

ENGLISH

LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

SOLUTION SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER

6

Section 'A' Reading

- 1.1. (i) (c) 20 years
(ii) (d) all of these
(iii) (d) both (a) and (b)
(iv) (b) at right
(v) (c) their hind feet
(vi) (b) man-sized
(vii) big footed marsupials
(viii) True

[1 × 8 = 8]

- 2.1 (i) feelings, emotions, and dreams; meant to grow; flourishing and trying to make our dreams come true is great when life is going our way
(ii) Failing teaches how to be perseverant and keep going for ones goals.
Each failure makes one understand what to do and what not to do.
(iii) Do not accept defeat; effort to overcome limitations; not to stay down.
(iv) Mindfulness is a practice that helps the individual stay in the moment by bringing awareness of his or her experience without judgement. This practice is a technique that many have used to quiet the noise of their fears and doubts.

[2 × 4 = 8]

- 2.2 (i) (c) 1000 plus time (ii) human (iii) keep going (iv) (c) agonising
[1 × 4 = 4]

Section 'B' Writing & Grammar

3. 18, Hudson Colony,
Coimbatore.
14th April, 20
The Manager,
M/s P. Orr & Sons,
V.T. Marg.
Chennai-20xx

Subject: Complaint About The Computers Received

Sir,

This is with reference to the computers which you had supplied against my order No.C-13, dated April 10. I observed that one of the monitors does not work properly. The monitor screen goes blank

for a while and then starts showing the images by itself. Moreover, both the printers are of inferior quality. It was really shocking to know that you have installed Pentium III instead of Pentium IV, where as it was clearly stipulated in the order. Kindly replace the defective pieces and upgrade the computers as required, otherwise I will be compelled to approach the consumer court.

Yours truly

Ramesh

[8]

OR

12, Station Road,

Delhi

March 14, 20...

The Editor,

The Times of India

New Delhi.

Sir,

This is to bring to your kind notice about the problem faced by students who come to study in Delhi from different parts of the country. They face problems in finding affordable accommodation. Landlords charge high rents and in some cases refuse to rent rooms because of their different food habits and culture.

The government should provide special guest houses at affordable rates to students. Hostel facilities should be made easily available to them along with education. Kindly express my views in your esteemed newspaper in the interest of students.

Yours truly

Raveena.

4. Story Writing

Format - 1 mark

Title and moral of the story (1/2 + 1/2)

Creative Content; Expression – 4 marks

– Coherence and relevance of ideas and style – 2 marks

– Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spellings – 2 marks

Suggested Value Points:

(The outline is given in the question paper)

[CBSE Markin Scheme, 2017] [10]

Expert's Answer: A boy was waiting for the bus at the bus stop. He saw an old man who was just crossing the road, as he was old and unable to walk very fast. Suddenly, a car came from the opposite side, the old man tried to move faster but his old age prevented him. The car hit the old man, he fell down. The boy was watching everything from a distance. He ran towards the old man who was bleeding profusely. The little boy did not know what to do. He started crying for the help and to draw the attention of the people passing by. A crowd started gathering near the old man but none was ready to help him. They were afraid of a police-case. Suddenly, a man appeared from nowhere, he was the son of that old man. Someone had informed him about the accident of his father. Since, he lived nearby, he immediately reached the spot. He picked up the bleeding old man, shifted him to his car and rushed to the hospital. The crowd started dispersing. Then someone noticed that a wallet and some papers were lying on the road. Most probably, they had fallen from the old man's bag.

He collected all the papers and wallet and secured with himself immediately before some undesirable person grab them. He then followed the car of the old man's son and handed over every thing to him, who in return thanked him humbly.

OR

Two Friends and a Bear

Once, there were two friends Mohan and Rakesh. One day, they went into a forest. They were enjoying the beauty of nature. Suddenly, they saw a bear coming towards them, they were frightened and confused.

Rakesh knew how to climb the tree, so, he ran up to a tree and climbed up quickly. He did not think of Mohan who did not know the tree climbing.

Mohan thought an idea, he had heard that animals do not prefer dead bodies. He fell to the ground and held his breath. The bear came near him, sniffed him and thought that he was dead. So, he went away.

Rakesh came down the tree and asked Mohan, " what did the bear whisper into your ears?"

Mohan replied, "The bear asked me to keep away from friends like you" and went on his way.

Moral: A friend in need is a friend indeed.

5. (a) (i) located (b) (iii) between (c) (ii) was built (d) (iv) in [1 × 4 = 4]

6. **Error** **Correction**

tell told

crave craved

remain remained

broke break

[1 × 4 = 4]

7. (a) Spiders are man's friends.
 (b) The spiders are among our best friends.
 (c) Some of our worst enemies destroy them.
 (d) Spiders can be found in any corner of the world. [1 × 4 = 4]

Section 'C' Literature: Textbooks and Supplementary Reading Text

8. (a) eighty crore
 (b) the beautiful scenery.
 (c) (i) more interested.
 (d) (iii) reading a detective story. [1× 4 = 4]

OR

- (a) Bholi
 (b) of the way she stammered/she could not speak.
 (c) (i) bold
 (d) (iii) Sulekha.
9. (a) A baker can be recognised due to the thud and Jingle of the traditional baker's bamboo with which he enters. He also wears a particular dress kabai which in a single piece long frock reaching down to the knees.
- (b) Valli did not have much money that she could travel in a bus. She decided to save money for her first bus journey. She resisted the temptation of buying balloons, toys, etc. She didn't enjoy the marry-go-round in the village fair. This way, she collected the amount which she required for her first bus journey.

- (c) When Ebright could not win a prize at the science fair he learnt that winners do real experiments. They do not simply display slides. So, he started conducting experiments and came out as a successful scientist.
- (d) One of Maxwell's friend told him that he should get an otter in the Tigris marshes as they were very common there. But somehow he couldn't get one. He cabled to England but no reply came for four days. Finally, he received a mail from his friend who had sent the offer with two Arabs.
- (e) Loisel's life changed completely after borrowing money from Mrs. Forestier. She had to do the household work as they could not afford a maid. She bought things from the market after a lot of lagging. Her husband also worked till late night to collect the money which they had borrowed. [2 × 5 = 10]
9. (f) When Maddie entered Wanda's house, she realised that the little yard was very clean though it was shabby. It reminded Maddie of Wanda's blue cotton dress which was shabby and wrinkled but was never dirty.

10. CBSE Topper's Answer, 2015

Neighbours must have a cordial relationship. But in the case of Lomov and Natalya, it was different. Lomov and Natalya were very rich people. They were very wealthy people and had a competition within them on the subject wealth. Both were neighbours. Lomov, in a critical age of 35, thought that he has to marry and he thought that Natalya was not bad looking, an excellent housekeeper. So, he decided to propose her. Lomov in a well dressed manner, wearing coat and gloves, one evening went to Chubokov's house. Chubokov is Natalya's father. When he came there and said that he wanted a help, the help which can only be done by you, Chubokov for the first time suspects that he has come for asking money. But, after a long struggling and shivering, Lomov uncovers his need. He had come to propose Natalya. Chubokov was mistaken and he, filled with extreme joy and pleasure, called Natalya. Lomov asks them, whether

Natalya will agree for it or not. Then Churakov says that she will be ready to accept it because she is a love-sick cat. When Natalya arrived, she actually didn't know Lomov had come to propose her. They started talking and, when they were talking about land, Lomov stated "Our Oxen Meadows". Then Natalya says "Our Oxen Meadows", it is not your Oxen Meadows it is theirs. Lomov didn't agree. Lomov said the story that their great grandmother allowed peasants freely to cultivate. Sometimes those peasants might have spread that it is theirs. But Natalya disagrees and says that Oxen Meadows are situated at the border. It is theirs. Both started calling bad words, said about their family history in a bad way. At last, Lomov cannot speak anymore, he suffering from palpitations had to exit from her house. Natalya, later knowing that he had come to propose her, tells father to call him back and she compromises and says that Oxen Meadows are Lomov's. Thus problem was settled for a short time.

[8]

OR

Lencho, a farmer was waiting for the rain. His fields badly needed a rain. His prayers were answered and it started raining. Every big drop of rain was a ten cent piece and the little one was a five cent piece. He was looking at the raindrops as 'new coins'. But suddenly everything changed. The rain changed into hailstorm and a strong wind started blowing. He hoped that it would pass quickly but it did not happen. The hailstorm shattered all his hopes. It was like a big blow. His crop was ruined. There wasn't even a single leaf on the trees. Everything had been destroyed and it left Lencho a sad man.

11. Sulekha was called 'Bholi' as she was very innocent. She was neither beautiful nor worldly wise. She was rather ugly because of the pock-marks due to the small pox which she had when she was a child. That's why she was not given much importance in her family. She was in fact, ignored by her family members. Her speech was not clear as she stammered and other children teased her due to her stammering. Her father didn't buy new clothes for her and she had to wear the clothes of others. She was also not sent to a good school but to a primary village school but her teacher had full confidence in her and changed her life by building up her confidence with each day. [10]

OR

On her way back home, Valli refused to look out of the window as she had seen the dead cow on the road. It was the same cow which she had seen earlier when she was on her way to the town. The thought of the cow which was alive a few moments ago dampened her spirits and she refused to look out.

SOLUTION SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER

Section 'A' Reading

1. (i) (c) twelve
(ii) (b) good climber
(iii) (d) all of these
(iv) (c) an endangered
(v) (c) body parts used as medicines
(vi) (b) solitary
(vii) False
(viii) the presence of double recessive allele in the genetic code [1 × 8 = 8]
- 2.1 (i) Communication has become effective/instant message all around the globe without spending hefty sums. [1 × 2 = 2]
(ii) – able to broaden their minds and improve their skills by doing research on the internet
– helps in online learning,
– helps to look up new word they come across
– helps to complete assignments on time
– provides online teaching [½ × 4 = 2]
(iii) – Adverse impacts/effects academic performance
– can lead to addiction/waste of time/misuse.
– get involved in undesirable activities [1 × 2 = 2]
(iv) – Allows subscribers to load text/airtime credits to their handsets
– it doesn't commit a particular customer to a contract
– one can opt to subscribe using the pay by monthly plan [1 × 2 = 2]
- 2.2 (i) (c) invention
(ii) adopt
(iii) (b) negative
(iv) (c) monthly [1×4 = 4]

Section 'B' Writing & Grammar

3. Horizon Public School,
Gurgaon.

17 July 20XX

The Manager,

Kavya Book depot

Gurgaon.

Subject: Complaining Regarding Defective Books

Sir,

Through this letter of mine I wish to inform you that I had ordered some books for the school library. I have received the parcel but I regret to inform you that many of the books are not in good condition. Some of them have overlapping of print on same pages. There are some books where the pages are not in sequence. The quality of paper used in some books is also not good.

I request you to replace the defective books which I am sending back along with this order. I hope for an early action.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

Ravi kumar

[8]

OR

New Age Public School,

Ram Nagar

Agra.

17 August 20XX

The Editor,

Navjiwan Times

Agra.

Subject: Heavy Traffic

Sir,

Through the columns of your esteemed newspaper I wish to draw the attention of one and all towards the busy road in front of our school.

A large number of students have to cross the road while going back home. They run at a great risk as there is always a heavy traffic on the road.

Kindly publish this letter of mine in your newspaper so that the concerned authorities may pay attention to it. Marking a zebra crossing or putting traffic lights in front of the school can solve the problems to a great deal.

Thanking you

Your sincerely

Amit

(class X)

4. My name is Ravi and I have a friend named Ram. He had lost his leg due to polio. But that never stopped him from studying as he had a brilliant mind. His goal was to be a teacher. At that time school fees were very reasonable and everyone could afford it, thus literacy rate was very high at that time. But one year, the school increased the fees and Ram could not afford it. He had to leave his studies in between. His father was a carpenter and it was the only source of their family income. I tried my best to cheer him up by telling him that there are many other ways to gain knowledge but it was very difficult as he was so depressed and wanted to go to school again.

After seeing him like this I thought there may be many students who want to study and have some goals in mind, so, I started a class of my own. After talking to some parents, I was able to convince them about this. At first there were no charges as there were very few students and all they need was slate, chalk and a blackboard. I started the class in a park where every one could see it and get inspired to send their children too.

Meanwhile, his parents were also trying their best in collecting money for his studies in any way they can as they cannot see him like that. While working, they heard about a scholarship which covers fees till high school.

They told Ram about it and he was so happy. He immediately started preparing as only few students will be able to get this scholarship.

Luckily one day, Ram came to my house and told me the good news that he had arranged the money for his studies until High school as he had got a scholarship and that he would work hard to gather money for graduation.

And from the next day he started coming back to school. I told him about the class I had started and he also started coming and helping me out with the class. As now I was charging fee from students which was affordable by their families, so he could kill two birds with one stone as he could gain money and also increase his knowledge by teaching.

Today, that class of mine has become a huge success and many students and teachers are joining us in this noble work. [10]

OR

There was a king who was very religious. In the morning everyday, he offered flowers to his deity. He had deputed a servant named Yaksha to collect flowers from the garden. The king instructed Yaksha to collect flowers from the garden after the sunrise. Yaksha had to leave his beautiful wife in the early hours of the morning, which he did not like. His wife also did not like this. They decided to collect flowers in the evening and present them to the king. Yaksha went to the garden as decided, plucked the buds and 'closed' the flowers which were to open. He gave these flowers to the king and came back.

When the king was offering these flowers, one of the flowers opened its petal to free a bee which was caught in the petals. The bee stung the king on his finger. Being annoyed, the king called for Yaksha. When asked the reason for his negligence, he confessed stating the fact. The king banished Yaksha for one year. Thus, Yaksha, suffered due to his act of negligence.

5. (a) (iv) helped (b) (i) depends (c) (ii) will change (d) (iii) been [1 × 4 = 4]

6. EDITING

	Incorrect words	Correct words
(a)	a	the
(b)	or	and
(c)	has	is
(d)	irrigating	irrigate

[1 × 4 = 4]

7. (a) Dedication and interest are two requirements in sports.
(b) Some people consider sports as very easy.

- (c) The truth is that they require rigorous hard work.
 (d) Training is also an essential part of sports.

[1 × 4 = 4]

Section 'C' Literature: Textbooks and Supplementary Reading Text

8. (a) Mijbil / Mijbil the Otter.
 (b) (iii) both (a) & (b)
 (c) engrossed.
 (d) (iii) half an hour.

[1 × 4 = 4]

OR

- (a) (iii) fog
 (b) Over harbour and city
 (c) The name of the poem is 'Fog'
 (d) (iii) Harbour
9. (a) Valli would stand at the front door because she did not have any playmates of her own age. She enjoyed watching everything that was happening in the street outside. This gave her many unusual experiences while staying at home. [2]
- (b) Lomov is a rich bachelor who goes to meet Chubukov in order to ask for his daughter Natalya's hand. But Chubukov suspected that he has come to borrow money. Moreover, he is wearing a formal dress which makes him feel that he may be going somewhere. [2]
- (c) The lawyer is sent to New Mullian to serve summons on a man called Oliver Lutkins is a witness in a law case and has ignored all the letters of the law firm. [2]
- (d) Scene 2 in the lesson 'The Book that saved the Earth' opens in Mars space control and the Canterville Public library where Captain Omega is shown standing in the centre, opening and closing child catalogue drawers in a confused fashion. [2]
- (e)

When the trees, previously enclosed in the four walls of the house, move out of it, these glass walls crack due to the efforts of various parts of the tree (leaves, twigs) to escape. The smell of lichens and leaves still lingers in the house, like a voice of the trees. The roots of the trees would have probably also left cracks in the veranda floor. The poet said that she could still strongly smell the lichen and leaves, ~~the~~ in the house.

[CBSE Topper's Answer-2017] [2]

- (f) According to the Indian legend, Bodhidharma a Buddhist ascent was unable to meditate because he felt sleepy. He cut off his eyelids. As many as ten tea plants grew out of the eyelids. The leaves of these plants banished sleep when they were put in water.

10.

a) Valti, a little girl, had an overwhelming desire to ride the bus that travelled from ~~the~~ her village to the nearest town. She had to resolutely face many temptations to achieve this. She overheard the conversation between her neighbour and the regular bus driver and gathered details about the trip, she even asked a few discreet questions here and there. She found out that the trip one way was thirty paise and this was quite a fortune for her. But, with a determined heart she resisted every temptation in buying toys, peppermints, balloons, etc. She saved every ~~stray coin~~ that came her way thriftily. It had been particularly hard for her when they visited the village fair and she resisted going on the merry-go-round. This way she managed to save sixty paise for the bus ride. She also then made plans to travel on the bus during the afternoon, when her mother would be asleep. Thus, when we set our hearts to achieve our greatest desires, we have the fuel that drives us to accomplish that desire, resisting every temptation we encounter during the journey. This determination and strong will gives us enough strength to resist all challenges and boulders that ~~come~~ ^{stand in} our way and help us emerge victorious and self-satisfied.

[CBSE Topper's Answer 2017] [8]

OR

Lomov was a rich bachelor who was physically not very good. He was thirty five years old and had a good sense of humour. He liked Natalya and wanted to marry her because he wanted to settle down and have a quiet and regular life. He felt that Natalya would turn out to be a good housekeeper. So, he went to propose her. But Natalya took it otherwise. She felt that he had gone to ask for oxen meadows. So, a quarrel started between the two. He shouted, fainted but in the end proposed to her which was accepted by her.

11. Ausable was a secret agent but never appeared like one. Unlike other secret agents, he was very fat. But he had a present of mind which helped him come out of any kind of situation. It so happened that one day when he entered his room with Fowler, he met Max inside his room with an automatic pistol in his hand. Max aimed his pistol at Ausable and asked for the document related to missiles. Ausable did not lose his wits. He immediately fabricated a story that his room had an extended balcony and that he had reminded the hotel management many-a-times to block it but they hadn't paid much attention to it. As they were discussing the window, there was a loud knocking at the door. Ausable said that it might be the police as he had called them for the security of those important document. Max got caught in his web. He ran towards the window and jumped down the balcony which never was there he collapsed. Thus Ausable's fake story turned into a convincing story. [8]

OR

The teacher plays an important role in changing the course of a person's life especially that of a young woman. Bholi's teacher also played a vital role in transforming her from a dumb cow to a fearless, bold and confident girl. She used to stammer a lot but her teacher encouraged her to speak clearly and came out of it. Perhaps, it was because of her teacher's encouragement that she became bold enough and refused to marry Bishambar Nath as he was very greedy and much older than her. It really was a praiseworthy step. Bholi found her teacher to be very kind and affectionate towards her and this motivated her to come out of her inferiority complex and face the world.

ENGLISH

LANGUAGE AND
LITERATURE

SOLUTION SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER

8

Section 'A' Reading

- 1.1. (i) practising law in the city of Johannesburg in South Africa.
(ii) (b) Gandhiji
(iii) (b) three miles
(iv) (a) the punishment was severe
(v) (a) Gandhiji's colleague
(vi) (d) all of these
(vii) kind and gentle but firm as a rock at times
(viii) true [1 × 8 = 8]
- 2.1. (i) all the coffee drinkers and tiffin-eaters stopped eating and drinking; wailed and uttered low moans.
(ii) when they are hungry, but human beings kill or exploit one another to show off their pride, power and false prestige.
(iii) the school closed, screaming with joy of having 'no school'; seemed to welcome the tiger.
(iv) the tiger flung himself on the cool floor and drowsed, -special liking for cool stone floor
[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2015] [2 × 4 = 8]
- 2.2. (i) holding tightly in the arms
(ii) (a) pleasure
(iii) honourable
(iv) (b) jumped forward [1 × 4 = 4]

Section 'B' Writing & Grammar

3. M218 Gandhi Nagar,
Indore,
17 June 20XX
The Manager,
Electronic House,
Bhopal.
Subject: Letter of Complaint

Sir,

Through this letter of mine I wish to inform you that I had bought a Samsung coloured TV from you vide bill No. MT02834 dated 10 May 20XX.

I regret to inform you that the TV has developed many problems. The sound is not clear and the picture is blurred. We are unable to watch our favourite programmes.

Since the television is still in warranty period, I request you to replace the same. An early action of yours will be highly appreciated.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely

Sudesh

[8]

OR

Letter/Article/Writing

Letter

Objective: To use an appropriate style and format to write a formal/an informal letter

Note: No marks are to be awarded if only the format is given. Credit should be given for the candidate's creativity in presenting his/her own ideas.

Content - 5 Marks

Expression: 3 Marks (coherence, relevance of ideas

[1½ mark]

(Accuracy, appropriate words and correct spellings

[1½ mark]

Nuisance caused by loudspeakers (suggested value points given)

-- exam round the corner, preparing for examinations

-- disturbance to students preparing for examination these days

-- distraction, use of loudspeakers at religious places/rallies/public gatherings on any special occasion

-- nuisance even for common man/patients

-- a noise pollution

-- enforcement of law/laws prohibiting loudspeakers not followed

[CBSE Marking Scheme 2016]

Expert's Answer

17E Ravi Dass Road,

Kochi.

4 March 20XX

The Editor,

The Times of India,

Kochi.

Subject: Nuisance caused by Loudspeakers

Sir,

Through the columns of your esteemed newspaper I wish to draw your attention towards the nuisance caused by loudspeakers in the city during examination day.

Children are preparing for their examination. The loud sound emanating from the loudspeakers at religious places, public gatherings or rallies, etc., distract the students a lot and they are unable to concentrate on their studies. It is a nuisance for the old, the sick and the common man as well.

The need of the hour is to stop this noise pollution. People should be stopped from using loudspeakers. Laws should be enforced strictly. I hope you will publish this letter of mine in the newspaper so that the concerned authorities become aware and do the needful. I shall be thankful to you.

Yours sincerely

Prabhu Kumar

4. It was a Sunday morning. I planned to play cricket in our colony's park. As we entered the park, we found many people enjoying the beautiful morning. We asked one of them to be the umpire of our match. All the persons sitting there also wanted to watch our game as it would enhance the beauty of this day.

We started our game with more passion than before starting it due to enthusiasm shown by the people sitting, watching and cheering for us to play a good and an honest game.

Suddenly, while running between the wickets, I saw an old man sitting on the pavement. He seemed ill. Then I suddenly saw him collapsing on the pavement. I threw my bat and started running as fast as I could. Seeing me other started running too. We brought him to one of the nearby houses and made him lay down on one of the beds. We asked, "Does any one know him" but no response.

Fortunately, there was a doctor in the crowd who 'advised us to call an ambulance as his pulse rate was very low and he had to be admitted in the hospital as soon as possible else it will be too late. We called for an ambulance and he left for the hospital with him. . .

After some days, he returned to the colony. He seemed fit and fine. The problem was he was feeling too lonely as his son worked in another town, so, no one was there who could take care of him. People suggested to go and live with his son, so, he went there and lived happily. [10]

OR

The weekly market in our colony is very popular. It takes place on Saturdays of every week, thus it is very crowded. It is popular because of its cheap prices and availability of all kinds of things. It is so popular that even some criminals come to see and purchase things at cheap rates. One evening, I was enjoying my candies on my way back home with my younger brother; we saw some shadows of persons behind us, so we gave them the passage to go ahead of us. After some time, I saw a van with two people waiting for someone while one was on the driving seat ready to drive. Suddenly, three people started running towards the van. All of them including the ones waiting and driver were wearing masks. As the three of them sat in the van, it drove away. It had not been long after they left when I saw a man covered in blood coming out of the shop. He saw them going and fainted. I called the police and the ambulance and told them everything.

Next morning, it was in almost all the newspapers. It was the case of robbery in an ornamental shop. The police have started the investigations. The robbers will soon be caught.

5. (a) (iii) known (b) (i) lived (c) (ii) whenever (d) (i) of [1 × 4 = 4]

6. Error Correction

- | | |
|-----------|-------|
| (a) begin | began |
| (b) over | from |
| (c) find | found |
| (d) at | in |

[1 × 4 = 4]

7. (a) A computer is a very useful machine at home.
 (b) It can provide information like telephone numbers.
 (c) It can provide interesting games for children.
 (d) It may also teach them about hobbies.

[1 × 4 = 4]

Section 'C' Literature: Textbooks and Supplementary Reading Text

8. **Objective:** To test local and global understanding of the literary text.

Marking: 1 mark for each correct answer

- (a) (iii) Lomov
 (b) in return for making bricks for her/for temporary and free use.

(c) (iii) both (i) & (ii)

(d) logical/rational/polite/any other relevant adjective.

[1 × 4 = 4]

OR

(a) (ii) Custard, the dragon

(b) (iv) all of these

(c) Ink-black kitten, Blink-the little grey mouse, Mustard-a little dog / they are Belinda's pets.

(d) because he was a coward.

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018]

9. **Objective:** To test local and global comprehension, themes and ideas of the text.

Marking: Content: 1 mark; Expression : 1 Mark

(a) good old Portugese days; loaves of bread; makers of bread; mixers, moulders, furnaces; baker's bamboo sounds

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018] [2]

Detailed Answer

The elders in Goa love to remember the good old Portugese days. They are nostalgic about the loaves of bread and their makers, mixers and moulders. They also remember the furnaces and the baker's bamboo sounds.

(b) empty forest — no bird ; no insect ; no sun (any other relevant points)

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018] [2]

Detailed Answer

A treeless forest is an empty forest. If there are no birds and no insects, the chirping of the birds cannot be heard there. In fact, a forest without a tree is not a forest at all.

(c) born into a family of clerks, no dowry, married to a clerk-but wanted to enjoy a life of luxury.

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018] [2]

Detailed Answer

Matilda was not happy after her marriage. She was born into a family of clerks. She didn't get dowry. Since her husband was a clerk, he didn't earn much which Matilda did not like. She wanted to have a lot of money so that she could enjoy a life of luxury.

(d) Encouraged his interest in learning; took him on trips; bought him telescopes, microscope, cameras, etc.

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018] [2]

Detailed Answer

Richard Ebright's mother encouraged him a lot. She noticed his interest in learning and encouraged him. She used to take him on a trips so that he could learn new things. She bought him telescopes, microscopes, cameras, etc. to facilitate his learning.

(e) Nelson Mandela always thought about the future of South Africa. He had a dream of a country which was free from poverty and discrimination. He also wanted that no one in his country should be oppressed because of colour or creed. [2]

(f) The sky was clear when 'Dakota' took off from Paris. There were no clouds in the sky. The moon could be seen coming up in the East and the stars were shining.

10. **Objective:** To test the values and key messages brought out on the basis of the text.

[4]

Marking:

Content: 4 marks

Expression: 4 marks

Values: Valli – sensitive girl – good observer – sympathetic – confident – good planner – firm – cautious – time manager – fortitude – independent – believes in self-respect.

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2017] [8]

Expert's Answer: Valli was a very sensitive girl. In modern era, people are selfish and insensitive to the sufferings of their neighbours but Valli grieved over the accidental death of a cow. She was sympathetic towards the cow and was shocked to notice that the playful cow had died. Valli was a good planner as well as a good time-manager. She had planned before hand when to board the bus and the time she would return. She did not depend on anyone. She saved money to enjoy her first ride in the bus. She believed in self-respect. She did not want that the bus conductor should not charge money from her since she was a child. In fact she paid for the ticket like every other travellers, from the money that she had saved. [8]

OR

Lencho was happy when it started raining as it was good for his crops. But when it turned into hailstorm, his whole crop was destroyed. He was very upset and wrote a letter to God asking for his help in the form of hundred pesos. When the postmaster read his letter, he decided to help the man so as not to shake his faith in God. Since, he could collect only seventy pesos in the form of contribution from himself and other post office employees. But Lencho, on receiving the letter, was not happy at this. He felt that they were all a bunch of crooks who had taken out thirty pesos from the envelope and sent the rest to him. He was very angry. He wrote a letter to God again and requested him to send thirty more pesos as the post employees had taken that much amount the last time. So, he wrote that God should not send it through the post-office people as they were a bunch of crooks.

11. Mr. Loisel was a petty clerk who believed in simple living. He loved his wife and praised her beauty. He did not have a shabby nature. Mr. Loisel was a man of contented nature. He was never dissatisfied with his life. His home was a very simple one with peeling off walls and worn chairs but he never complained. When his wife lost the necklace that she had borrowed from the friend, he didn't lose patience. He tried to help her solve the problem. He did not show any kind of aggression. He rather arranged the money, bought a new necklace of the same kind and returned it to Mme. Forestier though he had a work evening and night to pay the amount but he never complained. [8]

OR

Gautam Buddha, in his first sermon, made the human beings realise that death is common to all. It is inevitable and can not be avoided. He told people that life is full of troubles and grief. Everyone has to get his share of happiness as well as grief. He also sermoned that life is combined with pain after the death of a near and dear one. But that doesn't mean that people should fear death. They must realise that it is no use crying or mourning over the death of someone dear. Rather, people should accept death because acceptance of truth brings less pain. Once, we realise that each living thing has to die or perish one day, it will be easier to accept death.

ENGLISH

LANGUAGE AND
LITERATURE

SOLUTION SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER

9

Section 'A' Reading

1. (i) (d) all of these.
(ii) (c) selfish.
(iii) (b) two.
(iv) (b) elder brother.
(v) (c) both (a) & (b).
(vi) (b) gigantic.
(vii) how to live and maintain dignity and self-respect.
(viii) false.
- 2.1 (i) to worship the photos and idols of the Gods of our respective religions; holy books like the Bhagwad Gita, Bible and Quran.
(ii) Parents made our lives comfortable with their hard work, love and care.
Teachers guided us to become good students and responsible citizens.
(iii) to save our environment; maintain ecological balance; to live in harmony with nature ; recognise that there is God in all aspects in nature **(Any two)**
(iv) Man has overgrew with greed and he has started distroying nature. As a result we face natural disasters like droughts, floods and landslides. **[1 × 4 = 4]**
- 2.2 (i) (a) advised (ii) (c) useful
(iii) (d) friendship (iv) (b) nature **[1 × 4 = 4]**

Section 'B' Writing & Grammar

3. CBSE Topper's Answer, 2017

ARTICLE

Use Of Technology In Education — THE TRANSCENDING ERA —

15/03/2016.

Our modern era - yes, it is, in a word a transcending era' into the new modern world of science and technology. In the present sophisticated world we have been coming through a number of new modern technologies and facilities. Science and technology indeed plays a significant role in our day-to-day life activities. We are smelling the fragrance of comfort and luxury only through this development, the very development of science and technology. Education among countrymen truly reflects the actual development of a country apart from its economic development. So, no wonder, how a country experiences the dignity and honour of when it is being recognised as a 'developed' country. This can be attained through the proper development of education. And of course, use of technology is the best and the most relevant method for this. Now, a days, education with modern technology is reaching its main aim and destination. Students enjoy their education life, since it is their most valuable time. Use of computers, provided with internet facilities and e-book services helped children a lot for their improvement in learning materials. Now a days, students can sit in homes and study due to the rise of e-book services, which guarantees them a safe, secure and useful form of study.

Technology at its most basic level provides students to improve their knowledge, expand their curiosities and go far beyond the horizon of knowledge, making them aware that knowledge has no horizons and no limits as said by the famous author of 'A brief history of time' - Stephen Hawking. Students are provided with computers and laptops in their classes in such a manner that they can refer wikipedia and websites regarding their study works. Students are in a lot civilised world. So, students make better use of these world class technological facilities and services provided to you and ensure that education is attained by you in complete, fruitful and crystal clear manner, which should be used to serve the society. As Paulo Coelho, the renowned author of 'The Alchemist' said - 'I love with world, moved beyond the world'.

- Thank You -

Rama

x-Student Editor

[8]

OR

Horizon Public School,
New Delhi.

10 April 20XX

The Manager,
English Book Depot
New Delhi.

Subject: Placing order for Books

Sir,

With reference to your catalogue, we are hereby submitting a list of books which we require for the school library.

S.No.	Name of the book	Quantity
1.	Oxford dictionary	4
2.	The Arabian Nights	4
3.	World Atlas	2

4.	The story of My life	5
5.	Silas Marner	4

Please ensure that the books are in good condition and packed properly. We expect at least 25% discount. Please let us know the mode of payment as well. Hoping for an early response from your end.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

Satpal Singh

(Librarian)

4. Once there were two cats, they were best friends. They were very hungry and found a loaf of bread. But the problem was they were unable to divide it, so, they start fighting in greediness as both were hungry. The fight was being watched by a monkey who also was hungry. So, he decided to show himself and, while pretending to help them, take the loaf of bread and enjoy it.

So, he came and asked them to give his assistance. They accepted his help, he divided the loaf into two pieces but one was bigger than the other. Both complained about it, so, he divided the bigger piece into two smaller pieces by eating one. Now the other half was bigger than the one he just created, he did the same thing and made the piece smaller. One time, the parts were equal, so, the matter was settled but he started asking for his fee. They said we don't have anything, so, he ate the remaining two pieces and left the spot in a hurry. The cats were shocked as the loaf was eaten by the monkey that too in front of them. And the monkey ran to the top of the tree and started giggling as if making fun of them. Cats were fooled and were still hungry. [10]

OR

It was a very nice day; a lady aged sixty-two wanted to meet her sister on this lovely day. So, she told her wish to her son and he made all the necessary preparation and gave her some money for travelling and saw her off. She was travelling via bus to the town where her sister lives and that was the last stop of the bus. She was allotted a window seat so that she could pass her time by enjoying the outside view as her stop was the last stop of the bus for the day. She was busy enjoying the outside, she didn't even notice that a man came and sat near her. After a while when she felt hungry, she turned and got scared when she saw a man next to her. He was a young man his twenties and had covered his nose and mouth. She thought that he may be allergic to travelling that too in a bus. He was also about to eat his lunch, so she offered him lunch. He refused her offer. It was a sweet. She told him, "How do you know that I have a sweet tooth but I will only take some as I have diabetes". So he offered her a small one, she accepted it, took a small bite and kept the rest of it in her purse.

After some time, she fainted. Seeing that, he very quietly took all her jewellery and the purse which she was carrying with her and left the bus immediately as he saw that bus has stopped for some reason. She woke up when conductor shook her up. She left the bus in an excitement of meeting her sister. When she got down she realised that all her belongings were gone. She screamed and asked the conductor about a boy who was sitting next to her. He said, "Sorry, there should be a lady sitting right next to you and should be of around your age, not a boy". She freaked and went home and told every thing to her sister, then with her sister and his son who was at home that time for lunch went to the police station and told them about the incident. They told them that she was not the only one whose things have been stolen, there were others also whose things had been stolen in the same way, sometimes it is a lady, sometimes some old man and today it was a boy. They told that the police are still searching for them. After this they went back home with the hope that the thief would be caught soon.

5. (a) (ii) met (b) (ii) who (c) (i) with (d) (iii) sat [1 × 4 = 4]
6. **Error** **Correction**
- (a) walks walked
- (b) at in
- (c) us we
- (d) greater great [1 × 4 = 4]
7. (a) Parents see work and play as two different things.
- (b) They think that playing is a waste of time.
- (c) Games are as important as studies / Studies are as important as games.
- (d) A student should pay proper attention to both. [1 × 4 = 4]

Section ‘C’ Literature: Textbooks and Supplementary Reading Text

8. (a) The poet’s friend.
- (b) (iv) all of these.
- (c) hope
- (d) (iii) ‘For Anne Gregory’. [1 × 4 = 4]

OR

- (a) Matilda
- (b) borrow jewellery so as to attend the ball.
- (c) (iv) both (i) & (ii)
- (d) (iv) a diamond necklace
9. (a) **Value points:** Employees were kind and helpful. [CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018] [2]
Expert’s Answer. The employees at the post office were kind and helpful. They wanted to help Lencho after reading his letter. They all collected money and sent it to Lencho.
- (b) ... wrote for magazine, made money by fits and starts [CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018] [2]
Expert’s Answer.
 Anil made his living in a very queer way. He wrote for magazines to earn his living. He made money by fits and starts. He would borrow one week and lend the next. The moment he would get his cheque, he would go out and celebrate.
- (c) To serve her parents in old age and to teach the students in the same school where she had learnt too much. [CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018] [2]
Expert’s Answer: Bholi’s heart was overflowing with a New hope and a new life. The phrase clearly conveys that Bholi was very excited when she came to know that she would serve her parents in old age and would go to teach students in the same school where she herself had learnt too much. It filled her with self-confidence and self respect.

- (d) Mijbil the otter was a funny and fascinating pet animal. He loved playing in water and playing with other objects. He invented a game that he put the ball on one side of the tub which is 90a height and place a weight and it just rolled down. By the time, he ~~passed~~ went other side ~~on~~ to catch the rolling object. He also played other funny games such as placing the ball in his belly and rolling through his belly without making fall any single one. He was very interested in playing such games. He also loved to play in water, tub and make splash.

[CBSE Topper's Answer - 2017] [2]

- (e) Both Lomov and Natalaya claimed for oxen Meadows. Natalya said that the Oxen meadows belonged to her. On the other hand, Lomov insisted that the oxen meadows were his. This led to an argument between the two. [2]
- (f) The children admired the paintings made by Wanda. They started clapping. Even the boys were glad to have a chance to stamp on the floor. They even put their fingers in their mouths and whistled. Peggy and Maddie also appreciated the drawings. [2]
10. An otter is a small animal which belongs to a group called Mustellines. It is generally found in marshes. Other animals which belong to the Mustelline group are weasel, mink, mongoose, badger, etc. Otters are fond of playing water-games. That's why mijbil was also fond of playing and rolling in water. Mijbil was also an intelligent animal which responded to its name. He was also playful as he loved playing with marbles and ball. [8]

OR

When Nelson Mandela reached the amphitheatre, the military generals saluted him and pledged to be loyal to him. Mandela realised that their mindset had changed. It was not so earlier when they would have arrested him if they had seen him. But now the situation had changed. The people of South Africa had gained freedom after a long struggle. They were no longer under the rule of the white. That is why there was a change in the military generals of South Africa Defence Force.

11. Griffin, the invisible man, was a lawless person. He was a man of unbridled ambition and could do anything for it. Anyone who came in the way of his fulfillment of ambition was taken revenge of by Griffin. First, he set fire to the house of his landlord just because he had told him to vacate his house. Later, when he fell short of money he started robbing the shops also. He robbed a vicar also in Iping. He was a self-centred man who could go upto any extent to fulfill his desire even if it meant violating the laws. that's why we can say that he was a lawless person. [8]

OR

Mme Loisel borrowed a necklace from Mme Forestier as she had an invitation to a fancy ball. The jewellery that she herself had didn't match with her dress. So, she went to her friend Mme Forestier and borrowed the necklace. When she returned home after the ball, she was shocked to notice that she had lost the necklace sometime during the party. Both the husband and wife tried to look for it everywhere but all in vain. They decided to buy an identical necklace to replace the necklace. Her father had left eighteen thousand francs for her. She withdrew that money and her husband borrowed the remaining amount. With this amount, they purchased a diamond necklace and returned it to Mme Forestier.

SOLUTION SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER

Section 'A' Reading

1. (i) (b) a retired civil engineer
(ii) (c) cold desert
(iii) (c) glaciers
(iv) increasing effects of climate change
(v) (b) 3-4
(vi) (a) severe winter
(vii) agriculture is dependent on them
(viii) true [1 × 8 = 8]
- 2.1 (i) (a) Problem faced by elephants - want to feed on crops but often get hit by the electric fencing around farms.
(b) Problem faced by farmers - suffer huge crop damage due to elephants. [1 + 1]
(ii) (a) To protect important tree species, crops from being damaged by elephants. [1 + 1]
(b) Real or dummy beehives are interlinked together and if disturbed, bees come out to sting the crop raiding elephants. [1 + 1]
(iii) (a) Elephants would run from the sound of disturbed African bees.
(b) Elephants fear being stung around the sensitive parts of their body like the eyes, inside the mouth, and up the trunk. [1 + 1]
(iv) Beehive fencing act as defence mechanism for farms, Moreover they also act as an additional source of income as they generate 50% more income from the sale of honey. [2 × 4 = 8]
- 2.2 (i) conflict
(ii) (a) interlinked
(iii) (a) stung
(iv) generate [1 × 4 = 4]

Section 'B' Writing & Grammar

3. New Age Public School,
Bhopal.

24 July 20XX

The Manager,
Vision Unlimited
Mall Road
Bhopal.

Subject: Complaint Regarding CCTV

Sir,

Through this letter of mine I wish to inform you that we had purchase 10 CCTV cameras from your showroom dated 15 May 20XX.

We request to inform you that the CCTVs had developed some problems in them. The pictures shown on the monitor are not clear and the range of the cameras is also very less.

I request you to replace the cameras as we all facing a lot of problems due to them. We hope for an early action from your end.

Your sincerely

Radha

(Admn. Officer)

[8]

OR

Importance of Sports

By XYZ

Sports and games play an important role in the physical and mental health of a person. Health is wealth. So, it is essential to make them a part of our everyday life. 'All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy' is a common saying. Playing outdoor games increases the blood circulation of our body. They keep blood pressure under control. They tend us to obey the rules and regulation of a game. They also teach us that both losing and winning are parts of a game and should be accepted by everyone. One learns the value of team-work as well.

It is not only outdoor games which are important but indoor games also teach us many things. They improve our concentration, make our mind alert and also teach us patience. 'Think before you act' — can also be learnt while playing chess. Many sports like kite-flying improve our eye-hand co-ordination. We can conclude by saying that the advantages of playing both indoor and outdoor games are many so we must encourage our children to spend one to two hours everyday for playing so that their minds get refreshed and they get ready to take the everyday load of life.

4. Once upon a time, there was a parrot that lived on a beautiful tree by the river. They had many happy times living as he had been living with his family on that tree for many years. Now they were all gone and he was left alone with that tree.

One day that tree fell sick and started drying, there was nothing to eat anymore, so he flew in search of food from morning and came in the afternoon after collecting all the food that he could find and started eating happily in the nest that he had made on that tree.

Lord Indra saw him and wanted to test his friendship with the tree. So, he came down in the form of bird and made a nest in the tree right in front of him. After watching him doing the same thing everyday he got impatient and wanted to take his test as soon as possible. So, one day he said to the parrot, "there is nothing left on that tree. You always leave it in the morning in search of food and come back in afternoon with only some food, while there is a tree full of fruits and leaves in front of you." He answered very politely when he had all those advantages he served him well and was with him in both good and my bad days and he had also been there with him in his good days then why not in the bad days of him.

Lord Indra was very touched by his answer and the bond they shared. He came in his true form in front of him and said that he was very happy with him and as a reward he was relieving the tree from his sickness.

Next day he opened his eyes he was shocked to see that the tree had again flourished with leaves and fruits and had got his beauty back.

[10]

OR

Once there was a forest. Many birds and animals lived happily in that forest. One year, it so happened, that it did not rain. It was very hot and dry. The birds felt uncomfortable. they did not know what to do. So, they all gathered and went to the king bird. The king bird suggested that they should migrate. They all obeyed the orders of their king and started leaving the forest. On the way, a greedy sparrow noticed carts full of baskets with grain in it. She dashed to eat. Other birds also followed her. But she was very selfish and clever. She warned others not to go there as it might be a trap and the owner might kill them. All the birds were scared. They flew away. The greedy sparrow was very happy. She enjoyed the meal from the baskets. When the owner saw her, he spread a net. The bird was caught. She felt bad that she had fallen into a trap but she had no choice. Everyone else had flown away.

5. GAP FILLING

- (a) (i) in (b) (ii) is (c) (iv) but (d) (iv) finds [1 × 4 = 4]

6. Error Correction

- (a) a the
 (b) or and
 (c) has is
 (d) irrigating irrigate [1 × 4 = 4]

7. (a) At the age of 24, Lim plays computer games all day.
 (b) He earns a six-figure salary by it.
 (c) He has thousands of adoring friends.
 (d) Computer games have become a popular sport. [1 × 4 = 4]

Section ‘C’ Literature: Textbooks and Supplementary Reading Text

8. (a) Poem – Animals; Poet – Wal Whitman
 (b) (ii) repetition
 (c) (ii) placid
 (d) they look so calm, composed and self-contained. [1 × 4 = 4]

OR

- (a) Natalya.
 (b) Lomov.
 (c) (i) Oxen Meadows.
 (d) (i) Control
 9. (a) Rajvir was excited to look at the beautiful scenery and wide range of green tea gardens. Pranjol was born and brought up in Assam, not excited/nothing new for him.

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018] [2]

Expert’s Ans.

Rajvir was excited to look at the beautiful scenery and wide range of green tea gardens. On the other hand, Pranjol did not share his excitement because he was born and brought up in Assam. So, there was nothing new for him.

- (b) The responsibility of taking care of his things in this world of possessions and cope up with the loss. [CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018] [2]

Expert’s Ans.

The little boy had lost his ball. The poet realised that he had sensed the responsibility of taking care of his things in this world of possessions. He must learn to cope up with the loss of things.

- (c) He is fond of collecting rare and expensive books, managed it by breaking open a safe every year. [CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018] [2]

Expert's Ans.

Horace Danby had a strange hobby. He was fond of collecting rare and expensive books. He managed to fulfill it by breaking open a safe every year.

- (d) No one notices her shabby shawl. It shows her false pride/vanity. [CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018] [2]

Expert's Ans.

Matilda left the ball in hurry because she did not want anyone to notice her shabby shawl. Everyone else there had wrapped herself in rich fur. It shows us that she believed in false pride or vanity which she should not have.

- (e) Anne wants to keep a diary because she has no real friend. She has almost thirty friends but none with whom she could share her feelings. So she decided to keep a diary in which she can confide in.
- (f) In the beginning the raindrops seemed like 'new coins'. But gradually the rain turned into hailstorms. His entire field of corn crop was destroyed. There were no flowers left on the plants.

10. Wanda Petronski was a poor young Polish girl. The other girls of the school found her different and treated her in a different manner. They did not think much of her and always waited for an opportunity to tease her. She was not missed by anyone when she was absent except the time when they were outside the school *i.e.* in the morning or at noon time Wanda didn't have any friend and stayed alone all the time in the school. Since, she came from Boggen Heights, her feet were usually caked with dry mud. She used to wear faded blue dress. No doubt, the dress was always clean but it seemed as though it had not been ironed properly. So, everyone used to make fun of her. [8]

OR

Anne Frank, a young girl of thirteen, did not have any friends. She had no one with whom she could confide in or share her secrets. When she got a red and white check diary on her birthday, she decided to record everything in it. She felt as if she had got a friend. She named it 'Kitty'. She had an elder sister Margot but she couldn't share anything with her also. She had class mates, her family but not anyone with whom she could get closer and discuss every thing. That's why she wanted to keep a diary.

11. Horace Danby was a meticulous planner. Before robbing any house, he used to keep a watch on the house for a long time. Before robbing any house, he knew about the rooms, the electric wiring, the number of people living in that house and so on but this time he faltered and fell into the trap of the sweet young lady. Before breaking any safe, he used to wear gloves so as not to leave any finger prints here and there. But he misjudged the lady as the owner of the house. In order to please her, he offered her a lighter to light her cigarette and removed his gloves before doing that. It was here that he went wrong which resulted in the police finding his finger-prints everywhere in the house and he was caught. [8]

OR

Matilda was a discontented young woman who was never satisfied with her life. She always wanted to be a rich woman who would have new dresses and would attend parties. So, when she got the invitation to a party, she wished to be in her best attire at the party she had a new dress but no jewellery matched with her new dress. She decided to borrow a necklace from her friend. This was a wrong step taken by her. She should never have done that and if at all, she had borrowed it, she should have taken good care of it. Once lost, she could have discussed it with her friend. But she never did anything of the sort and bought a new diamond necklace to replace the previous one. She exhausted all her savings and had to borrow some amount also to pay for the necklace. This step ruined her life. She could have avoided the situation by discussing with her friend.

ENGLISH

LANGUAGE AND
LITERATURE

SOLUTION SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER

11

Section 'A' Reading

1. (i) (c) central Himalayas
(ii) (c) Himalayas
(iii) (c) trishul
(iv) (c) Switzerland of India
(v) (b) Nanda devi
(vi) (d) both (a) & (b)
(vii) it is a beautiful place with so much of calmness and serenity
(viii) True [CBSE Marking Scheme, 2015] [1 × 8 = 8]
- 2.1. (i) C.V. Raman had a difficult childhood. He had no clothes, no book, no conveyance. He had to walk along miles even without an umbrella.
(ii) Life has been termed as a gamble as it is not sure whether the intelligent or the strong would certainly succeed in life.
(iii) C.V. Raman inspired us with the easiest way to enjoy life, the common things of life, love and appreciate nature, appreciate the wonderful gifts, marvellous ingenuity, resourcefulness, and infinite variety in nature.
(iv) "There is the butterfly jumping about in flourishing colours on all sides, look at this wonderful thing that god has given for our enjoyment." "These words clearly tell us that he was a nature-lover" [2 × 4 = 8]
- 2.2. (i) (a) disappointment (ii) infinite (iii) flourishing (iv) (d) thrilling [1 × 4 = 4]

Section 'B' Writing & Grammar

3. Modern Public School,
Palwal.

24 July 20XX

The Manager,

M/s COX Sports Items

Palwal.

Subject: Placing order

Sir,

Through this letter I wish to place an order for some sports items for our school. The details are given below:

S.No.	Name of the item	Quantity
1.	Hockey sticks	10
2.	Badminton Raquets	10
3.	Football	5
4.	Volleyball	5
5.	Cricket bats	6
6.	Basket ball	6

Since it is a bulk order, we would like you to give at least 25% discount on the above said items. Please ensure that all the sports goods are in good condition. Kindly inform us about the mode of payment as well.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

XYZ

(Sports Incharge)

[8]

OR

XYZ Street,
Indore.

14 May 20XX

The Manager,
Computer World
Indore.

Subject: Enquiry Regarding Computer Programming

Sir,

With reference to your advertisement dated 10 May 20XX in the Indian Express, I wish to inform you that I would like to join a short-term course in computer programming. Kindly furnish me the details of

- (a) duration of the course
- (b) the fee structure
- (c) student-teacher ratio
- (d) conveyance facility

I would appreciate if you furnish the details at the earliest. I hope for a positive reply.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

Hemant Sharma

4. I got a golden chance to watch a football match between Mohan Baghan of India and Massay club of Sri Lanka. I had occupied my seat. The ground was beautiful. There was greenery around and colourful flowers were blooming. The weather was very pleasant, cold and gentle breeze was blowing. The audience was excited. They were blowing whistles and shouting slogans. The audience were even showing slogans which they had brought with them. There was a great zeal and enthusiasm which was very clearly visible. The referees were also on the ground. The signal was given through a whistle to both the teams to line up. The Prime Minister had arrived for the inauguration. After formal introduction the match was about to begin, then all of a sudden, there was an announcement to beware of the unknown things. There was a secret report of some terrorists in the stadium. Tension

could be seen on everyone's face. Again and again people were told not to be panic. The authorities were trying their best to control the situation. Some people were willing to leave the stadium. After some disturbance, the police caught the two terrorists. Another announcement was made that everything was alright. The match started. The match was a real one in the true sense. While watching the match I was completely lost and engrossed in it. I was really happy as the match was going on very well. In the end it came out excellent. Everyone was delighted as Mohan Baghan had won the match by 3 to 1 goals. [10]

OR

On a bright sunny winter day. When all the people were on their daily routine work, some were out to purchase domestic goods. I stepped out and unlocked my car. I found that the tyre was punctured. It was quite early and I knew the mechanic would not be available. So, I decided to go for shopping by bus. I too went out to get some clothes, but there was a long queue for the bus. The wind was blowing ice-cold. There was a huge crowd at the bus stand and no bus was seen till far off distance. Suddenly, a bus was seen approaching. A large crowd gathered there to get inside the bus. Suddenly, I felt a hand touching my pocket. I caught the hand and turned back. I caught a tall boy red handed picking my pocket.

I spoke to the boy, why he was involved in such an activity. The boy started trembling. Fear could be seen on his face. He became completely dumb. He started weeping. I tried to console him but in vain. Again, I did not ask him anything for a few minutes. When I saw that he had stopped weeping, I assured him that he will not be sent to jail, but he should speak truly, why he is involved in such an activity. He told that his parents had sold him to a contractor who engaged children in begging, robbing, etc. The boy was hungry for the last two days. On hearing the boy's story, tears rolled down my eyes. I gave him some money and decided to do something for such children. This was an extraordinary experience of my life.

5. (a) (ii) to (b) (iii) could (c) (i) as (d) (ii) must [1 × 4 = 4]

6. Error Correction

- | | |
|----------------|---------|
| (a) on | through |
| (b) successful | success |
| (c) wants | want |
| (d) for | to |

[1 × 4 = 4]

7. (a) Travelling to a new country can be very exciting.
 (b) The visit actually requires a lot of preparation before it. / It actually requires a lot of preparation before the visit.
 (c) The best option is travelling light. / Travelling light is the best option.
 (d) We also need to keep the local weather in mind. / We also need to keep in mind the local weather.

[CBSE Marking Scheme 2018] [1 × 4 = 4]

Section 'C' Literature: Textbooks and Supplementary Reading Text

8. (a) (ii) Matilda Loisel
 (b) they had no money and had to work hard to collect money to pay for the lost necklace.
 (c) (ii) Everything
 (d) (iv) the diamond necklace.

[1 × 4 = 4]

OR

- (a) Natalya.
 - (b) free use in perpetuity to make bricks in return.
 - (c) (iv) both (i) and (ii)
 - (d) (ii) farmers of Natalya's great grandfather.
9. (a) For their favourite bread bangles and sweet bread of special - make

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2015] [2]

Detailed Answer: The children ran to meet the baker every day because they loved the loaves of their favourite bread which he brought daily. They also liked the bread which was of special made and the bangles brought by him.

- (b) Wanted her to realise that there was no household / family which had not witnessed death.

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2015] [2]

Detailed Answer: The Buddha asked Kisa Gautami to bring a handful of mustard seeds from a family where death had not knocked at their door. He, in fact, wanted her to realize that there was no household or family which had not witnessed death.

- (c) Should have taken her friend into confidence and should have told the truth.

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2015] [2]

Detailed Answer: Matilda lost the necklace which she had borrowed from her friend. She did not tell her but this was wrong. She should have taken her friend into confidence and should have told her the truth.

- (d) Ramlal's wife was an irresponsible lady. She was indifferent to her plight. She neglected her daughter Bholi when she passed on her responsibility to the school teachers. She can be called an unkind lady also. [2]
- (e) When Lencho received the letter which had money in it, he was delighted. He felt happy that God had sent him money in, answer to his letter. But when he opened it, he found lesser money in it than he had asked for. He became angry and wrote another letter to God asking him to send the remaining pesos. [2]
- (f) Custard cried for a nice safe cage because he was not brave. He was a coward who always waited to escape the situation and stay at a safe place.

10. **Objective:** To test the values and key messages brought out on the basis of the text.

Marking:

Content: 4 marks

Expression: 4 marks

Values: Valli – sensitive girl – good observer – sympathetic – confident – good planner – firm – cautious – time manager – fortitude – independent – believes in self-respect.

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2017] [8]

Expert's Answer: Valli was a very sensitive girl. In modern era, people are selfish and insensitive to the sufferings of their neighbours but Valli grieved over the accidental death of a cow. She was sympathetic towards the cow and was shocked to notice that the playful cow had died. Valli was a good planner as well as a good time-manager. She had planned before hand when to board the bus and the time she would return. She did not depend on anyone. She saved money to enjoy her first ride in the bus. She believed in self-respect. She did not want that the bus conductor should not charge money from her since she was a child. In fact she paid for the ticket like every other travellers, from the money that she had saved.

OR

Ivan Lomov, a wealthy man, wanted to marry his neighbour's daughter Natalya. He came to propose her but the discussion drifted into a debate. They started fighting over the superiority of their dogs-squeezer and Guess. Squeezer was a high pedigree dog, overshot and a bad hunter Lomov commented that such kind of dogs were found under every bush. On the other hand, Guess who was a lame but he was a good hunter. Natalya called Guess old and as ugly as a worn-out carb horse. This silly argument over dogs kept on increasing. It did not solve the problem rather arguments and disputes aggravate a problem. They should never come in the way of matrimony. It is only tolerance and acceptance which pave the way to good relationship.

11. **Objective:** To test local and global comprehension, themes and ideas in the text.

Marking: Content: 4 marks

Fluency: 2 marks

Grammatical Accuracy: 2 marks (Minimum four points)

- Lutkins impressed the lawyer with his friendly manner led the lawyer to think that the people of the town were trustworthy.
- claimed to know most of the places where Lutkins could be found
- befooled the lawyer
- charged high price for the hack and food
- alerted Fritz, friends and mother not to reveal his identity to the lawyer
- even went to the railway station to see him off
- on his second visit the lawyer learnt that the hack driver himself was Lutkins
- no one should be too trusting

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018] [8]

Expert's Answer:

In life, people who easily trust others are sometimes made to look foolish. One should not be too trusting. The same happened when Lutkins impressed the lawyer with his friendly manner. He led the lawyer to think that the people of the town were trustworthy. He claimed to know most of the places where Lutkins could be found. But he was befooling the lawyer. Moreover, he alerted Fritz, friends and mother not to reveal his identity to the lawyer. He even went to the railway station to see him off. He charged high prices for the hack and food. It was only in his second visit when the lawyer learnt that the hackdriver himself was Lutkins and he had been fooled. He realised that he should not have trusted him blindly.

OR

The teacher plays an important role in changing the course of a person's life especially that of a young woman. Bholi's teacher also played a vital role in transforming her from a dumb cow to a fearless, bold and confident girl. She used to stammer a lot but her teacher encouraged her to speak clearly and came out of it. Perhaps, it was because of her teacher's encouragement that she became bold enough and refused to marry Bishambar Nath as he was very greedy and much older than her. It really was a praiseworthy step. Bholi found her teacher to be very kind and affectionate towards her and this motivated her to come out of her inferiority complex and face the world.