



SSLC Top Test Series

English

Std. 10

Answer Key

Type - A

- I. 1. Then the squirrel started to build a nest .
 2. When the boy went indoors and changed his dress, he saw straw and grass falling out. Seeing this, he understood that the squirrel started building nest in his pockets.
 3. The word 'it' stands for the steel knitting-needle.
 4. Crammed.
- II. 1. The birds around the poet hopped and played to express their thrill of pleasure.
 2. The birds' thoughts cannot be measured.
 3. Proper introduction- 1 mark
 Theme / ideas - 1 mark
 Poetic devices identified – 1 mark
- III. Structure of an un official letter – 1mark
 Events and theme presented briefly - 2marks
- IV. proper language and style of conversation – 1 mark
 idea conveyed - 2mark
- V. Proper sequencing – 1 mark
 proper linkers used – 2 marks
- VI. a) if his wife was fat.
 b) she was not fat and added that she was a reedy person.

Type - B

- I. 1. A fat woman doctor who had plenty of money and a good medical practice.
 2. If he made some silly mistake and needed to run away she should not be able to run after him and catch.
 3. The snake
 4. The snake wriggled over the back of the chair and landed on his shoulder.
- II. 1. The budding twigs spread out their fan because they want to catch the breezy air.
 2.. Personification.
 3. Proper introduction- 1 mark
 Theme / ideas - 1 mark
 Poetic devices identified – 1 mark

- III. Structure of an official/complaint letter – 1mark
 Events and theme presented briefly - 2marks
- IV. proper language and style of diary writing – 1 mark
 idea conveyed - 2mark
- V. Proper sequencing – 1 mark
 proper linkers used – 2 marks
- VI. (a) went on b) put aside c) turned up
 d) put forward)

Type - C

- 1 The young grey squirrel 1 1
 2 He trusted human beings 1 1
 3 Arching his back and sniffing into the air 1 1
 4 invasion 1 1
 5 The sounds of birds and animals in the nature 3 3
 6 I sate reclined,
 In that sweet mood
 7 Notes-thoughts, mind –reclined
 8 Character sketch
 Content
 Organization of Ideas given
 Language appropriate 311 8
 9 Write up
 Content
 Organization of Ideas given
 Language appropriate 311
 10 a. The little brown squirrel
 b. Squirrel
 c. The
 d. Little brown
 e. From the boy's hand 11111
 11 a. The b. But
 c. To d. For 111 1



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1. The protagonist remained where it was even when the cameraman shouted to everyone to take their positions 1 5
2. puzzle 1
3. A large dog 1
4. To take their positions 1
5. The narrator saw that a few actors were moving about in the set, and on one side, the protagonist standing quietly. 1
6. CONVERSATION
Uses apt initiationFocuses the conversation on the assigned contextUses a variety of sentence patterns and expressionsUses informal expressionsMaintains a good flow 11211 6
7. LETTER
Uses appropriate format of a letterLanguage suitable for a formal letterConveys the messageUses well formed sentences 1121 5
8. a) put off 1 4
b) put up with 1
c) put forward 1
d) went on 11

Type - B

1. Shooting of a film with trained ravens 1 4
2. Birds from all over the world start attacking humans 1
3. Ravens 1
4. Notices were placed in the press all over the United States, asking people to contact the filmmaker if they knew how to get hold of trained ravens. 1
5. NARRATIVEProper beginning and endingOrganise the events in sequenceExpresses the theme/message properlyUses suitable vocabulary and sentence varieties Uses figurative language 11111 5
6. DIARY ENTRYRelates the content to the contextUses appropriate languageUses first person narrativeExpresses personal feelings /emotions 1121 5

- 7 a) to 1 4
b) for 1
c) the 1
d) which 1 1
- 8 a) emerged b) at 11 2

Type - C

- 1 They are well trained 1 1
- 2 Birds 1 1
- 3 Alfred Hitchcock, decided to make a film called Birds. 1 1
- 4 if as many as fifty ravens are told to perch quietly in a row on a specified spot, and if they obey this command instantly, isn't that pretty impressive? 1 1
- 5 Poet, theme, poetic craft and relevance of the work 4 4
- 6 News report
Content
Organization of Ideas and title
Language appropriate 211 8
- 7 informal letter
Content
Organization of data details
Language appropriate for an informal letter 211
- 8 a. Seen b. Acting
c. Experiences d. Shoot
e. Was 1111 5
- 9 a) An b) And
c) To d) By 111 4