

**Sample Question Paper - 9**  
**English Language And Literature (184)**  
**Class - X, Session: 2021-22**

**TERM II**

*Time allowed : 2 Hours*

*Maximum marks : 40*

**General Instructions :**

1. *The Question Paper contains Three Sections-Reading, Writing & Grammar and Literature.*
2. *Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.*

**SECTION - A (READING)**

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

- (1) 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.
- (2) 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 Iwerks, better known as UbIwerks. 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 animation and decided to open his own animation business. From the ad company, he recruited Fred Harman as his first employee.
- (3) Walt and Harman made a deal with a local Kansas City theatre to screen their cartoons, which they called Laugh-O-Grams. 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 fairytales that combined both live action and animation, which they called Alice in Cartoonland. By 1923, however, the studio had become burdened with debt, and Disney was forced to declare bankruptcy.
- (4) Disney and his brother, Roy, soon pooled their money and moved to Hollywood. Iwerks also relocated to California, and there he began the Disney Brothers' Studio. Their first deal was with New York distributor Margaret Winkler, to distribute their Alice cartoons. They also invented a character called Oswald the Lucky Rabbit, and contracted the shorts at \$1,500 each.

**On the basis of your understanding of the passage, answer ANY FIVE questions from the six given below:**

**(1 × 5 = 5)**

- (i) Where did Disney begin his first work as a cartoonist?
- (ii) How did Walt Disney spend his childhood?
- (iii) Why was Walt Disney rejected from the army?
- (iv) What was the first company or studio that Walt Disney acquired?
- (v) What happened to the studio in 1923?
- (vi) Who did the Disney Brothers' Studio make their first deal with?

**2. Read the following passage carefully.**

- (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!
- (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. Kiwifruit 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.
- (3) Along with vitamin C, kiwifruits are rich in many bioactive compounds that have antioxidant capacity to help 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.
- (4) A kiwifruit 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.
- (5) Kiwifruit has been growing in New Zealand for over 100 years. Once the fruit gained 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.
- (6) A ripe kiwifruit will be plum 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.

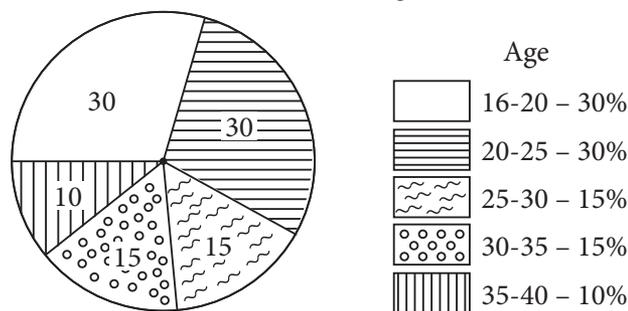
**On the basis of your reading of the passage answer ANY FIVE of the given questions. (1 × 5 = 5)**

- (i) What was the idea behind changing the name of the kiwifruit from “Yang Tao” or Chinese gooseberry?
- (ii) What is the nutritional content of two kiwis or a serving of kiwi?
- (iii) What is the other term for “sky-high”, as used in paragraph 2?
- (iv) What made kiwifruits “a nutritional all-star”?
- (v) How are antioxidants helpful for the human body?
- (vi) Mention one way to ripen a kiwi fruit faster.

## SECTION - B (WRITING AND GRAMMAR)

**3. Attempt any one of the given questions. (5)**

Given pie chart shows the usage of instagram amongst females from the different age groups. Write an analytical paragraph in 100-120 words based on the details given.



Instagram user by age

OR

You are Shiv/Siya Store Incharge of Gopal Senior Secondary School, Moradabad. You require various items of furniture such as chairs, desks, racks, etc. for your school. Mentioning the details of the items, write a letter in 100-120 words to Sharma Furniture House, 21, Civil Lines, Moradabad placing the order for furniture. Ask for the discount available on the purchase.

4. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is an error in each line. Identify the error and write its correction against the correct blank number. Remember to underline the correction. The first has been done for you. (1 × 3 = 3)

	Error	Correction
One day a wonderful plate full in gold	<i>e.g.,</i> in	of
fell from Heaven into a courtyard of	(a) _____	_____
a temple at Banaras; so on the plate these	(b) _____	_____
words were inscribe. "A gift from	(c) _____	_____
Heaven to someone who loves better".		

5. Read the conversation between Joy and Jack and complete the passage that follows : (1 × 2 = 2)

Joy : What is your work?  
Jack : I work in a bank.  
Joy : It must be nice.  
Jack : It is tiring.

Joy asked Jack (a) \_\_\_\_\_. Jack replied that (b) \_\_\_\_\_.  
When Joy told him that it must be nice, Jack told Joy it was tiring.

### SECTION - C (LITERATURE)

6. Answer ANY SIX of the following in about 30-40 words. (2 × 6 = 12)

- What information did Valli collect from her first bus ride ?
- Who gave the meadows and why?
- Describe Coorg's weather. When is it the most pleasant for the tourists to visit Coorg?
- What excuse did the Loiseles put up to explain the delay in returning the necklace?
- Mention three things that humans do and animal don't.
- Why did the Tehsildar come to Ramlal's village? What did he ask Ramlal to do?
- How did Belinda and her other pets treat Custard before the pirate incident?

7. Answer ANY TWO of the following in about 120-150 words each. (4 × 2 = 8)

- Discuss Guatam Buddha's teaching about life and suffering.
- The play 'The Proposal' tells us to rise above our pettiness and focus on what's really important in life. Discuss.
- Parents often nag their children, wishing only the best for them. However, children often misunderstand them. Write a short paragraph in reference to Amanda!

# Solution

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1. (i) Walter Elias “Walt” Disney began his first work as a cartoonist in Chicago.

(ii) Walt Disney spent his childhood learning how to draw, paint and take photographs.

(iii) Walt was rejected from enlisting in the army because he was underage.

(iv) Walt Disney acquired his first studio Laugh-O-Gram.

(v) The studio grew a lot of debt and became bankrupt.

(vi) Disney Brothers’ Studio made its first deal with Margaret Winkler, a New York contributor.

2. (i) The name of the kiwi fruit was changed from “Yang Tao” or Chinese gooseberry to let people know the history or origin of the fruit, which is New Zealand.

(ii) Two kiwis or a serving of kiwi contains twice the amount of Vitamin C of an orange, as much potassium as a banana and the fiber of a bowl of whole grain cereal.

(iii) Another term for “sky-high” is “rich”.

(iv) Kiwis are a “nutritional all-star” because they have the best nutrient density of 21 commonly consumed fruits.

(v) Antioxidants help protect us against free radicals, harmful by-products produced in the body.

(vi) If one wants to ripen a kiwi faster, one can place an apple or banana along with the kiwis in a paper bag.

3.

Gopal Senior Secondary School

Moradabad

19 April, 20XX

M/s Sharma Furniture House

21, Civil Lines,

Subject : Order for Furniture

Sir/Madam,

You are requested to supply the following items of furniture for our school at the earliest.

1. Chairs	Back Support, Wooden	20 nos.
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2. Classroom Desks	Wooden	25 nos.
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3. Library racks	Metal,	10 nos.
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4. Centre-table	Round, Wooden	2 nos.
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Kindly deliver the consignment latest by 15 April, 20XX. Please ensure the items of furniture sent are quality product, packed with care so as to avoid any form of damage. Damaged items will not be accepted nor payment for the same will be made.

I am sending a DD of ₹15,000/- as advance payment for the ordered items. The remaining payment will be made after the consignment is received and checked for quality. Please send the bill after allowing bulk discount permissible for schools.

Hoping for timely delivery.

Thank you

Yours faithfully

Shiv Saini

Store In-charge

4. Error Correction

(a) a the

(b) at in

(c) inscribe inscribed

5. (a) what his work was.

(b) he worked in a bank.

6. (i) The information that she collected was that the town was six miles from her village and it took thirty paise for one way fare. She also came to know that the one way ride was of forty five minutes.

(ii) Lomov’s aunt’s grandmother gave the meadows to the peasants of Natalya’s father’s grandfather for free use in return for which they were to make bricks for her.

(iii) The best time to visit Coorg is sometime in between September and March when the weather is perfect with moderate shower and the air is filled with the distinct aroma of the coffee.

(iv) Loiseles had lost the necklace and needed time to find an identical one. Thus, Loiseles wrote a letter to Mme Forestier with an excuse that the clasp of the necklace was broken and they needed time to get it repaired.

(v) Though humans differ from animals in innumerable ways, but this poem highlights some negative traits of humans that animals are free from. Humans are forever fretting and complaining about their circumstances and conditions, they get distraught with anxiety to gain material possessions and are ridden with guilt of sinful actions which deprive them of a sound sleep.

(vi) The Tehsildar came to Ramlal's village to inaugurate the primary school. He asked Ramlal to set an example for others by sending his daughters to school.

7. (i) After enlightenment, Buddha started to spread his teachings about life, truth and the likes of it. He told that death and suffering are the part and parcel of life. None can avoid this truth. One has to meet one's destined end one day. Whoever has come to the world, will die one day. In the hour of grief, one must remain calm and composed so that grief doesn't overcome one. People who are wise, never complain or lament

over their loss. They accept the truth and be blessed with it. So, the wisdom lies in the fact that people should not get distressed with pain, suffering and death. There is no escape to life's inevitable suffering and Buddha's teaching is mainly based on the idea that accepting and rising above these loss and grief in life can only lead us to a happier place.

(ii) The play 'The Proposal' teaches us how anger and arguments can easily ruin a relationship. It is true to an extent that people usually give more importance to the unimportant issues forgetting their priorities. Just like how Lomov came to propose Natalya but due to their argument that matter was left unaddressed.

Thus, it becomes very important to set your priorities in life. One must ignore the unimportant issues. It is a waste of time to have discussions over them. One should not pay too much attention on the trivialities. This energy can be saved on spending it over some useful and important issues that gives a fruitful result.