

ATOMIC ENERGY CENTRAL SCHOOL NO.3 RAWATBHATA

Annual Examination 2018 -19

CLASS: XI
Sub: English Core

TIME: 3 HOURS
MAX MARKS: 80

General Instructions:

This question paper is divided into four sections:

Section A Reading Comprehension 20 Marks

Section B Writing 20 Marks

Section C Grammar 10 Marks

Section D Text Books 30 Marks

SECTION A: READING [20 Marks]

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (12 Marks)

Forest fires

Someone dropped a burning match
Unheeded by the way ;
It caught a fire some underbush
Its user did not stay.

From grass to bush, from bush to tree
So stealthily it ran
That no one ever guessed or knew
Just where that fire began

Someone built a campfire
And failed to put it out
A breeze came and quickened
The embers spread about

And soon the woods were blazing
The fire spread and spread
The trees that took long years to grow
Stand blackened now and dead

Some one saw a little fire
As he was passing by
He did not stop to put it out
He did not even try.

He had not started it, of course;
He had no time to spare
That it might start a forest fire
He did not even care.

1.1. Answer the given questions by choosing the most appropriate option (6 Marks)

(a) The fire could have been due to

(i) A burning match (ii) A campfire (iii) Fire spread (iv) An enemy

(b) The fire spread

(i) Stealthily (ii) Rapidly (iii) Quickly (iv) All the above

(c) A passer by did not put out the fire because

(i) He did not see the fire (ii) He had no time (iii) He was afraid (iv) He was careless.

(d) The burning of the forest was

- (i) Much required (ii) An act of carelessness (iii) Good for trees (iv) An act of revenge

(e) The word which means the same as 'careless' is

- (i) Unheeded (ii) Quickened (iii) Spare (iv) Underbush

(f) The forest fire destroyed the

- (i) Tree (ii) Wild animals (iii) Birds (iv) Underbush

1.2. Answer the following questions: (1 x 6 = Marks)

- (i) What happened when someone had dropped a burning match ?
(ii) Why could no one guess where the fire began ?
(iii) What according to the poet could have been the other reason of fire ?
(iv) Why did not the passerby try to put out the fire?
(v) What was the condition of the trees ?
(vi) What character of a passerby is brought out in these lines ?

2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

1. It has been said that everyone lives by selling something. In the light of this statement, teachers live by selling knowledge, philosophers by selling wisdom and priests by selling spiritual comfort. Though it may be possible to measure the value of material goods in terms of money, it is extremely difficult to estimate the true value of the services which people perform for us. There are times when we would willingly give everything we possess to save our lives, yet we might grudge paying a surgeon a high fee for offering us precisely his service. The conditions of society are such that skills have to be paid for in the same way that goods are paid for at a shop. Everyone has something to sell.

2. Tramps seem to be the only exception to this general rule. Beggars almost sell themselves as human beings to arouse the pity of passers-by. But real tramps are not beggars. They have nothing to sell and require nothing from others. In seeking independence, they do not sacrifice their human dignity. A tramp may ask you for money, but he will never ask you to feel sorry for him. He has deliberately chosen to lead the life he leads and is fully aware of the consequences. He may never be sure where the next meal is coming from, but he is free from the thousands of anxieties which afflict other people. His few material possessions make it possible for him to move from place to place with ease. By having to sleep in the open, he gets far closer to the world of nature than most of us ever do. He may hunt, beg, or steal occasionally to keep himself alive; he may even, in times of real need, do a little work; but he will never sacrifice his freedom. We often speak with contempt for tramps and put them in the same class as beggars, but how many of us can honestly say that we have not felt a little envious of their simple way of life and their freedom from care ?

(a) On the basis of your reading of the above passage, make notes on it using recognizable abbreviations wherever necessary. Use a format you consider appropriate. Supply a suitable title.

(5 Marks)

(b) Write a summary of the above passage in not more than 80 words. (3 marks)

SECTION B : WRITING [20 Marks]

3. Draft an advertisement to be inserted in the classified column of the local daily for the requirement of a land for purchase in an industrial area of Agra to set up a shoe factory. You are Niket. Invent necessary details. (4 Marks)

OR

You are Abhi the head boy of Sun International School, Bareilly. Put the notice for the school notice board inviting the council members for the meeting with the Principal and Discipline Committee of the school. Invent necessary details.

4. Write a letter to the Principal of the school requesting him to start the evening games in school. You are Rajat, the sports captain of St, Mark's School, Gurgaon. (6 Marks)

OR

You came across an advertisement for the post of a receptionist in P.S. Public School and you have an experience and training for the same and find yourself suitable. As Akriti apply for the same along with a complete resume.

5. Tourism industry is the most flourishing industry today. Write an article on how and why to promote it. (10 Marks)

OR

Recently you happened to visit the glass factories of Firozabad and saw the miserable condition of workers and specially children working there. As Chetan/Chetna, the reporter of 'The Tribune' write a report on the same.

SECTION C : GRAMMAR

6. Fill in the blanks with the correct options given in the brackets (4 Marks)

- (a) The quality of the mangoes.....(was/were) not good.
- (b) Time and tide(wait/waits) for none.
- (c) Either the cat or the dog....(has/have) been here.
- (d) The shop with its contents.....(was/were) burnt down.

7. In the following passage have not been edited. There is one error in each line. Identify the wrong word and write it with the correction in the spaces given. The first one has been done for you. (1/2 x 8 = 4 Marks)

	Incorrect	Correct
My cat Jugger be the toughest animal I know.be	is	
a) He has survived much close calls. Three years ago
b) he were caught inside a car's engine. His right ear
c) was torn off when ho lost sight in one eye. We were.....
d)surprised that he lived from the accident. Within.....
e) weeks she was back to normal. Then last year again
f) we were worry that we would lose Jugger.....
g) Lumps that grew on his back was operated upon by
h) the vet. Now, we know Jugger do have nine lives.

8. Look at the sentences given below in a disorderly form. Re-order (Rearrange) them to form meaningful sentences. (2 Marks)

- (a) you/have/how/much/expeience/got?
- (b) He/a little/brought/apple juice/market/from/the
- (c) completely /being/deaf/can't/anything/he/hear.
- (d) they/gone/have/to/match/a/see

SECTION D LITERATURE

9. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow by using the most appropriate options in your answer-sheet : (3 Marks)

*The seed I spent or sown it where The land is his and none of mine ?
 We speak like strangers, there's no sign
 Of understanding in the air.
 This child is built to my design
 Yet what he loves I cannot share.*

(a) 'I' refers to

- (i) The father
- (ii) The son
- (iii) The poet
- (iv) The stranger

(b) 'We speak like strangers' means

- (i) They talk to each other like enemies (ii) They do not understand each other
(iii) They fight with each other (iv) They don't like each other

(c) The father is in a mood

- (i) Happy (ii) Angry (iii) Sad (iv) Joyous

OR

The cardboard shows me how it was

When the two girl cousins were paddling Each are holding one of my mothers hands, And she the big girl some twelve years or so

(a) 'The cardboard' denotes a

- (i) Boat (ii) Photograph (iii) Picture
(iv) None of the above

(b) What can be seen on the cardboard ?

- (i) Three girls (ii) Two girls and their uncle (iii) A big girl (iv) Poet's mother

(c) Who were the other two girls ?

- (i) Poet's mother and her cousin (ii) Betty and Dolly (the two cousins)
(iii) Betty and poet's mother (iv) Dolly and poet's mother

10. Answer any three of the following questions (3 x 3 = 9 Marks)

- (i) Give the brief description of the narrator's boat ? How well had he equipped it ?
(ii) Explain the statement, "King Tut is one of the first mummies to be scanned in death as in life"
(iii) Describe narrator's first ride on the horse.
(iv) What plan did Albert Einstein make to avoid going to school ?

11. Answer the following questions in about (120 words). (6 Marks)

For the first time in human history, we see transcending Concern "The survival not of the people but of the planet." Elucidate.

OR

Draw a contrast of the life the narrator's grandmother spent in the village with the kind of life she led in the city.

12. Answer the following questions in about 120 words. (6 Marks)

There lies a great difference between Text book medicine and the world of practicing physician. Discuss in context to 'The Birth.'

OR

How was Ranga treated when he returns to his village from Bengaluru ? What does this tell about the people of Hosahalli ?

13. Answer the following questions in about 120 words. (6 Marks)

Contrast the Chinese view of art with the European view with examples.

OR

Comment on the possible situations when the childhood ended in the poem 'Childhood'