

Part - I

ENGLISH

Maximum : 80 Scores

Time : 2½ Hours

Cool off time : 15 Minutes

General Instructions to Candidates :

- There is a 'Cool off time' of 15 minutes in addition to the writing time of 2½ hrs.
- You are neither allowed to write your answers nor to discuss anything with others during the 'cool off time'.
- Read the questions carefully before answering.
- All questions are compulsory and only internal choice is allowed.
- When you select a question, all the sub-questions must be answered from the same question itself.
- Electronic devices except nonprogrammable calculators are not allowed in the Examination Hall.

1. You happened to see illegal sand mining going on in your area. You want to protest against this illegal activity. You prepared the following slogan to show your protest.

SAVE OUR RIVERS

Prepare two other slogans of protest.

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2. You have read the experiences of W. B. Yeats at Innisfree. Imagine that you have paid a visit to the place and got inspired by the beauty of Innisfree. You want to share your experiences at Innisfree with your classmates. Prepare a brief write-up to be published in the school magazine in a paragraph of 50 words.

[Hints : Scenic beauty – landscape – serenity – animals and birds – serenity]. (4)

3. Imagine that the English club of your school has decided to stage the one-act play, "The Never Never Nest." As the secretary of the club, you want to inform the students about the programme. Prepare a notice for the programme.

[Hints : Date and venue – time – other details if any]. (5)

4. Given below are a few words describing the traits of character.

Stylish, dignified, illiterate, proud, talkative, cultured, attractive, homely

Choose the words that would suit the character of Mohanlal in 'Karma' and write a character sketch in about 70 words.

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5. Imagine that Mr. Adams in "The Case for the Defence", was arrested by the police. On the way to the court, he escaped from the custody of the police. The police gave an advertisement in the newspaper about the missing. Prepare an advertisement to be given in the newspaper.

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6. You came to notice that uncontrolled filling of paddy fields and wetlands is going on in your locality. You thought of writing a letter to inform the District Collector complaining about this rampant activity. Write a letter of complaint.

[Hints : Threats posed to nature – imbalance in the ecosystem – extinction of rare species of birds – support of the local people and the politicians].

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7. In "The Reason", we saw E. V. Lucas who was very disappointed in not getting even a single rabbit during his hunting trip. He could not believe that even the Irish cow would prove herself to be a traitor. He wanted to pour out his emotions in the form of a diary. Write the likely diary entry.

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8. Imagine that your school has decided to form an English Literary Club. As part of it, you decided to invite Mark Twain, the famous writer to deliver a speech on 'The Importance of English as a Global Language.' Prepare the speech in not more than 120 words.

[Hints : Window to the world – language of opportunities – library language – useful in communication].

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9. Imagine a few years after their parting, the clerk in "Lifting the Veil" happens to meet the blind Belgian tourist in a hospital. They enter into a friendly conversation. Prepare the likely conversation between them with minimum six exchanges. You may begin like this :

Clerk : Good morning Sir, could you recognize me?

Blind man : The voice seems to be very familiar! Would you please tell me who you are?

Clerk :

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10. You visited Munnar and Nelliampathy according to the following itinerary. Now, write a travelogue with the help of it, recording your observations, feelings, experiences, impressions, etc. in about 150 words.

Day 1 : 5.00 am – departure from school – bus – Ernakulam – Munnar –
10.00 am – breakfast at Munnar – 11.00 am – visit – Mattupetty
dam – 12.00 pm – top station – 1.00 pm – Rajamalai – 3.00 pm –
shopping – 7.00 pm – stay at Hotel Blue Mount.

Day 2 : 7.00 am – breakfast at Hotel Blue Mount – leave for Nelliampathy –
1.00 pm – lunch – 2.00 pm – Nelliampathy Orange Plantations –
3.30 pm – Echo Point – 4.00 pm – return journey to Ernakulam. (8)

11. Imagine that you got inspired by the life and services rendered by Albert Schweitzer. You want to interview him and publish it in your school magazine. Prepare at least four questions and their responses. (8)

12. Under the auspices of the Career Guidance Club of your school, a seminar was conducted on 'Increasing Cyber Crimes – Causes and Remedies.' Your Principal has asked you to submit a report about it. Prepare the seminar report to be submitted to the Principal.

The programme details are shown below :

09.00 am : Registration

10.00 am : Inaugural ceremony

Welcome speech by Kum. Maya Devi, school leader

Presidential address by the Principal

Inauguration by Sri. Jaya Mohan, IPS, SP, Cyber Cell

Keynote address – Chief Guest.

11.00 am : Paper presentation

Nayana R. – XI std.

Priya S. – XII std.

02.00 pm : Interactive session

03.00 pm : Valedictory function

Vote of thanks by the Convenor of Career Guidance Club (7)

13. The Arts Club of your school has decided to present a dramatized version of Jane Austen's novel, "Pride and Prejudice." You have prepared a notice to inform the students about the programme. Later, you found a few errors in it. Correct the errors and rewrite the notice.

NOTICE

It was decided to conducted a dramatized version of the popular novel Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen on the school auditorium at 03.00 pm on 23/11/2013. All students are requested to present.

Sd/-
Secretary

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14. Read the following poem carefully :

SAVE MOTHER NATURE

I am a child, born to see the beauty of Mother Nature
 But what is this I'm seeing?
 Seems there's no lift for the future?
 How can human behave this so cruel?
 Destroying everything till everything is ruin!
 Plants and trees were cut into pieces
 Why can't they turn it to thousands of kisses?
 Skies so blue but seems look like a dark fog
 Why can't they change it and embrace it and hug?
 Why can't people change and be one of the believers?
 "Saving our Mother Nature" make it as our mission
 Love and take care of it and see it in vision
 How beautiful the world to see how it seems to be
 No tears, no worries
 No pollutions, no waste just a green, green grass
 The beauty of Mother Nature I'm sure will last
 I'm just a child pleading for your cooperation
 Helping our environment for the next generation
 Be a good example and be a protector
 For human were created to be like the creator.

Prepare a brief review of the poem in about 150 words.

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