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Subject: English (Subject Code: 101)

Class : IX

Name: _____

M.M: 80 Marks

Time: 3 Hours

Roll No. _____

General Instructions:

1. **Attempt all the questions.**
2. **Do not write anything in the question paper.**
3. **Read the questions carefully.**
4. **All the questions must be correctly numbered as in the question paper and written in the answer sheet provided.**
5. **All questions of a particular section must be attempted in the correct order.**
6. **Ensure that questions for each Section are answered together**
7. **Read each question carefully and follow the instruction.**
8. **Strictly adhere to the word limit given with each question.**

The question paper is divided into four sections.

Section A: Reading : 20Marks

Section B: Writing and Grammar : 30 Marks

Section C: Literature : 30 Marks

SECTION - A (Reading – 20 Marks)

Q1. Read the following passage carefully.

Yoga Can Help Control Non-Communicable Diseases: Health Minister JP Nadda

With non-communicable diseases (NCDs) claiming nearly five million lives in India every year, the Centre today said yoga can help control these diseases and that the ancient Indian practice is being encouraged as an integral part of their prevention and management.

Launching a campaign on non-communicable diseases (NCDs) to generate awareness among the people and an M-Diabetes initiative where people can get information on prevention and management through a missed call, Health Minister JP Nadda said prevention of diseases, whether non-communicable or communicable, will remain at the forefront of his government.

“Yoga and knowledge in AYUSH system of medicine can be of great help in not only preventing but also controlling non-communicable disease. Traditional system of medicines can complement modern medicine.”

“Yoga is not only physical activity but also a complete science of living. Yoga as an intervention is being encouraged as an integral part of NCD prevention and management,” Mr. Nadda said at a national conference on ‘Prevention and Control of Major NCD in India.’

Mr. Nadda also launched the second round of Global Adult Tobacco Survey (GATS-2) for a systematically monitoring adult tobacco use and tracking key tobacco control indication.

“Prevention of diseases will always remain in the forefront, whether for communicable or NCD and awareness regarding a balanced lifestyle and healthy living is a crucial pillar in combating NCDs,” Mr. Nadda said.

Mr. Nadda said as most of major NCDs, generally labelled as ‘lifestyle disease’, are acquired, there is an urgent need for paying attention to their preventive inspective and social behaviour change plays a major role in preventing NCDs.

Minister of State for AYUSH Shripad Yesso Naik said there is a need for a holistic approach for maintaining good health and to integrate traditional medicinal practice and healthy lifestyle for leading a healthy life.

According to the World Health Organisation, every year, roughly 5-8 million Indians die from heart and lung diseases, structure, cancer and diabetes.

On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions briefly. **(1 × 4 = 4)**

- (a) Which type of diseases can be controlled by Yoga?
- (b) How can an M-Diabetes initiate help for people?
- (c) What is yoga? Why is it being encouraged?
- (d) What was the objective of the second round Global Adult Tobacco Survey (GATS – 2)?
- (e) What is a crucial pillar in combating non-communicable diseases (NCDs)?
- (f) What according to the Health Minister, will remain at the forefront of his government?
- (g) What is needed for the prevention of NCDs?
- (h) What did the Minister of state for AYUSH say?

Q2. Read the passage given below.

These days, it is not unusual to see people listening to music or using their electronic gadgets while crossing busy roads, driving their vehicles or travelling on public transport, regardless of the risks involved. I have often wondered why they take such risks: is it because they want to exude a sense of independence, or is it that they want to tell the world to stop bothering them? Or is it that they just want to show how cool they are?

Whether it is a workman or an executive, earphones have become an inseparable part of our lives, sometimes even leading to tragic –comic situations. The other day, an electrician had come to our house to fix something. We told him in detail what needed to be done. But after he left, I found that the man had done almost nothing. It later turned out that he could not hear our directions clearly because he had his earphones on.

Hundreds of such earphone addicts commute by the Delhi Metro every day. While one should not begrudge anyone their moments of privacy or their love for music, the fact is, ‘iPod oblivion’ can sometimes be very dangerous. Recently, I was travelling with my wife on the Delhi Metro. Since the train was approaching the last station, there weren’t too many passengers. In our compartment, other than us, there were only two women sitting on the other side of the aisle. And then suddenly, I spotted a duffle bag lying on a seat.

The bomb scare lasted for several minutes. Then suddenly, a youth emerged from nowhere and picked up the bag. When we tried to stop him, he looked at us, surprised. Then he took off his earpieces, lifted the bag, and told us that the bag belonged to him and that he was going to get off at the last station. We were stunned, but recovered in time to ask him where he was all this while? His answer: he was in the compartment, leaning against the door, totally immersed in the music. He had no clue about what was going on around him. When he got off, earplugs in his hand, we could hear strains of the song.

2.1 Answer the following questions in about 30 – 40 words. **(2 × 4 = 8)**

- (a) What are the reasons that the author speculates about, for people taking risks on the road?
- (b) Why didn’t the electrician carry out the work properly?
- (c) Why were the passengers in the compartment doubtful about the bag?

(d) How was the dilemma of the unclaimed bag finally resolved?

2.2. Do as directed.

(1 × 4 = 8)

(a) Which word in the second paragraph is an antonym of ‘detachable’?

(b) Which phrase or word in the first paragraph means the same as ‘in spite of’?

(c) Find a word in the third paragraph which is a synonym of ‘seclusion’

(d) Which word in the fourth paragraph is a synonym of ‘absorbed’?

SECTION - B (Writing and Grammar – 30 Marks)

Q3. Pollution from plastic bags has assumed alarming proportions. Write an article in about 100 – 120 words for a leading newspaper to

- highlight the problem
- describe the damage that plastic bags cause to the environment
- suggest some effective and practical ways to check this pollution

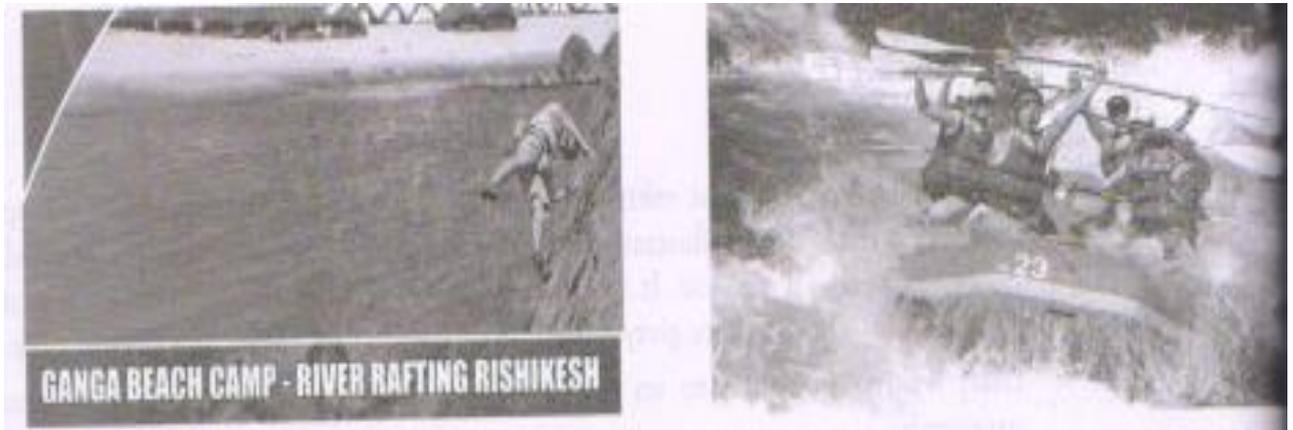
You may refer to MCB Unit – 3 ‘Environment’.

(8)



Or,

Imagine that you recently went to Rishikesh for two days. You did river rafting with your cousins. You also learned tips on river rafting. Write a diary entry in about 100 – 120 words sharing your experience using the visual given below.



Q4. Write a short story in about 200 – 250 words on the basis of the hints provided. Give a suitable title to your story. **(12)**

Hints:

A shopkeeper bought milk, ghee, butter and khoya from a farmer – sold them – to customers – the farmer would buy a lot of provisions from the shopkeeper in return – this went on for years – one day the shopkeeper just casually checked the weight of the farmer’s supplies – to his shock, each 1 kg. packet weighed only 900 grams – he was furious – took up the matter with the farmer – farmer replied “I don’t have weighing scales at home. I use one of the packets of the stuff I buy from you as a standard thinking it must be of one kilogramme”- the shopkeeper felt ashamed.

Or,

Develop a short story in about 200 – 250 words with the help of the following opening and make your story interesting by introducing a setting, more characters, dialogues and a dramatic ending. Give an eye catching title to your story also.

Two friends were passing through a dense forest. Suddenly they heard some animal screaming.....

Q5. Complete the following paragraph by filling in one or two words from the options given. **($\frac{1}{2} \times 6 = 3$)**

After graduating (a) _____ honours, I became (b) _____ junior assistant clerk in a magnificent law firm. I was (c) _____ not to prepare legal briefs, (d) _____ to serve summons, like a cheap private detective. I (e) _____ to go to dirty and shadowy corners of the city to (f) _____ out my victims. Some of the larger and more self-confident ones even beat me up. I hated this unpleasant work, and the side of city life it revealed to me. I even considered fleeing to my hometown, where I could have been a real lawyer right away without going through this unpleasant training period.

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| (a) (i) on | (ii) at | (iii) among | (iv) in |
| (b) (i) a | (ii) an | (iii) some | (iv) the |
| (c) (i) has send | (ii) sends | (iii) sent | (iv) sending |
| (d) (i) and | (ii) but | (iii) because | (iv) so |
| (e) (i) had | (ii) has | (iii) will have | (iv) have |
| (f) (i) seek | (ii) seeks | (iii) sought | (iv) seeking |

Q6. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction against the correct blank numbers in your answer sheet. Remember to underline the word that you have supplied. The first one has been done for you as an example. (1×4 = 4)

	<u>Error</u>	<u>Correction</u>
Automated Teller Machines (ATM) has revolutionized banking and made life easiest.	e.g. has	<u>have</u>
Bank customers could now withdraw money of their account anytime and somewhere in their own country or even in the world.	(a) _____ (b) _____ (c) _____ (d) _____	

Q7. Rearrange the following words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. The first one has been done for you as an example. Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. (1×3=3)

Example: an important / duty / place / has / life / in

Duty has an important place in life.

(a) I / never / have / seen / a careless / such / in / my / life / person

- (b) nobody / him / likes / because / of / carelessness / his
(c) it / is / depend / advisable / to / on / people / such / not

SECTION - C (Literature and Extended Reading Text – 30 Marks)

Q8. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow. **(1×4 = 4)**

“When I came back to my village, I saw my grandmother in tears. I was surprised, for I had never seen her cry even in the most difficult situations.”

- (a) Who is ‘I’ here?
(b) Why was the grandmother in tears?
(c) What do difficult situations refer to?
(d) What does the last line of the extract tell you about the grandmother’s character?

Or,

“Jeanne : What on Earth have you done?”

Gaston : I made a hundred thousand Francs and a Carot!”

- (a) How has Gaston made a hundred thousand Francs?
(b) Mention any two characteristics displayed by Gaston when he made a hundred thousand francs?
(c) What is a Carot in these lines?
(d) Who is Jeanne?

Q9. Answer any four out of the following questions in about 30 – 40 words each. **(2×4 = 8)**

- (a) Duke was an extraordinary dog. What special qualities did he exhibit to justify this?
(b) What made Triveni a popular writer?
(c) Why do you think Wordsworth compares the solitary reaper’s song to the songs of the nightingale and the cuckoo?
(d) Which road does the poet choose? Why?
(e) Who is better in business – Juliette or Gaston? Why?
(f) Why does Lord Ullin’s wrath change into wailing on seeing his daughter?

Q10. Answer the following question in about 100 – 120 words. **(8)**

You are Jeanne. After coming home you realize that the villa was not actually bought and your husband has fooled both you and the landlady of the villa. You

are filled with rage, disgust and helplessness because of your husband's betrayal. Write your feelings in the form of a diary entry.

Or,

“Our life is often governed by the choices we make.” Do you agree with this statement? Justify your answer with reference to the poem ‘The Road Not Taken’.

Q11. Answer the following question in about 200 – 250 words. **(10)**

(The Three Men in a Boat)

Describe the butter and the tooth brush episodes in your own words.

Or,

Write a brief character sketch of George as he appears in ‘Three Men in a Boat’ (Chapters 1- 10)

(Gulliver's Travel)

Or,

How were children educated in Lilliput?

Or,

Attempt a brief character sketch of the Lilliputian Emperor.

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