

**Revision Test-2020**

**Class-XII**

**Subject : English (B) A**

Time : 3 Hrs.

Full Marks : 80

**Part-A (Marks : 60)**

- Special credit will be given for answer which are brief and to the points.
- Marks will be deducted for spelling mistakes, untidiness and bad handwriting.
- Figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions :

1. Answer any two questions each in about 100 words : 6x2=12
  - a) "She would forget our brief encounter" — who said this and about whom? What is the "brief encounter" referred to here? Why did the speaker think so? 1+1+2+2
  - b) "The is not a correct approach at all and should never be followed". — Who said this and in what context? What is not a correct approach? What is the correct approach? 1+1+2+2
  - c) What were the three questions of the Tsar and what answers did the hermit give to the Tsar's questions. 2+4
  - d) "Then I made a mistake"— Who said this? What was the mistake made by the speaker? Why didn't the speaker want to make this mistake? 1+2+3

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2. Answer any two of the following questions each in about 100 words 6x2=12
  - a) "In this side there are two red holes" — Who is the person referred to here? What do the "two red holes" signify? What attitude of the poet to war is reflected here? 1+2+3
  - b) What picture of summer is presented in the poem "The Poetry of Earth"? How has it been carried on to the picture of winter? 4+2
  - c) The poem "Asleep in the Valley" is revolved round two contrasting pictures. — Discuss the use of two contrasting pictures in the poem. 1+5
  - d) Why does the poet keafs choose the grasshopper and the cricket as the poet's of Nature?
3. Answer any one of the following questions in about 100 words: 6x1=6
  - a) 'Oh what a burden Lord to be the father a grown up daughter'. — Describe the father's attitude as expressed in the above lines. 6
  - b) How would you best describe the personalities of each of the characters in the play? 2+2+2

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- c) What is the point of dispute between Lomov and Natalya when they meet the first time? How does Lomov prove the point? What does Natalya say to prove that Oxen Meadows are theirs? 2+2+2
4. a) Do as directed : 1x6=6
- i) Natalya : What a surprise! we've had the land for nearly three hundred years, and then we are suddenly told that it isn't ours! (Turn into indirect speech)
- ii) Had she noticed already that I could not see?  
(Change the voice)
- iii) Learned men came to the Tsar, but they all answered his questions differently.  
(Change into a simple sentence)
- iv) Thou art more lovely and more temperate than summer.  
(Rewrite as a Negative Sentence)
- v) Having finished the namez, he used to walk down about four miles from our house to reach our small coconut grave.  
(Split into four simple sentences.)
- vi) There exists a divine power that can lift one from confusion. (Rewrite using the Noun form of the underlined word)

- b) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles/prepositions:
- $\frac{1}{2}x=3$
- Other declared that it was impossible \_\_\_\_\_ decide before hand \_\_\_\_\_ right time \_\_\_\_\_ every action ; but that, not letting oneself be absorbed \_\_\_\_\_ idle pastimes, one should always attend \_\_\_\_\_ all that was going \_\_\_\_\_.
- c) Correct the error in the following sentence by replacing the underline word with the right one from the options given.

1x1=1

The hermit lives in a wood which he never quitted.

(options : lived, would live)

5. Read the following passage and answer the questions that following :
- A 2006 measurement of pollution the Ganges revealed that river water monitoring over the previous 12 years had demonstrated fecal coliform counts upto 100,000,000 MPN (most probable number) per 100 ml, and biological oxygen demand levels averaging over 40 mg/l in the most polluted part of the river in Varanasi. The overall rate of water-borne or enteric disease incidence, including acute gastrointestinal disease, was estimated to be about 66%.

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A systematic classification done by Uttarakhand Environment Protection and Pollution Control Board's (UEPPCB) on river waters into the Categories A: Safe for drinking, B: Safe for bathing, C: Safe for agriculture, and D: excessive pollution, put the Ganges in D. Coliform bacteria levels in the Ganges have also been tested to be at 5,500, a level too high to be safe for agricultural use let alone drinking and bathing.

A study conducted by the National cancer Registry Program (NCRP) under the Indian council of Medical Research in 2012, suggested that "those living along its banks in Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Bengal are more prone to cancer than any where else in the country.

a) State whether the following statements are True or False. Write 'T' for True and 'F' for False. (you need not write the sentences, write the numbers only) 1x4=4

- i) The river water of the Ganges had monitored for 12 years after 2006.
- ii) The polluted water of the Ganges must cause enteric diseases.
- iii) According to UEPPCB, the river water categorised as 'B' is safe for drinking.

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- iv) The study conducted by NCRP was confined within the areas adjacent to the Ganges.
- b) Answer each of the following question in about 30 words : 2x3=6
  - i) What was revealed by the measurement of pollution in the Ganges in 2006?
  - ii) How has the water of the Ganges been categorised?
  - iii) Who are likely to suffer from cancer according to the study conducted by the NCRP?
6. a) The area where your school is located has many road side stalls which sell fast food, fruit cut and kept uncovered and artificially coloured drinks. Write a report in about 150 words about the unhygienic way in which such food is kept, the hazards posed to health, steps that are needed to be taken to check the sale on such food and to increase public awareness about the dangers involved. 10

Or

- b) Your company makes wooden furniture and a customer wants to buy 15 chairs and 12 tables. Write a letter of reply to the customer's enquiry. Mention the rates, time needed for delivery, delivery cost in your letter. 10

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Or

- c) Write a précis of the following passage. Add a suitable title.

2+8=10

The test of a great book is whether we want to read it only once or more than once. Any really great book is the one we want to read the second time even more than we wanted to read it the first time; and every additional time that we read it we find new meanings and new beauties in it. A book that a person of education and good taste does not care to read more than once is very probably not worth much. But we can not consider the judgement of a single individual as final. We may doubt such a judgement. But there is no doubt possible in regard to the judgement of generations. Even if we cannot at once perceive anything good in a book which has been admired and praised for hundreds of years, we may be sure that by trying, by studying it carefully, we shall at last be able to feel the reason of this admiration and praise. The best of all libraries for a poor man would be a library entirely composed of such great works only, books which have passed the test of time.

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