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SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT - I, 2012  
ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE  
Class - IX

EC1-048

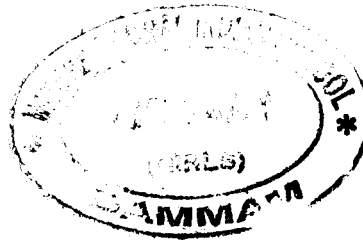
Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 80

Instructions:

The question paper is divided into four sections.

- Section A : Reading
- Section B : Writing
- Section C : Grammar
- Section D : Literature



- 15 marks
- 20 marks
- 15 marks
- 30 marks

SECTION- A  
(Reading - 15 Marks)

1. Read the passage carefully :

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Your diet will show on your report card

An army marches on its stomach. So do students ahead of their examinations. Nutrition plays an important role to keep them fit and healthy. Food has the ability to affects sleep patterns, mood and fatigue of students and it is important that the right nutrition is available at the right time.

**Some tips on diet during exam time:**

- Keep the meals light and frequent.
- Always keep some healthy snacks, like fruits or nuts handy.
- Since it is summer, one needs to drink plenty of water to offset dehydration.
- Try to eat home cooked food.
- Hygiene is compromised when eaten outside and one may fall sick with an upset stomach.
- Do not try anything new either in the form of food or supplements as it may cause allergy.

(Source: Wanitha Ashok, fitness expert)

During exams, students' stress levels shoot up leading to anxiety and irregular eating habits. While some eat more under pressure, others completely ignore eating, which in turn reduces the immunity level, causes infection makes them lethargic thus affecting their performance. Eating correctly helps them concentrate better. "A balanced meal is the requirement in a student's diet. This should contain proper proportion of carbohydrates, proteins. Vitamins, and minerals. Whole grains cereals, pulses nuts, milk and

milk products, fresh fruit and green leafy vegetables provide the needed nutrition" said Dr. Archana Nazre, dietician and nutritionist, BGS Global Hospitals. Snacks or a glass of milk is necessary for students who study late. Otherwise they would wake up on an empty stomach and feel faint. "While choosing carbohydrates, one should choose from whole grains, starchy vegetable etc instead of simple sugar, which gives instant bursts of energy, but also leads to a sugar drop, which causes lethargy and drowsiness," said Jyothi Prasad, chief dietician, Manipal Hospital.

Intake of adequate amount of protein is important during exams, since it enhances the neurotransmitters that help in generating concentration, said Sheela Krishnaswamy, diet, nutrition and wellness consultant and director, Board of International Confederation of Dietetic Associations (ICDA).

"At least 500 ml of dairy products is a must for any student. That apart, a vegetarian student should take servings of dal sprouts and nuts. Those who can take non-veg food should have a piece of fish or chicken or an egg everyday", she said. Certain nuts have got memory enhancing qualities. A fistful of Walnuts is good as Walnuts contain certain omega 3 fatty acids that help in boosting brain power, said Krishnaswamy.

- On the basis of your reading of the above passage, complete the following statements.** 4
- 1.1
- (a) It is important that right nutrition is available to a student at right time because \_\_\_\_\_
  - (b) When students ignore eating, this reduces \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (c) Balanced diet would help in \_\_\_\_\_
  - (d) Adequate amount of protein is important because \_\_\_\_\_
- 1.2 **Answer the following questions briefly.** 2
- (a) Why should one take whole grains starchy vegetables etc instead of simple sugar?
  - (b) Why are students advised to eat walnuts?
- 1.3 **Find words from the passage which mean the same as the following.** 2
- (a) Power of resisting and overcoming infection (Para 2)
  - (b) Very sleepy

**2. Read the poem carefully :** 7

**MY MOTHER AT SIXTY SIX**

Driving from my parents home to  
Cochin last Friday morning.

I saw my mother, beside me, doze,  
open mouthed, her face ashen like that  
of a corpse and realised with pain  
that she was as old as she looked,  
but soon put that thought away, and  
looked out at young trees sprinting,  
the merry children spilling out of  
their homes, but after the airport's  
security check, standing a few yards  
away. I looked again at her, wan  
pale as a late winter's moon and felt that old  
familiar ache, my childhood's fear,  
but all I said was, see you soon,  
Amma, all I did was smile and smile and smile \_\_\_\_\_

On the basis of your reading of the above poem, complete the statements that

follow with the help of given options.

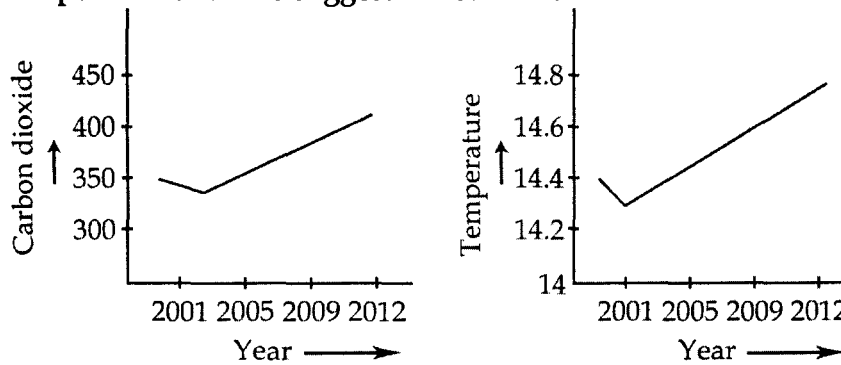
- (a) The poet was going to :
- (i) Japan (ii) Cochin  
(iii) her village (iv) her parent's home
- (b) She noticed that her mother looked:
- (i) pale, faded and lifeless (ii) very happy  
(iii) unwell (iv) annoyed
- (c) When she looked out she saw :
- (i) sprinting trees (ii) happy children  
(iii) life (iv) Both (i) and (ii)
- (d) Her childhood fear is the fear of :
- (i) ageing  
(ii) losing one's mother  
(iii) getting scoldings from mother  
(iv) both (i) and (ii)
- (e) Parting words of the poet and her smile are :
- (i) a message  
(ii) a deliberate attempt to hide her feelings  
(iii) expressing her happiness  
(iv) making her sad
- (f) After security check she :
- (i) feels sorry  
(ii) stands a few yards away  
(iii) stood a few yards away and looked at her mother  
(iv) did not look at her mother
- (g) The word 'sprinting' means
- (i) running fast (ii) walking  
(iii) serious (iv) shaking.

**SECTION- B**  
**(WRITING - 20 MARKS)**

3. You are Arpit/Arpita, the Sports Secretary of ABC Public School, Ajmer. Draft a notice in about 50 words inviting students to give their names for various events to be organised on the Annual Sports Day of your school. Give all the relevant details. 3
4. Using the notes given below, write a brief bio-sketch of Ahilyabai 5
- BIRTH - 1725, Village called Chaundi in Aurangabad district
- DEATH - August 13, 1795
- EDUCATION - at home by father
- MARRIED LIFE - Wedded to Khande Rao was killed in the battle of Kumbher in 1754 - trained by her father in law to administer the state.
- ACHIEVEMENTS-Led armies into battle known for justice- great builder and patron of many temples - encouraged

5. You have experienced a very hot summer this year. Read the two graphs given below. Graph 'A' shows the increase in the carbon-dioxide content in the atmosphere and graph 'B' shows its effect on the temperature that has led to global warming. As Arpit/Arpita, write a letter in about 150 words to the editor of a leading newspaper showing concern over the matter. Taking ideas from the unit 'Environment' as well as from the information provided to you, give reasons for the increase in global warming and global temperature and also suggest measure to curb it.

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6. Nowadays you find that more and more people carry mobile phones to their work place. However, the use of mobile phones can be dangerous at times. Write an article for your school magazine on the topic 'To use latest technology the right way, is in the hands of the youth of today' in about 120 words discouraging the misuse of technological products like cell phones and highlighting the need to use them intelligently . Take ideas from the information given below.

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**DON'T USE MOBILE PHONES**

- While driving
- Inside an aircraft
- When in an ICU
- When near a heart patient
- At a petrol station - it is enough to ignite the flammable vapours present in the air.

**SECTION - C**

**(Grammar - 15 Marks)**

7. Complete the paragraph given below by filling in each of the blanks with the help of options that follow.
- Around the 1880s (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (the/a/an/two) American doctor George Howard Monks modified an already existing game called Hoppity and called (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (it/them/there/upon) Halma. The ideas of (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (this/that/these/those) game (d) \_\_\_\_\_ (are/is/were/was) to make your way across the board (e) \_\_\_\_\_ (from /on/between/outside) your corner and move to the opposite side (f) \_\_\_\_\_ (along/with/before/first) your opponent. Chinese Checkers originated as a spin off from Halma.

1/2x6=3

8. Complete the following letter by filling in the blanks with the help of given options. Write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank

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**number :**

Dear Mom,

You'll be delighted to know that I (a) \_\_\_\_\_ of the student of the year. The school has recognized (b) \_\_\_\_\_ my sportsmanship. The principal also spoke about my high academic profile that I have (c) \_\_\_\_\_ last four years. I was deeply touched.

I would like to thank you for grooming me so well.

Your son

Joy.

- (a) (i) have been awarding (ii) am awarded the title  
(iii) has been awarded (iv) have been awarded the title
- (b) (i) my leadership qualities but praised  
(ii) mine leadership qualities and praised  
(iii) my qualities and praisings  
(iv) my leadership qualities and praised
- (c) (i) maintained for the (ii) maintain for the  
(iii) maintained in the (iv) maintained for

9. Re-arrange the following words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. 3  
The first one has been done for you as an example.

Eg. winter speed/Luge is a / the luger lies on/ in which/ his back/ and races down on/ on a sled/ ice covered course

Luge is a winter sport in which the luger lies on his back on a sled and races down an ice-covered course.

- (a) Frenchword/ a/ from / the name / the / of/ sport/ comes  
(b) luge shed/ is made/ the/ wood and fibre glass/ of  
(c) the winter Olympics/Shiva keshavan/the first Indian/to/compete/ is/ in a luge event/ at

10. The following paragraph has not been edited. One word has been omitted in each line. Write the omitted word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after in your answer sheet against the correct blank number as shown in the example. 1/2x6=3

	Before	Missing	After
	Word	word	word
A helpline been opened	Eg helplinehas	been	
in United Kingdom for people	(a) _____	_____	_____
who had close encounters with	(b) _____	_____	_____
aliens, making it first of its	(c) _____	_____	_____
kind the country. The phone service	(d) _____	_____	_____
offers counseling those who	(e) _____	_____	_____
believe have been abducted	(f) _____	_____	_____
byextra terrestrials.			

11. Read the information given below for preparing a desert. Fill in the blanks to describe the procedure. Use the passive form of the underlined verbs. 3

- Mix fruit jam with water in a pan and heat
- Mix cornflour with water and add to jam sauce.
- Put peach halves and a scoop of vanilla ice-cream in a bowl
- Pour jam sauce over it

- Serve with wafer biscuits
- Fruit jam is mixed with water and heated in a pan. Now, cornflour
- (a) \_\_\_\_\_ jam sauce. Peach halves are put in a bowl. The jam
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_. The dessert (c) \_\_\_\_\_ wafer biscuits.

**SECTION - D**  
**(Literature - 30 Marks)**

12. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow. 3x3=9

- (A) It is the story of an old lady  
and her ardent desire to go  
to Kashi or Varanasi
- (a) Who is the old lady?
- (b) Why did she want to go to Kashi?
- (c) Why did the old lady not go to Kashi?
- (B) I come from haunts of coot and hern  
I make a sudden sally  
And sparkle out among the fern,  
To bucker down a valley
- (a) Name the poem and the poet of these lines?
- (b) According to the stanza where does the brook originate from?
- (c) What is the literary device used in these lines?
- (C) Jeanne : What on earth have you done?  
Gaston : I ? Made a hundred thousand francs and a Carot!
- (a) How has Gaston made a hundred thousand francs?
- (b) Mention any one characteristics displayed by Gaston when he made a hundred thousand francs.
- (c) What is "a Carot": in these lines?

13. Answer any two of the following questions in about 30-40 words : 2x3=6

- (a) Why has William Wordsworth compared the Solitary Reaper's song with the song of a nightingale and a cuckoo bird?
- (b) What target did Chuck hit on 1 March? Who helped him?
- (c) Why does Lord Ullin's wrath change into wailing?

14. Answer the following in about 150 words. 5

Imagine you are Marcy. You have seen your husband's struggle against all odds to finally get back to work. You are happy that he has been promoted to the post of regional manager. Write a letter to a friend telling her about Chuck's courage and determination.

OR

You are Jeanne. After coming home you realize that the Villa was not actually bought and your husband has fooled both you and the landlady of the villa. You are angry as you find yourself in a helpless situation. Express your feelings in your diary.

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Attempt either Part (a) or Part (b)

Part (a)

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| 15. | Who is Reddresal? How was he instrumental in saving Gulliver's life? | 5 |
| 16. | How did Gulliver escape from Lilliput?                               | 5 |

Part (b)

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| 15. | How far was the holiday beneficial in helping the three friends unwind and de-stress? Discuss. | 5 |
| 16. | Write about Harris' experience in the maze at Hampton Court Palace.                            | 5 |

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