

SECOND YEAR SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER

Part - 1

ENGLISH

Maximum : 80 Scores

Time : 2 ½ Hours

Cool – off Time : 15 Minutes

Qns 1 – 2 Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Score : 2 × 1 = 2

Each youngster had a dream- of someday becoming a light-weight champion of the world. Every chance they had, the boys worked out; sometimes, at the Boys’ Club and sometimes, at the gym.

1. Who all are referred to as ‘they’ here? (1)
2. What are the dreams of the youngsters? (1)

Qns 3 – 4 Read the given lines and answer the questions that follow. Score : 2 × 1 = 2

“And your mouth is like a section of road
That is being worked on.”

3. Identify the poem. (1)
4. What is the figure of speech used here ? (1)

Qns 5 – 8 Read the questions and answer the following. Each question carries 2 score.

Score : 2 × 4 = 8

5. Report the following sentence:

Baldwin: “I’ve got only a few years to live, but I’ll live those as I’ve lived the rest of my life. I’ll go to my grave clean!”

Martha: “Robert!” (2)

6. Imagine your friend is addicted to drugs. Write two pieces of advice. You may use the following expressions:

(i) You had better

(ii) Why don’t you..... (2)

7. **Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions given in the brackets.**

(on, for, in, of)

“ You must never set up any sort contrariness or repression _____ the child’s mind”, declared the parents. “You will damage him _____ life. (2)

8. **Edit the following passage:** (2)

The brain govern sensations, moods, thoughts, and actions, not by a magical process, but by a incredibly complex series of chemically regulated controls.

Qns 9 – 14 Answer any four of the following. Each question carries 4 score.

Score : 4 × 4 = 16

9. Attempt a character sketch of Nomita. (4)
10. The R & D Wing of Sammaan is planning to redesign rickshaw with necessary improvements. Write an email to Irfan Alam, giving your suggestions. (4)
11. “Women are often the first to become aware of environmental damage.” Do you agree? Write four arguments either for or against the topic. (4)
12. Imagine yourself to be the announcer of the sports day in your school. Write the script of the announcement that you would make for any one event. (4)
13. Write a blog on stammer viewing it in a different perspective. (4)
14. Elaborate the idea in the following line in a paragraph. (4)
“Good fences make good neighbours.”

Qns 15 – 21 Answer any six of the following. Each question carries 6 scores.

Score: 6 x 6 = 36

15. Imagine that you are a TV channel reporter. Prepare a live TV report on the happening that occurred in the post office in the One Act play ‘Post Early for Christmas’. (6)
16. Nowadays everyone is addicted to fast food/junk food. A number of casualties have occurred in our state due to food poisoning. Write a letter to the editor of a popular daily expressing your concern in this matter. (6)
17. One of the most basic norms should be ‘equal pay for equal work’. Eliminating gender gaps in economic participation can bring an increase in per capita income of a nation. Explain this concept based on the speech “The 3 Ls of Empowerment”. (6)
18. Imagine that you are a newspaper reporter and prepare a report on the contest between amigo brothers. (6)
19. You are asked to interview Mr. Cheruvayal K Raman who got Padmasri for the conservation of indigenous paddy seeds. Prepare six interview questions for the interview. (6)

20. Prepare a speech on the importance of social entrepreneurship based on the lesson 'A Three Wheeled Revolution'. (6)
21. Nomita finds the crumbled letter her mother wrote to her in Ajit's pocket. Draft that letter which seeks money from Nomita. (6)

Qns 22 – 24 Answer any two of the following. Each question carries 8 scores.

Score : $2 \times 8 = 16$

22. 'Teach for India' by Shaheen Mistri is seeking volunteers to teach children in rural areas. Write a job application along with a resume. (8)
23. As part of the anti-narcotic campaign organized in your school, you are asked to write an essay on the topic 'Dangers of Drug Abuse'. (8)
24. Read the following poem and prepare an appreciation comparing it with the poem 'Any Woman'. (8)

Phenomenal Woman

- Maya Angelou

Pretty women wonder where my secret lies.
I'm not cute or built to suit a fashion model's size
But when I start to tell them,
They think I'm telling lies.
I say,
It's in the reach of my arms
The span of my hips,
The stride of my step,
The curl of my lips.
I'm a woman
Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman,
That's me.

I walk into a room
Just as cool as you please,
And to a man,
The fellows stand or
Fall down on their knees.
Then they swarm around me,
A hive of honey bees.
I say,
It's the fire in my eyes,
And the flash of my teeth,
The swing in my waist,
And the joy in my feet.
I'm a woman
Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman,
That's me.

Men themselves have wondered
What they see in me.
They try so much
But they can't touch
My inner mystery.
When I try to show them
They say they still can't see.
I say,
It's in the arch of my back,
The sun of my smile,
The ride of my breasts,
The grace of my style.
I'm a woman

Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman,
That's me.

Now you understand
Just why my head's not bowed.
I don't shout or jump about
Or have to talk real loud.
When you see me passing
It ought to make you proud.
I say,
It's in the click of my heels,
The bend of my hair,
the palm of my hand,
The need of my care,
'Cause I'm a woman
Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman,
That's me.

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