

**ENGLISH (COMMUNICATIVE)
SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT - I (2013)
Class -IX**

Maximum Marks : 70

Time : 3 hours

Instructions :

(i) The question paper is divided into three sections.

Section A—Reading 20 marks

Section B—Writing Grammar 25 marks

Section C—Literature 25 marks

(ii) All questions are compulsory.

(iii) You may attempt any section at a time.

(iv) All questions of a section must be attempted in the correct order.

**SECTION A
(READING: 20 Marks)**

- 1 Many people like to eat pizza, But not everyone knows how to make it. Making the perfect 5
pizza can be complicated, But there are lots of ways for you to make a more basic version at
home. When you make pizza, you must begin with the crust. The crust can be hard to make. If
you want to make the crust yourself, you will have to make dough using flour, water, and
yeast. You will have to knead the dough with your hands. If you do not have enough time to
do this, you can use a prepared crust that you buy from the store. After you have chosen
your crust, you must then add the sauce. Making your own sauce from scratch can take a long
time. You have to buy tomatoes, peel them, and then cook them with spices. If this sounds like
too much work, you can also purchase jarred sauce from the store. Many jarred sauces taste
almost as good as the kind you make at home. Now that you have your crust and your sauce,
you need to add the cheese. Cheese comes from milk, which comes from cows. Do you have
a cow in your backyard ? Do you know how to milk the cow? Do you know how to turn that
milk into cheese ? If not, you might want to buy cheese from the grocery store instead of
making it yourself. When you have the crust, sauce, and cheese ready, you can add other
toppings. Some people like to put meat on their pizza, while other people like to add
vegetables. Some people even like to add pineapple! The best part of making a pizza at home
is that you can customize it by adding your own favourite ingredients.

Questions

1. The author's main purpose in writing this passage is to
 - (A) Describe the history of pizza
 - (B) Teach a healthier way to make pizza
 - (C) Outline steps to make a basic pizza at home
 - (D) Provide tips about how to make your pizza especially delicious

2. As used in paragraph 1, which word means the opposite of **complicated** ?
 - (A) Difficult (B) Simple
 - (C) Easy (D) Manageable

3. Which of the following words best describes how the author feels about making a pizza from scratch ?
 - (A) Helpful (B) Understanding
 - (C) Enthusiastic (D) Negative

4. As used in paragraph 5, which is the best definition for **customize** ?
 - (A) To make personal (B) To prepare for more than one
 - (C) To eat while hot (D) To desire

5. As used in paragraph 3, which is the best synonym for **purchase** ?
 - (A) Forget (B) Buy (C) Ask (D) Cook

2. **Read the passage given below and complete the sentences that follow by choosing the most appropriate options from those given:**

The ego of ownership has made man the most cruel animal in the world. He builds palatial buildings and big cities on the abodes of small creatures like ants and other burrow dwellers. They are all meant to die for his facilities.

Nature made vegetation that is meant for all living beings. But man felt that all the animals are meant for him. He killed an elephant for its tusks, deer for its horns, a large number of animals for their hide for shoes, decoration and dresses. He kills a large number of animals for his food. His number is increasing in such a way that he will have no fear, ever of animals, owning the world again.

Man uses monkeys, rabbits, rats, dogs, cats and other small animals for experiments in

laboratories. He tortures and kills thousands and thousands of animals to prepare medicines, nail polish, lipstick, etc. The medical world has made its mansions on the blood and torture of these mute creatures whom man thinks his property.

Man justifies his killing of animals by a strange theory. "One living being is the food of another creature." Who will remind him of the doomsday after which the animal world would claim back from man their due right and man may then become 'meant' for animals!

- (a) Man's ego has made him:
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| (i) kind and caring | (ii) cruel and selfish |
| (iii) foolish and silly | (iv) clever and successful |
- (b) One reason why man has no fear of losing the world to animals is:
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| (i) his number is increasing rapidly |
| (ii) animals are less powerful than him |
| (iii) animals are not as clever as man |
| (iv) animals will soon disappear from earth |
- (c) One of the most wanton uses of animals has been by:
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| (i) eating them | (ii) the medical world |
| (iii) the fashion fraternity | (iv) the construction industry |
- (d) Man justifies his killing of animals on the ground
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| (i) one living creature is the natural prey of another |
| (ii) all creatures have to live and die |
| (iii) survival of the fittest |
| (iv) the strong will kill the weak |
- (e) A synonym for the word "facilities" in para is :
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| (i) use | (ii) development |
| (iii) success | (iv) comfort |

3 Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

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The branch known as "cryptography" deals with the methods involved in preparing cryptograms - that is messages or writings intended to be incomprehensible to all except those it is addressed to alone. Conversion of a plain text message into cryptogram is termed 'encoding', 'encrypting' or 'enciphering'. The process of reconverting a cryptogram into the plain text or into an intelligible form is termed 'deciphering', 'decoding' or 'decrypting'.

There are two kinds of cryptograms in use, namely 'codes' and 'ciphers'. In code system, words phrases or sentences of the plain text are substituted by other words, phrases or sentences. A code book is often used in which words, phrases and sentences and their equivalents are listed. In cipher system the plain text letters, or groups of letters are rearranged according to a set of rules agreed upon by the sender and the receiver or the letters or groups of letters of the plain text are substituted by others according to a predetermined manner. The first type of cryptograms are called 'transposition ciphers' and the second type are the 'substitution ciphers'.

Encoding and decoding in modern times is done by electronic and mechanical devices at a very fast speed. Cryptology today plays a major role in the governmental and military

affairs of the nations as well as in banking, industry and commerce.

1. On the basis of your reading of the passage, complete the following statements :

- (a) Conversion of unintelligible form to plain text is _____.
- (b) _____ are incomprehensible messages.

2. Answer the following questions.

- (a) What is the method adopted in 'substitution cipher' ?
- (b) What is the study of encoding and decoding called ?

3. Find words from the passage which mean the same as the following.

- (a) unintelligible (par 1)
- (b) programmed (para 2)

4 Friends

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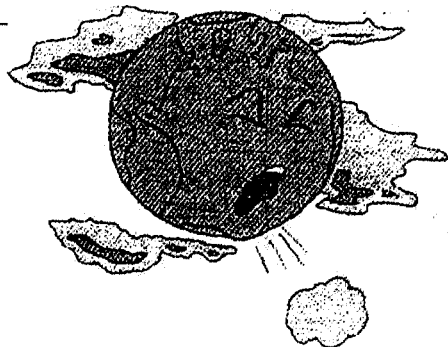
Drain the colour from the rainbow,
Let the stars tumble from the sky,
Mute the bird's morning chorus,
Steal the beauty from the flowers.
All these and more I'd sacrifice,
And surely would survive.
But friendship.....
Not a moment could I bear,
To be without the friends I love.
For they are life's true wonders,
Filling my heart, my soul, my senses.
With all the colours of happiness,
With every sight and sound of joy

- (1) What is the writer ready to sacrifice ?
- (2) Identify the figure of speech in the line "For they are life's true wonders".
- (3) The writer cannot bear _____.
- (4) The writer values friendship because _____.
- (5) Find the word in the poem that is similar in meaning to 'flip'.

SECTION B
(WRITING & GRAMMAR: 25 Marks)

5 You are Ajay/Ayesha, a student of class IX. You recently visited the National Museum at Delhi. Write an E-mail to your friend Shushma who is in UK, about what you saw in the museum in about 120-150 words. 6

6 Air pollution is a big problem in the modern world. The following picture shows the earth coughing because of exposure to excessive amounts of smoke. Write an article in about 120 words for your school magazine based on the following picture. 5



7 Yesterday afternoon during lunch break you lost your watch in the school playground while playing. Write a notice to be put up on the school notice board giving all necessary details and asking the owner to claim the watch. Write the notice in not more than 50 words 4

8 Complete the following passage by choosing the most appropriate options from the ones given below. Write your answers in the answer sheets against the correct blank number. Do not copy the entire passage. 3

While planning your career it is very important that you (a) _____ understand yourself. You need to evaluate (b) _____ recognize your abilities. You (c) _____ make sure that your interest and aptitude are suitable for the career you wish to pursue.

- (a) (i) first (ii) almost (iii) know (iv) have
(b) (i) or (ii) and (iii) but (iv) because
(c) (i) have (ii) had (iii) must (iv) also

9 The following passage has not been edited. One word is missing in each of the lines. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after in 4

your answer sheet against the correct blank number as shown in the example.

Before Omitted After

Prayer has/the saving of		has	been	the
my life. Without it should	(a)	—	—	—
have been lunatic long ago.	(b)	—	—	—
My autobiography tell you	(c)	—	—	—
that I have my fair share	(d)	—	—	—
of the bitter public and private				
experience.				

10 **Read the conversation given below and complete the paragraph that follows.** 3

Customer : Please show me a good cap.
Salesman : What type of a cap do you want ,Sir ?
Customer : One that covers the face.
Salesman : It won't be a cap then, it would be a mask, Sir !
A customer went up to a salesman and (a) _____. The salesman asked him what kind of a cap he required. The customer (b) _____. On hearing the request, the salesman (c) _____.

**SECTION C
(LITERATURE: 25 Marks)**

11 Two roads diverged in a wood , and 3
I took the one less travelled by ,
And that has made all the difference.
(a) Name the poem and the poet ?
(b) What do 'roads' signify in these lines ?
(c) Who is ' I ' in the poem and which ' difference' is he talking about ?

Answer the following questions: (2x4)

12.1 'It was like lighting a fuse. Duke shimmied himself U-shaped in anticipation'. Explain. 2
12.2 Why was Jeanne so desperate to buy a villa in the play 'Villa for Sale '? 2
12.3 Why has the poet used the word 'babble' for 'The Brook'. 2

12.4 Why did the grandmother identify herself with the novel's protagonist? 2

13.1 Good music and a good poem is always appreciated. Give reasons for your answer? 4

OR

13.2 Endurance is one of the most difficult disciplines in life. Discuss with reference to 'A Dog named Duke'.

Attempt either part (a) or part(b)

Part (a)

14(A) 'The administration of the Lilliput is based on the theory of reward and punishment.' Explain in about 100-120 words. 5

15(A) Throughout his stay at Brobdingnag, Gulliver's stature and actions provided the people there with a lot of laughter and mirth. Describe in your own words the cow-dung incident. (100-120 words) 5

Part (b)

14(B) Jerome felt he was a hospital in himself. Why did he make this observation? Was he justified in doing so? 5

15(B) How does the narrator reveal his love for history and share his philosophical views on life too? 5