

**Yearly Examination, 2017-18**  
**Class-XI****Time : 3¼ Hr.****Subject-English****MM. : 100****Instructions :**

1. All questions are compulsory.
2. All marks are in front of the question.

**Section - A**

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:  
In India, March 8th has been Women's Day for several decades. It received a major boost during the tenure of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and later, Prime Minister Rajeev Gandhi, who made it a practice to invite a large number of 'women of substance' to a celebratory get together in Delhi. Our Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi has been cardially supporting to Women Empowerment for years. As more and more Indian women become aware of their equal status and right to education and opportunity, March 8th acquires a greater and wider significance. Today, as 21st century, Indian women celebrate their awesome achievements, they continue to spell out their dream for the future of the country. March 8th becomes a symbolic day for recognizing their vision and contribution to the building of India. In the last few years Women's Day Celebrations have encouraged them to come together in innumerable seminars, networking gatherings and even sponsored parties. It is a time when powerful men from all walks of life, pay rich tributes to Indian men from all walks of life, pay rich tributes to Indian women. An example is a priceless remark made by Amitabh Bachchan! He said, "It is clear that the 21st century belongs to women. They have earned every bit of the power and glory they are enjoying and men should applaud their achievements whole heartedly.  
Indian women have discovered three magical mantras of life in the last decade! These are; One: Beauty and glamour are their birthright. Two: Women are no Longer the worst enemies of women. In fact they can network, mentor one another and reach unprecedented heights of achievement. Three: Energy is a stretchable concept.  
Based on these three discoveries, women have upgraded their

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goals and literally covered every field of endeavours with glory and pride. They have shown beyond doubts, that as the world opens new windows of options and opportunities at the speed of light, They are smart, beautiful and savvy enough to rise to the occasion and turn the tide of fortune in their favour. The success of Indian beautiful women has also created a huge revolution in the fashion, fitness and beauty industries. Fashion designers of the eighties who limited their designs to various looks in the basic Salwar Kameez have acquired a splendid plumage of innovation in the last ten years.

- (i) What is the third magical mantra discovered by Indian women? 1
- (ii) How did women's day receive a major boost? 1
- (iii) When do we celebrate Women's Day in India? 1
- (iv) What is responsible for the revolution in the fashion in India? 1
- (v) When did the Women's Day celebration receive a major boost? 1
- (vi) Who has been supporting to 'Women Empowerment'? 1
- (vii) What kind of fashion was prevalent during eighties? 1
- (viii) How does March 8th become a symbolic day? 1
- (ix) Choose from the passage that is opposite to 'best'. 1
- (x) Choose from the passage that means : factually. 1

### Section - B

2. Write a task in about 100-120 words giving description of an event on "The Republic Day Function" based on the hints given : 10

- (i) Preparation of the Function
- (ii) Purpose of the function
- (iii) Chief guest and other guests
- (iv) Prize distribution

### OR

Write a task in 100-120 words giving description of a process for "Planting A Sapling" based on the hints given :

- (i) To plant a sapling
- (ii) Dig a hole
- (iii) Treat the soil
- (iv) Fix the sapling
- (v) Add water
- (vi) Protection from cattle

3. Write a speech in about 100-120 words on 'Importance of Good Manners' to deliver in morning prayer in school. 10

### OR

Write an article on "Computer Education is The Need of The Present Time." (Word Limit 100-120 words)

4. Imagine that you are Ravindra. You have passed your Secondary School Examination. You like games and sports very much. Write an application to the Principal, Sports school, Bikaner for admission.

OR

Write a letter to the Collector of your district to close the shop of wine near your school. 10

### Section - C

5. Name the part of speech to underlined word in the following sentences :  $1 \times 5 = 5$
- She drinks much milk.
  - I have a gold ring.
  - He runs fast.
  - She is an MLA.
  - She told me about the function.
6. Fill in the blanks with correct form of the verb given in brackets :  $1 \times 5 = 5$
- Vinod always ..... (go) to temple twice a day.
  - He went to school after he ..... (complete) work.
  - Sita ..... (finish) her homework by tomorrow.
  - Sangeeta is tired because she ..... (work) since morning.
  - Ram and Sohan ..... (play) football at this time.
7. Rewrite the following sentences using given modals.  $1 \times 4 = 4$
- You are advised to take milk. (should)
  - I promise to help you. (will)
  - He is able to drive a car. (can)
  - It is possible for him to return today. (may)
8. Change the following sentences into passive voice :  $1 \times 4 = 4$
- He has learnt all the lessons.
  - Nobody can do it.
  - Why should you not believe me?
  - Sit down.
9. Change the following sentences into 'Indirect Speech' :  $1 \times 4 = 4$
- She said to her father, "Good morning".
  - He said to me, "You are my friend."
  - Seema said, "Hurrah! We have won the match."
  - Ram said to Mohan, "Where do you live?"
10. Combine each set of the following sentences into one complex sentence as directed :  $1 \times 4 = 4$
- I had passed. My friend told me this. (that)
  - He worked very hard. He failed in the examination. (although)

- (iii) I met a man. He was blind. (who)  
 (iv) The weather will improve. We shall go for a picnic. (when)  
 11. Transform the following sentences as directed :  $1 \times 4 = 4$   
 (i) Sita is as clever as Radha. (use 'cleverer')  
 (ii) He was so tired that he could not stand. (too.....to)  
 (iii) She has a big house. (negative)  
 (iv) Both Sita and Geeta are intelligent. (as well as)

### Section - D

12. Read the following passage carefully answer the questions given below :

#### Passage

A shoemaker gives shoes for his bread. Well, a singer sings for his supper. Well, a capitalist leads a large enterprise. Well, a pilot flies; a coal-miner digs, a sailor moves things, a minister preaches, an author tells stories, a laundryman washes, an auto worker makes cars, a painter makes pictures, a street car conductor moves people, a stenographer write down words; a lumberjack saws and a tailor sews. The people with the victuals appreciate these services and cheerfully feed the performers, But what does an advertising man do?

He induces human beings to want things they don't want. Now I will be deeply obliged if you will tell me by what links of logic anybody can be convinced that your activity - the creation of want where want does not exist - is a useful one and should be rewarded with food. Doesn't it seem, rather, the worst sort of mischief, deserving to be starved into extinction?

- (i) Which useful services are done by the people to the society? 1  
 (ii) What do the performers get in return to their services? 1  
 (iii) What does an advertising man do? 1  
 (iv) Is an advertising man's activity good enough to be paid with food? 1  
 (v) What seems to be the worst sort of mischief to the writer? 1  
 (vi) Find-out the words from the passage which means :  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$   
 (i) provisions (ii) total abolition

#### OR

With our incredible scientific progress, we have reached a stage when the only threat to man, left to be met, is man himself. In the zoo at Lusaka, there is a cage where the notice reads, "The world's most dangerous animal. Inside the cage there is no animal but a mirror where you see yourself."

It is difficult to measure whether repression world wide is increasing or decreasing. But awareness of that repression has undoubtedly increased, since the human rights movement started as a world movement with the launching of Amnesty International in May 1961. The shifting hem lines of International atrocities are faithfully recorded in the annual reports of that body. The oldest human rights organization - the Anti-Slavery Society - was founded in 1839. It is still in business, because slavery is still in business. Slavery was abolished in the British Empire only in 1833 and in the United States in 1862, but bonded labour still prevails in parts of India.

- (i) Who is the only threat to man? 1
- (ii) What is difficult to measure? 1
- (iii) Since when has the awareness against the repression increased? 1
- (iv) Which organization keeps the human rights record of a nation? 1
- (v) Which is the oldest human rights organization? 1
- (vi) Find from the passage the words which mean :  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$   
(a) edges (b) The act of using force to control people and restrict the freedom.

13. Answer any four questions out of six in about 15-20 words :  $1 \times 4 = 4$

- (i) Which, according to the girl Prakriti, is a false religion?  
(Chandalika)
- (ii) What do you understand by Electronic-mail?  
(Building an internet culture)
- (iii) What is the greatest evil of advertising?  
(A Talk on Advertising)
- (iv) What have shaped the modern world?  
(Technology with a Human face)
- (v) What are the inherent qualities of a hillman? (Eco Tourism)
- (vi) Which are the two gleams of hope?  
(Human Rights and Legal Responsibilities)

14. Read the following extracts answer the questions :  $1 \times 4 = 4$

Look for me, mother, look  
because I won't become a flower  
I won't turn into a butterfly  
And I am not a part of anyone's song.  
Look, mother,

Look for the place where you have sent me.

- (i) Why does the girl ask her mother to look for her?