosion / modern / is / wrath / the / of / flood / due / of / river / civilization / to / experiencing
- (b) standing / off / on / uprooted / the / coasts / not / should / cut / or / be / trees
- (c) which / for / vegetation / provides / surface / the / controls / the / heat / build-up / earth
- (d) is / warming / major / factor / of / global / deforestation / global / the

SECTION – C (LITERATURE)

Q.7. Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions that follow: **1x3=3M**

(I) *And forever, by day and night, I give back life to my own origin,
and make pure and beautify it;*

- (a) In what way does the rain help its place of origin?
- (b) What is the importance of the word 'forever'?
- (c) Which word is the opposite of 'end' in the above stanza?

OR

FRANK: Look, what time did Mr.Crocker Harris tell you to be here?

TAPLOW: Six thirty, sir.

FRANK: Well, he's ten minutes late. Why don't you cut? You could still play golf before lock-up.

TAPLOW: (really shocked) Oh, no, I couldn't cut. Cut the Crocker-Mr.Crocker Harris? I shouldn't think it's ever been done in the whole time he's been here. God knows what would happen if I did. He'd probably follow me home, or something.

FRANK: I must admit I envy him the effect he seems to have on you boys in the form. You all seem scared t death of him. What does he do – beat you all, or something?

- (a) Why was Taplow shocked?
- (b) Why did Taplow refuse to 'cut' Mr.Crocker-Harris?
- (c) Why does Frank envy Mr.Crocker Harris?

Q.8. Answer any 3 of the following questions in about 30-40 words: **2x3=6M**

- (a) In the poem 'Childhood', the poet has asked two questions – one is about time and the other is about the place. Why has he used these questions?
- (b) What leads Mr. Frank react to comment, "I'm sure you're exaggerating?"

- (c) Why do you think the poet says the phrase 'reck'd or unreck'd'?
- (d) 'Population control, even if it is through coercion, is essential for meaningful development that benefits all sections of the society'. How far do you agree to this statement?
- (e) Though Nick Middleton faces a lot of difficulties, he is able to complete his pilgrimage due to his undeterred faith. Justify.

Q.9. Answer any 1 of the following questions in 120 words: 3M

- (a) Do you think Albert is being impolite while answering the history teacher's questions? Give your reasons.

OR

- (b) How does Mrs. Pearson behave towards her husband after she changed her personality with that of Mrs. Fitzgerald?

Q.10. Answer any 1 of the following questions in 120 words: 3M

- (a) The Doctor has the capability of saving a life and if he lets his personal woes get the better of him, a life is endangered. Describe how Dr. Andrew Manson balanced his personal life with professional responsibilities.

OR

- (b) 'Mother's Day' is a satirical and humorous depiction of the status of women, in particular, a housewife in a family'. Are the issues raised in the play relevant even today? Elaborate with reasons.
