

SOLVED PAPER	SSLC Karnataka June 2020 Class-X	English First Language
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Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

General Instructions to the Candidate :

1. This Question Paper consists of 45 objective and subjective types of questions.
2. This question paper has been sealed by reverse jacket. You have to cut on the right side to open the paper at the time of commencement of the examination. Check whether all the pages of the question paper are intact.
3. Follow the instructions given against both the objective and subjective types of questions.
4. Figures in the right hand margin indicate maximum marks for the questions.
5. The maximum time to answer the paper is given at the top of the question paper. It includes 15 minutes for reading the question paper.

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- I. **Four alternatives are given for each of the following questions/ incomplete statements. Only one of them is correct or most appropriate. Choose the correct alternative and write the complete answer along with its letter of alphabet :** $6 \times 1 = 6$
 1. The girl won the first prize,
The appropriate question tag to be added is
(A) doesn't she?
(B) didn't she?
(C) does she?
(D) did she?
 2. Get me kilo of sugar from nearest grocer. The appropriate articles to be filled in the blanks are
(A) the, a
(B) the, the
(C) a, the
(D) an, the.
 3. Each of the ministers his assets.
The correct form of the verb to be filled in the blank is
(A) have declared
(B) is declared
(C) was declared
(D) has declared.
 4. The table which has a broken leg is Mohan's.
The underlined group of words is a/ an
(A) noun clause
(B) adverb clause
(C) main clause
(D) adjective clause.
 5. The students were instructed to the questions before they answered them.
The correct phrasal verb to be filled in the blank is
(A) go along.
(B) go through
(C) go into
(D) go away.
 6. I saw new faces in the party.
The figure of speech used here is
(A) Synecdoche
(B) Simile
(C) Personification
(D) Metaphor.
- II. **Observe the relationship in the first pair of words and complete the second pair accordingly in the following :** $4 \times 1 = 4$
 7. Kidneys : Urologist :: Children :
 8. Die: Dye :: Hail :
 9. Infect : Infection :: Remember :
 10. Sheep : Flock :: Ships :
- III. **Rewrite as directed :** $3 \times 1 = 3$
 11. Change the voice of the sentence :
Gambling has ruined many.
 12. Frame a question to get the underlined words as Answer:
Radhakrishnan had his early schooling at Tiruttani.
 13. Re-write the sentence using the word 'emotional':
She spoke very emotionally.
- IV. **Answer the following questions in a sentence each :** $4 \times 1 = 4$
 14. What does the writer compare Della's hair to, when it fell about her **rippling**?
 15. Who congratulated Boone for his catch?

16. Where did both the teams spend the evening after the cricket match ?
17. How does the neighbour, carrying a stone in each hand, appear to the poet **Robert Frost**?
- V. **Answer the following questions in two to three sentences each :** $7 \times 2 = 14$
18. What did St. Francis Xavier passionately pray for? Why?
19. What are the success stories of Pepsi and Coca-Cola?
20. How did the poet William Blake nourish his anger?
21. What comparison does the poet give to explain that he is approaching the night of his life?
22. How does the speaker try to convince his neighbour that they do not need the wall?
23. What made Capt. Smollet unhappy?
24. "The habitation of the cyclop showed more marks of strength than skill." Justify.
- VI. **Rewrite as directed :** $3 \times 2 = 6$
25. Change the following sentence to the other two degrees of comparison :
Ravi Varma was one of the most creative artists in India.
26. Change the following sentence to reported speech :
The tall man said to the guest, "Are you the person who spends hours on the doorstep chatting to strangers?"
27. Combine the sentences using :
(a) As soon as
(b) No sooner than.
She moved with grace. Balarama stopped his speech.
- VII. **Answer the following questions in 5 - 6 sentences each :** $6 \times 3 = 18$
28. How did Pasteur show the difference between pure and stale air?
29. Describe how the writer introduces Karna to the assembly.
30. What does Abraham Lincoln want his son to be taught, to make him a positive and optimistic person?
31. According to Basavanna, how do a poor man and a rich man express their devotion to God differently?
32. Explain how John Masfield regrets for being ungrateful towards his mother.
33. Describe how the girl examined the painted pitcher at home. What was the impact on her?
- OR**
- Give instances to show that the narrator in the train tried his best to impress the girl that he could see.
- VIII. **Explain with reference to the context :** $5 \times 3 = 15$
34. "Take yer hat off and let's have a sight at the looks of it."
35. "Thank goodness it's a short journey."
36. "But make it seven days and squint slightly."
37. With her beak she kissed a few feathers.
38. "Lo, all my inspiration here,
And all my knowledge is from thee."
- IX. **Quote from memory :** 4
39. "I long
.....
..... wine.
OR
And I water'd
.....
..... wiles.
- X. **Answer the following questions in seven to eight sentences each :** $3 \times 4 = 12$
40. Narrate in your own words Wordsworth's experience in nature and the appearance of the huge peak.
41. What does C. V. Raman say about reality the beauty of countryside and the rain-fed tanks?
- OR**
- Explain the difference between a mechanical act and an intentional act with an example.
42. Describe Anne's life in the 'Annexe' as written by her.
- OR**
- Explain the blunders committed by the three batsmen in their excitement to score the run of victory.
- XI. 43. **Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below :** $1 \times 4 = 4$ (2×2)
- The most important thing is that we should have freedom of thought. This is not as easy as it sounds, for everyone likes to have this freedom for himself, but is not ready to give it to others when they express different opinions. This is particularly the case when the differences of opinion arise on such important matters as religion or politics. But if we refuse to let other people hold their opinions on these matters, and specially if we try to force them to accept ours, progress is impossible. If everyone went on thinking the same things as his ancestors thought, progress would come to an end because, as the Buddha said, "What a man thinks he becomes". So if we think exactly what our forefathers thought, we shall remain in the condition in which they were. Our thought depends a good deal upon what we read and what we talk about. Therefore, if we want to think new thoughts, we must try to study all sides of the topic that comes before us, and not be content only with what we read in newspapers or what others say.
- Questions :**
- (a) When is progress impossible?
- (b) How should our thoughts be formed?

XII. 44. Write an essay of about 18-20 sentences on any one of the following topics : $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (a) Educating girls empowers women.
(b) The high cost of Global Warming.

XIII. 45. Imagine you are Manasa / Manohar of Government High School, Kolar. 5

Write a letter to your father explaining to him why you wish to join the defence force of your country.

OR

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- I. 1. (B) didn't she? 1
2. (C) a, the 1
3. (D) has declared 1
4. (D) adjective clause 1
5. (B) go through 1
6. (A) Synecdoche 1

- II. 7. Pediatrist 1
8. Hale 1
9. Remembrance 1
10. Fleet 1

- III. 11. Many have been ruined by gambling. 1
12. Where did Radhakrishnan have his early schooling? 1

OR

In which place did Radhakrishnan have his early schooling?

13. Her speech was very emotional. 1

OR

She was very emotional in her speech.

OR

She gave a very emotional speech.

- IV. 14. Della's long hair has been compared to a cascade of brown waters. 1

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

When Della's hair fell about her rippling, the writer compared it to a cascade of brown waters.

15. Donald 1

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

Donald congratulated Boone for his catch. 1

16. The Three Horses-Shoes 1

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Imagine you are Drushti / Dushyanth of Government High School, Mysore.

Write a letter to the Curator of a museum seeking his permission to visit the museum along with your classmates.

Detailed Answer:

Both the teams spent the evening after the cricket match at 'The Three Horse - Shoes'.

17. An armed old stone savage 1
[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

The neighbour, carrying a stone in each hand, appeared to the poet as an armed old savage, who had not evolved as a progressive human being.

- V. 18. — Prayed that his mind might always remain pure.
— Devotion to God was not for enjoying a higher seat after death.
— It was man's duty to pray 2
[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

St. Xavier passionately prayed that his mind might always remain pure. For him devotion to God was not for enjoying a higher seat after death. He prayed because it was man's duty to pray.

19. — Pepsi and Coca-Cola are sold even in the remotest corners.
— They sell coloured and sweetened water.
— Multinational corporations with revenues bigger than the combined GNPs of nearly a score of the world's poorest countries. 2

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

Pepsi and Coca-Cola are sold even in the remotest nooks and corners of the world today. These sellers of coloured, sweetened water are giant multinational corporations with revenues into billions of dollars – bigger than the combined GNPs of nearly a score of the world's poorest countries. These are the success stories of Pepsi and Coca-Cola.

20. — He did not express his anger.
 — Watered it in fears, night and morning with his tears.
 — Nourished it with smiles with soft deceitful tricks. 2

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

When the poet was angry with his foe, he did not express his anger outright; he watered it in fears, night and morning with his tears. He nourished his anger with smiles and with soft deceitful tricks, just to behave normal in front of his enemy.

21. — He has reached the twilight of the day.
 — Soon the sun is going to fade in the west.
 — The black night, the twin of death will close all activities in sleep. 2

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

The poet compares his age to the twilight of the day (–the time of sunset). Soon the Sun is going to disappear in the west and there will be darkness. Similarly, the poet's age is also fading out towards the black night, of death.

22. — The poet has an apple orchard and his neighbour is all pine.
 — His apple trees will never get across and eat the cones under the pines.
 — There were no cows either to wander across. 2

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

The speaker told his neighbour that he had apple trees on his land whereas the neighbour had pine trees; so his apple trees would not cross over to the neighbour's property to eat pine cones and neither would the latter's pine trees do the same to eat apples. Moreover neither of them had any cows. Thus, there was nothing to wall in or wall out.

But, his neighbour paid no attention to him. He went on mending the fallen wall by placing the stones firmly. He only gave a stock reply 'Good fences make good neighbours'.

23. — He had no hand in choosing his crew.
 — Unhappier still that everyone knew that they were sailing for treasure. 2

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answers :

Captain Smollett was unhappy because he had no hand in selecting the crew and everyone seemed to know that they were going for a treasure hunt.

24. — Giants' cave was rudely fashioned.
 — The pillars were huge oaks and pines in the natural state.
 — Artless structure with savage contrivances. 2

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

The habitation of the cyclops showed more marks of strength than skill because the giants' cave was rudely fashioned. The pillars, which supported it, were huge oaks and pines in the natural state of the trees. It was an artless structure with savage contrivances.

25. **Positive :** Very few artists in India were as creative as Ravi Varma. 1

Comparative : Ravi Varma was more creative than many/most other artists in India. 1

26. The tall man asked the guest if/ whether he was the person who spent hours on the doorstep chatting to strangers. 2

27. (a) As soon as ...
 As soon as she moved with grace, Balarama stopped his speech. 1

- (b) No sooner ... than
 No sooner did she move with grace than Balarama stopped his speech. 1

- VII. 28. — Pasteur filled some bottles with soup and took them a hotel room.

— Broke their necks off a few of them, so that the air could enter, and then sealed them.

— He took a few bottles to a field and did the same.

— Finally, he opened some bottles on a high mountain and sealed them.

— The result was that, the bottles opened in the hotel room were full of soup, which had gone completely mouldy.

— The bottles opened in the field were mouldy, but not so bad.

— Bottles opened on the mountain had no germs in them at all. 3

29. — At the close of the day, there came suddenly from the entrance of the arena a sound, loud and compelling, like thunder – made by slapping of mighty arms in challenge.

— All eyes turned in that direction.

— They saw enter through the crowd in silence, a God-like youth from whom light and power seemed to emanate.

- He looked proudly around himself, cast a negligent salute at Drona and Kripa, and strode up to Arjuna.
- The brothers, all unaware, by the bitter irony of fate of their common blood, faced one another, for it was Karna. 3

30. — All men are not just, all men are not true, but for every scoundrel there is a hero.
- For every selfish politician there is a dedicated leader.
 - For every enemy there is a friend.
 - A dollar earned is far more valuable than five dollars found.
 - To learn to lose and to enjoy winning. To steer him away from envy and to teach the secret of quiet laughter.
 - To learn that bullies are the easiest to lick.
 - To have faith in his own ideas even if everyone tells him, they are wrong.
 - How to laugh in tears – no shame in tears. 3

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

To make his son a positive and optimistic person, Abraham Lincoln wanted him to be taught that all men are not just, all men are not true, but for every scoundrel there is a hero; for every selfish politician there is a dedicated leader; and a dollar earned is far more valuable than five dollars found. He wanted his son to learn to lose and to enjoy winning; to be steered away from envy and to be taught the secret of quiet laughter. He wanted his son to learn that bullies are the easiest to lick; that he should have faith in his own ideas, even if everyone tells him that they are wrong; how to laugh when he is sad; and there is no shame in tears.

31. — The rich people express their devotion to God by building temples for Siva (God).
- Basavanna cannot do it, but wants to show devotion to his lord.
 - He consoles himself by saying that his body itself is a temple.
 - His legs are pillars, his body is the shrine where his lord resides and his head is a cupola of gold.
 - Things standing are not permanent but the moving shall stay forever. 3

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed answer:

According to Basavanna, rich people can express their devotion to God by building temples for Lord Siva, whereas Basavanna cannot do it because he is poor. But he wants to show his devotion to his lord; so he consoles

himself by saying that his body itself is a temple. His legs are its pillars, his torso is the shrine where his Lord resides, and his head is a cupola of gold. He prays to God that things standing (like the structure of a temple on earth) are not permanent but the moving (temple of his soul) shall stay forever and God should reside there.

32. — The poet questions himself what he has done to keep in mind his debt to his mother and woman kind.
- He also wonders how he has given her happiness for those months of wretched days.
 - He remembers how his mother's life was consumed by him before he was born.
 - He also laments that he has done nothing in gratitude to that dear woman, who is dead now.
 - He says how men overpower women even today.
 - How men ignore the rights of women and treat them as if they are not important.
 - He says man's strong desire for supremacy over women roams about in the world untamed. 3

33. — At home, away from prying eyes, she held it in the light, turned it round and round and scanned it from all angles.
- At night, lighted a lamp and scanned it in silence again.
 - For the first time, she saw something that had no meaning and no purpose at all.
 - The next day, her hurrying feet were a little less hurried.
 - New sense awakened in her, a sense that had no meaning and no purpose at all. 3

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

The girl went away with her pitcher. At home, away from prying eyes, she held it in the light, turned it round and round and scanned it from all angles. At night she moved out of bed, lighted a lamp and scanned it again in silence. For the first time in her life she had seen something that had no meaning and no purpose at all. When she set out for the torrent the next day, her hurrying feet were less hurried than before. For a new sense had awakened in her, a sense that had no meaning and no purpose at all.

OR

- The narrator kept to his seat.
- He described Mussoorie.
- He moved easily along the berth and felt for the window-ledge.
- Pretended as if studying the landscape.
- He asked her if she had noticed that the trees seemed to be moving while they seemed to be standing still.
- He remarked that she had an interesting face.

3

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]**Detailed Answer:**

The narrator in the train tried his best to impress the girl whom he could see by keeping to his seat. He described Mussoorie. He moved easily along the berth and felt for the window-ledge. The narrator pretended as if he was studying the landscape. He asked her if she had noticed that the trees seemed to be moving while they seemed to be standing still. He also remarked that she had an interesting face. All that kept the girl from realising that he was blind.

- VIII. 34. —** The Gift of the Magi: O'Henry
 — Madam Sofronie says to Della.
 — Della wanted to gift to her husband something on Christmas. She had only one dollar and eighty-seven cents, which was not sufficient. She went to Madam Sofronie to sell her hair. Madam Sofronie asked her to take off her hat.

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[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]**Detailed Answer:**

Lesson: The Gift of the Magi.

Writer: O' Henry

Della wanted to gift her husband something on Christmas, she had only one dollar and eighty-seven cents, which was not sufficient. So she went to Madam Sofronie to sell her hair. When Della asked Madam Sofronie if she would buy her hair, the latter asked her to take off her hat so that she could have a look at her hairs. It was then that Madam Sofronie said these words to Della.

- 35. —** The Eyes are not Here: Ruskin Bond
 — The girl in the train says to the narrator.
 — When the narrator said that they would be at her station, the girl made this statement because she could not bear to sit in a train for more than two or three hours.

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- 36. —** The Pie and the Tart: Hugh Chesterman.
 — Pierre says this to Jean.
 — Pierre wanted to know how Jean would beg. Jean said, "For the love of St. Agatha and all blessed saints have pity on a poor miserable who has had no food for three days." In reaction to this Pierre says the above line.

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- 37. —** To a Pair of Sarus Cranes: Manmohan Singh
 — The male bird was shot by the hunters when he was pulling out the reluctant Sun out from the rim of the horizon.
 — The female bird circled the sky and came down to the death scene after the hunters left.
 — She picked a few feathers with her beak, kissed them and sat on them to hatch it into a toddling chick.

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[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]**Detailed Answer:**

Lesson: To a Pair of Sarus Cranes

Poet: Manmohan

In the given extract from the poem 'To a Pair of Sarus Cranes', the poet, Manmohan Singh brings out the feelings of a female crane on the death of its male partner. After the departure of the killers, she descended to the death scene. She picked a few blood-stained feathers, kissed them and sat on them desperately to hatch them into a toddling chick. In her grief, she couldn't survive and died.

- 38. —** Buttoo: Toru Dutt
 — Buttoo says to his Guru (master)
 — Buttoo said that he had gone to him to learn his art of archery but since Buttoo was not born to name or riches, he was sent back with shame.
 — Still Buttoo respects Drona as his master (Guru) because he is the former's inspiration.

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[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]**Detailed Answer:**

Lesson: Buttoo

Poet: Toru Dutt

Buttoo says these words to his Guru (master). Buttoo had gone to his Guru to learn his art of archery but since he was not born name or riches, he was sent with shame. Still Buttoo respects Drona as his master (Guru) because he is the former's inspiration, so Buttoo said these lines to Drona his Guru.

- IX 39. "I long woo'd your daughter, my suit you denied;
Love swells like the Solway, but ebbs like its tide—
And now am I come with this lost love of mine,
To lead but one measure, drink one cup of wine.

OR

"And I water'd it in fears,
Night and morning with my tears;
And I sunned it with smiles,
And with soft deceitful wiles.

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- X. 40. — the poet loosened the chain of a boat tied to a willow tree in a rocky cove.
— As the poet was rowing the boat in the moonlight, he could hear the mountain echoes.
— As the boat moved in the water, it left behind a trail of circles glittering in the moon.
— Far above he saw nothing but stars and the grey sky.
— He fixed his view upon a craggy ridge that was the horizon's utmost boundary.
— The boat, which he compares to an 'elfin pinnacle', moved through the water like a swan.
— A huge peak seemed to uprear its head and grew in stature with every stroke of the oar that the poet struck into the water.
— It seemed to tower up between him and the stars.

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[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

One summer evening, the poet, led by nature, found a small boat tied to a willow tree in a rocky cove. He loosened the chain and went rowing. As the poet was rowing the boat in the moonlight, he could hear the mountain echoes. As the boat moved in the water, it left behind a trail of circles glittering in the moon. Far above he saw nothing but stars and the grey sky. Then he fixed his view upon a craggy ridge that was the horizon's utmost boundary. The poet compared his boat to an 'elfin pinnacle' that moved through the water like a swan. A huge peak upreared its head and grew in stature with every stroke of the oar that the poet struck into the water. The mountain peak seemed to tower up between him and the stars.

41. — A little stream trickling over the rocks or a little pond by the wayside where the cattle quench their thirst
— Rain-fed tanks are common in south India, but often neglected.

- Cheering sight when they are full.
- They are shallow, water is silt- laden and throws the light back and bottom the does not show up.
- Vital role in south Indian agriculture.
- They are large and serve as a beautiful place to see sunrise or sunset from.
- Water is compared to the eyes in a human face.
- It reflects the mood of the hour.
- Water in the rain-fed tanks gets its colour from the suspended soil.

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[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

The countryside looks beautiful especially when a little stream trickling over the rocks or a little pond by the wayside where the cattle quench their thirst, is seen in some places. The rain-fed tanks are common in south India, but they are often neglected by us. But it is a cheering sight when they are full. They are shallow, water is silt-laden and throw the light back and the bottom of the tank does not show up. These tanks play a vital role in the agriculture of the region. They are large and serve as a beautiful place to see sunrise or sunset from. The beauty of the water is compared to the eyes in a human face. It just reflects the mood of the hour. Water in the rain fed-tanks gets its colour from the suspended soil.

OR

- A moral act must be our own act; must spring from our own will.
- If we act mechanically, there is no moral content in our act.
- Such action would be moral if we think it proper to act like a machine and do so by way of our own discretion.
- It may be moral for a king to pardon a culprit.
- But the messenger bearing the order of pardon plays only a mechanical part in the King's moral art.
- But if the messenger were to bear the King's order, considering it to be his duty, his action would be a moral one.
- One who does not use his own intelligence and power of thought will be swept along like a log of wood as he cannot understand morality.
- When we care for our conscience then we alone can be regarded to have stepped on to the moral road.

4

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

According to Gandhiji, a moral act must be our own actions and it must spring from our own will. If we act mechanically, there is no moral content in our actions. Such action would be moral if we think it proper to act like a machine and do so by way of our own discretion. For example, it may be moral for a king to pardon a culprit. But here the messenger bearing the order of pardon plays only a mechanical part in the King's moral act. But, if the messenger were to bear the King's order, considering it to be his duty, his action would be a moral one. One who does not use his own intelligence and power of thought will be swept along like a log of wood and he cannot understand morality. However, when we care for our conscience then alone we can be regarded to have stepped on the moral road.

42. — She described life in the "Annexe" with all its inevitable tensions and quarrels.
- She kept a delicate record of adolescence, with honesty - a young girl's thoughts and feelings, her longings and loneliness.
 - She compares herself to a song bird whose wings have been brutally torn out and is flying in utter darkness against the bars of its own cage.
 - She was isolated from the outside world for nearly sixteen months.
 - After she had filled every page of the diary, Miep gave her a book. Later she used Margot's chemistry book.
 - Her diary reveals the trust she had on her father.
 - She was sad that her mother did not understand her and her feelings.
 - Her diary tells about her flowering personality, eagerness to face life with adult courage and her matured self-insight.

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[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

Anne Frank described her life in the "Annexe" with all its inevitable tensions and quarrels. She kept a delicate record of her adolescence with honesty - a young girl's thoughts and feelings, her longings and loneliness. She compares herself to a song bird whose wings have been brutally torn out and is flying in utter darkness against the bars of its own cage. She was isolated from the outside world for nearly sixteen months. After she had filled every page of the diary, Miep gave her a book. She filled that even and finally, she used Margot's chemistry book for writing down her observations. Her diary reveals that she had trust on her father but she

was sad that her mother did not understand her and her feelings at all. The Diary also tells us about Anne's flowering personality, her eagerness to face life with adult courage and her matured self-insight

OR

- During the Cricket match, on the terrestrial sphere, the blacksmith forgot his sprained ankle and set out at a capital rate calling out to Joe.
- The baker who was running on behalf of the blacksmith also set out roaring "Come on Joe".
- From the other end Joe started and roared "Come on Bill". So, all three were running.
- Joe ran with his head thrown back, eyes on the cricket ball.
- The blacksmith and the baker too ran with the heads turned upwards and backwards.
- Halfway down the pitch, the three met with a clang and had a resounding fall.
- Pollock had caught the ball and the match was a tie - not knowing this the three batsmen bent on completing the single had picked themselves up.
- Unfortunately, dazed with their falls, with excitement and with the noise, all three of them ran for the same wicket, simultaneously realized their error, and all three turned and ran for the together. 4

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

Detailed Answer:

The blunder committed by the three batsman in their excitement to score the run of victory was very funny and exciting. During the cricket match, on the terrestrial sphere, the blacksmith forgot his sprained ankle and set out at a capital rate calling out to Joe the baker, who was running on behalf of the blacksmith, who also set out roaring, "Come on Joe". From the other end Joe started and roared, "Come on Bill". In this way all three were running. Joe ran with his head thrown back, eyes on the cricket ball. The blacksmith and the baker too ran with their heads turned upwards and backwards. Halfway down the pitch, the three met with a clang and had a resounding fall. Meanwhile Pollock had caught the ball and the match was a tie-not knowing this the three batsmen bent on completing the single had picked themselves up. Unfortunately, dazed with their falls, with excitement and with the noise, they all ran for the same wicket, simultaneously realized their error, and all three turned and ran for the other together.

- XI. 43. (a)** If we refuse to let other people hold their opinions and if we try to force them to accept ours, progress is impossible.
- If everyone thinks as his ancestors, progress would come to an end.
 - (b)** We must try to study all sides of the topic that comes before us, and not be content only with what we read in newspapers or what others say. 2

XII. 44. Essay

— Matter	(2 marks)
— Sequence	(2 marks)
— Language	(1 marks)
Total	(5 marks)

[KSEEB - Model Answer, 2020]

(a) Educating girls empowers women

It is said that by educating a male child, we educate only a single person, but if we educate a female child, we educate two families. Right from the the genesis of human beings a woman has been the first teacher of her children and they receive their very first lessons in their mother's lap. Hence, if a mother is well - educated then she can play a very significant role in shaping her child's future.

Like in other countries, female education is the need of the hour in India. We should stop discriminating between boy and the girl child. We can't become a developed nation without educating the women of our country. Because nowadays, women play an essential role in the all-round progress of the country. Women are not only the real builders of their happy homes and families, but they are also important nation builders as well. One can see their contributions in the fields of politics, science, medicine, architecture, teaching, defence, law and order, and every other field that has been dominated by men down the ages.

It is a fact that girls are achieving more in less time when compared to boys. Girls are becoming more aware and vociferous of their rights and respect in society and our government is also supporting them through programmes like "Beti Bachao – Beti Padhao". Girls have the ability of simultaneously managing their families, jobs and passions all together. Once Napoleon said, "A Nation's progress is impossible without trained and educated mothers and if the women of my country are not educated, about half of the people will be ignorant." Thus, we Indians should also create an atmosphere in which not

a single woman remains uneducated. Women must be educated to make our democracy strong and successful.

OR**(b) The High cost of Global Warming**

Today we are aware of the steadily rising average temperature of the earth due to the effects of global warming. Consequently, glaciers are melting in Antarctica, high temperatures are noticeable in cold hill stations and famine prone areas of the world are flooded with water everywhere. Global Warming is a term almost everyone is familiar with; however, its meaning is still not clear to most of us.

But in actual sense Global Warming refers to the gradual rise in the overall temperature of the atmosphere of the Earth. There are various factors responsible for increasing temperatures. Global warming is melting our ice glaciers rapidly.

This is extremely harmful for the earth and its inhabitants. The causes of global warming are many. They are both natural as well as man-made. The natural causes include the release of greenhouse gases, which are not able to escape from the earth like carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide and others, causing the temperature to increase.

Further, volcanic eruptions release tons of carbon dioxide, which contributes to global warming. Man-made causes like excessive use of automobiles and fossil fuels results in increased level of carbon dioxide. In addition, activities like mining and excessive cattle rearing are very harmful to the environment. One of the most common issues is deforestation. When trees, which are one of the biggest sources of absorption of carbon dioxide, will disappear from the earth at this rate, there will be nothing left to regulate the gas. Thus, it will result in an irretrievable damage due to global warming. Steps must be taken immediately to control global warming and make the earth a better place again. It is quite a challenging task to control global warming, but it is not an unmanageable one. Individuals and governments have to jointly take steps towards achieving it.

XIII. 45. Letter Writing

— Format	(2 marks)
— Matter	(2 marks)
— Language	(1 marks)
Total	(5 marks)

[KSEEB Model Answer - 2020]

Government High School**Kolar****July 15th, 2020**

Dear Father,

I hope this letter of mine finds you and mother in good health. Thanks for your letter dated 10th July, in which you asked me about my career choice after the Board exams. That led me to ruminate upon my ambitions and the choices available in front of me.

You know, I always admired the uniform of Uncle Subhash, whenever he came back home from the borders. I always wanted to be like him—a soldier in the service of our great nation. To pursue my dream, I have chalked out a plan to develop myself physically and preparing myself mentally for the challenges ahead. Since, a soldier is a complete human being, I shall lay equal emphasis upon my studies and focus on the difficult subjects like Maths and Science.

Give my love to Tina and accept my regards for yourself and mother.

Yours lovingly,

Manohar

OR

Government High School

Mysore

July 15th, 2020

The Curator,

Mysore Museum,

Mysore

Subject: Permission to visit the museum

Sir,

Our school is planning the annual excursion once again and as the Head Girl, it is my responsibility to see through its entire planning and execution. To this end, we would like your permission to bring a group of 50 students on Saturday, the 18th of July, at about 10 a.m. Hope it will be convenient for you.

We request you to arrange for a guide as well, who would show us around the museum providing us with the accurate historical facts.

Yours Sincerely,

Drushti

(Head Girl)

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