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## **SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – II**

### **ENGLISH**

#### **(Communicative)**

*Time allowed : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 70*

#### **General Instructions :**

- (i) *The question paper is divided into **three** sections :*

**SECTION A : READING**

**20 marks**

**SECTION B : WRITING & GRAMMAR**

**25 marks**

**SECTION C : LITERATURE : Textbook and Long Reading Text** **25 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.*

**SECTION – A**  
**(READING)**

**20**

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : **1 × 8 = 8**

One of the greatest advances in modern technology has been the invention of computers. They are widely used in industries and in universities. Now there is hardly any sphere of human life where computers have not been pressed into service of man. We are heading fast towards the day when a computer will be as much part of man's daily life as a telephone or a calculator.

Computers are capable of doing extremely complicated work in all branches of learning. They can solve the most complex mathematical problems or put thousands of unrelated facts in order. These machines can be put to varied uses. For instance, they can provide information on the best way to prevent traffic jams. This whole process by which machines can be used to work for us has been called 'automation'. In the future 'automation' may enable human beings to enjoy more leisure than they do today. The coming of automation is bound to have important social consequences.

Some years ago an expert on automation, Sir Leon Bagrit, pointed out that it was a mistake to believe that these machines could 'think'. There is no possibility that human beings will be "controlled by machines". Though computers are capable of learning from their mistakes and improving on their performance, they need detailed instructions from human beings to operate. They can never, as it were, lead independent lives or "rule the world" by making decisions of their own.

Sir Leon said that in future, computers would be developed which would be small enough to carry in the pocket. Ordinary people would then be able to use them to obtain valuable information. Computers could be plugged into a national network and be used like radios. For instance, people going on holiday could be informed about weather conditions. Car drivers can be given alternative routes when there are traffic jams. It will also be possible to make tiny translating machines. This will enable people who do not share a common language to talk to each other without any difficulty or to read foreign publications.

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|---|----------|
| (a) What is the greatest advancement in modern technology ?         | <b>1</b> |
| (b) What complicated works are computers capable of doing ?         | <b>1</b> |
| (c) Write one use of computers.                                     | <b>1</b> |
| (d) Explain : automation.   | <b>1</b> |
| (e) Why can't computers lead independent lives or rule the world ?  | <b>1</b> |
| (f) How would computers as translating machines help people ?       | <b>1</b> |
| (g) What was the prediction of Sir Leon about computers in future ? | <b>1</b> |
| (h) How can computers help people going on holiday ?                | <b>1</b> |

- (1) Why does a person become overconfident ? The reason lies in over assessment of his capabilities. Sometimes people over assess their competence and jump into situations that are beyond their control.
- (2) Napoleon Bonaparte who became Emperor of France would say that the word 'impossible' was common only amongst fools. The overconfident Napoleon invaded Russia in the winter of 1812. This proved to be a big disaster.
- (3) Overconfidence generally leads people into misadventures, endangering their chances in life. It is wisely said that, any achievement is a result of two factors-one's personal planning and support from the external world. People, take into account only their planning, generally ignoring external factors. They become unable to foresee future developments. Hence the great risk of failure.
- (4) Then there is the question : how can one manage overconfidence ? The formula is very simple. Before taking a decision discuss the matter with other informed people with an objective mind and when it is proved that you are about to go off the path, accept reality and say without delay, "I was wrong."
- (5) Overconfidence is a flaw characterizing people who lack the virtue of modesty. Modesty makes you a realist; you become a person who is cut down to size. People of this kind become very cautious; before taking an action they assess the whole situation. They adopt a realistic approach.
- (6) Overconfident people live within their own thoughts. They know themselves but they are unaware of others. Living inside their own cell they are unable to make use of the experiences of others. This kind of habit is highly damaging to all concerned.
- (7) There is a saying that the young man sees the rule and the old man sees the exception. With a slight change, I would like to say that the overconfident person sees the rule and the confident person sees the exception. Overconfident people are always at risk. It is said that taking risk is good but it must be well calculated otherwise it becomes very dangerous.

(2.1) Answer the following questions :

**2 × 4 = 8**

- (a) Why does a person become overconfident ?
- (b) What does overconfidence generally lead people into ?
- (c) How can one manage overconfidence ?
- (d) What kind of person does 'modesty' make you ?

(2.2) Find meanings of the words given below with the help of the options that follow :

**1 × 4 = 4**

(a) Misadventure (para 3)

- (1) Mishap
- (2) Unlucky
- (3) Unhappy
- (4) Unpleasant

(b) Endangering (para 3)

- (1) Reckless
- (2) Imperil
- (3) Risky
- (4) Threatening

(c) Assess (para 5)

- (1) Assemble
- (2) Acquire
- (3) Evaluate
- (4) Accept

(d) Objective (para 4)

- (1) Obedient
- (2) Servile
- (3) Honest
- (4) Impartial

**SECTION – B**  
**(WRITING AND GRAMMAR)**

**25**

3. Including sports in the syllabus and giving marks for it has not made it an attractive career option. Write a letter in **100-120** words to the editor of a national daily discussing what can be done to encourage students to take up sports. You are Arun / Aruna 24, Mall Road, Agra. **5**

**OR**

The pledge taken by school children of a cracker free Diwali did not meet with much success. Write an article in **100-120** words giving reasons for this. Suggest measures to curb the use of crackers to make it a cracker free and green Diwali. You are Arun / Aruna.

4. Write a story in **150-200** words based on the input given below : **10**

The train gathered speed – all settled – a group of youngsters pushed in – looked threatening – sudden silence....

**OR**

At the start of the journey – eight people – in the boat – number now reduced to six – the storm...

5. Complete the following paragraph by filling in the blanks with the help of the given options : **1 × 3 = 3**

When we read (a) \_\_\_\_\_ a happy person we smile, (b) \_\_\_\_\_ if the character (c) \_\_\_\_\_ angry, we frown.

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|-------------|--------------|---------------|-----------|
| (a) (i) off | (ii) about   | (iii) from    | (iv) on   |
| (b) (i) as  | (ii) because | (iii) whereas | (iv) when |
| (c) (i) is  | (ii) became  | (iii) are     | (iv) am   |

6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the error and its correction as shown in the example.

$$\frac{1}{2} \times 8 = 4$$

	Error	Correction
There is some truth in a common	e.g. a	the
saying that dogs became attached to	(a) _____	_____
persons, cats are general attached to	(b) _____	_____
places. A dog will follow their	(c) _____	_____
master anywhere, so a cat keeps	(d) _____	_____
to the house it was used to. Even	(e) _____	_____
then the house changes hands, the	(f) _____	_____
cat will remain here, as long as	(g) _____	_____
that is kindly treated by the new owners.	(h) _____	_____

7. Rearrange the words and phrases given below into meaningful sentences. The first one has been done as an example.

$$1 \times 3 = 3$$

a real princess/a prince/marry,/wanted to/but only/once

Once a prince wanted to marry, but only a real princess.

- (a) to find / it was / princess / very difficult / a real
- (b) all over / of one / he / in search / travelled / the world
- (c) but no / real / many / one seemed / he saw / to be

## (LITERATURE : Textbook and Long Reading Text)

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : **1 × 3 = 3**

So I went home and sat down before my desk and ... waited, but nothing happened. Pretty soon my mind began to wander off on to other things.

- (a) Who is 'I' ?
- (b) What did 'I' wait for ?
- (c) What does the phrase, 'wander off' mean ?

**OR**

Calpurnia : Do not go forth today : call it my fear

That keeps you in the house, and not your own.

Let me, upon my knee prevail in this.

- (a) What is Calpurnia's fear ?
- (b) What is the cause of her fear ?
- (c) What does the phrase, 'go forth' mean ?

9. Answer any **four** of the following in **30-40** words each : **2 × 4 = 8**

- (a) What did the voice of education teach the poet ?
- (b) How did Michael and his father indulge in their taste for new gadgets ?
- (c) Why were Helen and other ghosts unhappy with the use of Ouija Boards ?
- (d) What is ironic about the fate of Ozymandias ?
- (e) How did Brutus justify Caesar's assassination ?

10. Answer the following in **80-100** words : **4**

You are one of the crew on the ship. After the mariner kills the Albatross, you have to suffer and there is no hope of survival. Write a diary entry describing your feelings at this point of time.

**OR**

Imagine you are Sebastian's parents. Write a diary entry describing your feelings when you come to know what has happened to him.

11. Answer the following question in **150-200** words : **10**

What did Helen's visit to Niagara make her feel ? What enabled her to understand the glory of nature ?

**OR**

The charges of plagiarism had shaken Helen's confidence and demoralized her. How did she regain her confidence in life ?

**OR**

Anne had a tough relationship with her sister. Why did she find it difficult to get along with her and other fellow residents of the annexe ?

**OR**

Why is Anne's diary regarded as a valuable and authentic account of those times ?



**QUESTION PAPER CODE 1/2/2**  
**SECTION A (READING) 20 MARKS**

**Note:** Section A tests the candidate's ability in reading only. Therefore, no deductions are to be made for errors in spelling, grammar or punctuation. Marks should be awarded if the answer can be clearly understood.

**Objective:** This section evaluates the reading and comprehension skills of the students and their ability to infer and evaluate the given information.

**1. COMPUTERS**

**MARKS-8**

**Objective:** To identify the main points of a text

**Marking:** 8 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

**1.1 Sentence Completion**

**Answers :**

- a) invention of computers
- b) solve mathematical problems / put thousands of unrelated facts in order
- c) provide information on the best way to prevent traffic jams / used in industries / used in universities / carry out complicated work in all branches of learning ( any one).
- d) the process by which machines can be used to work for us
- e) need detailed instructions from human beings to operate/ cannot make decisions of their own ( any one)
- f) will enable people who do not share a common language to talk to each other without any difficulty / to read foreign publications ( any one)
- g) computers would be developed which would be small enough to carry in the pocket . / Ordinary people would be able to use these pocket computers to obtain valuable information . / Computers could be plugged in to a national network and be used like radios ( any one)
- h) can be informed about weather conditions / car drivers can be given alternative roads when there are traffic jams / make tiny translating machines ( any one)

## **2 OVERCONFIDENCE**

**TOTAL MARKS-12**

**Objective : To identify the main points of a text**

**Marking : 8 marks - 2 marks for each correct answer**

### **2.1Answers :**

- a) because of over assessment of his capabilities and competence ; jumps into situations that are beyond his control. 2
- b) misadventures /endangering their chances in life / putting them at great risk of failure (any two) 2
- c) by discussing the matter with other informed people with an objective mind and accepting reality when proved wrong. 2
- d) modesty makes you a realist ; you become a person who is cut down to size , people of this kind become very cautious before taking any action. (any two) 2

### **2.2 Vocabulary**

**Marking : 4 marks - 1 mark for each correct answer**

**Answers :**

- a) i) mishap
- b) iv) threatening
- c) iii) evaluate
- d) iv) impartial

1X4=4

## **SECTION B (WRITING & GRAMMAR)**

**TOTAL MARKS - 25**

### **3. LETTER TO THE EDITOR – SPORTS A CAREER OPTION**

**MARKS-5**

**Objective :To use the given input in a short sustained piece of writing**

**Marking : Content - 3 marks – (the given information in the**

**question paper to be included)**

**Format - includes date, subject, addressee and closing**

**Format to be treated as part of the content**

**Expression - 2 marks (fluency and accuracy to be taken into account)**

**Suggested Value Points :**

- sportspersons should be given lucrative job opportunities to ensure a steady income
- government should provide greater incentives/ facilities /infrastructure like play fields , equipments , nutritious food etc.
- government should encourage national /international exposure
- professional trainers should be provided to the sportspersons
- tap the talents of the potential sportspersons in early years

**OR**

**ARTICLE WRITING – CRACKER FREE AND GREEN DIWALI**

**Objectives : To plan, organize and present ideas coherently**

**To write in a style appropriate for communicative purposes**

**Marking : Content - 3 marks**

**Format – includes heading and signatory**

**Format to be treated as part of the content**

**Expression- 2 marks (fluency and accuracy to be taken into account)**

**Suggested Value Points :**

**Reasons:**

- not enough awareness generated
- more motivation is required
- impact of crackers on air , noise, soil and water pollution and needs to be highlighted more.
- Campaign against it not effective

**Measures:**

- Awareness campaigns highlighting the disastrous effects of pollution
- To encourage nature conservation

- Eco sensitive initiative around Diwali (crackers with less sound and less emission)
- Impact of crackers on air , noise , soil and water pollution levels.
- Campaign at schools and through media

#### 4. STORY WRITING

**MARKS – 10**

**Objective : To plan, organize and present ideas coherently**

**Marking : Relevance of content + creativity – 6 marks**  
**Fluency – 2 marks                      Accuracy – 2 marks**  
**Story completed in any suitable way using the hints provided and should be accepted.**

#### 5. GAP FILLING – A HAPPY PERSON

**MARKS-3**

**Objective : To use grammatical items correctly**

**Marking : 1 mark for each correct answer**

**Answers:**

- a) (ii) about
- b) (iii) whereas
- c) (i) is

#### 6. EDITING – Truth

**MARKS – 4**

**Objective : To use grammatical items correctly**

**Marking : ½ a mark for each correct answer**

**Answers :**

<b>ERROR</b>	<b>CORRECTION</b>
a) became	become
b) general	generally
c) their	its/his
d) so	but
e) was	is
f) then	if/ when/though

g) here  
h) that

## 7. REARRANGEMENT OF WORDS –Princess

**Objectives : To reorder words /phrases to write grammatically accurate sentences**  
**To test their knowledge of syntax**

## Answers:

## SECTION C (LITERATURE)

**TOTAL MARKS -25**

**8. Objective : To identify the correct answer on the basis of inference, interpretation and comprehension**

## PROSE – SHADY PLOT

## Answers :

**OR**

## **DRAMA- JULIUS CAESAR**

**MARKS- 3**

**Answers :**

- a) That some thing bad would happen / Caesar might be killed
- b) supernatural events, occurrences / Culpurnia's dream/ omens/ threat to Caesar's life
- c) go ahead / go out

**9. Answer any four.**

**Objective : To test the ability to infer and evaluate**

***TOTAL MARKS 2x4 =8***

**Marking : 2 marks for each correct answer**

**(a) POETRY – SNAKE**

**MARKS – 2**

**Answer :**

Golden snakes are venomous and must be killed .

**(b) PROSE – VIRTUALLY TRUE**

**MARKS - 2**

**Answer :**

They went to the Computer Fair , bought various gadgets and C.D's

**(c) PROSE – SHADY PLOT**

**MARKS-2**

**Answer :**

got tired as they were called to answer useless questions /called very frequently

**(d) POETRY - OZYMANDIAS**

**MARKS -2**

**Answer :**

got a statue of himself made to depict his power and greatness .

Now his kingdom and his statue lay in ruins / the inscriptions said “ look ..... , ye mighty and despair ” but ruins all around.

**(e) PLAY – JULIUS CAESAR**

**MARKS -2**

**Answer :**

Brutus loved Rome more than he loved Caesar ; and Caesar had become ambitious.

**10. Answer any one in 80 – 100 words**

**TOTAL MARKS : 4**

**Objective : To help students relate the values in the text to their own lives and understand their importance.**

**Marking : Content – 2 marks  
Expression – 2 marks**

### **DIARY ENTRY – THE RIME OF THE ANCIENT MARINER**

**Answer :**

- punishment for crime committed by the Mariner – killed Albatross
- Albatross brought luck – icebergs split, south wind started to blow, the ship moved out of South pole
- stuck in the silent ocean- the ship, motionless no breeze
- no sound – only sound when sailors spoke
- intense heat , sun – red hot; sky – hot and copper
- surrounded by water- but couldn't drink it – throats dried
- sea rotting , slimy creatures crawled on its surface
- no hope of survival
- angry / desperate

**OR**

### **DIARY ENTRY – VIRTUALLY TRUE**

**Answer :**

- Wondered if it is possible to have memory stored in a computer
- Sebastian in coma – trapped in a computer
- Michael rescued him
- Thank God , Michael did not give up
- Grateful to Michael for saving their son's life
- Realized how dangerous interactive psycho- drive games could be

## LONG READING TEXT (NOVELS)

**11. Answer any one in 150 – 200 words**

**TOTAL MARKS- 10**

**Objective : To understand and relate to the prescribed text and be able to make an analysis of events and characters**

**Marking : Content : 5 marks Expression : 5 marks**

**Answers :**

### **Helen's Visit to Niagara Falls**

- Her visit to Niagara Falls was an eye-opener
- Could feel the glory of nature through vibrations and other sensory perceptions
- Felt great ; humbled

**OR**

### **Charge of Plagiarism**

- She was accused of plagiarising 'The Forest Fairies' by Ms Margaret T Canby in her story 'The Forest King' .
- She was accused of not telling an original story.
- She was unaware of plagiarism in any form.
- It shook her confidence.
- It demotivated her.
- It left her demoralized .
- Ms. Sullivan helped and consoled her, restored her self confidence, persuaded her to write for the Youth's Companion a brief account of her life.
- Lost her dearest friend , Mr. Anagnos of the Perkins Institute for the blind .

**OR**

### **Anne's relationship with her sister**

- The sisters were very different from each other .
- Her sister was liked by mother and was closer to her
- Anne resented her .



- She was difficult to understand and get along with
- Argumentative

**OR**

Anne's diary a valuable and authentic record

- Diary – invaluable – provides invaluable insights into the times, lives and hardships
- One of the surviving authentic accounts of the times
- A rare insight from child's point of view

**(Any other relevant points in respect of answers to the novel's questions may be accepted)**