

ATOMIC ENERGY CENTRAL SCHOOL NO. 3 RAWATBHATA
UNIT TEST – I [2018-19]

CLASS: XI
SUB: ENGLISH CORE (CODE No. 301)

TIME 1:30 MINUTES
MAX MARKS: 50

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. This question paper is divided into 4 sections:
Section A Reading Comprehension 12 Marks
Section B Writing 15 Marks
Section C Grammar 10 Marks
Section D Text Books 13 Marks

Section: A Reading 12 Marks

Q1) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow

Iran's economy is imploding, its leaders are feuding and its people are sullen and repressed, but the state media finally had some good news to trumpet today. The Islamic republic successfully launched a monkey into space or so it claims. The regime asserted that the creator was launched heavenwards in a capsule named Pishgam Farsi for 'pioneer' and reached a height of 120 kilometers before returning to earth intact and alive. It offered no proof, no film footage, not even the name of the country's first astrochimp, just still pictures of the capsule and a monkey in a vest being buckled into a seat.

This is a big step for our experts and scientists. General Ahmad Vahidi, Iran's Defense Minister, said of a launch timed to coincide with the birthday of the prophet Mohammad and the 34th anniversary this week of the Islamic Revolution. The apparently successful flight was the latest achievement of space program that the regime supports and flaunts to demonstrate that its scientists are the equal of their western counterparts.

That program launched Iran's first satellite in 2009 and sent rodents, turtles and worms into space the following year. It is believed to have made a failed attempt to send a monkey up in 2011, but Hamid Fazeli director of Iranian Space Agency, says its latest breakthrough prepares the way for the first manned space mission within five to eight years. The regime insists its space program, like its nuclear program, is for civilian and scientific purposes only. Press and TV reports on today's launch notes that Iran was a founder member in 1959 of the UN Committee on the peaceful uses of outer space.

The rest of the world is not convinced. It fears the real purpose of the program is to develop long range missiles capable of carrying nuclear warheads, which is why the UN Security Council has imposed an almost total embargo on the export of nuclear and space technologies to Iran since 2007. The launch came as Iran denied that an explosion had damaged its Fordow nuclear facility, which is being used to enrich uranium. Israeli intelligence officials have told The Times that they believe the explosion happened last week.

The Israeli government is investigating reports that it led to extensive structural damage and that 200 workers had been trapped inside. Israel believes the Iranians have not evacuated the surrounding area. It is unclear whether that is because no harmful substances have been released.

The Times, London.

A) Answer the following questions

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| a) What is the good news to trumpet for the state media? | 2 |
| b) When is the Iranian Space Agency planning its first man space mission? | 2 |
| c) Who, according to Press and TV report, is called as founder member of UN committee on the peaceful uses of outer space? | 2 |
| d) Is the launch a reality? Why? | 2 |
| e) Give synonyms of the following words from the passage. | 2 |
| i) Not expressed openly | |
| ii) To take place at the same time | |
- B) Choose the correct option:** 2
- | | |
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| i) The word regime means | |
| a) Government | b) Official |
| c) The people | e) Scientists |

- ii) What types of extract is the passage?
a) A news article b) a story
c) An essay d) a travelogue

Section B Writing (15 Marks)

Q2) You are Krishna/Kritika Secretary Cultural Club of your school. Your school is organizing a Classical Dance workshop during the winter break for senior students of the school. Draft a notice for the school notice board informing the students with all relevant details. 04 Marks

OR

You are principal Hinduja Public School, Rose Vihar Mumbai. Draft an advertisement for the vacant post of English teacher in your school to be published in the classified columns of a daily newspaper in not more than 50 words.

Q3) You are Suraj/ Soumya a member of Health club of your school. You are disturbed at the increasing instances of students facing stress due to examinations. Write a speech to be delivered in the morning assembly of your school on “How to beat examination related stress”.(150 to 200 words)
05 Marks

OR

You are Ramesh/ Remya. You attended an elocution competition on “Problems in rural India” organized by your school. Write a report on the event in about 150-200 words.

Q4) You are Rajesh/Rani of 45, New city area, Kolkata. Write a letter to the editor complaining about the badly maintained roads in your area. 06 Marks

OR

You are Subhash/Sanchi of B-3/230, Dwarkesh Nagar, Manali. Last month you bought a Samsung Galaxy mobile from Rohan Electronics, Patel Nagar. Now it is not working properly. Write a letter to the dealer complaining about it.

Section C Grammar 10 Marks

Q5 A) Rearrange the following jumbled words to make meaningful sentences (1*2=2 marks)

- a) indore/ and/ there/ are/ outdoor/ kind of/ various/ games
b) from/ the/ also/ removes/ fasting/ body/ toxins

Q5 B) fill in the blank blanks with suitable determiners given in the brackets and write the correct answer against correct blank number in your answer sheet, do not copy the entire passage.

(some, any, a little, a few many, a, an, the.)

(1/2*6=3)

- a) He didn't buy..... honey
b)money is better than nothing.
c) Only..... boys were present in the class.
d)people came to see the fair.
e) Copper is..... useful metal.
f) Banaras is..... holy city.

Q6) Fill in the blanks with suitable verb forms given in the brackets and write the correct answers against correct blank number in your answer sheet. Do not copy the entire passage.(1/2*6=3)

- a) I shall not go to his house unless he (invite)..... me.
b) The police (catch)..... the thief the last night.
c) The sun (shine)..... when we went out.
d) Bad students never (work)..... hard
e) We(live)..... in Delhi since 1975.
f) I asked for lunch to my friend but he (take).....food already.

Q7) The following passage has not been edited; there is an error in each line. Underline the error and write the corrections against correct blank number in your answer sheet, do not copy the entire passage. First, one has been done as an example.

2 Marks

	Error	Correction
The taj mahal was built by shah jahanbuild	built	
a) in memory of her wife.The construction began in
b) 1632 and completed in 1653.The architect
c) was Isa khan who comes from Shiraz.
d) The beauty of the marble done and minarets are
known through the world. All visitors are		
impressed by the dream like beauty of the Taj.	No errors in last two lines	

Section D Textual Questions (Literature) 13 Marks

Q8) Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow **3 Marks**

a) some twenty thirty years later /she would laugh at the snapshot /"see Betty and Dolly."She'd say and look "how they/ dressed us for the beach." the Sea holiday/ was her past, mine is her laughter both wry/ with the laboured ease of loss.

- a) What was mother's reaction on seeing the photograph?
- b) How long back did the beach holiday take place?
- c) What is the poet's past?

OR

b) The cardboard shows me how it was
When the two girl cousins went paddling by
Each one holding one of my mother's hand
And see the big girl some twelve years or so

- a) What where the girls going? 1
- b) Who does she referred to? 1
- c) What does the word 'cardboard' denote in the poem? 1

Q9) Answer the following questions in about 40 words. 5*2=10 marks

- a) Mention the odd ways in which the author's grandmother behaved before she died.
- b) Explain the line from the poem The photograph "Its silence silences."
- c) How did the Children support the author when the ship was in danger because of storm?
- d) Explain the three phases of friendship between grandmother and the author.
- e) How does the story 'We are not Afraid to Die...' suggest that optimism helps to endure 'the direst stress'?