
CBSE Class 10 English Communicative

Sample Paper - 06

TIME – 3 HOURS M.M- 80

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.
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SECTION A READING

1. **Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:**

Women Empowerment

1. **Importance of women**

Women are the center of whole development process. In any of the developing country, economic empowerment is the main aspect of women empowerment. Economic freedom is essential for women empowerment. If a woman is educated she would educate a house, a society and ultimately entire nation. Our country has started taking steps in this direction. From time to time they have served at the post of Prime Minister, President and as chief minister of different states. Women are engaged in jobs like taxi driver to pilot. Women are active in the field of social service, literature, journalism, sports, education and acting. We have been watching women working as social worker, litterateur, journalist, sports person, educator and actor on TV and News channels. Women employment is expanding from working as a labourer to work in business and commerce, communication and many other jobs because of increasing education, training and skilled programmers. Still there is a lot of scope for development. So for extending it, we have to make a lot of efforts.

2. **Women Welfare Schemes:**

Since, 1980, many plans and programmes related to women development in India have been implemented. National Commission for Women was set up in 1992. National Policy for empowerment of women-2001 was set up by Department of women and child development. They have undertaken programmes like strength budding, employment, income generation, welfare and supportive services and gender sanitation. United Nations had declared 1975 as “Women’s Year”. It also had declared the 1975-1985 decade as “Women’s Decade”. 2002 was celebrated as “Women Empowerment year”. An Act has been amended to give them equal right in family property.

3. **Steps Taken to Stop Women Exploitation.**

For women security, 181 Abhayam women Helpline has been started in Gujarat for helping women suffering from various types of violence They may also even get guidance for their progress just by making a call. Women court have been set up so that poor women get justice easily and women welfare centres have been set up to solve social, legal and employment related problems of women.

1. **Attempt any eight of the following questions on the basis of the passage you have read. (1 x 8 = 8)**

- i. What is the importance of women if she is educated?
- ii. What programmes have been taken by Department of women and child for their development?
- iii. Today, woman are active in which fields?
- iv. What was setup by Department of Women and Child Development?
- v. What initiative have been taken by Gujarat Government for women Security?
- vi. What various posts have been served by women from time to time?
- vii. Which organisation has declared 1975 as "Women's Year" ?
- viii. What is essential for women Empowerment?
- ix. Find the word from the passage which is exactly same as "behavior involving physical force intended to hurt, damage, or kill someone or something." (Para 3)

2. **Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:**

INTERVIEW WITH DR A.P.J ABDUL KALAM

1. **'Unless India stands up to the world, no one will respect us. In this world, fear has**

no place. Only strength respects strength'

As a devout Muslim, he prays twice a day. But he is also a Rambhakt, plays the veena, loves the Shri raga, writes poetry in Tamil and, like every proud Indian, swears by Pokhran II and self sufficiency in science and technology. At 67, Dr A P J Abdul Kalam, is not just another Dr Strangelove having a torrid affair with the bomb. He is clever, sensitive, amazingly creative and, above all, a soft spoken patriot. India's answer to Western technological arrogance. Excerpts from an exclusive interview with Prithvi Nandy.

2. **What is your vision of India in the next millennium?**

I have three. Three visions for India. But before that I speak about them, I have one question to ask of you, Mr Nandy can you tell me why, in 3000 years of our history, people from all over the world have come and invaded us, captured our land, conquered our minds? From Alexander onwards. The Greeks, the Portuguese, the British, the French, the Dutch, all of them came and looted us, took over what was ours. Yet we have not done this to any other nation. We have not invaded anyone. We have not conquered anyone. We have not grabbed their land, their culture, their history and tried to enforce our way of life on them. Why?

Because, I guess, we respected the freedom of others.

Absolutely right. That is why my first vision is that of freedom. I believe that India got its first vision of this in 1857, when we started the war of Independence. It is this freedom that we must protect and nurture and build upon. If we are not free, no one will respect us.

My second vision for India is development. For fifty years we have been a developing nation. It is time we saw ourselves as a developed nation. We are among the top five nations of the world in terms of GDP. We has a 10 per cent growth rate in most areas. Our poverty levels are falling. Our achievements are being globally recognized today. Yet we lack the self confidence to see ourselves as a developed nation, self reliant and self assured. Tell me, Sir, is this right? Read the last chapter of my book, India 2020, A Vision for the Next Millennium and you will get what I mean.

I have a third vision. That India must stand up to the world. I have written 12 chapters on that. Because I believe that unless India stands up to the world, no one will respect us. In this world, fear has no place. Only strength respects strength. We must be strong not only as a military power but also as an economic power. Both must go hand in hand.

3. **Apart from science and technology, what else interests you?**

Poetry and music. I have this big library at home and my favourite poets are Milton, Walt Whitman and Rabindranath Tagore. I write poetry too. My book of poems, Yenudaya Prayana, has now been translated into English. It is called My Journey. You must read it. I will send you a copy.

4. **Who are your favourite poets in Tamil, the language you write in?**

Bharatidasana, who died in 1965. And Subramaniya Bharathiar, who died in 1939 at the age of 35, killed by an elephant while giving it a coconut. I also enjoy Carnatic music and play the veena.

5. **What is your favourite raga?**

The shri raga. You know my favourite kirtan? It is the one that Swami Thyagaraja, a Ram bhakt like me, recited in the shri raga when he was called by this powerful Tanjore king to sing a poem in his sabha. He sang: "In this gathering whoever are great in front of God, I salute them." He never said: I salute the king. That is strength of conviction. That is courage.

a. **On the basis of your reading of the passage, fill in any four of the following in 30-40 words each. (2 x 4 = 8)**

- i. What character traits of Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam have been mentioned in the following excerpts?
- ii. What are the views of Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam regarding Development?
- iii. What did Swami Thyagaraja sang when he was called by this powerful Tanjore king to sing a poem in his sabha?
- iv. Write about visions of Dr A P J Abdul Kalam?
- v. Who is Subramaniya Bharathiar ? Give reason of his death.

b. **On the basis of your reading of the passage, fill in any two of the following blanks with appropriate words/phrases. (1 x 2 =2)**

- i. Strength respect _____.
- ii. Indian lacks in _____.
- iii. My Journey is English version of _____.

c. **Attempt any two of the following find out the word which mean the same as under. (1 x 2 = 2)**

- i. equal to 1000 years (Para 2)
- ii. self-sustenance (Para 1)

iii. very hot and dry. (Para1)

SECTION B WRITING AND GRAMMAR

3.

- a. You are Rohan/Rohini, from C-14, Sanskar Flats, Judges Bungalow Road, Satellite, Ahmedabad .Write a letter to the editor of the newspaper about the unlevelled potholes despite completion of road repair work. (8M)

OR

- b. Though there is a movement like ‘Sarvashiksha Abhiyan’ and enrolling of underprivileged children in schools, there are still many children, like the one in the picture, who do not go to school, rather have never seen a school. It is indeed disturbing. You decide to write a letter to the editor of a newspaper expressing your views and the steps to be taken. Take ideas from the MCB unit ‘Education’.

4. **Write a short story, in about 200-250 words, with any one set of the cues given in the boxes below. Give a suitable title to the story. (10)**

Enjoying a cup of tea, sitting on my balcony on a Sunday morning, suddenly I felt a deep pain in my chest.

I thought that this was the last moment of my life. I wanted to call my daughter, my husband and everybody to say Good bye, but couldn't do so.....

OR

Raghav walked fast. It was getting dark. He then realized that he had lost his way.....

5. **Fill in the following blanks choosing the most appropriate option from the ones given below. Write the answers in your answer –sheet against the correct blank numbers. The following is the paragraph on “Record- breaking Athlete” (4)**

- A. Michael Phelps made sports history by a)_____ twenty-eight medals, 23 of them gold medals.
- B. Born b)___ June 30, 1985, Phelps was just 15 years old when he qualified for the Sydney Australia Olympics in 2000.
- C. Phelps shattered the 200 meter butterfly by swimming it c)___ record time. He swam it in 1:54:58 seconds. He went on to break many more records at the 2004 Athens

Olympics.

- D. In 2016, Phelps was d)___ to be the flag bearer for the US Olympic team Rio de Janeiro.
- E. Incredibly, e)___ age 31, Michael Phelps broke a 2,168-year-old ancient Olympic record, set by Leonidas of Rhodes, who had held the most Olympic individual titles of all time.
- (a) (i) win (ii)winning (iii) wins (iv) won
 (b) (i) at (ii) in (iii) as (iv) on
 (c) (i) in (ii) with (iii) by (iv) within
 (d) (i) will choose (ii) choosing (iii) choose (iv) chosen
 (e) (i) on (ii) since (iii) at (iv) along

6. **In the following passage one word has been omitted in each line .Write the missing word, in any four sentences of the given paragraph, along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after it in the space provided. (4)**

	Before	Missing word	After
The Prime Minister India, Shree Narendra Modi launched an	Eg. Minister	of	Indian
initiative named Make in India 25th of September, 2014 in New	A.....	.....	.....
Delhi. The aim of this campaign is to provide India economic global	B.....	.....	.....
recognition. While launching programme, P.M. said that investors	C.....	.....	.....
should take it as an opportunity and not market in India. A successful implementation of the programme will be the reason of employment	D.....	.....	.....
for more 10 million people in India.	E.....	.....	.....

7. **Rearrange any four of the following word clusters to make meaningful sentence. (4)**
- i. ship/violent/the/storm/rocked/the
 ii. masterpiece/artist/painstakingly/the /his/worked/at

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- iii. gift/free /a/Dad/offered/firm/by/the/was.
 - iv. I/read/paper/in /the/burglar/been/caught/ had/the/that.
 - v. parts/many/coffee/popular/in/world/the/is/very/of.

SECTION C LITERATURE

8. **Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answer in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. (4)**

- a. The prospect of earning thousand rupees had stimulated the sporting and commercial instinct of the villagers.’
 - i. What had stimulated the sporting and commercial instinct of the villagers?
 - ii. What were the two fears that the villagers had regarding the hunt?
 - iii. Why did Mrs. Packletide want to hunt a tiger?
 - iv. Find the word which is exactly same as “encouraged”

OR

b. **The Wedding-Guest sat on a stone:**

He cannot choose but hear;
And thus spake on that ancient man,
The bright-eyed Mariner.’

- a. Where did the wedding-guest sit?
 - b. What does the expression ‘bright-eyed’ signify?
 - c. What does the expression ‘sat on a stone’ signify?
 - d. The Wedding Guest is not left with any choice but to listen to the Mariner because:
9. **Answer any four of the following Questions in 30- 40 words each. (2 x 4= 8)**
- a. "Ali display qualities of love and patience". Give evidence from the story to support the statement.
 - b. Describe how the monuments and statues brave the ravages of time.
 - c. Do you think the boys looked after Lucia willingly? Give reasons for your answer.
 - d. Why does Mrs. Slater decide to shift the bureau from grandfather's room before the arrival of the Jordan's? How does Henry react to the suggestion?
 - e. How does the poet in "Mirror" convey the fact that the woman looking at her reflection in the lake is deeply distressed?

10. **Attempt any one out of the two following long answer type questions in 100- 120 words. (8)**

a. 'Where there is a will, there is a way'. How did the two boys of Verona prove it?

OR

b. 'Materialistic things don't really last; what matters most are the people we care about and the values we live with.' Explain this with the reference to the poem, 'Not Marbles, Nor the Gilded Monuments'.

The Diary of a Young Girl

11. **A. Answer the following question based on prescribed novel text for extended reading in about 200-250 words. (10)**

a. Anne called 26th July a 'tumultuous' day. Explain the reasons behind it.

OR

b. Write a pen-portrait of Otto Frank.

OR

The Story of My Life

11. **B. Answer the following question based on prescribed novel text for extended reading in about 200-250 words. (10)**

a. Helen Keller 'depended on books not only for pleasure and for the wisdom they bring to all who read, but also for that knowledge which comes to others through their eyes and ears.' Justify the statement highlighting her interest in various authors and their books.

OR

b. Draw a character sketch of ARTHUR H. KELLER .

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1.

- i. If a woman is educated she would educate a house, a society and ultimately entire nation.
- ii. Department of women and child have undertaken programmes like strength budding, employment, income generation, welfare and supportive services and gender sanitation.
- iii. Women are active in the field of social service, literature, journalism, sports, education and acting.
- iv. National Policy for empowerment of women-2001 was set up by Department of women and child development.
- v. For women security, 181 Abhayam women Helpline has been started in Gujarat for helping women suffering from various types of violence.
- vi. From time to time they have served at the post of Prime Minister, President and as chief minister of different states. Women are engaged in jobs like taxi driver to pilot.
- vii. UN –United Nations.
- viii. Economic Freedom
- ix. Violence.

2.

a.

- i. He is clever, sensitive, amazingly creative and, above all, a soft spoken patriot. India's answer to Western technological arrogance.
- ii. For fifty years India has been a developing nation. It is time Indians saw themselves as a developed nation. India is among the top five nations of the world in terms of GDP. India has a 10 percent growth rate in most areas. India's poverty levels are falling. Indian achievements are being globally recognized today. Yet there is a lack the self confidence to see ourselves as a developed nation, self reliant and self assured.
- iii. He sang: "In this gathering whoever are great in front of God, I salute them." He never said: I salute the king. That is strength of conviction. That is courage.

iv. First vision is that of freedom.

Second vision for India is -Development.

Third vision is that India must stand up to the world.

v.

a. Subramaniya Bharathiar is a Tamil Poet.

b. Killed by an elephant while giving it a coconut.

b.

i. strength

ii. Indians lack the self confidence to see ourselves as a developed nation, self reliant and self assured.

iii. Yenudaya Prayana

c.

i. Millennium

ii. self sufficient

iii. torrid

3.

a. C-14, Sanskar Flats,
Judges Bungalow Road,
Satellite,
Ahmedabad - 380054.
February 20, 2017.

To,
The Editor,
The Times of India,
Ashram Road,
Ahmedabad - 380001.

Dear Sir,

Subject : Unlevelled potholes despite completion of road repair work

Through the power of print media, I would like to bring to the notice of the concerned authorities and the general public, the pathetic conditions of the road at Satellite area

near Judges Bungalow Road.

The patch from this area connecting the S.G. Highway is dreadful not only for vehicle users, but also for the pedestrians.

This road was dug by the Municipal Corporation for drainage work. The work is completed since two weeks now, but the dug up road is not properly covered, which causes lot of inconvenience to the public. Most of my drive time is spent watching and dodging potholes. Same would be the case with others too. It could lead to a flat tyre or a broken wheel, thus causing difficulty to many. The Corporation ought to spend some money by making concrete roads, not just levelling them with not so efficient black tar.

I request you to publish this article in your newspaper, so that the concerned authorities get to know the problem faced by people due to their casual approach.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,

Rohan/ Rohini

A responsible citizen

OR

b. 87 A Saket Colony Agra

25th October 20 xx

The Editor

The Times of India ‘

New Delhi

Subject: Educating the Underprivileged

Sir,

Through the columns of your reputed newspaper, I wish to draw your attention towards the movement ‘Sarvashiksha Abhiyan’ which aims at providing knowledge to all children. Even the act RTE-Right to Education also ensures education for all children between the age of four to fourteen. But these movements and acts do not show themselves implemented anywhere especially in the underprivileged class.

There are still many children who do not go to school. They either work as a domestic labour or work in factories, dhabas, etc. It is disturbing to note that our government's plans are not bearing any fruits. It is all because of lack of awareness towards these kinds of movements.

We all need the help of print media as well as electronic media to spread messages of awareness to the masses. The underprivileged children must be made to realize that they have the right to get education. So, they must go to school. The foremost thing is to discourage child-labour so as to give these children a bright future. I hope you will pay attention to this noble cause and publish it in your newspaper.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely
Siddharth Singh

4.

Second Chance

For a while the moment was stopped. I was lost somewhere, somewhere in my thoughts the faces of my family started to rise above my eyes. The Happy moment that we passed through, the sad times the bad times. I started to realise my mistake. How I treated my family bad when I was under depression. I started to remember every moment but my family never complained about me they were by my side they supported me and took care of me. I remember the moment when I made few fake friends and I gave them more value than my family but my family was by my side they told me that they knew who was mine fake friends and always warned me. I never took it seriously until my friend betrayed me a gave me a huge loss in business and I was about to be bankrupt but again my family supported me. And today I am getting the fruit of my deeds. I know death is permanent but before dying I just wanted to see my wife for one last time and say bye to my daughter. Suddenly I Fainted and I thought it was my last day. When I woke up again I found my wife there by my side. I was in hospital and my daughter was talking with the doctor. Life gives everyone,s second chance I got mine and realised my mistake and now I am going to rectify them

OR

A Foolish Suspense

Raghav was late that day. He walked fast as it was getting dark. His family had shifted to this locality just last month and he was still not sure about the area. He took the shortcut through the park but then realised that he had taken the wrong exit. He walked on for a while but panic was creeping in. He wanted to reach home as soon as possible. He soon realised that he had lost his way because he did not see the familiar landmarks. He wanted to turn back but he did not want to go through the park again. He glanced at his watch and was horrified to see that it was 10 o'clock. He knew his mother must be waiting for him. Suddenly he heard footsteps behind him and thinking someone was following him, he walked faster. He started running when he heard the footsteps getting nearer. He did not know where he was going, but he ran until he fell down. Someone grabbed him and Raghav screamed loudly. He heard his brother calling out to him. Raghav breathed a sigh of relief and went home with his brother.

5.

- A. (ii) winning
- B. (iv) on
- C. (i) in
- D. (iv) chosen
- E. (iii) at

6.

Before	Missing Word	After
A India	ON	25th
B India	AN	economic
C launching	THE	Programme
D not	AS	market
E more	THAN	10 million

7.

- i. The storm rocked the ship violently.
- ii. The artist painstakingly worked at his masterpiece.
- iii. Dad was offered a free gift by the firm.

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- iv. I read in the paper that the burglar had been caught.
 - v. Coffee is very popular in many parts of the world.
- 8.
- a.
 - i. The thought of getting thousand rupees if they helped Mrs. Packletide in hunting a tiger, had stimulated the sporting and commercial instinct of the villagers.
 - ii. Mrs. Packletide wanted to outdo the achievements of her rival, Loona Bimberton.
 - iii. Firstly, the villagers were afraid that the tiger may wander off to another village and secondly, that he may die before the hunt.
 - iv. stimulated

OR

- b.
 - i. He sat on a stone.
 - ii. The expression 'bright-eyed' signifies the glittering eye of the Mariner which held the Wedding Guest mesmerised and he was forced to listen to the story of the Mariner.
 - iii. 'Sat on a stone' shows that the Wedding Guest had no choice but to listen to the Mariner's story.
 - iv. The look in the Mariner's eye held him captive.
- 9.
- a. Ali displays qualities of love and patience. He loves his daughter to that extent for which he adopted a cheerless life. He quits his favorite pastime, that is, hunting after his daughter's departure from his life. Nevertheless, he visits the post office continuously for five years without any success of receiving his daughter's letter with full faith and complete patience.
 - b. Statues are made of strong metals or stones. They are covered with gold to decorate and to make them look splendid. In the same way, monuments are made of strong marbles. They are designed and polished in such a way that can protect them for a long time. Thus, statues and monuments are protected to brave.
 - c. The boys loved their sister. Lucia, was the only family member left after the war was over. When they realized that their sister had tuberculosis of the spine, they got her admitted to a hospital. The ultimate mission of the boys' life centered on the welfare

of their sister Lucia. Day and night, they slogged and starved only to provide for the medical expenses for Lucia. This couldn't have been done without their will and desire.

- d. Mrs. Slater always liked grandfather's bureau. After his death, she decided to shift it to sitting room before her sister arrived lest she laid a claim on it.

Henry was shocked at the suggestion because he felt that the sisters should amicably divide grandfather's things. He also felt that it was too heavy and was worried about the arrival of the Jordan's while they were shifting it.

- e. The poet conveys the fact that women is deeply distressed because when she sees herself ageing in the mirror, she turns away to find her answers in the candles and moon. She has tears in her eyes and her agitated hands express her distress.

10.

- a. Nicola and Jacopo faced a lot of hardships at a very young age. Their childhood was marred by war, poverty, disease and ill fortune. Yet they toiled and suffered to work too a better future Their home was bombed out in the war and they also lost their father early on in the war. The odds were against them but they did not give up. They were exposed to harsh weather and starvation. They had always known a comfortable and cultured life and now they were out on the streets. They built a shelter from amides the rubble and managed to survive.

After the war was over, they discovered that their sister Lucia was suffering from tuberculosis of spine. They too their sister to the hospital and persuaded them to take her in. They worked hard to ensure that they made the fee payment every week. They did odd jobs to earn money. They sold fruits, shined shoes, hawked newspapers, conducted tourists around the town. They did not complain or cry. War did not break their spirit. Their only end eavour was to see their sister get well and they worked hard to ensure that she got proper medical care. They proved, without a doubt, that where there is a will, there is a way.

OR

- b. It is a well known truth that materialistic things don't really last. All signs of worldly power, glory and grandeur fade away with the passage of time. Kings and princes got their monuments erected so as to be remembered by the future generation. But all gold plated monuments, memorials and statues fall to utter neglect, decay and

deterioration. They all meet the dust as they fail to outlive the ravages of time. In stark contrast to this are our relationships. They are immortal. They don't get destroyed by time. Rather they get strengthened with the passage of time. The poet is also of the opinion that riches don't matter much in this world. What is more valuable is his love for his friend. Their love would live longer than any man-made monuments. Neither death nor war will be able to destroy his memory. Hence, it is our love and relationship which matters more in this 1 world. All other things come to an end one day.

11. A

- a. A. 26th July was a tumultuous day. It was full of tension and fright. The first warning siren sent off in the morning but nobody paid any attention to it because it only meant that the planes were crossing the coast. It was only around two in the afternoon when the sirens waited again. Both the sisters went upstairs. After five minutes they heard the gun-shots which were very loud. Their house shook and the bombs kept falling. After half an hour the drone of engines faded and life became normal. When they looked outside it seemed as if the city were enveloped in thick fog. At dinner time, there was another air raid alarm. Nothing happened after that but after dinner, there was another air raid warning, gun-fire and swarms of planes. The bombs rained down. Schilphol Airport was bombed. The planes dived and climbed. The air was abuzz with the drone of engines. Nobody slept for the large part of the night as it started again at midnight.

OR

b.

- Mrs. Edith Frank was a good lady. She had two daughters, Margot and Anne.
- She always wanted to inculcate good moral values and disciplined behaviour in her daughters. But sometimes her attitude towards Anne seemed to be immature.
- She didn't have an insight into the mind of a growing teenager. Most of the times she used to scold Anne on petty issues and praised Margot in front of her which made Anne feel jealous.
- Anne always felt uncomfortable in her presence and regarded her as an imperfect mother. She longed for a mother who would understand her and

love her as all other mothers do.

- Mrs. Frank was never seen participating much in the squabbles during their stay in hiding.
- She didn't like the selfish attitude of Mrs. Van Daan and Mr. Alfred Dussel and even criticized them for being selfish.
- The tension in the annexe used to give her a headache. It caused her a lot of stress.

OR

11. B

- a. Helen Keller had a passion for books. She started reading when she was just seven years old. From that age she had constantly 'devoured' every printed page that came within her reach. She didn't study regularly nor according to rule. At first she read a few books like 'Our World' in raised print. She preferred reading herself to being read to. She began to read in good earnest during her first visit to Boston. She wandered from bookcase to bookcase in the library to pick up books of her choice. The words themselves fascinated her. Her true interest in books started from 'Little Lord Fauntleroy'. Then she read 'Greek Heroes', "Fables", "Bible stories", Lamb's 'Tales from Shakesper are', 'The Arabian Nights', 'The Pilgrim's Progress', 'Robinson Crusoe', 'Little Women' and 'Heidi'. The stories in which animals were made to talk like human beings never appealed to her. But she loved 'The Jungle Book' and 'Wild Animals' because they were real animals and not caricatures of men. She loved antiquity and ancient Greece with pagan gods and goddesses fascinated her. Greek poetry suited her responsive heart. Her admiration for 'The Aenid' was not so great as for Homer's 'Iliad'. The stories of the Greeks were full of charm for her and the stories of the Bible didn't interest her so much. Shylock and Satan were her favourite characters. Next to poetry she loved history. Her favourites were: Green's 'History of English People', Freeman's 'History of Europe' and Swinton's 'World History'. She loved to read German literature for its strength, beauty and truth. Goethe's 'Faust' fascinated her. Of all the French writers she loved to read Moliere and Racine best. She loved to read Mark Twain and Scott. In a word, literature was her 'utopia'. No barriers of senses could shut her out from the sweet and gracious discourse of her book-friends.

OR

b.

- Arthur H. Keller was father of Helen Keller who was a captain in the Confederate Army.
- He was editor of a newspaper. He was brave, loving and indulgent person.
- He was good hunter and storyteller. He was quite close to his family.
- He only left his family when he went to hunt.
- He was hospitable to a fault and seldom came home without bringing a guest.
- He loved gardening and used to lead Helen from tree to tree and from vine to vine.
- He used to spell words into her daughter, Helen's hand and made her to repeat them.
- He was in sorrow seeing her daughter helpless. He consulted many doctor to get her proper treatment.
- He felt relief when he found a proper teacher for her daughter. He died in the summer of 1896.