

Self Assessment Paper-1

ENGLISH CORE

Time : 1 hrs.

Max. Marks : 25

SOLUTIONS

Part-A (40 Marks)

Answer 1.

(1×10=10)

- (1) (ii) bring the message that rains are coming soon
- (2) (iii) The rain brings a lot of insects which they eat.
- (3) (ii) The paths to the sanctuaries become waterlogged.
- (4) (iii) because of the moisture in the air during the rainy season
- (5) (iv) Thirsty animals come to the waterholes as easy preys.
- (6) (iii) Parks and sanctuaries close down.
- (7) (i) deep underground
- (8) (iv) rainy season
- (9) (ii) announce
- (10) (i) appearing
- (11) (i) furry growth of fungi

Answer 2.

(1×10=10)

- (1) (i) Traditional
- (2) (iii) E-mail
- (3) (i) Telephone
- (4) (ii) Fax
- (5) Option 3
- (6) (iii) Mixed
- (7) (i) Voice message, Text message, Instant Messenger, Fax
- (8) (iv) Video calling
- (9) (i) Survey
- (10) (ii) Instant
- (11) (iv) Opinion

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Self Assessment Paper-2

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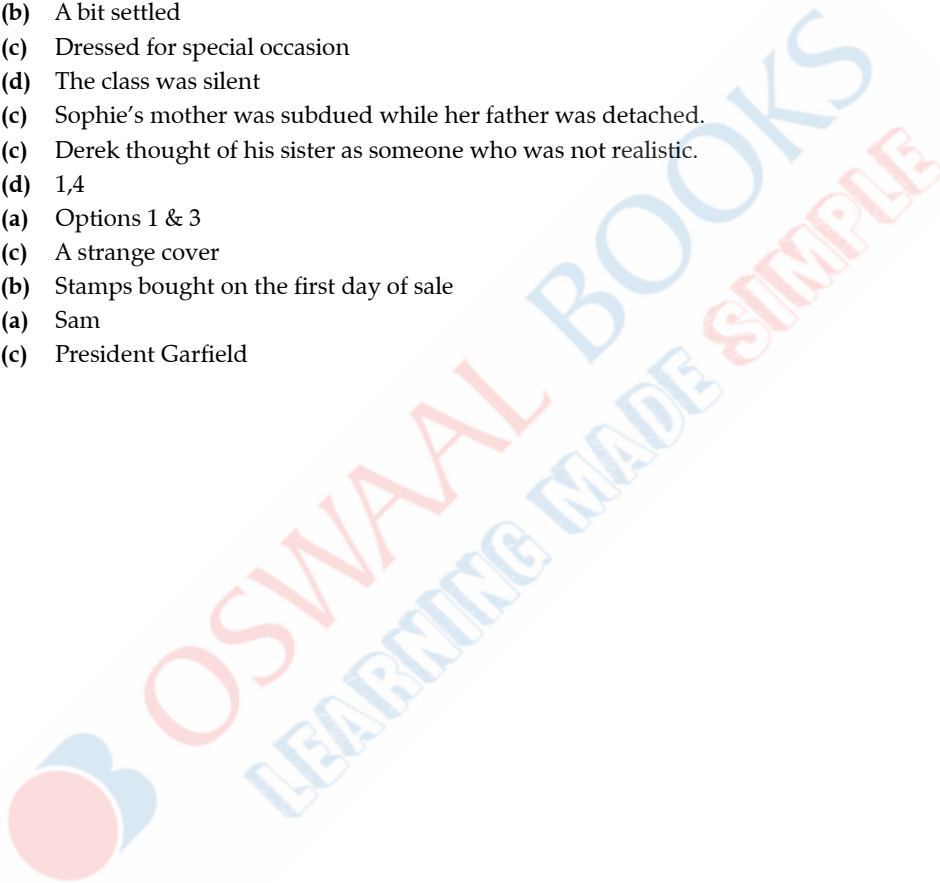
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1. (i) (b) Franz
(ii) (b) A bit settled
(iii) (c) Dressed for special occasion
(iv) (d) The class was silent
2. (i) (c) Sophie's mother was subdued while her father was detached.
(ii) (c) Derek thought of his sister as someone who was not realistic.
(iii) (d) 1,4
(iv) (a) Options 1 & 3
3. (i) (c) A strange cover
(ii) (b) Stamps bought on the first day of sale
(iii) (a) Sam
(iv) (c) President Garfield

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Self Assessment Paper-3

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SOLUTIONS

1. Detailed Answer :

WEST END COOPERATIVE GROUP HOUSING SOCIETY, VASUNDHARA
NOTICE

MARCH 2, 20XX

SOCIETY MEETING

All the members of the society are hereby informed that a meeting will be held on 10th March, 20XX at 4:00 p.m. in the Society Club House to discuss the issue of irregular supply of drinking water.

All the members are requested to attend the meeting positively.

Kumar
Secretary

OR

Detailed Answer:

SITUATION VACANT

Sunrise Global School, Agra, requires a young female receptionist, must be graduate with convent background, computer-savvy, having a pleasing personality with 1 to 5 years of experience. Attractive salary and perks. Interested candidates may apply within 7 days to the Principal. Ph. 9412500075.

OR

HOLI MILAN SAMAROH

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- ☆ Merry - go - rounds
- ☆ Attractive fine works
- ☆ Sumptuous snacks
- ☆ Magic Shows
- ☆ Exciting games



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Date: 24 March 20xx

Time: 4 pm onwards

Venue : Auditorium Hall
For further details,
contact administrative office.

2. Detailed Answer :

M-114, Fort Road
Chennai - 600009
03 March, 2019

Dear Sathish,

It is a great pleasure to receive the invitation to attend your sister Jaya's wedding. Thanks for inviting me. But I am sorry to inform you that I won't be able to attend the same as the Physics paper of my pre-board examination is scheduled on the same day of wedding. Please convey my best wishes to Jaya and her fiancé.

Yours lovingly,

Puneet

3. Detailed Answer :

G-49,
Radha Dham
Noida
25 October, 2018
The Manager
R. K. Electronics
Noida

Subject: Complaint about Defective Inverter

Sir,

I bought Luminous Inverter from your showroom on October 20, 2018 vide bill no. E345 against the payment of ₹ 20,000. I regret to inform you that it is a defective piece. It automatically turns off after every half an hour. Many times, its display starts blinking and the battery backup is only of forty minutes maximum. The water also keeps leaking from the battery.

I have been your regular customer since 2010. My customer ID is 2078IN9. You can look up my purchase record in your system. I have been facing a lot of inconvenience during the outage. I request you to replace the defective inverter as it is still in the warranty period.

Looking forward for a prompt response from your end.

Yours truly,
Taruna

4.

Role of father in the family

-Dhruv

A father plays a significant role in his child's life that can't be played by others. The role can have a large impact on their child and help shape him/her in to the person they become on future.

It is not completely true that 'father' is synonymous with strict discipline only. In fact, like mother, he is a pillar in the development of a child's emotional well-being. Children look to their father to lay down the rules and enforce them. They also look to their father, to provide them a feeling of security-both physical and emotional children want to make their father's proud and an involved father promotes inner growth and strength.

Studies show when father are affectionate and supportive, it greatly affects a child's cognitive and social development. It also instills an overall sense of well-being and self-confidence. The father not only fulfills his responsibilities affectionately for the family but also sets the pattern in relationships which will in turn, be reflected by how his children relate with other people in society.

OR

Detailed Answer :

Indulgence of the Youth in the Internet

For the motion

Respected Principal, honourable judges, teachers and my dear friends, today I am going to present my view for the motion. Indulgence of the youth in the internet is a great bane for them. Nowadays, the internet has become a part and parcel of our day to day life. The internet has great many uses. It is impossible for us to live or even think about present life without the internet. However, we must keep in mind that the word 'Indulgence' in itself is very bad. It kills creativity of a person. Moreover, it leads to social alienation. It is a passive activity which makes a person become obese. It is seen that the youth have become greatly indulgent in the internet. We have heard of many incidents about some online games leading to fatal results. According to many psychiatrists, the over-indulgence in the internet leads to many mental disorders. It is seen that the youth are indulgent in watching obscene stuff on the internet. It leads to the increase in the incidents of crime against women in the society. Thus, internet in itself is not bad.

The need of the hour is that it should be used judiciously and wisely.
Thank you for hearing with patience.

Against the motion :

Honourable Jury Members, respected teachers and dear students. I, XYZ of class XII, have got the great opportunity to express my views on the topic: ' Indulgence of the youth in the use of the Internet is a great bane for them'. I would like to speak against the topic.

Dear friends, we are living in an era of Internet. Today's world is a world of computers and mobiles. Tell me an area or sphere where internet and computers are not being used! Education, industry, finance, defence, teaching, learning, research, medicine, accounting, entertainment, telecommunication, media and space research and exploration. It is Internet and computer everywhere. Internet has become ubiquitous owing to its versatility. So how can it be a bane for youth? If comes the question of education and learning, then no one can deny the role of Internet. The knowledge that was typically locked away into mysterious corridors of elite schools for a high price tag is available to everyone. It has made the learning in classrooms much more convenient, easier, simpler, colourful, fun-filled and efficient. Expert teachers teach students using smart boards and interactive whiteboards. Internet has enabled both students and teachers to process learning data many times faster than was possible in a traditional classroom. Any type of valuable information students require is just a few clicks away. Next comes job and business. Don't we know that for a mind with million dreams, the Internet has opened infinite opportunities. Once again, I will say that the young population that brews with ideas, imagination, the Internet just connects all those dots. It is the God of the modern era! Next, the Internet has reconnected the broken wires of human relationships. Gone are the days when young friends would meet either once or never in life time, but today the connection is back. Thanks to the Internet! My friends put a blame that the Asian countries with several social norms have received a cultural jolt with boundary-less Internet. To them, I must say that it depends on us, how we use the tool for the right things. At the end of my debate, I will only say that Internet is very helpful to the youth if it is used in a judicious way.

OR

Detailed Answer :

Library Plays an Important Role at School

Good morning to one and all present in this morning assembly. Today, I, Karuna, Head Girl, have got a golden opportunity to share my views with you on the importance of libraries in schools. Today, the internet has become a major source of information. We can get all the information we want just by a click of a mouse. We can read, write and even play on the internet. But in spite of this information being easily available, the school libraries have retained their importance and that is because everyone does not have access to the internet. The average and economically poor students find the school library important and useful. They can quietly sit and read there without paying a single rupee.

Definitely libraries cannot be replaced by computers. Books have their own importance. The beautiful illustrations make you fly on the wings of imagination. Libraries do not need electricity all the time. The books available there can be read easily during daylight, that also without any tension about electricity or net connectivity. Therefore, libraries have and will ever retain their importance with added advantage of digital libraries.

Thank you.

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SOLUTIONS

1. Listening to them, the author must have seen the web of poverty, burdened by the stigma of caste in which we are born. She must have felt as caught in a vicious circle of caste system, patriarchy and other similar clutches of the Indian system of society.
2. The Studios were particularly influenced by the sunset and sunrise scenes presented by MRA in their play 'Jotham Valley'. The scenes were presented on a bare stage with a white background and a tune played on the flute. These scenes were imitated at the Studios.
3. Some of the questions that I would like to ask the author I am interviewing are:
 - When did you first realize you wanted to be a writer?
 - How long does it take you to write a book?
 - What is your work schedule like when you're writing?
 - What would you say is your interesting writing quirk?
 - How do books get published?
 - Where do you get your information or ideas for your books?
 - When did you write your first book and how old were you?
 - What do you like to do when you're not writing?
 - What does your family think of your writing?
 - What was one of the most surprising things you learned in creating your books?
 - How many books have you written? Which is your favourite?
 - Do you have any suggestions to help me become a better writer? If so, what are they?
 - Do you hear from your readers much? What kinds of things do they say?
 - Do you like to create books for adults?
 - What do you think makes a good story?
 - As a child, what did you want to do when you grew up?
4. **Detailed Answer :** The poem 'Keeping Quiet' shows that Pablo Neruda was peace-loving. Throughout the poem, he tells everyone to keep quiet and introspect. That will be the time when there will be no green war or chemical war or nuclear war. No animals will be hunted. Everyone will keep the 'arms' still and introspect. He also appealed to fisherman to stop harming whales and warmongers to shun aggression and maintain peace.
5. **Detailed Answer :** Sam's letter shows that he was pining for the simple, less harassing and a happier era. He too had found respite from the hurry and worry of modern life in time travel. Therefore, Sam had learnt to transport himself into the time period of his ancestors whose quality of life he considered was better than their present existence. His eagerness to escape from hurries and worries of the modern lifestyle could have made him believe that Charley was right about The Third Level.
6. Evans was also known as 'Evans the Break', as he had run away thrice from the jail. He was considered a pleasant sort of a chap by the prison authorities. He was good at imitations but was a congenital kleptomaniac. He wanted to sit for examination so as to use the opportunity to escape from the prison.
7. **Detailed Answer:** After the peddler stole thirty kronors from the crofter's house, he realized that he cannot continue on the public highway, but must turn off the road into the woods. During the first few hours, this caused him no difficulty. Later in the day, it became worse, for it was a big and confusing forest which he had gotten into. He tried to be sure to walk in a definite direction, but the paths twisted back and forth so strangely. He walked on, without coming to the end of the wood and finally, he realized that he had only been walking around in the same part of the forest. All at once, he recalled his thoughts about the world and the rattrap. Now his own turn had come. He had let himself be fooled by a bait and had been caught. The whole forest, with its

trunks and branches, its thickets and fallen logs, closed on him like an impenetrable prison from which he could never escape.

8. **Detailed Answer :** Sophie was a teenager who liked to live in the world of fantasy. She always imagined herself as belonging to a high class family. Therefore, she imagined that she had met Danny Casey. She liked this idea and narrated the whole incident to her brother Geoff. She told him that she had met Danny Casey at the shopping arcade when she had gone there for window-shopping. She had asked him for his autograph for Derek, her younger brother, which he agreed to but she could not get it as neither Danny Casey nor Sophie had a pen or a paper. Therefore, Danny Casey had promised to give her the autograph if she would come to meet him the next week. Geoff was sure that it was the unlikeliest thing that Danny Casey would come and meet her sister. On the other hand, the father thought that it was one of her wild stories which would lead her to trouble. He was full of disdain.

9. Wednesday, 2nd March XX

9 PM

We had an unexpectedly good day today! After months of waiting, we actually had a buyer today. A red car whizzed past by our stand and then suddenly applied brakes sharply. After a few seconds, it started reversing and stopped right in front of our stand. The driver came out of the car. He was a young boy of around 25 years of age. I could see that he had his wife and a small kid in the car. He asked if we sold soft drinks and chips. I showed him a variety of chips. He randomly selected six packets. Upon asking the flavour of soft drink he needed, he changed his view and asked if we had packaged fruit juice. I told him that we only had Mixed Fruit Juice. He bought six tetra packs of fruit juice as well. He also left a small tip behind as we did not have adequate change. Finally, we got something which the city people call 'money'. How I wish, we were able to get some 'city-money' regularly.

10. 12, Davidson County

23 January 'XX

Dear hubby,

I want to tell you that I love you very much. I know that you equally reciprocate this feeling. However, due to the society in which we have been brought up, I have been a target of male chauvinism. Though unknowingly to you, I have been afraid of you. Right after marriage, a girl has to adjust to the new house. In that situation, when she is burdened with the rules and regulations, she gets under-confident. Same happened with me.

I had been afraid to tell you this earlier but Adrienne Rich's poem gave me the courage to share the truth with you. As now I am nearing my death-bed, I want to let you know that I have loved and cherished every moment of life that I have spent with you, yet in some corner of my mind, I have been afraid lest any of my words or activities may anger you.

Hope you will take this in good spirits.

With love

Jennifer

11. **Detailed Answer :** Dr. Sadao's servants were not at all happy and were scared when they came to know that their master had decided to give shelter to an enemy in the house. The first reaction came from Yumi when Hana told her to wash the white man. She bluntly refused her when she saw the man. Hana herself had to wash him. Their anger grew day by day. They felt that their master should not help the white man as they might get arrested for helping an enemy. They were also concerned about Sadao's children. Gradually, they started growing more watchful. They would have discussions on what their master ought to do. They deliberately had one such discussion when they saw Hana within reach of hearing it. They felt that they could not stay in the same house where an enemy had been sheltered. They felt it was unpatriotic. So finally, when they thought that their master was not going to let that man get arrested, they decided to leave his services. One morning when Hana came out, she saw all of them ready to leave. But she didn't stop them. She paid them their dues, held her head high and let them go.
12. **Detailed Answer :** Bama's home was hardly a ten minute walk from her school. She took almost half an hour to reach her home because she watched all the fun and games in the streets. There, was a performing monkey. Then, there was the snake charmer. There was the cyclist who had not got off his bike for three days. There were the spinning wheels. The Maariyaata Temple was a great attraction. There were all sorts of shops and stalls. There was a hunter-gypsy with a lemur in a cage, people selling needles, clay pots and instruments for cleaning ears. There would be some political party arranging mikes. At times there was a puppet or a magic show. There were the coffee clubs in the bazaar. Some people could be seen sitting in front of the shops, chopping onions. Then, according to the season, there would be people selling fruits, sweets, tasty fried snacks, payasam, halwa, boiled tamarind seeds and iced lollies.