

MARKING SCHEME

**TERM II
PRE BOARD PAPER (2021-22)
ENGLISH – CORE
CLASS -XII**

Maximum Marks: 40

SECTION A – READING (14marks)

1. ANY EIGHT questions out of nine. (1X8=8)

- i.** royal elephant, king was very fond of (1)
- ii.** no longer withstand/stop himself from the smell/odour or any relevant response (1)
- iii.** spent time together - became good friends, ate, slept and played together - very happy and did not want to be separated. (any two) (1)
- iv.** as stated in the text that he stopped all activities - eating, drinking, bathing (1)
- v.** Any one trait with a reason. (1)
(½ for either trait or reason)
- vi.** lonesome in the absence of the friend, not sick (1)
- vii.** The whereabouts of the treasure can be found on the secret map of the island. (1)
- viii.** sparkled with happiness (1)
- ix.** wonderful effect on elephant - delighted – got his friend back- everything alright again (1)

2. ANY SIX questions out of seven. (1X6=6)

- i.** Any meaning that is appropriate to the context (1)
- ii.** smartphones, tablets (1)
- iii.** we are exposing ourselves and our children (from a very young age) to technology– any relevant response (1)
- iv.** may affect the pre-scholars’ developing cognitive and social skills, does not encourage innovative learning, increases aggressive responses from playing violent video games. technological devices do not promote physical stimulation as much as physical activity. (any two) (1)
- v.** as technology cannot replace human element of interaction between parent and child.(1)
- vi.** help in fine-tuning a child's fine motor skill which enhances their eye-hand coordination(1)

vii. increases knowledge, helps academically, enhance creativity etc (any two) (1)

SECTION B - WRITING (8 marks)

3. Formal Invitation (3)

Content 2

Expression 1 Accuracy

Value points - Content

- Who is issuing the invitation
- Reason
- Time
- Date
- venue
- Chief Guest

4. ANY ONE from A and B. (5)

A. Job application letter – post of Accountant

Content 2

Expression 2

Accuracy 1

Value points - Content

- Covering Letter
- Reference to the advertisement
- Conveying suitability for the position
- Submission of application
- Resume / Bio data as separate enclosure
- Profile of self
- Educational Qualifications
- Any other relevant information

OR

B. Report – Blood Donation Camp

Content 2

Expression 2

Accuracy 1

Value points - Content

- what - the camp that was organised
- who were present
- when & where

- details of the camp – inauguration, volunteers, blood donation, etc.
- Any other valid relevant information

SECTION C - LITERATURE (18 marks)

5. ANY FIVE out of the six questions given within 40 words each.

(2marks each) X 5=10

Content 1 (2 points)

Expression 1

i.

- Edla had heard – that an old crofter of the ironworks had been robbed by a man who went around selling rattraps – thought that the peddler to whom she gave shelter - responsible for the misdeed.
- Her father wondered that peddler being a thief – if their silver spoons had been stolen.

ii.

- when he was able to win the lawyers trust – earlier the lawyers had said if Gandhiji went to jail they would go home,
- when they saw Gandhi, a stranger's - determination towards the peasants' liberation, - full support, even ready to follow Gandhiji to jail..

iii.

- Beauty appeals to our senses, affects our mood, it is eternal.
- dispels the gloom in our life (or any other relevant point)

iv.

- Aunt Jennifer is timid, nervous, living a fearful existence in a male dominated society (or any other relevant point)
- her tigers are bold, proud and unafraid of man, prancing freely in their domain.

v.

- inspired him to live life as it came
- people may say many things but Derry need not pay attention to them
- it is not what you look like from outside but what you are from inside that matters
- he had two arms, two legs and eyes and ears, a tongue and a brain like all the rest and if he chose, and set his mind to it, he could do better than all the rest.

vi.

- Roger Skunk's smell of roses – not liked by his mother- she wanted to know who had changed his original smell.
- mother took Roger Skunk to the wizard and hit him over his head- Skunk given back his former smell.

6. ANY TWO out of the three questions given in 120-150 words each.

(4marks each) X 2=8

Content 2 (4 points)

Expression and Accuracy 2

i.

- images of nature – sun, moon, daffodils, trees, clear streams, bower, simple sheep, musk roses– beauty gives life some sort of meaning and significance, gives pleasure.
- Legends and stories/tales that we have ever heard or read- are an endless fountain of immortal drink pouring from the edge of heaven -inspire us

Impact: (any two)

- Beauty is never ending, eternal – it is impossible not to be affected by the beauty of life – give meaning and significance to life
- Connection with nature – flowery band
- Beauty moves away the pall.
- A thing of beauty is a joy forever (or any other relevant point)

ii.

- did not verify the German teacher
- they did not verify the identity of the invigilator, McLeery
- rubber ring
- Evans allowed to keep Hat
- managed to conceal a few other things
- phone calls - a hoax.
- The extent of McLeery's injury – not checked - acted hastily and did not drive the injured McLeery to the hospital.
- the identities of the van driver and the prison officer escorting Evans were also not verified

iii.

- peasants compelled to grow indigo on 15% of their land - give it as rent to the British. Germany – developed synthetic indigo. Sharecroppers forced to sign agreements to pay compensation to be freed from the 15% agreement. Sharecroppers who refused hired lawyers. Those who had paid wanted their money back.
- Motihari – huge crowd- beginning of their liberation from fear. Might of the British could be challenged. The British could not order them about in their own country. Lawyers ready to fight.
- Entire sum of money- refund - not important – Gandhiji agreed for 25% refund
- landlords had to surrender a part of their prestige.
- peasants realised that they too had rights - their first lesson in courage.
