

English 'B' Question Pattern (Class XI)

	Descriptive Questions	MCQ	Short Answer Questions	Total
Prose	5X2=10	1X5=5	1X5=5	20
Poetry	5X2=10	1X5=5	1X5=5	20
Rapid Reader	5X1=5	1X5=5	-	10
Textual Grammar				10
Paragraph Writing or Story Writing				10
ESP				10
				80

TEXTUAL GRAMMAR -10 marks		
1.	Voice Change	1x1=1 mark
2.	Change the mode of Narration	1x1=1 mark
3.	Transformation of Sentences a) simple, complex, compound sentences b) change of Degrees of Comparison c) Interchange of parts of speech d) Affirmative to Negative and vice versa e) Exclamatory to Assertive and vice versa f) Infinitive, Gerund, Participle	1 x 5 = 5 marks
4.	Joining of sentences (simple, complex, compound)	
5.	Splitting of sentences into two or more simple sentences.	
6.	Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles and prepositions	Yzx6=3

ESP	1. Newspaper Advertisement (all types, classifieds)	5 marks
	2. Commercial Leaflet	5 marks
TOTAL 10 marks		
Word limit in both (1) and (2) above should be within 50 words		

SPECIMEN QUESTION STRUCTURE (For Class XI Annual Examination)

ENGLISH — B

2014

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Instructions to the Candidates :

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4. **Word limit not to be strictly adhered to in case of a well written answer.**

I. MCQ : (1 mark)

PROSE :

1. Sir Mohan Lal rarely spoke Hindustani as
 - a) he wanted to show off his English
 - b) he did not know the language well
 - c) he had only contempt for everything Indian, including its language
 - d) he believed that speaking Hindustani would lower his prestige in the eyes of Englishmen.

Ans. (iii)

POETRY :

1. The wind tells the mists to
 - a) settle on the shore
 - b) lift their veils to enable the mariners to steer their ships
 - c) shroud the graveyard
 - d) move and make way for it.

Ans. (iv)

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RAPID :

1. The duke and his followers liked the life in the Forest of Arden because
 - a) it was a lazy life of luxury and comfort
 - b) it was a life more relaxing than that in the court
 - c) it was dangerous and challenging
 - d) they loved hunting.

Ans. (ii)

II. SAQ — 1 mark each :

Answer the following, each in a complete sentence :

PROSE :

1. Why was Sir Mohan dismayed to find the train compartment empty ?

POETRY :

1. What does the poet mean by the expression 'quench its speed' ?

RAPID : (Passages from the text *will not* be given)

1. What created a holiday mood in the island of Cyprus ?
2. How were the identical twins Sebastian and Viola separated ?

III. Descriptive / Analytical Questions — 5 marks each :

(In about 100 words) (Part marking permitted)

PROSE :

1. What, according to Nandalal Bose, are the ways in which students may be educated in art ? 5

POETRY :

1. Do you consider the title of the poem 'Brotherhood' to be apt ? Justify your answer with suitable textual references. 5

RAPID : (Passages from the text *will not* be given)

1. How did Iago plant seeds of doubt and suspicion in Othello's mind ? 5

IV. ESP :

1. Newspaper Advertisement (5 marks) :

- a) You have lost a very important file containing some very important documents including your passport. Write an insertion for the Classified Columns giving details about the contents of the file.

[Do not exceed 50 words]

2. Commercial Leaflet (5 marks), word limit within 50 words :

- a) Prepare a commercial leaflet advertising a particular brand of detergent.

V. PROJECT :

1. Developing a Story with the beginning given in 2-3 sentences :

(1000-1500 words)

- a) It was in the year My father was posted in the village of
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- We moved from the city to the village

2. Dramatizing a story :

- a) Dramatise the story "Rajam and Mani" by R. K. Narayanan.

OR

'The Selfish Giant' by Oscar Wilde.

[within 1,000 words — 1,500 words]

3. Write an Autobiography of —

- a) a tree.

VI. PARAGRAPH WRITING (word limit 150 — 200 words) :

Write a paragraph on the following 150-200 words :

1. A Horrifying experience, A visit to a place of Historical importance.
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- / A Memorable Day in school. (Narrative) 10

VII. Story writing from a given outline (word limit 150-200 words) :

1. Develop the following outline into an interesting story containing 150-200 words : 10

[Give your story a suitable title] [2 + 8 = 10]

A farmer has a goose — lays a golden egg everyday — farmer becomes rich — his wife wants to be rich quickly — they cut open the goose — lose all fortune.

VIII. Grammar (Textual) :

- a) Rewrite the sentences according to the instructions given in brackets :

(1 mark each)

- (i) "Sir, do you want a servant ?" Sidda asked Mr. Sivasankar. (Change the mode of narration)

- b) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles and prepositions : (
- $\frac{1}{2} \times 6 = 3$
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A week after release Valentine, 9762, there was neat job safe burglary done Richmond, Indiana, with no clue the author.

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