

TERM - 02

Class - X

Session -2021-22 (TERM-2) Time Allowed: 120 minutes

Subject- English Maximum Marks: 40

General Instructions:

1. The Question Paper contains THREE sections-READING, WRITING & GRAMMAR and LITERATURE.

2. Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.

SECTION A- READING

- 1. Read the passage given below and answer the question that follows
 [5 Marks]
 - 1. Modern food has become our enemy. We have become so slavish to taste and presentation that we eat food for its entertainment value, not for its nutritional benefit. Even as health awareness is increasing the variety of junk and nutritionless food is also increasing. Each restaurant boasts of a new cuisine, which is a mixture of refined flour, oil and sugar. Pasta, noodles, white rice, white bread and maida based products like pizzas, burgers, naan andrumali roti are the main options in talian, Chinese, Indian or Mexican cuisines. The vegetarian dishes are either overcooked or have a lot of corn starch and fat. The non-vegetarian dishes are either white-sauce based or made in rich gravies.
 - 2. People are trying to lose weight by eating less in the day, so that they can accommodate such foods in the night. They skip breakfast and lunch so that they can satisfy their taste buds in the night with a family dinner. Perfect health, however, cannot be achieved by a process of eating less and not eating. The idea is to nourish the body. You might achieve some weight loss but you will also lose out on your health
 - **3.** Therefore, whilst embarking upon any weight loss programme, remember that health is much more than just weight loss, at the same time achieving ideal body weight in a healthy way does provide a basis for achieving perfect health.
 - **4.** Our weight is a balancing act, but the equation is simple: If you eat more calories than you burn, you gain weight. And if you eat fewer calories than you burn, you lose weight.
 - 5. All too often, we make weight loss much more difficult than it needs to be with extreme diets that leave us cranky and starving, unhealthy lifestyle choices that undermine our dieting efforts, and emotional eating habits that stop us before we get started. But there's a better way! You can lose weight without feeling miserable. By making smart choices every day, you can develop new eating habits and preferences that will leave you feeling satisfied and winning the battle of the bulge.

Based on your understanding of the passage, answer ANY FIVE questions from the six given below.

- (i) How has modern food become our enemy?
- (ii) How do people try to lose weight?
- (iii) What should you remember while trying to lose weight?
- (iv) What equation is drawn to highlight our weight as a balancing act?
- (v) What is meant by 'undermine'? (Para 5)
- (vi) Find a word opposite in meaning to 'neither'. (Para 1)



2. Read the passage given below and answer the question that follows-

[5 Marks]

- 1. The self-governing National Red Cross Societies, including the Red Crescent (in Muslim countries) and the Red Lion and the Sun (in Iran), operate on the national level through their volunteer members, although they also participate in international work. Each must be recognized by the International Committee. Today numbering 114, these societies have Junior Red Cross Societies as well. Virtually all have disaster relief programmes, and many carry on welfare programmes, with community health and safety instruction, and so on. Since World War II, many European and Asian societies have also established refugee services.
- 2. The League of Red Cross Societies, a coordinating world federation of these societies, was established in 1919 as the result of proposals made by Henry P. Davison (1867-1922) of the American Red Cross. The League maintains contacts between the societies; acts as a clearing house for information; assists the societies in setting up new programmes and in improving or expanding old ones; and coordinates international disaster operations. It functions under an executive committee and a board of governors in which every national society has representation.
- 3. The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), a private, independent group of Swiss citizens chosen by co-optation (limited to twenty-five in number), acts during war or conflict whenever intervention by a neutral body is necessary, such action constitutes its special field of activity. As guardian of the Geneva Conventions and of Red Cross principles, it promotes its acceptance by governments, suggests their revision, works for further development of international humanitarian law, and recognizes new Red Cross Societies; it sends its Swiss delegates into prisoner-of-war camps, supervises repatriation, operates the Central Tracina Agency, supplies material relief, and the like.
- **4.** The International Red Cross Conference, which met for the first time in 1867, is the highest legislative body. It is composed of representatives of the National Societies, the League, the International Committee, and the governments that have signed the Geneva Convention.

On the basis of your understanding of the passage, answer ANY FIVE questions from the six given below.

- (i) By what name is the Red Cross Society known in Iran?
- (ii) What socially useful activities are performed by the Red Cross Societies?
- (iii) What are the functions of the League of Red Cross Society?
- (iv) When does the International Committee of the Red Cross act?
- (v) What does the word "intervention" mean?
- (vi) Which is the highest legislative body of the Red Cross Societies?

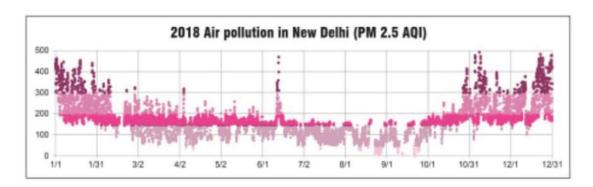
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SECTION B-WRITING AND GRAMMAR

3. Attempt any one from (i) and (ii)

- (i) You are Rachna / Raghu residing at 15 Mall Road, Agra. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper about your views on the order passed by the Supreme court that the children should take care of their aged parents or lose the right to parent's inheritance. [5 Marks]
- (ii) Look at the following graph carefully and write an analytical paragraph based on the topic 'Air Pollution in Delhi' in 150-200 words. [5 Marks]



2018 Air Pollution in New Delhi(PM2.5 AQI. A surge on June 14 was caused by dust storms brought on by a combination of extreme heat and powerful downdraft winds. Hazardous Very Unhealthy Unhealthy Unhealthy for sensitive groups Moderate Good

4. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Identify the error and write its correction against the correct blank number. Remember to underline the correction. The first one has been done for you.

[3 Marks]

I have a some pens with me. E.g Some Few

- (i) The pen is on the pencil stand. _____
- (ii) I have not slept from yesterday _____
- (iii) It is onto us to find the answers.
- 5. Correctly fill the blanks by choosing correct modals-

[2 Marks]

- (i) _____ (could/would/should) you prefer wearing a coat or a jacket
- (ii) The guest _____(May/might/can) drop in at night.

SECTION C-LITERATURE

(Part-1)

6. Answer ANY SIX questions in 30-40 words each.

[12 Marks]

- (i) Why are the people of Coorg known as the descendants of Arab.
- (ii) What is the theme of the poem 'Amanda'?
- (iii) What information did valli collect from her first ride?
- (iv) Why did everyone make fun of dragons?
- (v) How was 'Mijbil' a source of amazement on London Streets.
- (vi) Why did Mme Loisel go to visit her friend Mme Forestier?
- (vii) What did kisa gotami learn in the end?



(Part-2)

Out of Three only two should be attempted-

07. (1) When I got to Yew Mullions my eager expectations of a sweet and simple country village were severely disappointed. Its streets were rivers of mud, with rows of wooden shops, either painted a sore brown, or bare of any paint at all. The only agreeable sight about the place was the delivery man at the station. He was about forty, red faced, cheerful, and thick about the middle. His working clothes were dirty and well worn, he had a friendly manner. You felt at once that he liked people.

[4 Marks]

- (a) What were the expectations of the speaker? what was the reality?
- **(b)** Describe the delivery man at the station
- (2) Why did Bholi at first agree to an unequal match? Why did she later reject the marriage? What does this tell us about her? [4 Marks]
- (3) Then you make out that I'm a land grabber? Madam, never in my life have I grabbed anybody else's land and I shan't allow anybody to accuse me of having done so. Oxen Meadows are mine!

[4 Marks]

- (a) Who is 'madam' in the above lines? What had happened to the speaker?
- (b) What will he not allow? In which situation does Lomov call himself a 'Land Grabber'?

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