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ENGLISH (CORE) (TERM II)

CBSE Class XII Board Examination 2022 (Term 2)

Time allowed: 2 hours **Maximum Marks: 40**

General Instructions:

1. The paper has 6 questions in three sections: A (Reading), B (Writing) and C (Literature).
2. Section A: two unseen passages with short questions (14 marks).
3. Section B: one short writing task and one long writing task with an internal choice (8 marks).
4. Section C: short and long answer questions on the prescribed texts (18 marks).
5. Follow the instruction given with each question on how many parts to attempt and the word limit.

SECTION A

Reading (14 marks): Q1 – attempt any eight of nine (8 × 1 = 8); Q2 – attempt any six of seven (6 × 1 = 6).

1. *Unseen passage — simple everyday steps each of us can take for a cleaner environment (reusing paper and cloth, proper garbage disposal, online awareness groups, turning kitchen waste into manure) — not reproduced. Q1 (i)–(ix): short comprehension and vocabulary questions, 1 mark each; attempt any eight.* **8**

2. *Unseen passage with a line graph — the growth of the plastics industry and plastic waste in India, bans on single-use plastic and how States reuse plastic waste; the graph shows global plastic production from 1950 to 2020 — not reproduced. Q2 (i)–(vii): short comprehension questions including two on the graph, 1 mark each; attempt any six.* **6**

SECTION B

Writing (8 marks): Q3 carries 3 marks; Q4 carries 5 marks (attempt A or B).

3. Formal invitation card (about 50 words): M/s Aggrawal and Sons are opening a new general store called 'Super Saver Mart' in Geeta Enclave, ABC Nagar, Delhi. The opening ceremony will be held on Sunday, 19 June 2022 at 11:00 a.m., and the local councillor Mr. Roshan Seth will inaugurate it. Draft an invitation card addressed to the residents, giving the day, date, time and other details. **3**

4. Job application letter (120–150 words): You are Pawan/Preeti Gupta of Uttam Vihar, New Delhi. Nav Vihar Public School has advertised urgently for part-time counsellors who can handle online queries and support students' mental and emotional needs. Requirements: post-graduation in Psychology, at least 5 years' experience, and computer literacy. Applications go to the Principal. Write a letter to the Principal applying for the post. **5**

OR

Newspaper report (120–150 words): The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare held a Health Mela on the theme 'Child Obesity – a Growing Concern'. The day-long programme had a free BMI check-up, a poster-making contest and a talk on healthy eating habits; the local MLA Mr. Lal inaugurated it. As Sandhya/Sohan Ahuja, Staff Correspondent of 'The Star', write a report mentioning the date, time, venue, events and how the participants responded.

SECTION C

Literature (18 marks): Q5 – attempt any five of six in about 40 words each (5 × 2 = 10); Q6 – attempt any two of three in about 120–150 words each (2 × 4 = 8).

5. *Answer any five of the following six questions in about 40 words each.* **10**

(a) The Rattrap (Selma Lagerlöf): Why did Edla Willmansson invite the peddler to her home? (about 40 words)

(b) A Thing of Beauty (John Keats): According to Keats, what casts a pall (a dark cover of gloom) over our spirits? (about 40 words)

(c) Aunt Jennifer's Tigers (Adrienne Rich): Why does the poet call the tigers 'chivalric'? (about 40 words)

(d) Should Wizard Hit Mommy? (John Updike): Why did telling stories on Saturdays wear Jack out in particular? (about 40 words)

(e) On the Face of It (Vistas): How did his handicap (the face burnt by acid) affect Derry's life? (about 40 words)

(f) Evans Tries an O-level (Colin Dexter): What picture of Evans does the Governor give the Secretary of the Examination Board? (about 40 words)

6. *Answer any two of the following three questions in about 120–150 words each.* **8**

(a) Indigo (Louis Fischer): How did civil disobedience win its first victory in India? (120–150 words)

(b) A Thing of Beauty (John Keats): Justify the title of the poem. (120–150 words)

(c) On the Face of It (Vistas): Examine the characters of Derry and Mr. Lamb in the light of the themes of loneliness and alienation in the play. (120–150 words)

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Questions restated from the CBSE Class XII Board Examination 2022 (set 1/2/1) for practice. Reading passages and map items are described, not reproduced.