# Solved Paper 2019 ENGLISH LANGUAGE \& LITERATURE CLASS-X 

## General Instructions :

(i) The Question paper is divided into three sections:

Section A - Reading 20 marks
Section B — Writing and Grammar
30 marks
Section C - Literature
30 marks
(ii) All questions are compulsory.
(iii) You may attempt any section at a time.
(iv) All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.

## Delhi Set I

Code No. 2/1/1

## SECTION -A <br> (Reading)

20 marks

1. Read the passage given below:

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(1) Few guessed that this quiet, parentless girl growing up in New York City would one day become the First Lady of the United States. Even fewer thought she would become an author and lecturer and a woman much admired and loved by people throughout the world.
(2) Born Anna Eleanor Roosevelt in 1884, to wealthy but troubled parents who both died when she was young, Roosevelt was cared for by her grandmother and sent to school in England. In 1905, she married her distant cousin, Franklin Delano Roosevelt. She and her husband had six children. Although, they were wealthy, her life was not easy and she suffered several personal tragedies. Her second son died when he was a baby. In 1921, her strong athletic husband was stricken with polio, which left him physically disabled for life.
(3) Eleanor Roosevelt was a remarkable woman who had great intelligence and tremendous strength of character. She never let things get her down. She nursed her husband back to good health and encouraged him to remain in politics. She then helped him to become the Governor of New York, and in 1933, the President of the United States.
(4) While her husband was the President, she took a great interest in all the affairs of the country. She became her husband's legs and eyes; she visited prisons and hospitals; she went down into mines, in scaffoldings and into factories. Roosevelt
was tireless and daring. During the period of depression she travelled all over the country bringing goodwill, reassurance and helped people without food and jobs. During World War II she visited American soldiers in camps all over the world. The United States had never known a First Lady like her.
(5) Roosevelt also kept in touch with the American people through a daily newspaper column called 'My Day'. She broadcast on the radio and delivered lectures, all first for a First Lady.
On the basis of your understanding of the above passage answer the following questions:
(Any eight) $1 \times 8=8$
(a) How was Eleanor Roosevelt's personality in contrast to what she became?
(b) Apart from being the First Lady what else did she have to her credit?
(c) What challenges did she face in her personal life but remained unfazed?
(d) Eleanor was a strong woman who helped her husband become the President of America. How?
(e) What does the statement: 'she became her husband's legs and eyes' mean?
(f) What was her special contribution during the period of depression?
(g) How did she motivate soldiers during World War II?
(h) What did she do for the first time for a First Lady?
(i) What side of her personality is reflected in this passage?

Ans. (a) A quiet and parentless girl grew up in New York city ; she became the first lady of the United States, visited prisons, hospitals, mines, factories, soldiers at war
(b) Visited prisons and hospitals; went down into mines, in scaffoldings and into factories; wrote in a daily newspaper column called 'My day'; broadcast on radio; delivered lectures (any one)
(c) Her parents died when she was young; her second son died when he was a baby; strong athletic husband was stricken with polio which left him physically disabled for life (any two)
(d) She nursed him back to good health, encouraged him to remain in politics; helped him become the Governor of New York and then the President of the United States.
(e) Visited prisons, hospitals etc.; interacted with people and brought feedback to her husband about the state of affairs; shared his responsibilities of looking after people.
(f) Travelled all over the country bringing goodwill, reassurance to help people without food and jobs.
(g) Motivated the American soldiers by visiting them in camps all over the world and empathised with them.
(h) Kept in touch with the American people through a daily newspaper column called 'My Day' ; broadcast on the radio, and delivered lectures
(any one)
(i) A remarkable woman with great intelligence and tremendous strength of character (Any eight) $1 \times 8=8$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)
2. Read the passage given below carefully and answer the questions that follow:

1. Overpowering prey is a challenge for creatures that do not have limbs. Some species like Russell's viper, inject poison. Some others opt for an alternative non-chemical method - rat snakes, for instance, catch and push their prey against the ground, while pythons use their muscle power to crush their prey to death. But snakes can't be neatly divided into poisonous and nonpoisonous categories.
2. Even species listed as non-poisonous aren't completely free of poison. The common Sand Boa, for instance, produces secretions particularly poisonous to birds. So, the species doesn't take any chance - it crushes its prey and injects poison as an extra step.
3. Do vipers need poison powerful enough to kill hundreds of rats with just one drop? After all, they eat only one or two at a time.
4. While hunting, animals try their best to kill most efficiently while their prey use any trick to avoid becoming a meal, such as developing immunity to poison. For instance, Californian ground squirrels are resistant to Northern Pacific rattlesnake poison.
5. Competition with prey is not the only thing driving snakes to evolve more and more deadly poison. Snakes also struggle to avoid becoming prey themselves.
6. Some snake killers have partial immunity to poison. Famously, mongooses are highly resistant to cobra poison, and with their speed and agility, kill snakes fearlessly. It would be the death of cobras as a species if they didn't evolve a more deadly poison to stop mongooses.
7. Poison has another important role. It's an extreme meat softener; specific enzymes break up the insides of the prey. Normally, a reptile depends on the sun's warm rays to aid digestion.
8. But I wonder if we cannot use venom in our favour. In remote parts of India, local hospitality often involves leather-tough meat. I chew and chew until my jaws ache. If I spit it out or refuse, our hosts would be offended, I swallow like python stuffing a deer, down its throat and hope I don't choke. If only I had poison.
2.1 On the basis of your understanding of the above passage, answer any four of the following questions in $30-40$ words each:
$2 \times 4=8$
(a) Russell viper and rat snake have different methods to attack prey. How?
(b) How does Sand Boa kill its prey?
(c) There is a constant tussle between the hunting animal and its prey? Why?
(d) What makes mongoose a snake predator?
(e) What difficulty does the writer face when he is entertained in the remote parts of India?
Ans. (a) Russell's viper injects poison/venom, whereas rat snakes grab and push their prey against the ground.
(b) Sand Boa produces secretions particularly toxic to birds; crushes its prey and then injects poison as an extra step.
(c) While hunting animals try their worst to kill most efficiently ; their prey use any trick to avoid becoming a meal, such as developing immunity to poison/venom; hunters and prey keep evolving themselves.
(d) Mongooses-highly resistant to cobra poison; with their speed and agility, kill snakes fearlessly.
(e) Served with leather tough meat which is difficult to chew ; unable to chew or spit out as hosts might get offended.
(Any four) $2 \times 4=8$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)
2.2 On the basis of your reading of the above passage fill in any two of the following blanks. $\quad 1 \times 2=2$
(i) Overpowering $\qquad$ is a challenge for creatures that do not have limbs.
(a) a killer
(b) humans
(c) a python
(d) prey.
(ii) Poison $\qquad$ meat.
(a) enhances taste of
(b) hides
(c) softens
(d) breaks down
(iii) Californian squirrels are $\qquad$ rattlesnake poison
(a) afraid of
(b) helpless against
(c) resistant to
(d) indifferent to

Ans. (i) (d) prey
(ii) (c) softens
(iii) (c) resistant to
(Any Two) 1
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)
2.3 Find words from the passage which mean the same as:
(Any two) $1 \times 2=2$
(a) Another (para 1)
(b) Liquid substances released from glands (para 2)
(c) Particular (para 7).

Ans. (a) Alternative
(b) Secretions 1
(c) Specific
(Any Two) 1
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)

## SECTION -B <br> (Writing Skills with Grammar) 30 marks

3. You are Tanvi/Shirish of Safdarjung Development Area, New Delhi. You are extremely disturbed about the attacks on old people living alone. Write a letter in 100-120 words to the Editor 'The New Indian News' making people sensitive to the problem. Give suggestions to the people living alone and the authorities to ensure that such attacks do not take place.

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## OR

* You are Ravi /Raveena, Sports Secretary of your school. Write an article in 100-120 words on the topic, 'Importance of Outdoor Games in the life of a teenager.'

Ans. 123, Safdarjung Development Area
New Delhi
January 21, 20XX
The Editor
The New Indian News
New Delhi
Sir,
Subject: Attacks on old people living alone
As a responsible citizen of the place I live in, I would like to draw your attention towards increasing attacks on old people living alone. It is extremely disturbing ot see them struggle day to day.
In the fast moving world that we live almost all of us are busy with ourselves, hardly we do spend time with our elders. Almost all crimes against them are because the thieves think they are weak and well easily fall pray to them. Even after looting, they are usually killed.
Such crimes are taking place in daylight and yet authorities are unable to keep a check on them. We, ourselves, have to take charge of keeping our elders comfortable and safe, close to us. I think this will spread awareness and also alarm the authorities
Yours faithfully
Tanvi
*4. Write a story in 150-200 words with the help of the following outline. Give it a suitable title also.

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Bunya was a foolish boy, who was an attention seeker. He was a woodcutter and would go deep into the jungle to cut trees. One day he wanted to do an act of mischief. He shouted at the top of his voice. "There's a tiger, tiger, there's a tiger ... ..."

## OR

* On Sunday I was watching TV. Suddenly I heard people shouting outside...

5. Fill in any four of the following blanks choosing the most appropriate options from the ones given below. Write the answers in your answer-sheet against the correct blank numbers.
$1 \times 4=4$
Delhi $\qquad$ (a) the capital of India. People from all parts (b) the country and world come to visit Delhi. There (c) m many historical buildings here. Last year I, $\qquad$ (d) Delhi. I also watched $\qquad$ (e) Commonwealth Games 2010.
(a) (i) was
(ii) is
(iii) are
(iv) being
(b) (i) of
(ii) from
(iii) for
(iv) at
(c) (i) being
(ii) are
(iii) been
(iv) were
(d) (i) visit
(ii) visiting
(iii) visited
(iv) will visit
(e) (i) a
(ii) an
(iii) the
(iv) some
[^0]Ans. (a) (ii) is
(d) (iii) visited
(b) (i) of
(e) (iii) the
(Any Four) $1 \times 4=4$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)
6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is an error in each line. Write the error along with its correction in the space provided. Do any four.
$1 \times 4=4$

|  | e.g. | Error | Correction |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sachin Tendulkar is a best |  | a | the |
| cricketer in India. He has play for | (a) | - | - |
| more than 20 years on the country. | (b) | - | - |
| He retired from the games | (c) | - | - |
| last year. He is know for | (d) | - | - |
| his skill in batting or fielding. | (e) | - | - |

Ans. Error Correct
(a) play played
(b) on for
(c) games game
(d) know known
(e) or and
(Any Four) $1 \times 4=4$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)

* 7. Rearrange any four of the following words/phrases to make meaningful sentences. $1 \times 4=4$

1. that life began / centuries ago / scientists think / twenty million / on earth / about
2. endless process / the plants and animals / of evolution / are the products / of an
3. are / their / animals / products of / all the / environment
4. lose / habitat / human / due to / their / the animals / encroachment
5. the / habitat / regrowth / rate of / is / very slow / of

| SECTION -C |  |
| :---: | ---: |
| (Literature Textbooks and Supplementary |  |
| Reading Text) | 30 marks |

8. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follows: $\quad 1 \times 4=4$ When I casually mentioned this to a friend, he casually replied that I had better get one in the Tigris marshes, for there they were as common as mosquitoes, and were often, tamed by the Arabs. We were going to Basra to the Consulate-General to collect and answer our mail from Europe. At the Consulate-General we found that my friend's mail had arrived but not that of mine.
(a) What was 'they'?
(b) Where could the author get 'one'?
(c) Find the exact word from the extract which means 'domesticated.'
(d) What did the author find at the ConsulateGeneral?

* Out of Syllabus


## OR

There is a languid, emerald sea, where the sole inhabitant is me-a mermaid drifting blissfully.
(a) Who does ' $m e^{\prime}$ stand for?
(b) How does ' $m e^{\prime}$ feel?
(c) Who is 'me' compared to?
(d) Which word in the extract means opposite of 'sorrowfully'?
Ans. (a) Otters
(b) Tigris marshes
(c) Tamed
(d) Found that his mail/letter had not arrived/ reached while his friend's mail had arrived.
$1 \times 4=4$ OR
(a) Amanda
(b) She feels withdrawn/lonely
(c) A mermaid
(d) Blissfully

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1 \times 4=4
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(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)
9. Answer of the following questions in 30-40 words each $2 \times 4=8$
(a) How did Kisa Gotami realise that life and death is a normal process?
(b) Why did Maddie write a note to Peggy and then tore it?
(c) How can you say that Horace Danby was good and respectable but not completely honest?
(d) What difficulty does the crew of the space probe face on the Earth?
(e) What was the most fascinating thing that Valli saw on the street?
Ans. (a) Kisa Gotami's only son had died. She went to the Buddha to seek some medicine to revive her son. The Buddha asked her to bring some mustard seeds, from the house where there had no death ever, but Gotami could not find any such house. Thus she realized that death is inevitable for every mortal. Cycle of life and death is a normal process.
(c) Horace Danby was a lock maker. Everyone thought he was a good and respectable person. However, Horace was not completely honest. He used to steal a safe every year to buy expensive books.
(d) Crew of the space probe was sent to the earth for doing research, since the Martians wanted to invade the earth. Their spacecraft landed in a library. They could not understand where they had landed and what the books were meant for. The place looked strange to them and they thought that they had landed in some kind of storage barn
(e) The most fascinating thing that Valli saw was the bus that travelled between her village and the nearest town. It passed through her street each hour, once going to the town and once coming back. Each time it was filled with a new set of passengers
10. Attempt any one of the following question in 100120 words:

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Bholi is a child different from others. This difference makes her an object of neglect and laughter. Elaborate.

## OR

The poet in the poem, 'For Anne Gregory' conveys that we should give importance to the inner beauty
and not to the physical appearance. Elaborate with reference to the poem.
Ans. Bholi was the youngest child of the Numberdar Ramlal. When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton. When she was two years old, she had an attack of small-pox. Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pock-marks. She could not speak till she was five, and when at last she learnt to speak, she stammered. These were the differences in Bholi that made her an object of laughter by her siblings and an object of neglect by her own parents. She was taken as a burden by her family. She remained silent most of the time as children imitated her She had lost self-confidence. The society must accept those who are different. They should be treated with same love and respect as others.

## OR

This poem is a sort of dialogue between a lover and his beloved, Anne Gregory. The lover had been once very rich. But now he has fallen from the position of riches. He loved his beloved, Anne Gregory very much. But it appeared that his love was superficial and he loved her for her blond hair. The girl was not happy at this. She wanted that her lover should love her for her inner beauty. She told him that she could dye her hair brown, black or carrot. Black hair is of Negros in the English society, and brown and carrot hair is of the witches. In this way black, carrot or brown hair represent ugliness. The girl wanted that her lover should love her irrespective of the colour of her hair. Physical appearance is changeable and hence, unimportant.

## Delhi Set II

Code No. 2/1/2

Note: Except these, all other questions are from Set I.

## SECTION -B <br> (Writing Skills with Grammar)

30 marks
3. You have lost your original certificates of class $X$ and XII. You want to get their duplicates issued but you do not know the procedure. Write a letter to the Chairman, CBSE, Preet Vihar, enquiring about the fee to be deposited, mode of payment, time taken by the board for issuing duplicate certificates and any other formalities. You are Tarun / Taruna, 7/9, Kunj Apartments, Shimla (100-120 words).

## OR

* More and more people are used to carrying mobile phones to their workplace. However, the use of
mobile phones can be dangerous at certain times and places. Write an article on the topic, 'Mobile Phone Manners.' Take hints from the information that follows:
The Government on Thursday banned the use of cellular phones at petrol pumps as they could ignite the flammable vapours present in the air.
Don't use mobiles
- While driving
- Inside an aircraft
- When in an ICU
- If you are near a heart patient or someone who has pacemaker
Ans. Kunj Apartments
Shimla
3 April 20
The Chairman

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## CBSE

Preet Vihar
Delhi
Subject: Query about issuing the duplicate certificates.
Respected Sir,
While travelling in a bus I left my bag in a bus. The bag contained my original certificates of X and XII. Now I have to apply for a job in a government department. Please let me know the procedure of issuing the duplicate certificates, time taken by the board and the fees to be deposited. My registration no. is $4567 / 897 / \mathrm{HP}$ and I have filed an FIR about the loss of my bag.
Please do the needful as early as possible as it is a question of my career.
Thanking you in anticipation
Yours faithfully,
Tarun Kumar
*4. Develop a short story in 150-200 words which begins as following:

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Last Sunday I along with my friends decided to go to the riverside for a picnic. We planned to spend the whole day there, but......
Give it a suitable title also.

## OR

* With the help of the following cues, develop a short story along with a title in 150-200 words :
A cap seller carrying a bundle of caps....... sleeps under a tree...... puts the bundle beside him........ some
monkeys take away the caps $\qquad$ wakes up. $\qquad$ finds monkeys wearing caps $\qquad$ angry $\qquad$ throws his own cap ........... monkeys throw their caps .. collects $\qquad$ happy.

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

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Birds and animals live in the lap (a) $\qquad$ nature and can predict the likely changes accurately. Swallows usually fly high (b) $\qquad$ the sky. But during a storm, they come down (c) $\qquad$ fly close to the ground. If they fly low you (d) $\qquad$ be sure of strong winds. Even a toad can be (e) $\qquad$ reliable weatherman.

| (a) | (i) in | (ii) of | (iii) on | (iv) for |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (b) | (i) in | (ii) of | (iii) on | (iv) to |
| (c) | (i) nor | (ii) or | (iii) but | (iv) and |
| (d) | (i) would | (ii) should | (iii) might | (iv) could |
| (e) | (i) a | (ii) an | (iii) the | (iv) some |

Ans. (a) (ii) of
(b) (i) in
(c) (iv) and
(d) (iv) could
(e) (i) $a$
(Any Four) $1 \times 4=4$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)
6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is an error in each line. Write the error along with its correction in the space provided. Do any four.

| The pleasure in being outdoors | e.g. | Error <br> in | Correction <br> of |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| is fundamental for human <br> happiness. There are so much | (i) | - | - |
| to learn and it is an constant | (iii) | - | - |
| source of delight to know more on the | (iv) | - | - |
| flora and fauna around. | (v) | - | - |

Ans.

|  | Error | Correction |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| (i) | for | to |
| (ii) | are | is |
| (iii) | an | a |
| (iv) | on | about |
| (v) | discover | discovers |

(Any Four) $1 \times 4=4$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)

* 7. Rearrange any four of the following words / phrases to make meaningful sentences.

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(a) ignore / instinct / my first / the snake / was to
(b) I didn't want / killed one/I had / it / as / never / to kill
(c) only the dangerous / duty / to/ was / kill /my / ones
(d) back / and returned / farm/I went / to the / stick / with a
(e) hesitated / it / I / but still / attack / to

[^2]Note: Except these, all other questions are from Set I.

## SECTION -B <br> (Writing Skills with Grammar)

30 marks
3. Yor are Ambica/Mohit, Librarian, High Scope Public School, Hauz Khas, Delhi. Write a letter to Jindal Publisher, Pratap Vihar, Delhi to place an order for English to Hindi dictionaries, illustrated children's encyclopedia, fiction books, etc., for your school library. Request them for a catalogue, discount offered, mode of payment and time taken for delivery. (100-120 words)

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* Good health plays an important role in the life of a student. Students should not neglect their health. Good health is essential for a good performance in studies as well.
Write an article on the topic, 'How can students keep fit and healthy?' You are Arun/Anita, 1489, Hem Kunt Apartments, Delhi. (100-120 words). 8
Ans. High Scope Public School
Hauz Khas
Delhi
3 April 20xx
The Manager
Jindal Publishers
Pratap Vihar
Delhi
Subject: Order for some books
Dear Sir,
We want to purchase the following books for our school library:
(a) Oxford English to Hindi Dictionary 10 copies
(b) Illustrated Children's Encyclopedia 10 copies
(c) Short Fiction Stories by Toby 10 copies

Please let us know when you will be able to supply the books, the normal discount offered to the educational institutions, and mode of payment. Also please send us the catalogue of books available with you, so that we can place more orders accordingly.
Thanking you
Yours faithfully,
Ambica Lamba (Librarian)
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*4. Develop a short story in 150-200 words with the help of the given beginning. Suggest a suitable title also. It was a lovely rainy day. I was enjoying a cup of tea while sitting on the balcony of my $\mathrm{I}^{\text {st }}$ floor flat, suddenly I felt dizzy and the cup fell from my hand. I.........

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OR

* Reena, a 10 year old brave girl lived in a slum with her relatives. One day when she was alone at home
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5. Fill in any four of the following blanks choosing the most appropriate options from the ones given below. Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. $\quad 1 \times 4=4$
He will fly (a) $\qquad$ Madras (b) $\qquad$ $7^{\text {th }}$

December. The plane (c) $\qquad$ reach Madras (d)
$\qquad$ $11.00 \mathrm{am} . \mathrm{He}$ (e) $\qquad$ stay at Hotel Plaza.
(a) (i) in
(ii) on
(iii) to
(iv) after
(b) (i) on
(ii) in
(iii) for
(iv) from
(c) (i) may
(ii) can
(iii) will
(iv) could
(d) (i) for
(ii) at
(iii) on
(iv) by
(e)
(ii) will
(iii) shall
(iv) must

Ans. (a) -- (iii) to
(b) -- (i) on
(c) -- (iii) will
(d) -- (ii) at
(e) -- (ii) will
(Any Four) $1 \times 4=4$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)
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$1 \times 4=4$

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| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| More than two-thirds in the world's <br> large cities are on areas sensitive | (i) | - | - |
| over global warming and rising sea level. | (ii) | - | - |
| Millions of people face a risk | (iii) | - | - |
| of being swamp by floods (iv) | (v) | - | - |

[^3]| Ans. |  | Error |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | (i) | on |

(Any Four) $1 \times 4=4$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)

## * 7. Rearrange any four of the following words / phrases

 to make meaningful sentences.(a) democracy/is very / important/of press / in a / freedom
(b) abused / times / is / many / but / it
(c) biased / sometimes / presents / is / opinion / media / a
(d) to have / necessary / press / therefore / a responsible / it is
(e) can be/society/a/only then/fearless/imagined

## Outside Delhi Set III

## SECTION -A

(Reading)
20 marks

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follows:
2. Keep your watch accurate. For some people, moving up the time on their watch will help them get up earlier. For others, they will remember that the time on the watch is wrong and will disregard it altogether. It may be helpful to set your watch just two minutes ahead instead of five or ten.
3. Keep a clock, phone, computer or anything that displays time in each room of your house. One of the easiest ways to run late is simply by not realising that the time is passing as quickly as it is.
4. Set all your clocks and watches to the same time. Don't be an optimist. Things usually take longer than what you'd expect, even without major delays. If you have a dinner appointment at 7:30 p.m., don't think you can work till 7 p.m., then take a bath, dress and reach on time. Realistically, calculate the time you will take at each step and then add 10 minutes more to allow for unexpected delays, or you cannot get to your job done in time.
5. Wake up when you are supposed to wake up. Don't hit the snooze button, keep on lying in bed, and watch TV at the very start of your day. May be you can try even setting your clock 10 minutes earlier than you need. If you have difficulty with this, move your alarm clock to somewhere away from your bed; that way, you will have to get up to turn it off. Commit yourself to being 15 minutes early for everything. If you have to reach your place of work at 8.00, don't even tell yourself this. Just tell yourself (and everyone else who listens - but don't annoy them or make them think that they are late or early!) "I have to
be at work at 7.45." If you do this, you will be on time even with little unforeseen delays. You will be on time even with a traffic jam.
1.1 Complete the following statements using words/ phrases from the passage. Attempt any eight.

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1 \times 8=8
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(a) Some people believe that if $\qquad$ it will help them be earlier.
(b) Many others know $\qquad$ they disregard it altogether.
(c) Keep $\qquad$ in each room.
(d) One of the things that can be done is $\qquad$ of five or ten minutes.
(e) Many a time we do not realise that $\qquad$ -
(f) Instead of pressing the snooze button $\qquad$ .
(g) If you have difficulty in getting up $\qquad$ .
(h) It is a good habit to $\qquad$ somewhere away from your bed.
(i) It is good to commit yourself $\qquad$ for everything.

Ans. (a) they move time on their watch
(b) that the time on the watch is wrong and
(c) a clock, phone, computer or anything that displays time
(d) setting your clock early by just two minutes instead of
(e) the time is passing as quickly as it is
(f) wake up when you are supposed to
(g) try setting your clock 10 minutes earlier than you need.
(h) move your alarm clock
(i) to being 15 minutes early.
(Any eight) $1 \times 8=8$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)
2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

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1. Music is perhaps the most popular and widely practised form of fine arts, transcending all

[^4]kinds of cultural and linguistic barriers. Any form of fine art is difficult to master and almost impossible to perfect and music is no exception.
2. Nature, it is learnt, has blessed almost twothirds of the human race with musical ability of some sort. Music has the power to bring out the deepest emotions. It can make one cry or bring a smile on one's face. In fact it is a magic medicine and many seek refuge in it when they are depressed or stressed. It is this intimacy that makes us listen to music or even hum or sing sometimes. This singing, or realistically speaking, expressing one's emotion musically sometimes takes a serious turn. This desire to show musical expression in public then becomes a serious business profession. And from here the musical journey begins.
3. The desire to sing before an audience is innocent and beautiful and indeed it is perfectly alright to have such a genuine desire. But it is also important to understand that singing is an intricate art - a highly refined one at that, which requires systematic, prolonged and strict training, to be acceptable. This is an aspect we forget in our keen desire to reach the stage and perform. It is almost like preparing a formal meal for some specially invited guests, without even having learnt and trained in the basics of cooking. This is why we have more noise and less music nowadays.
4. These days almost everyone sings and it does not stop here. Most of us want to become professional singers. Result : a complete disregard for and ignorance of the training part, as the need is never felt to go through one and the urge to get to the stage and perform overcomes even a little desire to learn, if any. If at all, somewhere along the way one feels the need to gain some knowledge and training, it leads to hurried shortcuts and half-hearted attempts, best described as 'Crash Courses'.
5. It is observed that those who have attained the so called partial success, suddenly feel that they lack the required knowledge and are not learned enough. But it is too late by then. It should be understood here that the stage or a performance brings in a different mindset within the artist. It is always recommended and rightly said that while on stage, cover the mistakes and weaknesses if any, and get along. But the contrary is true when it comes to acquiring knowledge and during the learning process. While under training, the student is expected to make mistakes but then rectify those mistakes under the supervision and guidance of the teacher. Therefore, it is good to make mistakes and then be corrected during the process of learning as this subsequently makes one flawless and educated. This is a different
mindset. And these two mindsets discussed above, (those of a performer and that of a student) cannot co-exist.
2.1. On the basis of your understanding of the above passage, answer any four of the following questions in 30-40 words each :
$2 \times 4=8$
(a) The desire to sing in public overcomes the need to train. Elaborate.
(b) How can we say that music is a magic medicine?
(c) What is best described as 'Crash Courses' ?
(d) What should be the mindset of a student of music?
(e) Why is singing a refined and intricate art?

Ans. (a) Desire to sing before audience is innocent / perfectly alright to have such a genuine desire; music helps bring out deep emotions and reduces stress - a highly refined art which requires systematic, prolonged and strict training.
(b) Music - magic medicine because it can make one cry or bring a smile on one's face; people seek refuge in it when depressed or stressed.
(c) Crash courses - hurried shortcuts and halfhearted attempts to gain some knowledge and training.
(d) Mindset of a student of music should be to make mistakes and rectify them under the supervision and guidance of the teacher while under training.
(e) Music requires systematic / prolonged and rigorous training / to be acceptable.
(Any four) $2 \times 4=8$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)
2.2. On the basis of your understanding of the above passage, answer any four of the following:

## $1 \times 4=4$

(a) Almost $\qquad$ of human population is blessed with musical ability of some sort.
(i) two-thirds
(ii) one-third
(iii) half
(iv) one-fifth
(b) Any form of $\qquad$ is difficult to master.
(i) visual art
(ii) audio-visual art
(iii) fine arts
(iv) design art
(c) 'Transcending' in para 1 means:
(i) drown under
(ii) rise above
(iii) surrender
(iv) fail
(d) 'Refuge' in para 2 means:
(i) shelter from rain
(ii) shelter from storm
(iii) shelter from unhappiness
(iv) shelter from sun
(e) 'Partial' in para 5 means:
(i) unfair
(ii) incomplete
(iii) whole
(iv) total

Ans. (a) (i) two-thirds
(b) (iii) fine arts
(c) (ii) rise above
(d) (iii) shelter from unhappiness
(e) (ii) incomplete
(Any four) $1 \times 4=4$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)

## SECTION -B

(Writing Skills with Grammar)
25 marks
3. Promila/Praveen Chopra reads the following news report in a newspaper and feels deeply troubled. She/ He writes a letter to the Editor, 'The Times of Delhi', New Delhi voicing her/his concern for ill effect of synthetic milk on the health of the unsuspecting consumers and suggesting ways to deal with the offenders. Imagine yourself as Promila/Praveen Chopra, 12/15, Kunj Vihar, Alapur and write the letter for her/him in 100-120 words.
Alapur : August 24. The sale of synthetic milk continues unabated in the district despite ongoing efforts by the authorities concerned. Out of 20 samples of milk taken recently, reports of 19 which were received from Lakenagar Test Laboratory indicated adulteration with urea and other chemicals.

## OR

* You are very impressed by the idea of 'Each one, Teach one' and you want to participate in the campaign actively. Write an article in $100-120$ words to be published in your school magazine on the topic, 'The Role of Students in Achieving 100\% Literacy.' You are Mohan/Mohini.
Ans. 12/15, Kunj Vihar
Alapur
29 March 2
The Editor
The Times of India
New Delhi
Subject : Adulteration of Milk
Sir,
Through the columns of your esteemed newspaper I want to raise my concern over the sale of synthetic milk in Alapur. Quite recently, the health department took 20 samples of milk from various dairies and reports of 19 indicated that they have been adulterated with urea and other chemicals. These chemicals are very harmful
for human beings. Just to earn a few rupees, such unscrupulous people do not care a fig about human lives. Milk is consumed in different forms by almost all human beings from very young infants and toddlers to elderly people. However, by consuming such sort of milk they are at a great risk, particularly young children and old people. The government should act heavily on such people and give them exemplary punishment. Only then this practice can be checked.
Yours truly
Promila Chopra
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* 4. Complete the story in 200-250 words, which begins as the following, providing an appropriate title also. It was raining heavily, the street lights had gone off and I was alone, coming back from my tuition class. It was 8 p.m. and very cold. Suddenly I.........

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## OR

* One day I was sleeping in my room. Suddenly, I had difficulty in breathing. On waking up I found smoke coming into my room. I got up and opened my window. Peeping out I saw.........

5. Fill in the blanks in the paragraph given below by choosing the most appropriate options from the ones that follows. Attempt any four. Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers.
$1 \times 4=4$
Belgium is considered to _(a) a country _(b) chocolates. It is a big business (c) employs nearly 72,000 people. Most Belgian chocolate makers $\qquad$ their craft at vocational schools. Then they set up (e) own business.
(a) (i) been
(ii) be
(iii) as
(iv) for
(b) (i) of
(ii) for
(iii) from
(iv) to
(c) (i) also
(ii) or
(iii) but
(iv) and
d) (i) are learn-
(ii) have
(iii) will learn
(iv) learn
(e) (i) that
(ii) those
(iii) their
(iv) our

Ans. (a) (ii) be
(b) (i) of
(c) (iv) and
(d) (iv) learn
(e) (iii) their
(Any Four) $1 \times 4=4$
(1 mark for each correct answer)
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)
6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Identify the error and write down its correction against the correct blank number. The first one has been done for you. Attempt any four. $1 \times 4=4$

The modern student understand the importance for physical exercise.
He spend one or two hours daily on the open air where he takes part in exercises when work wonders by his health.

Error Correction
e.g. understand understands
(a)
(b)
(c)
(d)
(e)

[^5]Ans. Error Correction
(a) for of
(b) spend spends
(c) on in
(d) when which
(e) by for
*7. Rearrange any four of the following groups of words/phrases to make meaningful sentences :
$1 \times 4=4$
(a) are / a storehouse / Indian / Indian art / of / temples
(b) these / the architecture / artistic masterpiece / of / temples / is an
(c) is situated / north-eastern / Konark temple / side / on the / of Puri
(d) chariot / form of / temple is / the / the / a / in
(e) sits sculptures / famous / is / for / temple / the

## SECTION -C

(Literature Textbooks and Supplementary Reading Text) $\quad 30$ marks
8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follows : $\quad 1 \times 4=4$ The baker usually collected his bills at the end of the month. Monthly accounts used to be recorded on some wall in pencil. Baking was indeed a profitable profession in the old days. The baker and his family never starved. He, his family and his servants always looked happy and prosperous. Their plump physique was an open testimony to this. Even today any person with a jackfruit-like physical appearance is easily compared to a baker.
(a) Where did the baker record his accounts?
(b) Why did the baker and his family never starve?
(c) Which word in the extract is a synonym of 'rich'?
(d) How can a baker be identified in Goa?

## OR

Now the name of the little black kitten was Ink, And the little gray mouse, she called him Blink, And the little yellow dog was sharp as Mustard, But the dragon was a coward, and she called him Custard.
(a) Name the poem and its poet.
(b) What is the colour of Belinda's dog?
(c) What were the kitten and the mouse called?
(d) Which word in the stanza is the antonym of 'dull' ?

Ans. (a) On the wall in pencil.
(b) Never starved because baking was a profitable profession.
(c) 'Prosperous'.
(d) Any person with a jackfruit - like physical appearance is easily identified as a baker.
(Any Four) $1 \times 4=4$ (1 mark for each correct answer)
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)

## OR

(a) 'The Tale of Custard the Dragon'; OGDEN NASH.
(b) Yellow.
(c) The kitten was called Ink and the mouse was called Blink by Belinda.
(d) Sharp.

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1 \times 4=4
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(1 Mark for each value point) (CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)
9. Answer any four of the following questions in 30-40 words each:
$2 \times 5=10$
(a) Why did Lencho write a letter to God?
(b) How did Chubukov react when Lomov asked for the hand of his daughter in marriage?

* (c) Where in the classroom would Wanda sit and why?
(d) How did Ebright's mother help him in becoming a scientist?
(e) Why did not Anil hand Hari Singh over to the police?
Ans. (a) Lencho's entire crop was destroyed in the hailstorm, but he had a deep faith in God and he was his only hope. Therefore, he wrote a letter to God asking for monetary help so that he could sow his field again and support his family.
(b) Chubokov was eager to marry off his daughter, Natalya. So, he was quite happy when Lomov asked for the hand of his daughter in marriage. He kissed Lomov and blessed him.

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(d) Ebright's mother encouraged his interest in learning. She took him on trips, bought him telescopes, microscopes, cameras, mounting materials and other equipment and helped him in many other ways. By this we can say that it was Ebright's mother who led him to become a great scientist.

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(e) Anil was a very kind person. He knew that Hari Singh was not bad at heart. If he had handed over him to the police, Hari Singh would have become a hardened criminal and his mind would be filled with bitterness. So, Anil did not hand over Hari Singh to the police. Instead he gave him an opportunity to reform himself.

[^6]10. Answer any one of the following question in 100 120 words :

Mme Forestier proved to be a true friend of the Loisels. Elaborate.

## OR

Why did Gotami go to the Buddha ? What lesson did he teach her ?
Ans. Mme Forestier was Matilda Loisel's childhood friend. When there was a party at the Education Minister's house, Matilda went to her to borrow some jewels. She quite generously asked Matilda to choose any jewel. Matilda chose a superb diamond necklace. Mme Forestier immediately agreed to lend it to Matilda. Unfortunately, the necklace was lost. Mme Forestier was considerate when Matilda could not return the jewels on time.
At the end of the story, when she learns that Matilda had given her real jewels in place of the jewels she had lost, Mme Forestier did not hide the truth from her friend. She immediately told Matilda that her jewels were fake. She did not bother about the fact that she
would have to return them. Thus, we can say that Mme Forestier was a true friend of Matilda.

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Kisa Gotami had only one son. The son died. In her grief, she carried him to her neighbours, asking them for some medicine. The people said that Gotami had lost her senses. Someone sent her to the Buddha. Kisa Gotami went there and asked him to give her some medicine for her child. The Buddha asked her to bring a handful of mustard. The Buddha further told him that the mustard had to be brought from that house that had not lost a child, husband, parent or friend. Kisa Gotami went from home to home but she could not find any house where nobody had ever died. Kisa Gotami became weary and hopeless. The Buddha told her that the life of the mortals in this world is troubled and brief and combined with pain. The Buddha further told Kisa Gotami that every person who is born have to die one day. The Buddha further told her that some die at old age while some others die quite young. Thus the Buddha was able to teach Gotami the lesson about the inevitability of the death.

## Outside Delhi Set I

Code No. 2/2/1

## SECTION -B <br> (Writing Skills with Grammar)

25 marks
3. As a health conscious person, you have noticed an advertisement in a newspaper on yoga classes in your neighbourhood. Write a letter in 100-120 words to the Organiser, Yoga for Public, R.K. Puram, New Delhi requesting him/her to send you information about the duration of the course and other relevant details. You are Shweta/Srikar of 15, R.K. Puram, New Delhi

## OR

* You have noticed that the number of vehicles is steadily increasing in your city. There are long traffic jams causing a lot of inconvenience to the road users. Write an article in 100 - 120 words on the topic, 'Problem of Traffic Jams in Metropolitan Cities'. You are Renu/Rajan.
Ans. R.K Puram
New Delhi
7 August 20xx
The Organiser
Yoga For Public
R.K. Puram

New Delhi
Subject : Enquiry About the Courses

## Sir

With reference to you advertisement in `The Times of India' dated 5 August 20xx, I would like to tell you that I wish to join the yoga classes organised by you.

Kindly furnish the following details :

- Duration of the course
- Timings of the classes
- No. of persons in each batch
- Any special class for girls
- Fees structure

I am awaiting an early reply from your end so that I may join as early as possible.
Thanking you
Yours Sincerely
Shweta 8

* 4. Complete the story in 200-250 words, which begins as the following, providing an appropriate title also. Mukesh, the grocer, was very greedy. He would mix stones in pulses and coloured sand in spices and sell them to the poor villagers. The villagers complained to him but he turned a deaf ear to them, as his was the only grocery store in the village. The villagers, then decided

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## OR

* It was 10 p.m. I was alone at home. Suddenly I heard a knock on the door $\qquad$

5. Fill in the blanks in the paragraph given below by choosing the most appropriate options from the ones that follow. Attempt any four. Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers.
$1 \times 4=4$
The caves of Ajanta and Ellora_(a)_the magnificent works of sculpture. Whoever (b) there (c) spellbound. Thousands (d) tourists visit these places every year. One can stay _(e)__ the guest houses.

[^7](a) (i) is
(ii) are
(iii) was
(iv) were
(b) (i) go
(ii) going
(iii) goes
(c) (i)
(ii)
becomes
(iii)
(iv) went
(iv) has
become
(d) (i) for
(ii) of
(iii) from
(iv) at
(e) (i) on
(ii) over
(iii) upon
(iv) in

Ans. (a) -- (ii) are
(b) -- (iii) goes
(c) -- (i) becomes
(d) -- (ii) of
(e) -- (iv) in (Any Four) $1 \times 4=4$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)
*6. In the following paragraph, 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 against the correct blank number. The first one has been done for you. Attempt any four.

The tiny island of Rameswaram South India is one of the four Dhams. According to legend it was from here that Lord Rama the help of Hanuman and Sugreev and his monkey force built a stone bridge Lanka just 24 kilometres away. The main attraction of island is the Ramanathaswamy Temple is a

| Word <br> before | Missing <br> word <br> in <br> Rameswaram | Word <br> after <br> South |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (a) | - | - | - |
| (b) | - | - | - |
| (c) | - | - | - |
| (d) | - | - | - |
| (e) | - | - | - |
| (f) | - | - |  |

*7. Rearrange any four of the following groups of words/phrases to make meaningful sentences :

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1 \times 4=4
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(a) of mankind / reading is / one of / pleasures / the greatest
(b) we / enjoy / the / much more / borrowed ones /

## Outside Delhi Set II

Code No. 2/2/2

## SECTION -B <br> (Writing Skills with Grammar)

25 marks
3. You are Hema/Hemant, 14/9, Hill Apartments, Jaipur. You are not satisfied with the facilities for tourists in Jaipur. Write a letter in 100 - 120 words to the editor of a local daily giving suggestions on ways to improve the facilities for tourists.

## OR

* You came across an advertisement advising motorists not to play loud music while driving as it may distract them. Write an article in 100-120 words for a local newspaper advising people to refrain from playing loud music while driving near hospitals, schools, etc. You are Tarun/Tanvi.
Ans. 14/9 Hill Apartments
Jaipur
16 July 20xx
The Editor
The Times of India
Jaipur

Subject : Insufficient facilities for Tourists Sir,
Through the columns of your renowned newspaper I would like to raise my voice against the insufficient facilities provided to the tourists of Jaipur.
Everyone is well aware that Jaipur has many historical places which attract tourists not only from India but abroad as well. But when they reach here, they are not properly guided. They are mishandled by crooks who rob them of their valuables, thus leaving a bad name to our country. The hotel rooms are not available at reasonable rates. They have to pay a hefty amount for it. Most of them come on package tours but they are refused the facilities mentioned in their package.
It is our prime duty to look into the matter as it may hit the tourism industry badly. The tourism industry should be well-managed so that the tourists leave Jaipur with a happy note and return again. They leave Jaipur with happy memories. It is my humble request to the concerned authorities to look into the matter and do the needful.
Thanking you
Yours sincerely,
Hemant

[^8]* 4. Complete the story in 200-250 words, which begins as the following, providing an appropriate title also. A woodcutter earned his living by cutting wood from the jungle and selling it in the market. One day when he was cutting down a tree on the bank of a river, his axe fell into the river. He was $\qquad$ 10


## OR

* The next day was the annual day of my school. I was very excited as I had participated in many activities. Moreover, I was going to receive the 'Best Student Trophy' for 2017 - 18. Late at night I heard a strange sound. My mother woke me up and told me that
$\qquad$

5. Fill in the blanks in the paragraph given below by choosing the most appropriate options from the ones that follow. Attempt any four. Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers.

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1 \times 4=4
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People spend a lot $\qquad$ (b) time watching a variety of programmes. Some of the programmes $\qquad$ (c) are telecast these days are of a very poor quality. We should remember that television is $\qquad$ effective in educating (e) nation.
(a) (i) is
(ii) was
(iii) has
(iv) had
(b) (i) of
(ii) for
(iii) at
(iv) by
(c) (i) those
(ii) when
(iii) here
(iv) that
(d) (i) so
(ii) many
(iii) very
(iv) some
(e) (i) a
(ii) an
(iii) the
(iv) some

Ans. (a) -- (iii) has
(b) -- (i) of
(c) -- (iv) that
(d) -- (iii) very
(e) -- (i) a
(Any Four) $1 \times 4=4$
(CBSE Marking Scheme 2019)

Television (a) become very popular in our country.
6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Identify the error and write down its correction against the correct blank number. The first one has been done for you. Attempt any four.

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1 \times 4=4
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Some days is good and some days
are bad. Today, I got on very late. I
ran to bathe. Then I had to got ready
for my school. I ran by the bus stop to catch my
already left but I came back home.
My mother scolding me.
Ans.

| (a) $\quad$ error |
| :--- |
| (b) got |
| (c) by |
| (d) but |
| (e) scolding |


|  | Error | Correction |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| e.g. | is | are |
| (a) | - | - |
| (b) | - | - |
| (c) | - | - |
| (d) | - | - |
| (e) | - | - |

* 7. Rearrange any four of the following groups of words/ phrases to make meaningful sentences: $1 \times 4=4$
(a) have become / part of / developing city / airports / an essential / a
(b) services / tourism in / air taxi / will / boost / the
state
(c) more runways / for / we / landing / need / facilities
(d) promote / will surely / our tourism / this / sector
(e) this / increasing / will help / between cities / connectivity / in

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[^1]:    * Out of Syllabus

[^2]:    * Out of Syllabus

[^3]:    * Out of Syllabus

[^4]:    * Out of Syllabus

[^5]:    * Out of Syllabus

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[^8]:    * Out of Syllabus

[^9]:    * Out of Syllabus

