

CLASS-XI
ENGLISH CORE (301)
SAMPLE PAPER- 2022-23

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

MAXIMUM MARKS: 80

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. This paper comprises 3 sections- Reading Comprehension (26 marks), Writing Skills & Grammar (23 marks) and Literature (31 marks)
2. Attempt all questions.
3. Do not write anything on the question paper.
4. All the answers must be correctly numbered as in the question paper and written in the answer sheet provided.
5. Ensure that questions of each section are answered together.
6. Read each section carefully and follow the instructions.
7. Adhere to the word limit wherever prescribed.

Section –A (Reading Skills)

(26 Marks)

Typology	Reading Skills	Conceptual understanding, decoding, analysing, inferring, interpreting, appreciating literary conventions and vocabulary, summarising and using appropriate format/s
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I. Read the following passage very carefully:

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1. Panchayati Raj goes a long way in accomplishing community participation and empowering the marginalised and vulnerable in the hinterland through grassroots administrative institutions.
2. Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) play a predominant role in the delegation of power and resources to villages. The role of PRIs acquires crucial significance in the attainment of cherished ideals of good governance including Gram Swaraj and localisation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
3. Mahatma Gandhi deserves special mention for conceptualising Panchayat Raj in India. He envisioned panchayats as a small self-sufficient republic that entails total participation of the people and equal opportunities for all.
4. The 1993 amendment has proved to be a catalyst in bringing more than 14.5 lakh women into leadership roles in the country's local governance. At present as many as 20 states have 50% seats reserved for women in their PRIs. States such as Karnataka are giving the much-needed impetus to women into governance with more than 50% women representation in PRIs. Since ages, the prerogative of men in politics and governance is slowly and steadily changing at the grassroots and women are at the forefront making their way in a field from which they have historically been excluded. To top it all, while the Covid crisis had disproportionate impact on women, in terms of increased vulnerability to job and income losses, and heightened burden of care work, women have shined through as being the first responders in their roles as frontline health workers, and local leaders in PRIs and Self-Help Groups.

5. Panchayat Palli in Jammu was selected for the Panchayati Raj Diwas event this year and an exhibition showcasing latest innovations was put up enabling farmers, sarpanchs and village heads to advance their income and their produce.

6. The need and demand for good governance is fuelled with the rapid expansion of the economy as well as the growing awareness for proclamation of rights by the populace. PRI engagement is possibly the only existing mechanism to accomplish large-scale community participation and empower the marginalised and vulnerable, particularly women, children, and the poor. While the centre and the state government are together implementing various development programmes, it all boils down to PRIs to have a definite mandate for realisation of the goal towards improving the quality of life in rural areas. To sum up in the words of Mahatma Gandhi, “When the Panchayat Raj is established, public opinion will do what violence can never do.”

(Source- India Today- Focus- Panchayati Raj)

I.A) On the basis of your reading the passage, answer the following questions by choosing the best of the given options: (1x5=5)

i. Complete the sentence by choosing the appropriate option:

Panchayati Raj Institutions have been formed for-

- a. assigning excess power to villages
- b. assigning power and resources to villages
- c. taking away power and resources from villages
- d. converting villages into metropolitan cities

ii. According to para-3, which of the options most appropriately describes the impact of Covid crisis on women in villages?

- a. drastic fall in job opportunities
- b. increased stress of care work
- c. outshined as first responders in roles as frontline health workers
- d. All the above

iii. Select the most suitable title for the above passage-

- a. Gandhiji’s vision for PRIs
- b. Role of Women in PRIs
- c. Flagbearers of Participative Democracy
- d. Central government Vs PRIs

iv. Statement-A: Panchayat Palli in Jammu was selected for the Panchayati Raj Diwas event this year.
Statement-R: Exhibition showcasing latest innovations was put up to advance their income and their produce.

- a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
- b) Both A and R are true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A.
- c) A is true but R is false.
- d) A is false but R is true.

v. Select the option that conveys the opposite of ‘catalyst’.

- a. adjuvant
- b. agitator
- c. stimulant
- d. hindrance

I.B) Answer the following questions:

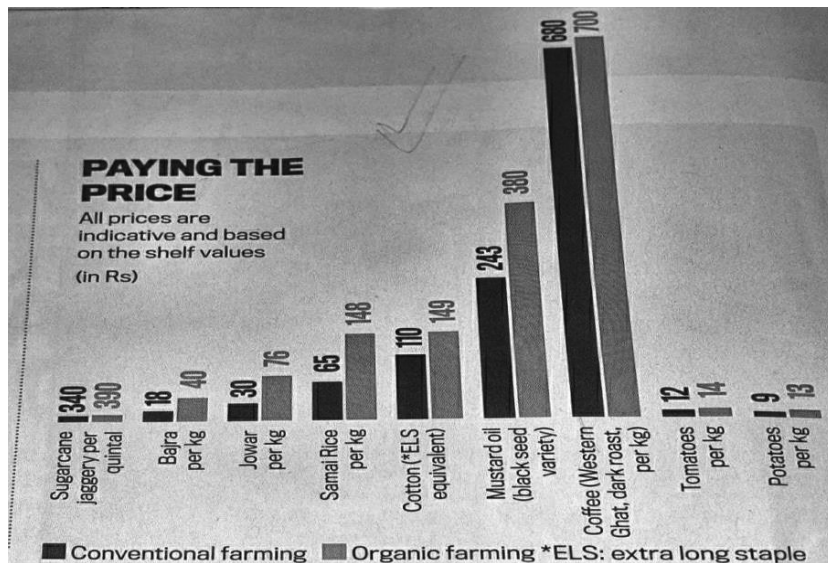
(1x5=5)

- vi. In what way did Mahatma Gandhi try to attain localization of SDGs while conceptualising Panchayat Raj in India?
- vii. Comment on the role of women in the country's local governance after the amendment of 1993.
- viii. List two reasons for the requirement of good governance.
- ix. What do you understand by Gandhiji's belief as given in the last paragraph?
- x. Find a word from the last paragraph which means the same as 'inhabitants'.

II. Read the following passage carefully:

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1. AITU, a sleepy town in Faridkot district, is in the heart of Punjab's cancer belt, where experts believe the extensive use of fertilisers and pesticides has impacted the health of generations. One person waging a personal war against this man-made nightmare is Umendra Dutt, founder member and the Executive Director of Kheti Virasat Mission (KVM).
2. Dutt was part of the national Task Force on Organic farming & Chemical-Free Farming that the Union Agriculture Ministry constituted soon after Prime Minister Narendra Modi began his first term. The panel recommended that at least Rs.12,500 crore a year be allocated to expand the sector, laying the foundation for the push in organic farming. But amid all the real-world exigencies, the money-and the sowing-haven't kept pace with the intentions.
3. In this year's budget, Union Finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman laid out the blueprint for chemical-free farming on both sides of the Ganga in five states, creating an organic/natural corridor totalling 1.23 mha and dedicated to growing fruits, vegetables, herbs and medicinal plants. The states involved-- Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal--could tap into the annual Rs. 20,000 crore budget for the National Mission for Clean Ganga.
4. The Agriculture Ministry is setting smaller, achievable targets. Officials say their focus is on promoting chemical-free agriculture in tribal, hilly and agro-forestry areas. The hilly terrain of smaller states like Meghalaya, Mizoram, Uttarakhand and Goa have some 10 percent of their farmland dedicated to organic cultivation.
5. It has also criminalised the sale and purchase of chemical fertilisers and pesticides in these blocks. However, it is the bigger states that have to do the catching up: their figures for organic farming are embarrassingly small. MP has 4.9 percent, Rajasthan 2 percent and Maharashtra just 1.6 percent of their farms dedicated to organic produce.
6. Punjab is a story by itself, with some plot elements specific to it. Some 85 percent of its crops--paddy, wheat and cotton-- are produced by central agencies such as the Food Corporation of India and Cotton Corporation of India. Most of its farmers focus on growing crops that have this guaranteed procurement safety net. That's also an incentive to grow more, which is why they put all their effort into volumes.



(Source- India Today- Special Report on Agriculture)

II.A) On the basis of your reading the passage, answer the following questions by choosing the best of the given options: (1x4=4)

i. Select the correct option of states where organic farming is below 5%.

- Meghalaya, Rajasthan, MP
- MP, Mizoram, Goa
- Rajasthan, MP, Maharashtra
- Maharashtra, Goa, Uttarakhand

ii. Is the following statement in line with what is mentioned in para-2?

The money allocated for the expansion of organic farming and the real world requirements are healthily moving towards the intentions.

- true
- false
- partially true
- partially false

iii. As a farmer you wish to shift to organic farming. According to the bar chart, which of the crops would you select that will bring out much variation in your pricing.

- mustard oil, cotton, Samai Rice
- sugarcane, jaggery, coffee
- cotton, tomatoes, jowar
- potatoes, bajra, cotton

iv. Which of the following statements accurately concludes the given passage?

- The basic problem for an ordinary farmer remains- Organic farming is expensive.
- The organic and natural produce is often visually less appealing in shape and colour.
- Organic farming has no future in India and our efforts need to shift to other issues.
- Only a few states of India are seriously working for a shift from conventional to organic farming.

II.B) Answer the following questions:

(1x4=4)

- v. Which states of India have been involved in the chemical-free farming in the blueprint as laid out by the Union Finance Minister. Give evidence from the passage.
- vi. Mention the objectives of the Agriculture Ministry behind setting up achievable targets?
- vii. Highlight one reason why farmers of Punjab put all their efforts into volumes of growing crops.
- viii. Draw a conclusion on the basis of the prices of Samai Rice grown conventionally and organically from the given bar chart.

III. Read the following passage carefully:

(8)

1. Artificial intelligence (AI) has become commonplace. When it comes to medicine, AI helps surgeons to streamline tasks, improve operational efficiencies and simplify complex procedures.
2. Despite its potential to unlock new insights, AI may bring considerable threats of privacy, ethical concerns, and medical errors. The need is of a human-artificial intelligence interface, the knowledge-handler and the empathetic communicator.
3. Although AI has come a long way in the medical world, human surveillance is still essential. For example, surgery robots operate logically, as opposed to empathetically. Surgeons may notice vital behavioural observations that can help diagnose or prevent medical complications. AI can identify potential ailments faster than human doctors, but when it comes to decision-making, AI cannot yet fully and safely surpass human physicians. AI cannot adapt to the variety of situations arising during a difficult surgery as it has a pre-fixed analytic, but a surgeon can not only adapt to the situation, but find new ways on the operating table to save a person's life.
4. Despite the fact that robots are in many ways seen as more accurate and reliable than human surgeons, people are inevitably worried about putting their lives in the hands of a machine. Fears surrounding the safety and accuracy of procedures are prevalent among members of the public, however it is highly likely that the widespread use of medical robotics is set to continue.
5. AI is a new tool and can perform more complicated tasks and detect minor errors which can be missed by humans, but there are costs and risks if it is utilized incorrectly. There is always some scope for human error or mechanical failure with these advanced robots. A single mechanical malfunction can cost human lives.

(Source- India Today- Empathy, Key to Quick Healing)

III.A On the basis of your reading of the above passage, make notes using headings and sub-headings. Use recognisable abbreviations wherever necessary. Suggest a suitable title for the passage.

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III.B Write a summary of the above passage in not more than 50 words using the notes made by you.

(3)

SECTION – B (GRAMMAR & CREATIVE WRITING SKILLS)

(23 Marks)

Typology	Grammar & Creative Writing Skills	Conceptual understanding, application of rules, analysis, reasoning, appropriacy of style and tone, using appropriate format and fluency, inference, evaluation and creativity
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IV. GRAMMAR

(i) Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the words given in the brackets. Attempt any four.

(1X4=4 marks)

With India set to a)_____ (take over/take on/undertake/take up) the presidency of the G20 at the end of this year, the platform of the world's 20 largest economies b)_____ (though/although/that/through) riven by Russia's war in Ukraine c)_____ (can/shall/should/could) still play a key role in d)_____ (finding/finds/found/founded) solutions, as demonstrated during the initial stages of the Covid-19 pandemic. India's commitment to stand e)_____ (with/by/on/in) developing nations on issues such as debt, food, energy, security and climate action during its G20 presidency is a welcome assertion.

(ii) Transform the following sentences as per the instructions given below:

(1X3=3 marks)

- a) Opening the door, he asked for my permission to come in. (Change into a complex sentence)
b) "Will you be home soon?" She asked her husband. (Change into reported speech)
c) We are going to watch a movie tonight. (Change the voice)

V. CREATIVE WRITING SKILLS

(i). You are shifting with family from Delhi to Mumbai due a change in your job and looking for an accommodation on rent near Juhu Beach. Draft an advertisement in 50 words for the classified column 'Accommodation Wanted'. Invent necessary details. 3

OR

A multinational company requires a suitable candidate for the post of Store Supervisor for their newly opened showroom at Gurugram. Draft a suitable advertisement in 50 words for the classified column 'Situation Vacant' giving details of the requirements. 3

(ii). You are Shalin/ Shalini working with an NGO 'Animal Protection'. Encouraged by the steps taken by the Indian government in bringing Cheetahs to India, your organization deputed you to draft a poster in 50 words to be published in newspapers celebrating the arrival of cheetahs which was declared as extinct from India in 1952. Also include a message sensitizing people against exploiting and destroying the beautiful grasslands, the natural habitat of cheetahs. 3

OR

On the occasion of your school's Golden Jubilee Celebration, you are organizing a Musical Concert by a renowned artiste. Mr. Raj Kumar Rao, an eminent film personality has consented to grace the occasion as the Guest of Honour. Design a poster in 50 words for the same with necessary details. 3

(iii). Women play a crucial and integral role in the development and prosperity of the society. The government has provided a conducive atmosphere to make them self-reliant while ensuring their safety, self-respect and dignity. Write a speech in 120-150 words to be delivered in the morning assembly taking hints from the table given below.

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Establishments setup in U.P. alone
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mission Shakti Cells• Women helpdesk in all 1584 police stations• Additional women police stations/ women outposts• Beti Bachao- Beti Padhao Yojana• 2.61 cr. toilets constructed under Swachh Bharat Mission

(iv). You are Asim/ Asima of class XI participating in a debate competition. Write a debate either for or against the motion: ‘Indian festivals are all about gifts, food, shopping and enjoyment.’ (Word limit 120- 150 words) **5**

OR

In sports, aggression is a characteristic that can have many negative as well as positive effects on performance. Taking clues from the inputs given below write a debate on the topic- ‘Aggression is a Vital Part of Sports’. You are Asim/Asima of class XI. (Word limit 120- 150 words) **5**

Aggression mostly viewed as- negative psychological characteristic/sports psychologists opine- aggression improves performance-termed as assertive behaviour/player plays- within rules of the sporting domain- at high intensity/no intention to harm an opponent/aggression-defined into two categories: hostile aggression and instrumental aggression/ hostile aggression- aim-to cause harm or injury to opponent/Instrumental aggression- aim-to achieve a goal by using aggression

SECTION – C (LITERATURE)

(31 Marks)

Typology	Literature	Recalling, reasoning, appreciating literary conventions, inference, analysis, creativity with fluency and critical thinking
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VI. Reference to the Context

(i) Read the given extract carefully and answer the questions that follow: (3x1=3 marks)

Now she’s been dead nearly as many years
As that girl lived. And of this circumstance
There is nothing to say at all.
Its silence silences.

- i. Identify the phrase from the extract that conveys the following: 1
It has been twelve years since the death of the poet’s mother.
- ii. The tone of the poet in the above extract is- 1
 - a. pessimistic
 - b. optimistic
 - c. aggressive
 - d. sentimental
- iii. Which figure of speech has been used in the last line of the extract- 1

OR

When did my childhood go?
Was it the time I realised that adults were not all they seemed to be,
They talked of love and preached of love,
But did not act so lovingly,
Was that the day!

- i. The trait of adults highlighted in the extract is-_____ 1

ii. Which lines justify the following idiom- 1

‘Actions speak louder than words.’

iii. Choose the poetic device used in the first line of the extract. 1

- a. Repetition
- b. Transferred epithet
- c. Personification
- d. Refrain

(ii) Read the given extract carefully and answer the questions that follow: (3x1=3 marks)

When I went in to comfort the children, Jon asked, “Daddy, are we going to die?” I tried to assure him that we could make it. “But, Daddy,” he went on, “we aren’t afraid of dying if we can all be together — you and Mummy, Sue and I.”

I could find no words with which to respond, but I left the children’s cabin determined to fight the sea with everything I had. To protect the weakened starboard side, I decided to heave-to - with the undamaged port hull facing the oncoming waves, using an improvised sea anchor of heavy nylon rope and two 22 litre plastic barrels of paraffin.

i. An apt title of the above extract could be- 1

- a. Power of Words
- b. Child is the Father of Man
- c. Struggle for Survival
- d. Struggle at Sea

ii. Which group of words from the following options aptly describes the relationship between the father and the son-

- a. Unquestionable, friendly, hesitant
- b. Trusting, strong bonding, unconditional love
- c. Doubtful, feeble bonding, conditional love
- d. Faithful, affable, unpleasant

iii. Choose the word which means the same as ‘improvised’.

- a. prepared
- b. planned
- c. rehearsed
- d. devised

OR

A FLAWLESS half-moon floated in a perfect blue sky on the morning we said our goodbyes. Extended banks of cloud like long French loaves glowed pink as the sun emerged to splash the distant mountain tops with a rose-tinted blush. Now that we were leaving Ravu, Lhamo said she wanted to give me a farewell present. One evening I’d told her through Daniel that I was heading towards Mount Kailash to complete the kora, and she’d said that I ought to get some warmer clothes. After ducking back into her tent, she emerged carrying one of the long-sleeved sheepskin coats that all the men wore.

i. Identify the figure of speech in “Extended banks of cloud like long French loaves”. 1

- a. personification
- b. hyperbole

- c. metaphor
- d. simile

ii. Lhamo's farewell present to Nick Middleton highlights her- 1

- a. simplicity
- b. friendliness
- c. concern
- d. greed

iii. Choose the option that displays the correct usage of the word 'ducking' in the above extract. 1

- a. This ducking was the very thing he needed.
- b. He walked around to the driver's side, ducking his head as he folded his tall frame into the car.
- c. The slower class of meteors ducking the earth have a velocity of about 8 to 10m.
- d. The movement of traffic was made impossible due to the ducking of tracks.

(iii) Read the given extract carefully and answer the questions that follow: (4x1=4 marks)

I stopped, horrified. I was in a room I knew and did not know. I found myself in the midst of things I did want to see again but which oppressed me in the strange atmosphere. Or because of the tasteless way everything was arranged, because of the ugly furniture or the muggy smell that hung there, I don't know; but I scarcely dared to look around me. The girl moved a chair. I sat down and stared at the woollen table-cloth. I rubbed it. My fingers grew warm from rubbing. I followed the lines of the pattern. Somewhere on the edge there should be a burn mark that had never been repaired.

i) Which room is the narrator referring to in the given context? 1

- a) dining room
- b) living room
- c) lobby
- d) attic

ii) Identify the literary device in the given statement- "I was in a room I knew and did not know." 1

- a) Repetition
- b) Contrast
- c) Oxymoron
- d) Paradox

iii) Ascertain the reason that doesn't correspond to the narrator feeling horrified- 1

- a) oppressed by the strange atmosphere
- b) plagued by the tasteless way everything was arranged
- c) upset by Mrs. Dorling's reluctance to acknowledge her
- d) dismayed by the ugly furniture or the muggy smell

iv) Select the option which means the same as 'hardly/barely'? 1

- a) oppressed
- b) scarcely
- c) muggy
- d) midst

OR

It suddenly dawned on me that he had been taking these early morning rides for some time and had come for me this morning only because he knew how much I longed to ride.

Who said anything about stealing a horse? he said.

Anyhow, I said, how long ago did you begin riding every morning?

Not until this morning, he said.

Are you telling the truth? I said.

Of course not, he said, but if we are found out, that's what

you're to say. I don't want both of us to be liars. All you know is that we started riding this morning.

i) Aram's conclusion about Mourad taking early morning rides was based on- 1

- a) Mourad's love for the horse
- b) Mourad not willing to be caught with the horse
- c) Mourad skillfully riding the horse
- d) Mourad inviting Aram for a ride

ii) Highlight one trait of Mourad from his statement "I don't want both of us to be liars." 1

- a) conspiring
- b) scrupulous
- c) honesty
- d) manipulative

iii) What made Mourad visit Aram with a horse? 1

- a) because he had been taking early morning rides himself
- b) because he wanted company
- c) because he didn't want to be found out alone
- d) because he knew Aram's longing to ride a horse

iv) Statement-A: Mourad had become adept at riding the horse.
Statement-R: Mourad had stolen the horse that day only and had come to Aram to offer him a ride. 1

- e) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
- f) Both A and R are true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A.
- g) Both A and R are false.
- h) A is false but R is true.

VII. Answer the following questions in about 40-50 words each: (3X2=6 marks)

a) A fairly universal issue of friction between a father and son is exclusively personal also. Do you agree or disagree with the statement? Explain with reference to 'Father to Son'.

OR

Draw a parallel between a goldfinch and a lizard as depicted by Ted Hughes.

b) Give evidence of the fact that Tut's burial took place in the month of March or April.

OR

'To her music had lewd associations'. Comment on the statement in the light of the story 'The Portrait of a Lady'.

VIII. Answer the following question in about 40-50 words:

(3x1=3 marks)

a) “Love for an animal or bird is pure because in that love you don’t expect anything in return.”
Substantiate with reference to ‘The Summer of the Beautiful White Horse.’

OR

b) An unwarranted enthusiasm for rules and regulations may lead to chaos and anarchy. Explain in the wake of the theme of the poem ‘The Tale of Melon City’.

IX. Answer the following question in about 120-150 words:

(1x6=6 marks)

a) An adventure is an unusual, exciting and daring experience. Compare and contrast the element of adventure in the chapters ‘The Adventure’ and ‘Silk Road’.

OR

b) Nature plays an important part in human life. To keep it alive, man needs to respect the necessity of rain on earth. Reinforce this idea as reflected in the poem ‘The Voice of the Rain’.

X. Answer the following question in about 120-150 words:

(1x6=6 marks)

a) “I have done something; oh, God! I’ve done something real at last”. Justify Andrew’s comment with reference to the title of the story. (Birth)

OR

b) ‘All's well that ends well’ effectively summarizes the essence of the play ‘Mother’s Day’. Elucidate.

ENGLISH CORE
Marking Scheme and Hints to Solutions

Note:

1. The marking scheme provides suggested value points and not the complete answers.
2. Any other relevant answer not given herein but given by the candidate be also suitably rewarded.

Q.No.	Value Points/Key	Marks allotted to each value point/Key point	Total Marks
	SECTION-A (READING SKILLS) (26 MARKS)		
I.	<p>A. i) b. assigning power and resources to villages ii) d. All the above iii) c. Flagbearers of Participative Democracy iv) c. A is true but R is false. v) d. hindrance</p> <p>B. vi) Envisioned Panchayats as a small self-sufficient republic that entails total participation of the people and equal opportunities for all. vii) More than 14.5 lakh women are in leadership roles/50% seats reserved in PRIs. viii) Rapid expansion of the economy and growing awareness for proclamation of rights by the people ix) PRIs hold the main key to improve the quality of life in rural areas. x) populace</p>	<p>1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1</p>	<p>5 5</p>
II.	<p>A. i. c. Rajasthan, MP, Maharashtra ii. b. false iii. b. sugarcane, jaggery, coffee iv. a. The basic problem for an ordinary farmer remains- Organic farming is expensive.</p> <p>B. v. Chemical-free farming on both sides of the Ganga in five states- Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal vi. promoting chemical-free agriculture in tribal, hilly and agro-forestry areas. vii. guaranteed procurement safety net viii. Price is double in comparison to conventional farming/price is much higher than conventional farming/difference in the price is Rs. 83 per kg. (Any one)</p>	<p>1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1</p>	<p>4 4</p>
III.	<p>(A) Note Making Title- Artificial Intelligence (Any other suitable title) Numbering and indenting Key/glossary</p> <p>Notes/Content 1. Importance of AI 1.1 streamline tasks 1.2 improve <u>operal</u>. efficiencies 1.3 simplify complex procedures 2. Need of hour</p>	<p>1 1 1 2</p>	<p>5</p>

	<p>2.1 human AI interface 2.2 knowledge handler 2.3 empathetic <u>commun.</u></p> <p>3. Surgeons Vs AI 3.1 diagnose medical complication/can't take decision 3.2 can find new ways/can't adapt to different <u>situan.</u></p> <p>4. Future of AI 4.1 accurate and reliable 4.2 can perform complicated tasks 4.3 detect minor errors-missed by humans</p> <p>5. Disadvantages of AI 5.1 mechanical failure 5.2 can cost human life 5.3 threats of privacy, <u>ethi.</u> concerns</p> <p>Key to Abbreviations: 1. operational – operal. 2. situations – situan. 3. communicator – commun. 4. ethical-ethi.</p> <p>(B) Summary: The summary should include all the important points given in the notes. Content Expression</p> <p>SECTION – B (GRAMMAR & CREATIVE WRITING SKILLS) (23 Marks)</p>		
IV.	<p>i) a. take over b. though c. could d. finding e. by (Attempt any four)</p> <p>ii) a. While opening the gate, he asked for my permission to come in/ As he opened the door, he asked for my permission to come in/ After opening the door, he asked for my permission to come in b. She asked her husband if he would be home soon. c. A movie is going to be watched by us tonight.</p>	<p>1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1</p>	<p>3 4 3</p>
V.	<p>i) Advertisement (Classified)</p> <p>Format: The format should include: Box, Heading, Contact details Content Expression Value Points: Heading - ACCOMMODATION WANTED - required house on rent - specifications- location, facilities, features</p>	<p>1 1 1 1</p>	<p>3</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - approximate rent - contact details – name, telephone no. - Any other relevant details <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Format: The format should include: Box, Heading, Contact details</p> <p>Content</p> <p>Expression</p> <p>Value Points:</p> <p>Heading - SITUATION VACANT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - required suitable candidate - for post of Store Supervisor - for newly opened showroom at Gurugram - criteria- age, gender, qualification, experience - salary package - other requirements (if any) - contact details – name, telephone no., address - Any other relevant details 	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>	
<p>ii) Poster</p> <p>Format: The format should include: Box, Heading/s, details of issuing authority</p> <p>Content</p> <p>Expression</p> <p>Value points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - relevant slogans to celebrate arrival of cheetah - Do's and don'ts to discourage exploitation and destruction of beautiful grasslands, natural habitat of cheetahs. - Suggested steps/message for public - Illustration - Issuing authority - Any other relevant details 	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>	<p>3</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Format: The format should include: Box, Heading/s, details of issuing authority</p> <p>Content</p> <p>Expression</p> <p>Value points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - relevant slogans for school's Golden Jubilee Celebration - organizing a Musical Concert by renowned artiste - an eminent film personality to grace as Guest of Honour - details of event including date, time, venue - Illustration - Issuing authority - Any other relevant details 	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>	
<p>iii) Speech</p> <p>Format- salutation, introduction of self and topic</p> <p>Content</p> <p>Expression</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words, spellings 	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p>	<p>5</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coherence and relevance of ideas and style. <p>Value points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - empowering women - crucial and integral role in development and prosperity of the society - suppressed since centuries but now-change in societal attitude - government efforts- providing conducive atmosphere, making self-reliant, ensuring safety, self-respect, dignity. - govt. efforts not enough, society needs to change mindset - women need to assert their dignity - details of establishments setup - necessary steps to be taken- education, awareness of rights/laws, reservation for women in institutions/jobs - Any other relevant points 		
<p>iv) Debate</p> <p>Format- salutation, specification whether in favour or against, introduction of self and topic</p> <p>Content</p> <p>Expression</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words, spellings - Coherence and relevance of ideas and style. 	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>Value points</p> <p>FOR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - mindset – materialistic/practical - gifts shared with relatives/friends/needful/charitable organizations - boost country’s GDP/economy - generate employment - imbibe values of sharing and caring - promote culture/unity/brotherhood/reason for togetherness - break monotony of routine - Any other relevant points <p>AGAINST</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - primary focus- gifts/food/shopping/extravagance-mere tools to attain short term happiness - sole objective- display of affluence/financial status - lack of genuine bonding/emotions/concern - need to learn- real essence of values/festive spirit - Any other relevant points <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p>		
<p>Format- salutation, specification whether in favour or against, introduction of self and topic</p> <p>Content</p> <p>Expression</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words, spellings 	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p>	

	<p>- Coherence and relevance of ideas and style.</p> <p>Value points</p> <p>FOR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - healthy aggression - improves performance of team/individual - generates crowd enthusiasm - results in high intensity game - ensuring adherence of rules and safety of players - promotes healthy competition - Any other relevant points <p>AGAINST</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - unhealthy/hostile aggression - sole objective- to achieve goal/victory - results in loss of sportsman spirit - leads to distraction/penalties/suspensions - causes harm/injury to opponent/self - may lead to legal consequences/poor performance - may trigger mental health issues - focus should be on building stamina/finesse in technique/mental strength - Any other relevant points <p style="text-align: center;">SECTION C (LITERATURE) (31 Marks)</p>		
VI.	<p>Reference to the Context</p> <p>(i)</p> <p>i. Now she's been dead nearly as many years as that girl lived. 1</p> <p>ii. (d) sentimental 1</p> <p>iii. Repetition/Alliteration 1</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>i. Hypocrisy 1</p> <p>ii. They talked of love and preached of love, But did not act so lovingly. 1</p> <p>iii. (d) Refrain 1</p> <p>(ii)</p> <p>i. (a) Power of words 1</p> <p>ii. (b) Trusting, strong bonding, unconditional love 1</p> <p>iii. (d) devised 1</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>i. (d) Simile 1</p> <p>ii. (c) Concern 1</p> <p>iii. (b) He walked around to the driver's side ducking his head as he folded his tall frame into the car. 1</p> <p>(iii)</p> <p>i. (b) living room 1</p> <p>ii. (d) Paradox 1</p> <p>iii.(c) upset with Mrs. Dorling's reluctance to acknowledge her. 1</p> <p>iv. (b) scarcely 1</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p style="text-align: center;">4</p>

	OR		
	<p>i. (c) Mourad skillfully riding the horse</p> <p>ii. (d) manipulative</p> <p>iii. (d) because he knew Aram's longing to ride a horse.</p> <p>iv. (b) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.</p>	1 1 1 1	
VII.	<p>a)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • universal issue-agree/disagree • generation gap • estrangement of relationships • changing values and lifestyles • clash of personalities • every father and son cherish unique and exclusive relationship <p>(Any two)</p>	Content-2 Expression- 1	3x2=6 3
	OR		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a simile • sleek, alert/cautious, abrupt • smooth and fluid <p>(Any two)</p>	Content-2 Expression- 1	3
	<p>b)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tut's shroud adorned with- garlands of willow and olive leaves, wild celery, lotus petals and cornflowers • faded evidence of burial in March or April <p>(Any two)</p>	Content-2 Expression- 1	3
	OR		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lewd-indecent • in grandmother's opinion music is monopoly of beggars and harlots/ not meant for gentlefolk • said nothing-silence meant disapproval <p>(Any two)</p>	Content-2 Expression- 1	3
VIII.	<p>a)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all species have a right to co-exist animals and birds-never attack unprovoked • Mourad loved animals and birds • stole the horse but no malicious purpose • the horse named- 'My Heart!' • the horse became stronger and better tempered • repaired the wing of young robin enabling it to fly • Aram also fond of horses <p>(Any two)</p>	Content-2 Expression- 1	3
	OR		
	<p>b)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vikram Seth lampoons the idiosyncratic and idiotic governance - bureaucracy and professionals keep passing the buck in the name of rules 	Content-2 Expression- 1	3

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - lackadaisical attitude of the common people - thoughtless and blind implementation of laws may spell disaster - short sightedness and foolishness of the ruling class and bureaucracy - king's false notion of being 'just' and 'placid' - king- fanatic about dispensing justice - lost his cool for trivial reason - king ordering hangings to pacify his subjects - lost his crown as well as his life <p>(Any two)</p>		
IX.	<p>a)</p> <p>Both the stories contain action, complex plot and thrilling adventure. The Adventure-science fiction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jayant Narlikar-a historian, travels back into time and has a wishful view of Indian history • Jayant Narlikar's physicist friend provides scientific explanation-his experience on the basis of Catastrophe theory and lack of Determinism in Quantum theory. <p>Silk Road-a travelogue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nick Middleton- an academician- performs the Kailash Kora to satiate his curiosity. • physically performs the Kora • breathtaking beauty and picturesque phrases <p>(Any three- at least one from each)</p>	Content-3 Expression- 3	6
	OR		
X.	<p>b)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Rain-universal in appeal and eternal -referred to as -'Poem of Earth' -originates from the womb of the earth -stimulates seeds to life -gives back life to its 'own origin' -cyclic movement -by drenching the earth-prepares the ground for another cycle of life for itself -enhances its beauty and purity over and over again -exudes a sense of joy and satisfaction -has the power to soothe, heal, rejuvenate, transform and thrill <p>(Any three)</p>	Content-3 Expression- 3	6
	OR		
	<p>a)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Dr. Andrew's relentless efforts, dogged determination, infallible will, 'never say die' attitude and humane approach succeed -miraculous revival of stillborn child-mammoth achievement -retrieved and restored two lives -contentment, satisfaction, a sense of achievement and fulfilment -great relief and exquisite joy to Morgan family -established himself as a medical practitioner/enhancement of his professional reputation <p>(Any three)</p>	Content-3 Expression- 3	6
	<p>b)</p> <p>In the beginning-Mrs. Pearson-self effacing, loving, submissive,</p>		

	<p>nervous, fluttering, taken for a ride by family members</p> <p>-Mrs. Fitzgerald as Mrs. Pearson-authoritative, commanding, bold, humiliated the family members</p> <p>-at the end-family realized that they were rude, selfish, callous, ungrateful and self-centered</p> <p>-finally the family became humane and kind hearted</p> <p>-Mrs. Pearson-being respected, due attention paid to her desires, family members spent time with her</p> <p>(Any three)</p>	<p>Content-3</p> <p>Expression- 3</p>	<p>6</p>
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