

CBSE Sample Papers for Class 10 SA2
English Solved 2016 Set 1

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ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE

Time allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

General Instructions:

- (i) The paper is divided into three Sections: A, B and C. All the sections are compulsory.
- (ii) Separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary. Read these instructions very carefully and follow them faithfully.
- (iii) Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions

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SECTION A-Reading

1. Read the following passage carefully.

Power Foods

1 When Rajat, a student studying for the Class X Board examination who had put on six kilograms, during preparation leave, approached Dr. Anoop Mishra of the Fortis Hospital, for advice, he was told that the lack of physical activity was the primary cause of weight gain. He further advised him to follow a few significant tips.

2 As Rajat's appetite had gone up and he had begun to snack frequently, Dr. Mishra asked him to give up the habit and have small meals at frequent intervals. He was also told not to skip a meal. In case, he still felt the urge to snack, he was advised to have sprouts and salads in lieu of snacks loaded with fat and eat fruit in place of snacks with refined sugars. To avoid the temptation of munching on biscuits, chips and namkeens, he was advised to munch carrots, cucumber and fruits.

3 To keep up his metabolism, and be able to concentrate for longer hours on his books, he was advised to avoid heavy meals, specially late at night. He needs to expose his body to sunlight for at least fifteen minutes a day to imbibe Vitamin D, a good vitamin for regulation of weight and also for the brain.

4 When it came to cold drinks, Rajat was advised to drink toned milk and nimbu pani to help him get rid of untimely hunger pangs. Also green teas he was told was a metabolic booster and could be tried out.

5 As far as his study routine was concerned, Dr. Mishra advised him to take breaks frequently instead of sitting for long hours at a stretch as that could cause headaches. In case he did get a headache it was necessary to learn what had triggered it, and then try and avoid those things. The lighting of the room and placement of the chair was also important.

6 Above all, Rajat was advised to take regular exercise, as all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.

Q. On the basis of your reading of the above passage answer the following questions.

- (a) Why did Rajat approach Dr Mishra?
- (b) What was Rajat advised to do instead of snacking?
- (c) What substitutes was Rajat advised in place of snacks?
- (d) How was he to overcome the temptation of eating biscuits and namkeens?
- (e) Why was Rajat asked to stay away from heavy meals late at night?
- (f) What kinds of cold drinks was Rajat permitted to have?
- (g) What was the cause of headache according to Dr Mishra?
- (h) Why should we expose ourselves to sunlight for fifteen minutes every day?

2. Read the following passage carefully.

1. As the harvest season sets in, villagers start trickling in to the temple at Sorikampatti village, 30 km from Madurai. They seek the blessings of the deity, before beginning the daily practice of jallikattu

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(d) When a thing is 'extinct' it is.....

(i) intact (ii) broken

(iii) lost forever (iv) out of favour

Section B - Writing & Grammar

3. You make the following notes after reading about the disappearance of bird habitats from city forests and parks. Write an article in 100-120 words stressing upon the need for bringing back the birds to the city. You are Sonu/Sonaiika. You can take help from MCB unit 'Environment'.

Over use of pesticides in maintenance of city parks... cutting down of roadside trees....putting up of communication towers on rooftops facing parks...leading to extinction of nesting grounds for birds...preservation of bird life through man-made bird baths in home balconies... hand rearing of orphaned fledglings...nesting areas in alcoves and groves...need for clean and green environment

You have been greatly impressed with the campaign launched in the country for a cleaner India. You have been perturbed to see that despite countrywide campaigns your neighbourhood remains unconcerned about such matters. Write a letter in about 100-120 words to the editor of the 'Neighbourhood Times' pointing out the need to join in such an effort and the long and short-term benefits that would follow from it. You can take the help from MCB unit 'Environment'. Sign yourself as Manisha / Manish Tewari.

4. Write a short story in 150-200 words based on the following cues.

International Museum Day... open to all visitors.... Special display on First War of Independence artifacts...On display Emperor Bahadur Shah's gown, Nadir Shah's axe, guns of Indian soldiers, orders of the British officer, a child's letter to her friend, etc. inauguration by minister... blind visitor's plea.... Braille board giving the entire history of the event...placed at the Swatantra Sangram numash site... minister invited to inaugurate the event, ... notices this innovative public service for the visually impaired... .. museum director awarded Padma Shri for his concern for the otherwise-abled.

Or

Young lad comes to Cremona in Italy in search of work—roams around the streets—stops to hear people playing a large instrument—decides to become an apprentice to a violin maker—designs smaller versions of the large viol—becomes the maker of the Amati violin—bought by the French king of that time—today there are 500 Amati violins all over the world.

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5. Fill in the blanks choosing the most appropriate options from the ones given below. Write the answers in your answer-sheet against the correct blank numbers.

A ban (a)..... European imports (b)India's Alphonso mango, prized (c)its aroma and buttery flesh, (d) drawing anger (e) Indians in Britain, who say (f)..... move deprives them of summer's sweetest flavours.

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| (a) (i) in | (ii) on | (iii) at | (iv) upon |
| (b) (i) for | (ii) from | (iii) of | (iv) to |
| (c) (i) from | (ii) for | (iii) to | (iv) since |
| (d) (i) the | (ii) a | (iii) an | (iv) is |
| (e) (i) from | (ii) to | (iii) the | (iv) an |
| (f) (i) this | (ii) the | (iii) an | (iv) is |

6. In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after it in the space provided.

	Before	Word	After
(a) According to estimates of National
(b) Ganga Authority only 1000 litres sewerage is
(c) treated daily against 3000 litres goes into
(d) the main Ganga river. Moreover the 12,000
(e) million litres of sewerage that goes the
(f) Ganga Basin, 4000 million litres treated.
(g) A number settlements and industries
(h) located along river, pollute it.

7. Do as directed.

- Why did you bring a stray puppy home? (Change from active to passive)
- He asked Rama if she had seen the picture before. (Change into direct speech)
- She was angry. That is quite true. (Combine these sentences using a noun clause)

Section C - Literature Textbooks and Long Reading Text

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow.

'God save thee, ancient Mariner,

From the fiends that plague thee thus! -Why look'st thou so?' - "With my crossbow I shot the Albatross"

- Who is the first speaker in this verse?
- What does the term 'fiends' mean?
- What is the true significance of the mariner's answer?

Or

Decius Brutus: Signifies that from you great Rome shall suck Reviving blood, and that great men shall press For tinctures, stains, relics and cognizance.

- What is being referred to by Decius Brutus?
- What interpretation does Decius Brutus give about the spouting of blood from the fountain?

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(c) What does the term 'relics' mean?

9. Answer any four of the following questions in 30-40 words each.

- (a) What do you think the poet of the poem 'Snake' was a coward or a brave person?
- (b) Do you think Caesar would not have died if he had listened to his wife and stayed at home?
- (c) What do you come to know about Patol Babu from the chapter 'Patol Babu, Film Star'?
- (d) What genre of stories does Jenkins want the narrator to write? Why?
- (e) What did Mrs Packletide plan to give Loona Bimberton for her birthday? Why?

10. Answer the following question in about 80-100 words each.

Video games, internet and other hi-tech gadgets are just a part of growing up in a digital world. But parents should keep a check because excessive use of these gadgets can hamper their physical, mental, social and emotional growth. Express your ideas about the same in the form of a paragraph.

Or

Write a paragraph on what underlying statement do you think the poet is making in 'Snake' about human beings in general and himself in particular. Explain.

Attempt any one — Part A or Part B

Part A

11. What are the views of Anne that she had mentioned in her diary about the grown-ups in the Annex?

Or

Draw a character sketch of Mrs Edith Frank.

Part B

11. Which subjects had Helen studied in 1893?

Or

Draw a character sketch of Mildred Keller.