

Reg No:

Name :

**SECOND YEAR
SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER**

Part – 1

ENGLISH

Time : 2 1/2 Hours

Cool-off Time : 15 Minutes

Maximum Score : 80 Scores

General Instructions to the Candidates:

- There is a 'Cool-off time' of 15 minutes in addition to the writing time. Use the 'Cool-off time' to get familiar with questions and to plan your answers.
 - Read questions carefully before answering.
 - Write answers to the specific number of questions as instructed.
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PART-I

Read the following passage and answer the questions given below:

It is thirty years since we started this work. Activities that devastate the environment and societies continue unabated. Today we are faced with a challenge that calls for a shift in our thinking, so that humanity stops threatening its life-support system.

- 1) Who does the speaker refer to as "we"? (1)
- 2) What are the activities that devastate the environment and societies? (2)
- 3) Which word from the options given can best replace the word "devastate." (1)
(flourish, destroy, protect)

Read the lines given below and answer the questions that follow:

*..., and my father,
without smiling the smile slowly forming on his lips,
will call from the field: 'And when did you start from there?'*

- 4) Identify the poem and the poet? (1)
- 5) Find out the figure of speech used in the given lines. (1)
- 6) The speaker portrays different aspects of the father's character. Write about your understanding of the speaker's father? (2)

Answer all questions from 7 to 10 Each carries 1 score:

7) Fill in the blanks using the most suitable cohesive devices given in the brackets:

- a) All the assignments should be submitted on time. they will not be evaluated. (Therefore, Otherwise, On the contrary)
- b) There is a stiff competition between automobile companies to win customers., they are slashing prices to attract customers. (As a result, In contrast, In conclusion)
- c) the film was a little boring, we still had a nice evening out. (Besides, Though, Moreover)
- d) My brother works in a large office I work on my own at home. (whereas, firstly, actually)

Report the following:

- 8) He said, 'The sun is shining, the flowers are in bloom, I know these are signs of a good day'. (2)

PART-II

Answer any 5 questions from 9 to 14. Each carries 4 scores:

- 9) Prepare the character sketch of Robert Baldwin.
- 10) Your class is going to present a skit based on the play "The Hour of Truth". Prepare an announcement prior to its staging.
- 11) Bring out the significance of 'wall' in the poem "Mending Wall".
- 12) Edit the following passage passage:
Akanksha Foundation formally came into existence on 1991. From a single class of 15 children, Akanksha Foundation grew over 58 centres and 6 schools with under 3500 children.
- 13) Irfan Alam says 'It is important to take risks to achieve your dreams'. Write a blog on it expressing your thoughts and feelings.

- 14) Your class is conducting a debate on "corporal punishments are essential in school". Write 4 arguments either favouring or opposing the topic.

PART-III

Answer any 5 questions from 15 to 21. Each carries 6 scores:

- 15) In the present world, we need to foster man-woman relationship which contribute to healthy, mutual development. Prepare a write-up on man-woman relationship based on the story match box.
- 16) Write a paragraph on the role of 3 Ls in making woman liberated.
- 17) Prepare a write up on the friendship portrayed in the story "Amigo Brothers".
- 18) Your school is conducting a seminar on Entrepreneurship Development. As the convenor of the ED club in your school you are asked to invite Mr Yusuf Ali, Chairman, Lulu Group for the inauguration. Draft an e-mail inviting him for the inauguration.
- 19) A seminar was conducted on the topic 'Environmental Balance for Sustainable Development'. Prepare a report of the seminar to be published in your school magazine.

Ananda Public School

Programme

Prayer	: School Choir
Welcome Speech	: Sri.Renju Prasad, Principal
Presidential Address	: Ambika Das, Ward Councilor
Inaugural Address	: Sri. Ravi Nath, Environmental Activist.
Paper Presentations:	
‘Crisis faced by Farmers’	by Kumari. Nazrin Shah.
‘Sustainable Development in the New Age’	by Kumari. Arathi Babu.
‘Climatic Change and Farming’	by Master. Syam Mohan.
Interactive session	:
Vote of Thanks	: Master Roshan Thomas, School Leader
National Anthem	

- 20) The Tourism Club of your school conducts a trip to the eco-tourism site at Thenmala. Write a letter of enquiry to the Coordinator, District Tourism Promotion Council, Kollam seeking details of accommodation and transportation facilities.
- 21) The postal assistant in "Post Early For Christmas" quits her job commenting "I am going down the road to work at the animal dispensary. Animals don't do such silly things." Do you think it was an appropriate remark on the part of the postal assistant. Write a paragraph expressing your opinion.

PART-IV

Answer any 2 questions from 22 to 24. Each carries 8 scores:

- 22) In order to spread the message of Vimukti, your school organised an anti-drug campaign. As the school leader you are assigned to deliver a speech on "Increasing substance abuse among school children". Prepare the script of the speech.
- 23) An advertisement inviting application for Computer Programmer as published in the Hindu daily dated 08/02/2023 is given below. After going through the advertisement prepare a job application letter and resume for the same.

Wanted
Computer programmer
Qualification: B.Tech Computer Science 3 years experience
Infosys Pvt Ltd, Bengaluru, 5300068.

- 24) Read the following poem titled "Everything Mom" by Joanna Fuchs and prepare a comparative analysis with the poem "Any Woman" by Catherine Tynan.

Everything Mom

How did you find the energy, Mom
 To do all the things you did.
 To be teacher, nurse and counselor
 To me, when I was a kid.

How did you do it all, Mom,
Be a chauffeur, cook and friend,
Yet find time to be a playmate.
I just can't comprehend.

I see now it was love, Mom,
That made you come whenever I'd call,
Your inexhaustible love, Mom,
And I thank you for it all.

- By Joanna Fuchs

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