

**BOARD OF SECONDARY EDUCATION (TELANGANA)**  
**SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – II**  
**TENTH CLASS ENGLISH MODEL PAPER**  
**PAPER – II**

Time 2 hrs. 45 mins

Maximum marks: 40

Note: i) This question paper contains three Sections A, B and C.

ii) 15 minutes time is allotted exclusively for reading the question paper and 2.30 hours for writing the answers.

iii) All the answers are to be written in the separate answer booklet.

iv) Make use of the last pages of answer booklet for rough work, if necessary, while answering the questions under Section – C.

**SECTION – A**

**(Reading Comprehension)**

Q.No. (1 – 5): Read the following passage.

The habit of reading is one of the greatest resources of mankind; and we enjoy reading books that belong to us much more than if they are borrowed. A borrowed book is like a guest in the house. It must be treated with punctiliousness with a certain considerate formality. You must see that it sustains no damage. It must not suffer while under your roof. You cannot leave it carelessly, you cannot mark, you cannot turn down the pages, you cannot use it familiarly. And then some day, although this is seldom done, you really ought to return it.

But your own books belongs to you; you treat them with that affectionate intimacy that annihilates formality. Books are for use, not for show; you should own no books that you are afraid to mark up or afraid to place on the table, wide open and face down. A good reason for marking favourite passages in books is that this practice enables you to remember more easily the significant saying to refer to them quickly and then in later years, it is like visiting a forest where you once blazed a trail. You have the pleasure of going over the old ground and recalling both the intellectual scenery and your own earlier self.

Everyone should begin collecting a private library in youth; the instinct of private property which is fundamental in human beings can here be cultivated with every advantage and no evils. One should have one's own book shelves which should not have doors, glass windows or keys. They should be free and accessible to the hand as well as to the eye.

(1 – 3): Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet. 3 × 1 = 3

1. Borrowed books are like guests because ..... ( )  
A) They cannot be read. B) They can't be preserved.  
C) They give us gifts. D) They have to be returned someday.
2. A reader puts some marking in the books to ..... ( )  
A) Show that it has been read. B) To mark the significant element.  
C) Make some designs. D) To help other to read.
3. Which word in the passage means destroys completely? ( )  
A) Annihilate B) Familiarly  
C) Mankind D) Punctiliousness

Answer the following questions in two or three sentences each.

2 × 1 = 2

- Why did the author want us to keep the book shelf open?
- Name a book that you have enjoyed reading? List some of the features of it?

**Q.No. (6 – 10): Read the following poem.**

I hear a sudden cry of pain!  
There is a rabbit in a snare;  
Now, I hear the cry again,  
But I cannot tell from where.  
But I cannot tell from where,  
He is calling out for aid!  
Crying on the frightened air,  
Making everything afraid!  
Making everything afraid,  
Wrinkling up his little face,  
As he cries again for aid;  
And I cannot find the place!  
And I cannot find the place  
Where his paw is in the snare,  
Little one! Oh, Little one!  
I am searching everywhere!

- James Stephens

**Q.No. (6 – 7): Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet.**

2 × 1 = 2

- A snare means ( )  
A) Well                      B) a trap                      C) a hill                      D) pin
- Who is the "little one" referred to here? ( )  
A) Snare                      B) Rabbit                      C) Poet                      D) Air

**Q.No. (8 – 10): Answer the following questions in one or two sentences.**

3 × 1 = 3

- Why was rabbit crying?
- What does the poet hear? what is his reaction?
- How will you help the rabbit if you find its place?

**Q.No. (11 – 15): Read the following Passage.**

Why do birds sing? you might assume that birds sing because they are happy. While birds might be happy, they sing in order to communicate. One reason they sing is to stake a claim on territory. Birds sing to warn other birds to stay off their territory. For example, a robin might stake a claim on a piece of land which measure about 200 feet wide by 200 feet long. This amount of land provides enough worms for the robin to feed its family. The perches are maintains singing around the outside edges of its territory. The perches are high in the trees, so other birds can see and hear it. Birds also sing to find a mate. The length and complexity of the mating song give information about the health of the bird. Healthy birds can sing longer,

more complicated song. Birds call to one another in shorter calls in order to warn of danger and to locate one another. Birds sing instinctively. Young birds learn to perfect their songs by listening to adult birds and interacting with other birds. Birds in a local area might learn variations in the basic song which help them recognise other members of their group.

**Q.No. (11 – 13): Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) on your answer booklet.  $3 \times 1 = 3$**

11. Birds perch very high, so that.... ( )  
A) They can hide there B) Other birds can hear them  
C) Other birds can see them D) Both B and C are correct
12. Young birds perfect their songs by..... ( )  
A) Listening and interaction B) Practice  
C) Natural instinct D) Both A and C are correct
13. The birds sing because..... ( )  
A) To find a mate B) To locate one another  
C) To warn other birds D) All of the above

**Q.No. (14 – 15): Answer the following questions in one or two sentences.  $2 \times 1 = 2$**

14. How can the health of a bird be determined?  
15. Why do young birds learn to perfect their songs?

### SECTION – B

#### (Vocabulary and Grammar)

**Q.No. (16 – 18): Read the following passage focusing on the parts that are underlined and answer the questions given at the end as directed. Write the answers in your answer booklet.  $3 \times 1 = 3$**

One day, a fisherman caught a big fish and took it to the king's palace. (16) The king saw the fish. He felt very happy. After his cooks had cooked it and he had eaten it. (17) He said to the fisherman "what do you want for the fish?"

"I want you to beat me twenty times with a rod", said the fisherman.

The king was surprised, and argued with the fisherman, but in the end he said. "I promised to give you whatever you wanted, and I suppose that I must keep my promise".

After the king had hit him ten times, the fisherman jumped away and said, "that is enough for me. I promised the other ten to your minister."

The king understood everything. (18) He gave the minister the ten hits with the rod and removed him from the service.

**Now complete the following sentence and write them in your answer booklet.**

16. when the king saw.....  
17. He asked.....  
18. The king not only.....

**Q.No.(19 – 22): Complete the following passage choosing the right words from those given below. Each blank is numbered and has four choices (A) (B) (C) or (D). Choose the correct answer from the given choices and write (A) (B) (C) or (D) in your answer booklet.  $4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2$**

The residents of prashanthi hills decided to clean up their locality. Thirty children and twenty adults ..... (19) to do work at eight in the morning, the ..... (20) leaves and bids of papers. The adults organised the ..... (21) of the garbage. They collected the garbage ..... (22) cartons.

19. A) volunteer                      B) voluntary                      C) volunteered                      D) volunteers  
20. A) fallen                              B) fell                              C) fall                              D) falls  
21. A) collecting                      B) collection                      C) collected                      D) collect  
22. A) on                                  B) from                                  C) by                                  D) in

**Q.No. (23 – 28): Read the following passage and fill in the blanks choosing the correct words from the brackets and write them in your answer booklet.**

$$6 \times \frac{1}{2} = 3$$

It is really amazing that we rarely observed different..... (23) (types/kinds) of people around us only yesterday i got fancy in my head to look at ..... (24) (those/ these) who pass along the main road in front of my study window. Most of the people I ..... (25) (see/ saw) were in a hurry. Their faces showed their internal tensions. There was middle aged man muttering..... (26) (something/ anything) in audible to himself. He was ..... (27) (looking / looked) at his watch again and again. He ..... (28) (seemed/ seem) to be waiting for someone.

**Q.No. (29 – 32): Complete the following passage with right forms of the words given in the booklet.**

**Write the answer in your answer booklet.**

$$4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2$$

Kiran Bedi joined IPS as the first woman officer. As a responsible, devoted ..... (29) (honesty) and courageous officer she ..... (30) (Wins) the hearts of her sub ordinates and superiors. She realized that it ..... (31) (is) not enough to arrest a ..... (32) (crime) and punish him in jail. A jail, in her view should act as a reformation centre.

## SECTION – C

### (Creative Expression)

**Q.No. 33: Prepare a speech on "importance of the plantation"; taking help from the following points.**

**10 Marks**

Greeting, importance of trees, present status (disappearance of trees – deforestations – problems) need of plantation, reforestation – seedlings, distribution - responsibilities of students.

(OR)

**Read the information given about the Swatch Bharath programme in India.**

**Programme:** Swatch Bharath

**Launch:** 2014, October 2<sup>nd</sup> by Prime Minister Narendra Modi; New Delhi.

**Slogan:** One step towards cleanliness

**Activities:** Run by 15,000 people. Building toilets in rural area. Cleaning public places, streets and roads.

**Ambassadors:** Sachin Tendulkar, Anil Ambani, Baba Ramdev, Salman Khan, Amir Khan.

**Now write a report on swatch bharath launching programme.**

**34. Imagine you are a student of ZPHS Nagole, Uppal (M), Medchal (D), and your school has following salient features.**

**5 Marks**

- ★ Locate in the midst of nature
- ★ Focus on all round development

- ★ Individual attention
- ★ Focus on social values
- ★ NCC
- ★ Games and sports
- ★ Yoga and meditation
- ★ Digital class rooms
- ★ Moral education

**Now make a poster describing the salient features given above.**

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