CLASS - X (CBSE SAMPLE PAPER) | ENGLISH

SAMPLE PAPER - 2 SOLUTIONS

SECTION-A : READING SKILLS (20 MARKS)

1. (a) Option (3) we cannot survive for more than a couple of days without it

(b) Option (2) no life is possible without it

(c) It is an excellent solvent.

(d) Option (4) it has high thermal conductivity

(e) Option (2) Control

(f) TRUE

(g) Drinking a litre of water in the morning.

(h) heat

(i) maintain / balance

(j) Option (1) Water

2. (a) 43.63%

(b) (2) I and III

(c) 1. Uttar Pradesh 2. Uttarakhand

(d) (4) higher than other north-eastern and southern states.

(e) (1) Gujarat

(f) (3) chose Hindi as their first choice of language for communication.

(g) FALSE

(h) (4) do not primarily speak Hindi but have adopted it as a secondary language

(i) language / sound

(j) Uttar Pradesh

SECTION-B : GRAMMAR (10 MARKS)

3. (a) Option (2) were sleeping

(b) he would take 10 rupees for each shoe.

(c) Option (1) must

(d) Option (3)

(e) Option (1) had already left

(f) look

(g) if he should take it before dinner or after dinner

(h)

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played	playing

(i) The principal asked Anuj why he hadn't attended the flag hoisting ceremony.

(j) Option (2) should

(k) Option (3) she did not want anything.

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SECTION-B : CREATIVE WRITING SKILLS (10 MARKS)

4.A. Delhi Public School
New Delhi

12th June, 2022

The Editor
The Times of India
New Delhi

Subject: Poor Condition of Heritage Sites

Sir/Madam

I'm writing to express my concern about the egregious damage that is done to our country's priceless and irreplaceable historical sites. What astounds me the most is the city authorities' attitude to the provision and protection of these monuments.

These monuments are not only priceless icons of our civilization's past, but also a very lucrative source of revenue for both the local and national economies. These historic structures contribute to the development of dynamic, cultural downtowns that encourage tourism, art, events, and other activities that encourage businesses, income, and economic growth. These structures' damaged areas must be refurbished and restored. Tourists should be able to observe these buildings from a slight distance and so these should be surrounded by fencing. Installing CCTV cameras, keeping guards on duty, maintaining cleanliness, and giving some tourist amenities are all things that should be considered. The immediate surroundings of these establishments have become quite unsanitary due to the lack of washrooms.

I request to the appropriate Ministry and local authorities to investigate the situation and take appropriate action. This can be achieved if you highlight the problem through the columns of your renowned newspaper.

Yours truly
Ranveer/Raveena

OR

B. Rajasthali Apartments
Pitampura
New Delhi- 110034

9 September 2020

The Municipal Commissioner
Municipal Corporation
New Delhi

Subject- Requesting for removal of a fallen tree

Respected Sir

I hereby write to draw your attention to a tree that fell down in the locality the day before yesterday due to the heavy rainfall in our area.

A tree has fallen down in the society and is restricting a lot of our daily activities. Children of our society are unable to play as the tree is covering a lot of area. Moreover, we are unable to park our vehicles properly or even take them out. Lastly, the vendors are unable to move around in the locality. I kindly request you to safely remove the tree from the place, for the ease of the residents.

I am positive that you would look into this matter and will take the necessary action. I look forward to your cooperation at the earliest.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely
Pankaj Khandelwal
President

5.A. **Hobbies of the Students**

The pie chart illustrates five different types of hobbies that students took up during the summer vacation.

It is clear from the pie chart that 34 percent of the students preferred dance, which secured a majority. 27 percent of students who contributed to photography preferred the second highest proportion. Singing is at the third place preferred by 19 percent of the students and playing at the fourth position in which 13 percent of the students have shown interest. The last group is yoga as only 7 percent of the students liked hobbies. It was the least favourite hobby of the students.

We can guess that during the summer vacations, the students chose dancing the most. Yoga was the most widely accepted option while it was the least taken up hobby.

OR

B. **SWOT analysis for Botanical Bounty**

The given information indicates the features that may be analysed in the successful establishment of a profitable business for a farm industry. Botanical Bounty needs to establish its reputation as a highly-efficient, high-potency medicinal herb grower, and one effective and inexpensive way to do that would be to lean on loyal customer testimonials in the company's marketing strategy.

Sales channel relationships. Botanical Bounty also needs to establish a strong sales channel with herbal supplement manufacturers, and should invest plenty of energy into building those relationships and establishing Botanical Bounty as a reliable vendor.

SECTION-C : LITERATURE (40 MARKS)

6.A (a) The baker made his musical entry with the 'jhang, jhang' sound of his bamboo staff.

(b) Option (1) by saying good morning

(c) Option (3) horizontal

(d) Option (3) an expression of disapproval or a scolding

(e) They would climb a bench or the parapet to look into the baker's basket.

OR

6.B (a) The comrades in the struggle against apartheid.

(b) Option (2) the sake of an idea

(c) Option (2) but rather the triumph over it

(d) Option (1) the ability to deal with any kind of hardship

(e) TRUE.

7.A (a) By 'first responsibility', he, means to look after his things properly.

(b) grief

(c) Option (1) metaphor

(d) Option (4) Only 1, 2 and 4

(e) Option (4) darker path of life

OR

7.B (a) patrolling

(b) Option (2) a tiger

(c) Option (2) the bright stars

(d) The voice of patrolling cars

(e) Option (3) to lay more stress on the brightness of the eyes and the stars

8. (a) Mr. Keesing was a strict but kind teacher. He punished Anne for her talkative behaviour by making her write essays but he never took offence to the words she wrote. Moreover, he always took them in good humour and even appreciated some of her arguments written in the essay.

(b) While arguing with Lomov, Natalya told him that her dog Squeezer was much better than Lomov's dog Guess. She mentioned that Guess had become too old and ought to be shot. Natalya also claimed that Squeezer was hundred times much better than Guess.

(c) Seeing that his family was not paying attention to him from the meadow below, the young seagull slowly came up to the brink of the ledge and stood on one leg while hiding the other leg under his wing. He then closed his one eye and then the other and pretended to be falling asleep. This is how he tried to attract the attention of his family.

(d) Life on a tower for Amanda would be very different from her reality. Just like Rapunzel, even she desires to live on top of a tower, away from everyday chaos. Amanda suffers due to the constant nagging from her parents. She seeks a place full of peace and serenity, where there is no one to disturb her. Hence, she wishes to live on a tower.

(e) The trees inside the house get suffocated as they grow. They try to free themselves from the cracks of the veranda floor and the leaves stretch out as if to move towards the glass. They are justified in their revolt. Men should learn the importance of trees.

9. (a) Matilda went home from the ball at about four o'clock in the morning. After reaching home, she removed the wraps from her shoulder before the glass so that she could have a final view of her glory. It was at that time that she found her necklace missing.

(b) The two boys were surprised to see the fresh muddy imprints of a pair of bare feet. They wondered what a barefoot man was doing on the steps of a house, in the middle of London. They even observed that the footprints were appearing from out of nowhere as they could not see a person. It was a remarkable sight that bewildered the boys.

(c) Anil did not make much money, so the amount stolen by Hari must have been very important. The situation must have made him very angry. But when he found out that Hari had made an attempt to change his habits, Anil forgave him. He thought that if Hari was given a chance, it will help transform him. So, he forgave him and gave him an opportunity to improve himself. He even gave him Rupees 50 and promised to pay him regularly from then on.

10. (a) When the postmaster saw the letter addressed to God, he broke out laughing, but almost immediately he turned serious. He was amazed at the faith of the writer and wished that he too could have the faith of the man who wrote the letter. This shows that he was an appreciative and amiable person. He was kind, therefore in order not to shake the writer's faith, he decided to answer the letter. He was empathetic also. But, when he read the letter he realised that only goodwill wouldn't do. He would need money too. Still, he did not give up the idea of replying to the letter. He was determined and trustworthy and thus stuck on his resolution. He asked for some money from his employees and he even himself gave a part of his salary. Several friends of his were obliged to give something for an act of charity. The postmaster was generous too. In the end, he sent 70 pesos to Lencho but he did not reveal his identity. He did not want to break Lencho's trust, hence signed the letter as God. This shows how selfless he was.

OR

(b) Dear Ms Seagull,

Thank you for seeking me out. I am humbled. Based on my limited experiences I feel if we run away from the difficult situation it becomes monstrous. A courageous person is always ready to face the inverse conditions without boasting of his bravery. Cowards run away when the real problem comes up and give baseless explanations for their fleet. The case with your brother is somewhat different. he is not a coward but he is unable to muster up the courage for his first flight. He is worried about the consequences of falling down. Try to explain to him that birds are born with innate flying skills and he should not worry about falling down. If he focuses on his aim, success will automatically follow.

11. (a) Bholi was a neglected child in the family. Due to her deep black pockmarks, impaired speech and lack of sense, she was considered backward and a simpleton. The day she was brought to school, she avoided other girls, who made fun of her and she could not even understand their language. But due to her teacher's encouragement and sympathetic treatment, she became a bold girl. Moreover, she turned out to be a good and understanding person who was submissive to her parents' wishes. She yielded to the wish of her parents to marry her off to Bishamber, a man who was lame, old enough to be the age of her father and had grownup children. But later, she even had the courage to reject her marriage because she did not want a husband who disrespected her father.

OR

(b) Horace was a fifty-year-old man who used to rob only to buy rare and expensive. This time he decided to rob Shotover Grange. But as soon as he entered the room, a young lady appeared. She posed to be the lady of the house. She was very confident in her way of mannerism. Then she tried to be polite and nice to him. On hearing her, Horace felt that he had a hope of escaping. He found her a bit compassionate towards him. He was amused at Horace. She acted in quite a subtle manner and showed her sympathy and admiration towards a simple and honest man. He could not judge her act. She made Horace promise that he would never commit the crime again. Horace should have been clever, shrewd and witty like the lady.