CBSE 2022 English (Term 2) — Set 1

English Medium

Time Allowed: 3 Hours | Maximum Marks: 80

General Instructions:

1. This question paper contains 45 questions. All questions are compulsory.
2. Section A — Reading Skills (20 marks).
3. Section B — Creative Writing Skills (16 marks).
4. Section C — Grammar (8 marks).
5. Section D — Literature (36 marks).

Q.1(a) [1 mark]

(Passage 1) How is sand a 'treasure-trove'?

Q.1(b) [1 mark]

(Passage 1) How is sand both a pain and a pleasure?

Q.1(c) [1 mark]

(Passage 1) Name two man-made materials that contain sand.

Q.1(d) [1 mark]

(Passage 1) List the different shapes of sand.

Q.1(e) [1 mark]

(Passage 1) What is the origin of white sand?

Q.1(f) [1 mark]

(Passage 1) In what ways are older granules different from recent granules?

Q.2(a) [1 mark]

(Passage 2) Under what conditions does a natural spring emerge?

Q.2(b) [1 mark]

(Passage 2) What is a confined aquifer?

Q.2(c) [1 mark]

(Passage 2) What forms a flowing artesian well?

Q.2(d) [1 mark]

(Passage 2) Explain the term 'purified' water.

Q.2(e) [1 mark]

(Passage 2) How are pathogens treated?

Q.2(f) [1 mark]

(Passage 2) Why is municipal water treated by chlorination?

Q.3(a) [1 mark]

(Section B - Writing) You are Rita/Rahul and you came across the following information on your local club notice-board:

Better Living
How to tackle stress, build concentration and remain fit and healthy — Yoga, a way of life — Join free yoga camp for students.

You wish to enrol but require more information. Write a letter to the Yoga Institute, M.G. Road, Pune, enquiring details of timing, batch size, eligibility, etc. for joining the course. (5 marks)

Q.3(b) [1 mark]

(Section B - Writing) Internet provides every information one seeks at the click of a button. As a result children today are living in a comfort zone. According to research, this will result in long-term consequences which will affect their brain. Based on the following chart, write an analytical paragraph in not more than 120 words on activities to improve brain power:

Activities to stimulate Brain Power (pie chart):
- Reading the newspaper: 13%
- Social interaction: 15%
- Jigsaw puzzles, crosswords, sudoku, games: 20%
- Writing, not typing: 20%
- Regular exercise: 12%

- Listening to music: 6%
- Discussing current affairs: 14%

(5 marks)

Q.0 [0 mark]

(Section B - Writing, Visually Impaired Candidates) Read the following report and write an analytical paragraph based on it in 100-120 words:

According to a study, playing all sorts of brain games at home for fun boosts memory, thinking speed, and other cognitive skills. A research suggests that using paper and pencil especially for older people engages the brain and enhances memory in many more ways than using a keyboard. (5 marks)

Q.4(a) [1 mark]

(Section B - Grammar) The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Identify the error and write its correction against the correct blank number. Remember to underline the correction.

While the worst for COVID-19 in India (e.g.) for → of
seems to be over, one may remain (a) _____ → _____
vigilant and response quickly to (b) _____ → _____
any future spike of cases. (c) _____ → _____ (3 marks)

Section A — Reading Skills

Comprehension (1-2 marks each)

Q.5 [1 mark]

(Section B - Grammar) Read the conversation below and complete the passage that follows:

Rahul: It is difficult to fight against peer pressure. Youth easily gets influenced by the lifestyle of its peers.
Radhika: Peer pressure has its benefits as well. Our peers also motivate and inspire us to do better and work hard.

Rahul said that it was difficult to fight against peer pressure as (a) _____.
Radhika replied that peer pressure had its benefits as well it (b) _____.
(2 marks)

Q.6(a) [1 mark]

(Section C - Literature) How, according to Buddha, can one obtain peace of mind? (The Sermon at Benares) (2 marks)

Q.6(b) [1 mark]

(Section C - Literature) "Don't bite your nails Amanda!
Don't hunch your shoulders Amanda!"
What does this reflect about Amanda's mother and Amanda? (2 marks)

Q.6(c) [1 mark]

(Section C - Literature) Walt Whitman in 'Animals' shows his preference for living with animals. Justify. (2 marks)

Q.6(d) [1 mark]

(Section C - Literature) Write a brief character sketch of Lomov. (The Proposal) (2 marks)

Q.6(e) [1 mark]

(Section C - Literature) What are the essential qualities for becoming a scientist, according to Ebright's teacher? (The Making of a Scientist) (2 marks)

Q.6(f) [1 mark]

(Section C - Literature) Describe the feelings of the young lawyer when he came to know the reality of the hack driver. (2 marks)

Q.6(g) [1 mark]

(Section C - Literature) What attracts visitors to Coorg? (Glimpses of India) (2 marks)

Q.7(a) [1 mark]

(Section C - Literature, Long Answer) Matilda realised that one little act of negligence can lead to total ruin. What do you learn from this and how would you move on in life? (The Necklace) (4 marks)

Q.7(b) [1 mark]

(Section C - Literature, Long Answer) Imagine you are Bholi and you have been invited to give a speech on the importance of girl education. Write the speech on 'Girl Education and Empowerment'. (4 marks)

Q.7(c) [1 mark]

(Section C - Literature, Long Answer) Valli was a mature girl and ahead of her age. Justify the statement with evidence from the text. (Madam Rides the Bus) (4 marks)