

# Cbse Class 10 English Communicative SA II



## Sample Question Paper

**SAMPLE QUESTIONS**  
**ENGLISH (COMMUNICATIVE)**  
**SA II (March)**  
**CLASS-X**

<b>READING AND COMPREHENSION</b>		
<b>1</b>	<p><b>Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:</b></p> <p>India has deployed aerial drones over Kaziranga National Park in Assam state in a bid to protect endangered one-horned rhinos from poachers. Kaziranga chief NK Vasu said the maiden drone flight on Monday was a “milestone in wildlife protection”.</p> <p>The park is home to two-thirds of the world’s one-horned rhino population and also has a large number of elephants, tigers and other wildlife. In recent months, rhinos have been killed in large numbers by poachers. Drones and other successful anti-poaching measures have also been used by the WWF in nearby Chitwan National Park in Nepal, where the hunting of one-horned rhinos has been drastically reduced. “The Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) was up in the sky for 15 minutes. It landed safely,” Mr. Vasu said. “We hope this technology will go a long way in effective surveillance of the park.” Assam Forest Minister Rockybul Hussain said this was the first time that drones had been used for wildlife protection anywhere in India. “The UAVs will deter poachers who will now have to reckon with surveillance from air as well as on ground,” MrHussain said.</p> <p>The minister said it would now be possible to keep an eye on the remotest parts of the 480 sq km (185 sq miles) park. The drones can fly a pre-programmed route at a maximum elevation of 200m (656ft) for up to 90 minutes, officials say. They are light enough to be launched by hand and will be able to take images of the ground below with a still or video camera, they add.</p> <p>Twenty-two one-horned rhinos were killed in Kaziranga by poachers last year. In the first three years of this month, 16 rhinos have been killed, triggering a furore in Assam where the animal is seen as a symbol of regional pride and is also valued for drawing tourists to the state. A rhino census in Kaziranga last month said that there were about 2,300 of the animals in Kaziranga.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BBC NEWS</p> <p><b>Read the passage and answer the following questions:</b></p> <p>a) This passage states that drones ..... And not only for wars between nations.</p> <p>b) The drones will be able to do two things: they are</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">1).....</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">2).....</p> <p>c) 22 one horned rhinos killed by poachers means.....</p> <p>d) The introduction of drones for surveillance is a -----measure. (one word)</p> <p>e) The author states that there has been a public outburst because 16 rhinos were killed-the term he uses is-----</p> <p>f) This passage suggests that the greatest enemy of wildlife is -----</p> <p>g) The passage begins with the idea that drones will be a “milestone in wildlife protection”. This actually means that-----</p> <p>h) An elevation is a term that tells us that-----in the sky.</p>	<b>8</b>



	<p>5. The poet refers to ‘ audience of idleness ‘-she is talking about</p> <p>a) the world of nature b) the elements of nature c) herself as she sits and watches when she is idle d) lazy people who do no work</p> <p>6. The poet uses the term ‘tropic show ‘ to suggest that this scene belongs to</p> <p>a) the land of rains b) the tropical lands that have summer c) the season of winter d) the time of a topic</p> <p>7. This poem deals with a butterfly and a lady –but it has a tone that is</p> <p>a) simple b) whimsical with very little depth c) light d) amusing</p>	
	<b>WRITING</b>	
1.	Salwan Public School Agra has been invited to present a program on Doordarshan on 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2014. Ravi/Rani , the secretary is asked to write a notice in 50- 60 words for the school notice board inviting talented students to appear for selection for the different programs. Write the notice as Ravi/Rani, the Cultural Captain of the School.	3
2.	Your school collected a lot of clothing and articles for the recent Uttarakhand Tragedy. Write a report on the process and collection in your school and how you gained from the experience in terms of learning about welfare and outreach in times of an emergency.Your name is Joyal/Joey. Write your report in 50 words.	3
3.	<p><b>Given below is a bio sketch of cricketer Shikhar Dhawan.</b></p> <p><b>ShikharDhawan</b> (born 5 December 1985, <b>Delhi</b>) <b>Indian</b> international <b>cricketer</b>.-left-handed <b>opening batsman</b> debut for <b>Delhi</b> – November 2004. <b>Sunrisers Hyderabad</b> in <b>Indian Premier League</b>. Highest score 248 runs of 150 balls for India A against South Africa A on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2013. International debut – <b>Australia</b> in October 2010 – Visakhapatnam. Test debut – March 2013 – <b>Mohali</b> –fastest century – <b>Test debut</b> (187 runs off 174 balls). Newspaper Guardian: Most Watchable New Star Write out a bio sketch using a headline in about 100 words.</p>	4
4.	Rains have hit different parts of India last year. Torrential rains have shown how poor cities are in preparedness for rains-they also lack cleanliness and hygiene. As Secretary of the Resident’s Association of your colony in Bangalore, write a letter to the Editor of a national daily on the poor sanitary conditions in the locality/city, with suggestions for improvement. Take ideas from your Unit on Environment in the MCB. Write the letter in 120-150 words.	5
5.	<p>Reports in newspapers state that violence towards women is on the rise. “Places in cities are not safe any more,” says a report on rising violence and fear amongst women. Tourism figures show that India is not such a safe destination anymore.</p> <p>As a student who cares deeply about the dignity and respect accorded to women and the need for security and the value of safety and respect write a speech on the importance of traditional values of respect and sensitivity towards women at all times and how media and schools can come together to sensitize young men from all walks of life to protect and care for women even as they show their care for society. Use your ideas from your MCB.(120-150 words)</p>	5

<b>GRAMMAR</b>		
<b>1.</b>	<p><b>There is one word missing in the following sentences. Write the correct answer in the blank.</b></p> <p>Is necessity the mother _____ {of, in, for, from} invention? Well, not always. Determined to find a cheap sustainable fuel, _____ {the, an, it, for} engineer, <b>Chitra Thiyagarajan</b> developed a unit that converts plastic waste _____ {with, to, in, into} a fuel similar to diesel.</p>	<b>3</b>
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Fill in the blanks with one word only:</b></p> <p>After a series of tests in a sustained three-year effort, Thiyagarajan (i) -----  a) finally                      b) equally              c) swiftly              d) ultimately  perfected the device and applied for a patent. C S M Sundaram, Thiyagarajan's guide, said the device was the (ii) -----  a) consequence    b) result              c) effort    d) work  of backbreaking (iii) -----, persistence and dogged tenacity.  a) Result              b) task              c) work    d) proposal</p>	<b>3</b>
<b>3.</b>	<p><b>Rearrange the jumbled words to make complete sentences: the first one has been done for you.</b></p> <p>a) is debating/ the Indian parliament / /Food Security Bill/ the controversial  b) to provide / this aims/ subsidised food/ /of the population/ to two-thirds  c) Food Minister KV Thomas/ / by highlighting the details/ in the lower house/ began the debate/ of the bill/</p>	<b>3</b>
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>Read the following conversation between two friends, Raja and Suraiya and complete the paragraph that follows.</b></p> <p>Raja : Our school is celebrating its sports day tomorrow.  Suraiya : Will you have a March Past?  Raja : Yes we will also have the lighting of the torch.  Suraiya : That is quite incredible.  Raja told Suraiya (a)_____. Suriya wanted to (b)_____ Raja replied, in the (c)_____.</p> <p>Suraiya was delighted and commented that it was quite incredible.</p>	<b>3</b>
<b>5.</b>	<p><b>Expand the following headlines:</b></p> <p>a) Market mayhem continues, rupee breaches 67 against dollar</p> <p>As the market mayhem continued the rupee -----67 against the dollar in an all time low.</p> <p>b) Govt to double pension of retired bureaucrats who turn 100</p> <p>A news report stated that pension of retired bureaucrats who turned 100-----</p> <p>c) Two buildings collapse in Vadodara; 5 dead, many trapped</p> <p>As many as five people were dead and many trapped ----- in Vadodara.</p>	<b>3</b>

<b>LITERATURE</b>		
<b>1.</b>	<p><b>Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:</b></p> <p>"Being earth-brown, earth-golden from the burning bowels of the earth On the day of Sicilian July, with Etna smoking."</p> <p>a) Name the poetic device in the term 'burning bowels'. b) Why does the poet describe the snake with the word earth? c) Why does the poet mention Etna?</p>	<b>3</b>
<b>2</b>	<p><b>Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:</b></p> <p>"I thought you were Helen of Troy." (a) Who said these words and to whom? (b) How does the listener answer? (c) Where were these words spoken?</p>	<b>3</b>
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:</b></p> <p>"This dream is all amiss interpreted. It was a vision fair and fortunate." a) Who says these words? b) Who are the listeners? c) What is the speaker's plan?</p>	<b>3</b>
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>Answer any two questions in about 50-60 words:</b></p> <p>(a) What was Michael's theory about how Sebastian had entered the games? (b) How did the sailors feel when their ship was stuck in ice? (c) Who said, 'Et tu Brute'? When were these words spoken? Why?</p>	<b>3x2=6</b>
<b>5.</b>	<p>Does the poet talk to us indirectly about his inner voice and the need for man to forget age old prejudices and love nature's creations like the snake? Discuss it with reference to D. H. Lawrence's poem Snake. (120 to 150 words)</p>	<b>5</b>
<b>Long Reading Text</b>		
<b>1.</b>	<p>"Kitty had immortalized Anne" .How did it become the best friend Anne ever had? Describe in about 150 -200 words.</p>	<b>5</b>
<b>2.</b>	<p>Create a pen portrait of Anne Frank as she narrates the horrors of war and persecution of the Jews in the Wold War years. Describe in about 150-200 words.</p>	<b>5</b>
<b>3.</b>	<p>Helen Keller says she depended on books for pleasure, wisdom and knowledge-mention what she says about books and how they affected her.</p>	<b>5</b>
<b>4.</b>	<p>After reading the book we realize Helen's teacher Anne Sullivan was indeed a Miracle Worker in the life of Helen Keller. Comment with examples.</p>	<b>5</b>

**Class X**  
**SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT II**  
**ENGLISH**  
**Code No. 101**  
**(COMMUNICATIVE)**  
**Set B**

MM: 70

Time 3 hrs.

The Question paper is divided into three sections:

<b>Section A:</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>20 Marks</b>
<b>Section B:</b>	<b>Writing &amp; Grammar</b>	<b>25 Marks</b>
<b>Section C:</b>	<b>Literature</b>	<b>25 Marks</b>

**General Instructions**

- 1. All questions are compulsory.**
- 2. You may attempt any section at a time.**
- 3. All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.**

	<b>Section A</b> <b>Reading – 20 marks</b>	
<b>Q1.</b>	<p><b>Read the following passage carefully:</b></p> <p>Walter Elias "Walt" Disney was born on December 5, 1901, in Hermosa, Illinois. He lived most of his childhood in Marceline, Missouri, where he began drawing, painting and selling pictures to neighbours and family friends. Disney attended McKinley High School in Chicago, where he took drawing and photography classes and was a contributing cartoonist for the school paper. At night, he took courses at the Chicago Art Institute.</p> <p>When Disney was 16, he dropped out of school to join the army but was rejected for being underage. Instead, he joined the Red Cross and was sent to France for a year to drive an ambulance. When Disney returned from France in 1919, he moved back to Kansas City to pursue a career as a newspaper artist. His brother Roy got him a job at the Pesmen-Rubin Art Studio, where he met cartoonist Ubbe Eert Iwwerks, better known as Ub Iwerks. From there, Disney worked at the Kansas City Film Ad Company, where he made commercials based on cutout animation. Around this time, Disney began experimenting with a camera, doing hand-drawn cel animation, and decided to open his own animation business. From the ad company, he recruited Fred Harman as his first employee.</p> <p>Walt and Harman made a deal with a local Kansas City theater to screen their cartoons, which they called <i>Laugh-O-Grams</i>. The cartoons were hugely popular, and Disney was able to acquire his own studio, upon which he bestowed the same name. Laugh-O-Gram hired a number of employees, including Harman's brother Hugh and Iwerks. They did a series of seven-minute fairy tales that combined both live action and animation, which they called <i>Alice in Cartoonland</i>. By 1923, however, the studio had become burdened with debt, and Disney was forced to declare bankruptcy.</p> <p>Disney and his brother, Roy, soon pooled their money and moved to Hollywood. Iwerks also relocated to California, and there the three began</p>	

	<p>the Disney Brothers' Studio. Their first deal was with New York distributor Margaret Winkler, to distribute their <i>Alice</i> cartoons. They also invented a character called Oswald the Lucky Rabbit, and contracted the shorts at \$1,500 each.</p> <p><b>1.1 Answer the following questions briefly:</b></p> <p>(a) What did Walt Disney learn in his childhood?</p> <p>(b) Why was Walt not selected in the army?</p> <p>(c) How did Walt's brother help him in Kansas?</p> <p>(d) What did Walt learn at Kansas City Film Ad Company?</p> <p>(e) Name the first employee of Ad Company.</p> <p>(f) What deal was made with the Kansas City theatre?</p> <p>(g) Write briefly about Alice in the Cartoonland.</p> <p>(h) What was the deal made with Margaret Winkler?</p>	8
Q2	<p><b>Read the following passage carefully:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Maybe you're bored of bananas, apples and grapes and need a fresh produce pick? A nutrient-rich serving of kiwifruit may be just what you need. A serving of kiwifruit (2 kiwis) has twice the vitamin C of an orange, as much potassium as a banana and the fiber of a bowl of whole grain cereal—all for less than 100 calories!</li> <li>2. The fuzzy fruit is sky-high in both soluble and insoluble fiber, both of which are essential for promoting heart health, regulating digestion, and lowering cholesterol levels—that's a winning trifecta. Kiwi fruit has also been considered a “nutritional all-star,” as Rutgers University researchers found that kiwifruit has the best nutrient density of 21 commonly consumed fruits.</li> <li>3. Along with vitamin C, kiwi fruit are rich in many bioactive compounds that have antioxidant capacity to help to protect against free radicals, harmful by-products produced in the body. If you want clean energy, think of kiwifruit because they're rich in magnesium, a nutrient essential to convert food into energy.</li> <li>4. A kiwi fruit also doubles as a peeper-keeper by supplying your eyes with protective lutein, a carotenoid that's concentrated in eye tissues and helps protect against harmful free radicals. Kiwifruit is also packed with blood pressure-lowering potassium. In fact, a 100-gram serving of kiwifruit—that's about one large kiwi—provides 15% of the Recommended Daily Allowance (RDA) of potassium.</li> <li>5. Kiwi fruit has been growing in New Zealand for over 100 years. Once the fruit gained in popularity, other countries started to grow them including Italy, France, Chile, Japan, South Korea and Spain. At first, kiwis were referred to as 'Yang Tao' or 'Chinese Gooseberry,' but the name was ultimately changed to kiwifruit so that everyone would know where the fruit came from.</li> </ol>	

	<p>6. A ripe kiwi fruit will be plump and smooth-skinned, and free of wrinkles, bruise, and punctures. If you find that your kiwi is a little too firm after buying it, simply let it ripen at room temperature for three to five days. The firmer the fruit, the more tart it will taste. To speed up the ripening process, you can also place kiwis in a paper bag with an apple or banana. If you want to store the fruit longer, you should keep in a plastic bag in the refrigerator.</p> <p><b>2.1 Answer the following questions briefly:</b></p> <p>(a) What does a serving of kiwi offer?</p> <p>(b) Why has kiwi been considered a “nutritional all-star”?</p> <p>(c) How is kiwi fruit helpful for the eyes?</p> <p>(d) How can you make a kiwi fruit ripen?</p> <p><b>2.2 Do as directed:</b></p> <p><b>(a) The word ‘compound’ means:</b></p> <p>(i) calcium (ii) mixture (iii) texture (iv) vitamin</p> <p><b>(b) The word ‘concentrated’ means’:</b></p> <p>(i) strong (ii) liquid (iii) large (iv) replace</p> <p><b>(c) The word ‘bruises’ means:</b></p> <p>(i) roughness  (ii) desolation (iii) popularity (iv) discoloured</p> <p><b>(d) The word ‘tart’ means:</b></p> <p>(i) sweet (ii) salty (iii) bitter (iv) nutty</p>	<p><b>2 X 4 = 8</b></p> <p><b>1 X 4 = 4</b></p>
	<p><b>Section B</b> <b>Writing &amp; Grammar – 25 Marks</b></p>	
<p><b>Q3.</b></p>	<p>Tourism being one of the biggest and fastest growing industries globally, affects the economic, socio-cultural, environmental and educational resources of nations. Improving tourism industry in India would thus lead to national development in many spheres. As Ankit/ Ankita, write a letter to the Editor of The Times of India expressing your views on the same. You may like to take ideas from the unit- Travel and Tourism besides your own ideas. (about 100 -120 words )</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Disposal of electronic goods , commonly termed as e-waste, in landfills lead to toxic substances such as lead, mercury etc. contaminating the land , air and water. Its high time that countries take. A stock of the situation and protect the environment. Write an article discussing the same. Also, suggest some solutions. You are Neha / Nitin from XYZ School. You may use</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>

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<b>Q4.</b>	<p><b>Write a short story on the basis of the hints provided in about 150- 200 words:</b>          Enjoyed going for long walks– visit to Dehradun—huge forest - taking shortcut through the woods, a tree toppled pinning me underneath.          Then.....  <b>Begin the story with:</b>          I have always enjoyed taking long walks among the forests.....</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p><b>loved reading about life on other planets----</b>One day --walking in the school. Suddenly heard a noise-----strange man, no creature –an alien saying something---- then more came---abducted me.....</p> <p><b>Begin the story with:</b>  <b>I loved reading about life on other planets.....</b></p>	<b>10</b>																																								
<b>Q5.</b>	<p><b>Complete the following passage by filling in one or two words each:</b></p> <p>Most of us fail in our efforts (a) _____self improvement because our schemes are too ambitious and we never have time (b) _____ carry them out. We also make the fundamental error of announcing our resolution to everybody so that we look even more foolish when we slipback (c) _____ our bad old ways. Aware of these pitfalls, this year I attempted (d) _____ keep my resolution to myself. I limited myself to two modest ambitions, to do physical exercise every morning and to read more (e) _____ the evening. An overnight party on New year’s eve provided me with a good excuse (f) _____ not carrying out either of these new resolutions on the first day of the year, but on the second, I applied myself assiduously to the task.</p>	<b>3</b>																																								
<b>Q 6.</b>	<p><b>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 your answer sheet. Ensure that the word that forms your answer is underlined.</b></p> <p><b>The first one has been done as an example for you:</b></p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%;"></th> <th style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">Before</th> <th style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">Missing</th> <th style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">After</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Most people travel as part of their daily routine because it enjoyable.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">e.g. as</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>a</u></td> <td style="text-align: center;">part</td> </tr> <tr> <td>There are lots places to explore in the world. Travelling worth every penny you spend memories last forever</td> <td style="text-align: center;">(a) _____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>When travelling, one the opportunity to meet different people from different places. One the most important social skills that we learn is how interact and communicate with different people.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">(b) _____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">(c) _____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">(d) _____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">(e) _____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">(f) _____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">(g) _____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">(h) _____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Before	Missing	After	Most people travel as part of their daily routine because it enjoyable.	e.g. as	<u>a</u>	part	There are lots places to explore in the world. Travelling worth every penny you spend memories last forever	(a) _____	_____	_____	When travelling, one the opportunity to meet different people from different places. One the most important social skills that we learn is how interact and communicate with different people.	(b) _____	_____	_____		(c) _____	_____	_____		(d) _____	_____	_____		(e) _____	_____	_____		(f) _____	_____	_____		(g) _____	_____	_____		(h) _____	_____	_____	<b>4</b>
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<b>Q 7.</b>	<p><b>Rearrange the following words / phrases to form meaningful sentences:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. is its / remarkable feature / preciousness / the most / of time</li> <li>2. opportunities /of golden / every moment / thousands / brings with it</li> <li>3. slip away / not allow / we must / time to / such precious</li> </ol>	<b>3</b>																																								

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