

# Tamil Nadu State Board Class X

## English - II

### (Model Paper)

Time Allowed: 2 ½ Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

#### General Instructions:

- N. B: Answer all the questions in the answer-book given separately.
  - Read and understand each question carefully before answering them.
  - Write down the question numbers correctly on the margin and write your answers against them.
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#### Section - A ( Reading)

I. a)1) Choose the best responses to complete the following statements:  $5 \times 1 = 5$

1. Indira Gandhi ensured a clear victory for India over
  1. China
  2. Sri Lanka
  3. Pakistan
  4. Burma.
2. Helen Keller lived a full life and brought hope and courage for
  1. others
  2. destitutes
  3. children
  4. disabled people.
3. Spring was always to Sarojini Naidu a time of
  1. delight
  2. sorrow
  3. peace
  4. poetry.
4. As an alderwoman of the Madras Corporation. Dr. Muthulakshmi opened the home for
  1. beggars and lepers
  2. old aged
  3. orphaned children
  4. widows.

5. Joan was burned to death in

1. Rouen market place
2. Parts
3. Rheims
4. England.

ii) State whether the following sentences are true or false:  $5 \times 1 = 5$

6. Mrs. Indira Gandhi was the President of India.
7. Helen Keller fought a lone battle to re-enter the world of the normal people.
8. Suu Kyi developed an obsession to non-violence when she became a leader.
9. Dr. Muthulakshmi abolished the water tax.
10. Joan of Arc always led from the front.

b) Read the given passage and list out the linkers used therein:  $5 \times 1 = 5$

I do not know when I got the notion that good handwriting was not a necessary part of education, but I retained it till I went to England. I then saw that bad handwriting should be regarded as a sign of an Imperfect education.

### Section - B ( Writing)

II. a) Make notes of the following passage: 5

Very early indeed Sarojini began to show signs of poetic ability, and where sums and other dull matters should have appeared in her exercise books, Little poems began to appear instead. When she was only twelve years old she passed the Matriculation Examination at Madras University, and before she was fifteen she went to England as the holder of a State scholarship. But her studies at London and Cambridge were too strenuous for her youthful constitution, and she had a serious breakdown in health. From that time forward she suffered almost continually from pain and ill-health. However, instead of giving way before this heavy handicap, she never allowed it to interfere with her duties. But worked on with unfailing courage and cheerfulness. Sarojini was described in those days by many famous people, all of whom spoke of her with affection and admiration. She was very well read, they said, and seemed older than her years, with a kind of settled wisdom that came from knowledge of the world and its ways. like all poets she was extremely sensitive, quick to appreciate beauty, quick to respond to suffering and to see below the surface of things. One of her greatest gifts was her sense of humour, without which no character is ever quite complete.

b) Rewrite the statements in meaningful cogent order:  $6 \times = 3$

1. All the mice were silent.
2. Some mice lived in a house.
3. Some things are easier said than done.
4. One mouse suggested hanging a bell round the cat's neck,
5. A wise, old mouse asked who would hang the bell on the cat,
6. They were afraid of a large, fierce cat in that house.

c)

Develop the hints into a readable passage. Give it a suitable title: 5 Casablanca — only son of a captain —

both go on a voyage — storm breaks out — "father tells him to wait for him in a place — in the ship — goes on his duty — ship catches fire — all run in fear — shelter for life — boy waits in the place — father consumed by fire — some other place — so never comes — son obeys father — waits for him — he too burnt to death — obedience — admirable..

d) Write any one of the following letters:  $1 \times 8 = 8$

1. Write a letter to your brother advising him to take part in sports and games.
2. Write a letter to the Municipal Commissioner, complaining about the insanitary condition of your street.
3. Write a letter to the manager of a company applying for the post of a data entry operator giving your qualifications.  
(Important: Write XXX for your name and YYY for your address )

e) Complete the dialogue:

( The dialogue is between a policeman and a tourist)

Policeman: \_\_\_\_\_

Tourist: I want to go to the Big Temple.?

Policeman.: Yes this road leads to the Temple.

Tourist:

Policeman: It is about a kilometre from here.

Tourist:

Policeman: No you can't get any taxi here.

Tourist: O.K. No problem. I can walk to the temple.

f) Write a precis of the following passage: **5**

In 1936, Dr. Muthulakshmi established a home for the orphan children and the destitute girls and women. She opened a free dispensary for the poor. Thus was born, the Awal Rural Medical Service. They taught the slum people to be hygienic, clean and healthy by keeping their surroundings clean, Reading rooms and libraries were set up. She arranged lantern lectures on the prevention of diseases, hygiene and sanitation. After the death of her husband, she disposed of her Jeweller) and from the money she got, she bought a few acres of land and built a small dispensary. The Awal Medical Service extended medical aid to the villages in and around Adayar, Dr. Muthulakshmi Reddy was a pioneering social reformer. She dedicated her life for the upliftment of women. She lived for 82 years with a purpose and meaning. She passed away peacefully in the cancer institute that she built on 22.07.1968

g) Punctuate the following sentence: **3**

see here my name is Jean valjean

### Section - C( Grammar )

III. a) Fill in the blanks in the given passage with suitable articles  $4 \times 2 = 8$

There is ..... incident that occurred at ..... examination during my first year at the High School, which is worth recording. Mr. Giles..... Educational Inspector, had come on .....visit of inspection,

b) Fill in the blanks choosing the right phrase prepositions from the list given below. There is an additional phrase:  $3 \times 1 = 3$

(in spite of, owing to, away from, put an end to )

1. Sachin always prefers to be..... publicity.
2. ....his poor health, he attended the special class.

3. The Government la determined to.....terrorism.

c) Rewrite the following passage, filling in the blanks with correct tense forms of the verbs given in the brackets:  $4 \times 1 = 4$

We ..... ( see ) a cricket match in this stadium yesterday. It ..... (be) quite thrilling. The same team ..... ( play ) another match next Friday. I..... (just buy ) the tickets for the match.

d) Match the clauses in Column A with those in Column B  $3 \times 1 = 3$

1. If you play in the rain a) I would help the poor people.
2. If you had started early, b) you will fall sick.
3. If I were a millionaire, c)I would borrow money,  
d) you would have caught the train.

e) Italicized words are the answers. Frame questions for them using the clues given In the brackets:  $2 \times 1 = 2$

1. I bought this pen yesterday. ( when)
2. His father Is an engineer. ( what)

f)Combine the following sentences using relative pronouns:  $4 \times 1 = 4$

1. I saw a girl  
She sang melodiously.
2. I stayed with my grandmother.  
Her cooking was the best in the world.
3. The crow was thirsty. It went in search of water.
4. Agra is a beautiful city. You can see the Tajmahal there,

g)Identify the pattern of the following sentences:  $2 \times 1 = 2$

1. I bought the laptop in Bangalore.
2. The sun shines brightly,  
OR

Write the sentences for the following sentence patterns:

1. S + V + IO + DO
2. S + V + C.

h)Read the following dialogue and fill in the blanks with suitable modal auxiliary verbs:  $6 \times 1/2 = 3$   
(The dialogue is between a Doctor and a Patient. )

Doctor: Your body temperature is  $102^{\circ}\text{F}$ . You ..... take medicine at least for three days.

Patient: I attend office?

Doctor:No, you.....n't. You.....take rest.

Patient:What about the diet?

Doctor:You.....be on a liquid diet.

Patient:I see you again?

Doctor:No, you needn't

i)Fill in the blanks by choosing the right phrasal verbs given below:  $6 \times = 3$

1. The H.M.....our request for a holiday.
2. The doctor advised him to..... smoking.
3. He.....the word in the dictionary,
4. He ..... a part of his salary.
5. The officer.....the matter.
6. The scientist.....a novel idea.  
( hit on, turned down, put a side. give up. looked into, looks up)

j) Rewrite any eight of the following sentences as directed:  $8 \times 2 = 16$

1. Madhu said to his parents, I am studying well now." [ Into Indirect speech)
2. Mother warned the children not to go near the fire. (Into Direct speech)
3. Do not kill the deer. (Into Passive voice)
4. A nest is being built by the crow.[ into Active voice)
5. A rocket is faster than an aeroplane. (Into Positive degree)
6. Very few cities in India are as big as Chennai ( Into Superlative degree)
7. The whale is the heaviest animal in the world. (Into Comparative degree)
8. In the event of your playing games regularly, you will be healthy. (Into Complex sentence )
9. The old man is so weak that he cannot walk. (Into Simple sentence ]
10. Seeing the mother, the child stopped crying. ( into compound sentence)

### Section - D { Translation }

IV. a) Translate the following proverbs into your first language:  $5 \times 1 = 5$

1. Make hay while the sun shines.
2. Honesty is the best policy,
3. Where there is a will, there is a way.
4. Green are the hills that are far away.
5. A guilty conscience needs no accuser.

b) Translate the following passage into your first language: **5**

And so the long, dark night of centuries had come to an end. and freedom's dawn was slowly silvering the Indian horizon. The banner of motherland, the brave Tricolour - saffron and white and green, with the Ashoka wheel embossed in blue in the middle was unfurled in a solemn hour on the floor of the Constituent Assembly.

OR

**( For Deaf Candidates Only )**

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below: ( $5 \times 2 = 10$  marks)

More than five hundred years ago, there lived in a little village in France a girl, Joan by name. Her father was a farmer. Joan did not go to any school. She did not learn to read and write. She spent her time in sewing and spinning. She was a quiet little girl of sweet and simple manners. As Joan grew older she became more thoughtful Often she would go alone to the village church. She would sit in a corner there and

say her prayers.

**Questions:**

1. What was the name of the girl?
2. What was her father?
3. How did she spend her time?
4. Choose the right word from the words given in the bracket:  
Joan was an.....girl, ( educated / uneducated)
5. Rewrite the answer completing it with the opposite of the italicized word:  
As Joan grew older she became more thoughtful.

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