

DAV BR PUBLIC SCHOOL, BINA
PRACTICE PAPER 2023-24

Class - VII

Subject - English

Time Allowed – 2 Hours

MM: - 50

General Instructions –

1. This question paper consists of 3 sections, 14 questions and 3 pages.
2. All questions are compulsory.
3. Read instruction and the question statements carefully and then only start writing answers.
4. Attempt all the questions of the same section together.
5. Write correct question numbers in the answer sheets as given in the question paper.

Section ‘A’ - Reading Skills

10Marks

Q1. Read the passage given below carefully.

A giant in stature, with long hair, wearing a bottle green fur lined overcoat and round seal skin cap on his head, Oscar Wilde arrived in New York on 2nd of January 1882 on a lecture tour. He was mobbed by reporters who asked him (much to his irritation) unimportant questions such as how he liked his eggs fried? How he trimmed his finger nails? And what temperature he preferred his bath to be? His answers showed a total lack of interest.

However, when he stepped ashore, the customs official asked, “Have you anything to declare?” and with customary style. Wilde replied, “No, I have nothing to declare (pause) except my genius.” Few remarks in history have travelled as widely and as quickly as that one.

Now on the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions (any four)-

1X4 =4

- a. Mention two details of Oscar’s physical appearance when he came to New York?
- b. Why did Oscar Wilde come to New York?
- c. Oscar Wilde was not interested in answering the questions of reporters. Why?
- d. What does Oscar Wilde’s answer to the custom officer’s questions show?
- e. Find a word in the passage which means “exceptional ability in a person”.

Q2. Read the passage given below carefully.

Eskimos live in the polar areas. They are not usually tall but they have powerful legs and shoulders. They have a common language and can understand members of another group although they may come from many thousands of miles away. Marriage is by mutual consent. They do not have a special marriage ceremony. Eskimos live

by hunting and fishing. The Eskimos' snow house, which is called igloo, is very well-known, but in fact, Eskimos usually live in houses made of wood and turf. When they are not hunting and working, Eskimos like to carve. They use ivory and wood and they often make very beautiful objects.

Now on the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions –

1X6=6

- a. What do the Eskimos look like?
- b. How does a common language help them?
- c. How do they earn their living?
- d. What activities do they engage in during their spare time?
- e. Mention the two types of houses Eskimos live in.
- f. Find a word from the passage the means "agreement".

Section 'B' – Grammar and Writing Skills

20Marks

Q3. On the basis of the given telephonic conversation, write a message in not more than 50 words. Put the message in a box:

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- Amrita: Hello! Is it 29861231?
- Shweta: Yes, May I know who is speaking, please?
- Amrita: I am Amrita from Vijay Nagar. Could I speak to Priyanka, my classmate?
- Shweta: I am sorry. She has gone outside. I am Shweta, her sister. Is there anything to convey?
- Amrita: Yes. She has my class notes and I have to prepare for the test which is going to start next week. Kindly tell her to return these today.
- Shweta: I'm in a hurry right now, but I'll convey your message and ask her to return your class-notes.
- Amrita: Thank you very much.
- Shweta: You are welcome.

OR

Meenakshi is the Sports Captain of Navodaya School. The sports day is to be held on November 21st which is just two weeks away. She has to inform house captains that they have to submit the names of the participants to her in a week's time. A student cannot take part in more than three events excluding the relay. Any delay or wrong information will lead to disqualification of the student. Write the notice for Meenakshi using not more than 50 words.

Q4. Prepare a short speech on the topic 'Good Manners' with the help of the given outlines to be delivered in your school's assembly. You are Avadhesh/Gouravi, studying in class VII.

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Importance of good manners – cost nothing – at home – at school – in social life.

OR

Write a letter to your grandfather thanking him for gifting you a brand new bicycle on your 12th Birthday. You are Poonam/Yogesh living at C 11/5 BR Township, Bina.

Q5. Identify voice of the following sentences:

1x2=2

1. My wallet was stolen in the train.
2. The sun rises in the east.

- Q6. Rearrange the given words or phrases to make meaningful sentences. 1X2=2
 (a) my parents /20th/anniversary/celebrating today/their/are
 (b) associated/with/purple/royalty/the/colour/is
- Q7. Do as directed. 1X2=2
 (a) Revathi goes to DAV school next year. (which tense and time is indicated in this sentence)
 (b) Rekha said, "My brother is very good at sports". (change into indirect narration)
- Q8. The passage given below has not been edited. There are two errors in it. Write the errors and their corrections. 1X2=2
 Players played wonderfully
 even then they cannot a)
 won the match. b)
- Q9. Write 'A' for active and 'P' for passive. 1X2=2
 a. He came to the door of a cottage.
 b. Bismillah Khan was stopped at the door of a palace.

Section 'C' – Literature

20Marks

- Q10. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow: 1X3=3
 "Will you step into my parlor?" said the spider to the fly.
 "Tis the prettiest little parlor that ever you did spy."
 (a) Identify the poem.
 (b) Who is the poet of these lines?
 (c) Why does the spider want the fly to visit his parlour?
- Q11. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. 1X3=3
 "... I will create a scene! You know me. Don't you?"
 (a) Who speaks these lines?
 (b) To whom are these lines spoken?
 (c) Name the lesson of the above extract.
- Q12. Answer any three out of four questions in about 30 – 40 words. 2X3=6
 a. Why did Alien visit Gopa's house?
 b. What lesson does the want to give to the children of the world?
 c. Why does fly refuse to visit the spider's parlour?
 d. What was the speciality of Ram Singh 'the robot'?
- Q13. Write three bad effects of a junk food and three benefits of doing regular exercise. 3

Bad Effects of Junk Food	Benefits of Doing Exercise

OR

Why did Prem Chopra want to own a Robot like Ram Singh? Discuss in about 50- 80 words.

- Q14. Gopa learns a lesson after meeting the Alien. As Gopa write a letter to your friend Kriti, telling her about the life transforming meeting with the Alien. 5

OR

Write a paragraph on "A Lesson Taught by the Poem the Spider and the Fly".
