ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE
CLASS- IX

MAXIMUM MARKS- 70
TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

## THIS PAPER CONSISTS OF THREE SECTIONS:

Section A $\quad$ Reading $\quad$ ( 10 Marks)
Section B $\quad$ Writing\& Grammar ( 25 Marks)
Section C $\quad$ Literature \& Long Reading Text ( 25 Marks)
OTBA ( 10 Marks)

## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Attempt all questions.
2. All the answers must be correctly numbered as in the question paper and written in the answer sheet.
3. Attempt all questions in each section before going on to the next section.
4. Read each question carefully and follow the instructions.

## SECTION A : READING (10 marks)

## 1 READ THE FOLLOWING PASSAGE CAREFULLY:

Children's social and cultural environments will affect the extent and use of their oral language. A large number of children come from homes in which English is not the primary language spoken. The most significant variation among children, however, will be in the amount and quality of their previous literacy experiences. Some children will have read regularly and will be familiar with many books and stories. Their homes are literate environments in which reading and writing occur daily and are frequently modeled, as they observe their parents and others reading newspapers, magazines, and books and writing letters, notes and lists. Such children are likely to emulate these behaviours. In contrast, other children will come to preschool or kindergarten with very different experiences. They have seen print in the environment (on street signs and food containers, for example) and on television. However, their parents have not read to them, and they have not seen reading and writing modeled functionally by adults. Effective early literacy programme acknowledge and extend children's previous experiences, whatever they are, and relate them to the world of print.

On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following questions:

1. What affects the oral language of children?
2. ------------ causes 'variation' among children.
3. 'Such children are likely to emulate' ------ Who are 'such children'?
4. 'They have seen print-------'They' means?
5. The word 'containers' means.

Wind, come softly.
Don't break the shutters of the windows.
Don't scatter the papers.
Don't throw down the books on the shelf.
There, look what you did- you threw
Them all down.
You tore the papers of the books.
You brought rain again.
You're very clever at poking fun at
Weaklings.
Trail crumbling houses, crumbling doors, crumbling rafters, crumbling wood,
Crumbling bodies, crumbling lives,
Crumbling hearts-
The wind God winnows and crushes them all.
He won't do what you tell him.
So, come, let's build strong homes, Let's join the doors firmly.
Practice to firm the body.
Make the heart steadfast.
Do this, and the wind will be friends with us,
The wind blows out weak fires.
He makes strong fires soar and flourish
His friendship is good.
We praise him every day.
On the basis of your reading of poem, answer the following questions:

1. What does the poet want the wind to do?
2. How does the wind look at the weak?
3. With whom is the wind friendly?
4. What advice does the poet give ?
5. Find a word from the poem which means 'strong'.

## SECTION - B : WRITING AND GRAMMAR

3. The Zonal Exhibition On Art and Craft was held in your school. Mentioning the aim of the exhibition, the number of participating schools, the activities such as doll making, rakhi making and thali decoration competitions held, write a letter to your aunt in 120-150 words. You are the Zonal Convener of the event.

You are Raman/Deepika , a student of a School in Patna. You have come across the following data of internet users in India. You feel 'Excess of Anything is Bad'. Chatting on Internet, using social sites such as Facebook, what's app, we
chat, Yahoo etc., lead to neglect of studies and wastage of time on the part of students. Prepare a speech to be delivered in the morning assembly of your school highlighting this increasing tendency among students and advising them to impose self-restrictions on themselves.

MAKE NET A SAFE BET:

| Rural internet users | Urban Internet Users |
| :--- | :--- |
| 7.8 MILLION | 28 MILLION |
| $46 \%$ music/videos/photos | $89 \%$ E mails |
| $38 \% e-m a i l / c h a t ~$ | $71 \%$ Social network |
| $29 \%$ General information search | $64 \%$ Education |
| $27 \%$ Education | $54 \%$ Text/ Voice/Video Chat |
|  | $49 \%$ Music/ Video |

4.Write the story based on the visual clue in about 80-100 words.

Begins: I was reading a book when I looked up. There in the window I saw- $\qquad$
(10 marks)

5.Choose the most appropriate option from the ones given below to complete the following passage: (3 marks)

The refrigerator is (a) (a/an/the/only) appliance that finds (b) $\qquad$ (the/some/little/a) place in (c) $\qquad$ (most/few/many/all) homes. Because of the cold atmosphere inside, it (d) $\qquad$ (was/is/are/were) used to store and preserve vegetables, milk, curd etc. It consists (e) $\qquad$ (of/off/with/lover) a polished cabinet (f) $\qquad$ (from/with/of/many) shelves inside for storage. The inside of the door has a number of racks.
6.The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet against the correct blank number. Underline the word that you have supplied. (4 marks)

Incorrect Correct

Ayurveda uses Neema on various forms to treat
(a) $\qquad$
(b) $\qquad$
$\qquad$ diverse diseases. Its medicinal property is as $\qquad$ powerful that it is being researched from modern
(c) $\qquad$
$\qquad$
scientists not only in India but all over a world.
(d) $\qquad$
7. Read the conversation given below and complete the paragraph that follow:
(3marks)
Prateek: What are your plans for the future?
Aaryan : I want to take science in the next class.
Prateek: Why do you want to take science?
Aaryan: I want to be an engineer like my father.
Prateek asked Aaryan (a) $\qquad$ . Aaryan replied that he wanted to take science in the next class. Prateek further asked him (b) $\qquad$ To this Aaryan replied (c ) $\qquad$ .

## Section -C : Literature Textbook \& Long Reading Text(25 Marks)

8. Read the extract given below carefully and answer the questions that follow:
"I married a year ago" said John, "I told you I built a house in the East End. The belted I mean the Colonel - is there, too .I find him waiting at the gate whenever I get back from a trip to hear any new story, I might have picked up on the road",
(1x3=3 marks)
9. Who did the speaker marry?
10. The word 'belted' means------?
11. Who was so fond of stories?

## OR

The field and the cloud are lovers
And between them I am a messenger of mercy.
I quench the thirst of the one;
I cure the ailment of the other.

1. What happens when the rain shows its modesty?
2. 'I quench the thirst of the one' means--------------
3. The rain is a messenger of mercy between---------
4. Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each:
(i) Why was Mrs. Bramble proud of bringing such a prodigy as Harold into the world?
(ii) How did Private Quelch badger the instructors with questions?
(iii) Why is the last stage of life is called 'second childishness?' Give a reasoned answer.
(iv) Why does the poet say, "But now comes the reckoning?"
5. Answer the following in about 80-100 words:

The play "The Bishop's Candlesticks" has a definite message for the readers: Violence and torture can convert a "man" into a "wild beast" but love and sympathy can restore his faith in God and humanity. Explain.

How did the 'poet pave the way' for "cavities, caps and decay?" Why and when was his conscience picked? What message does the poem give to its readers?
11. Answer the following questions in about 150-200 words:

What do you think about Harris as a cook? Write your opinion in reference to the incident of making scrambled eggs.

OR

Describe the humour involved in the incident when J. and others hired a double selling skiff named The Pride of the Thames up the river.

OR

Gulliver satirizes the European system while talking to the Houyhnhnms master. Explain.

OR

Captain William Robinson, commander of the ship Hopewell, had farsightedness. Prove citing examples from the text.

## OTBA

## 12. Answer the following questions in $80-120$ words with the reference to the OTBA material. <br> $$
[5+5=10]
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## Theme-1: Let's Welcome, Accept and Respect

(a) 'The North East part of India is unique and matchless.' Support this statement with relevant examples.
(b) Write a note on the art, music and dance forms of the North East.

Or

## Theme-2: Indigenous Games of India

(a) 'All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.' Discuss this with reference to the importance of games and sports.
(b) What roles have the corporate sector played in promoting games and sports in India. Explain with examples.

