

INTERNATIONAL INDIAN SCHOOL, DAMMAM

TERM II EXAMINATION --- DECEMBER 2017

ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE

SET A

CLASS IX

MARKS: 80

SUB: ENGLISH

TIME: 3hrs

The question paper is divided into three sections

Section A: Reading

20 Marks

Section B: Writing and Grammar

30 Marks

Section C: Literature and Long Reading Text

30 Marks

SECTION- AREADING (20MARKS)

Q.1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. (8 marks)

Nursing is a demanding career. It demands one's physical as well as emotional involvement. A nurse's job is all about keeping track of a patient's health, ensuring recovery and getting back to the doctor to give feedback on the patient's progress.

The field has become challenging, nursing has been finally recognised as a career avenue where opportunities are coming up. There is a demand for independent nursing practice in the field of community health and midwifery. Unlike earlier times, nursing today comprises many specialisations. A nurse may specialise in caring for sick children or working in emergency rooms, intensive care units or out – patient clinics, in physicians' consulting rooms, in private homes, in school infirmaries, and professional services. Specialisation includes psychiatric nursing also, among others.

As the number of hospitals, nursing homes, private clinics, health centres and sanatoriums is increasing every day, the demand for professionally trained nurses is on the rise. Besides, all pharmaceutical companies seek qualified nurses. Notably, aspirants who wish to go abroad have greater opportunities overseas. There is an acute shortage of qualified and trained nurses the world over.

Before taking an admission into an institution, specially a private one, aspirants must check whether it is recognised by the State Nursing Council and Indian Nursing Council or not.

Apart from acquiring basic nursing qualifications, a nurse should possess the knowledge to assist people when they are ill, knowing how to use the medical equipment and the administration of the



proper dosage of drugs available today. Some knowledge of dealing with patients in critical circumstances is essential, especially when doctors are not nearby. A nurse should be sympathetic towards the patient's needs. She should also know how to deal with the patient's relatives and well-wishers.

Unfortunately, there are not very many professional avenues existing for nurses in India. Nurses are not allotted designations according to the specialised areas they work in.

Research work is almost negligible here, unlike in many foreign countries. Besides, the nurse to patient ratio is not up to the mark. Due to the shortage of nurses there is an increase in their work load which often makes patients and their relatives complain about their behaviour.

A) On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following: (1 x 8 = 8 marks)

1. Why is nursing a demanding career?
2. Name the two fields in which there is a demand for independent nursing practice.
3. Mention four areas where a nurse can specialise now.
4. Give one reason for more opportunities to work abroad now.
5. Which factor, while seeking admission into an institution should be kept in mind?
6. Apart from the basic qualifications what should a nurse possess?
7. How should be a nurse's attitude towards the patient's needs?
8. What makes the patients and their relatives complain about the behaviour of nurses

Q. 2. Read the following passage and answer the questions.

(12 marks)

A nuclear family consists of husband, wife and their children. The concept of joint family where all the family members like aunt, uncle, cousins and grandparents live together contrasts with the idea of a nuclear family. There are many countries where you would traditionally find many joint families but at the same time the concept of nuclear families is catching on. We often forget that there are many advantages of a joint family.

The most important advantage that attracts people to nuclear families is that the couple can have their privacy in their own home. People can live their own way and can do whatever they want to. There are no boundaries set by the elders to follow. In a joint family, the elders restrict youngsters not to do certain things because they think it is not good for them. But today's generation is very smart. They know what is good and bad for them and have enough analytical power so they don't like to restrict themselves. Instead, they want their freedom so that they can do and achieve whatever they want in their life.

The advantages of joint families are many. You get the complete support of family members whenever needed. You don't have to ask for help from others if all family members are living together. Your children will not be left alone at home when you go to a job. Many burglaries take place during the daytime because nobody is present in home, so if there is a joint family, burglary cases also decrease. You can share your joys and sorrows with them. Each and every member of the family shares their opinion and the family take a decision together. One member is not burdened

with the responsibility of decision and it becomes a joint responsibility. The basic pillar of a joint family is to have healthy and selfless moral values for all members.

In a joint family, one always gets guidance from older people. They are more experienced. They can take care of grandchildren rather than depending on outside help. In a joint family, the elders are always there to guide and encourage us in every decision we take and their experiences make us grow wiser and become a better person. But again, it revolves around how considerate we are – how we listen to others' points of view before considering our own. Keeping an open mind, accepting our faults and moving ahead is the best way to make a joint family an ideal family.

A). On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following: (2x 4 =8)

1. Explain in a sentence the difference between a nuclear family and a joint family.
2. Give two advantages of a joint family.
3. How can one create a good joint family?
4. What is the basic pillar of a joint family?
5. Give another word of the same meaning for the following: (1x2 =2)

(i). Restrict ii) considerate

6. Find words in the passage which mean the opposite of the following: (1x2 =2)

(i) rejecting (ii) without stress

SECTION B WRITING AND GRAMMAR (30 MARKS)

Q.3. You are a student of class IX, you feel highly disturbed when you happened to see some children of your age are going for work while you are enjoying school life .You read a lot about the adverse effects of child labour, though it is banned is still flourishing. You decided to write an article on the topic for the school magazine. Write an article on the topic '**The Adverse Effects of Child Labour**' in about 100 -120 words. You are Yogeeta/Yogesh. (8 marks)

By reading the clues given below and based on the reading of the chapter 'Children' in MCB, write your own views.

- * Childhood is precious where one can achieve physical as well as mental growth.
- * Children should get love and care from parents.
- * They are not supposed to take any hazardous works.
- * They should get free time to play and read
- * They should get education in childhood.

Doctor : Yes one of your teeth has developed a small cavity that required filling up

The patient told the doctor (a) ----- . The doctor told him (b) ----- . He requested him to open the mouth wide. The patient then enquired (c) ----- . To this, the doctor replied that one of his teeth had developed a small cavity that required filling up.

SECTION C LITERATURE AND LONG READING TEXT (30 MARKS)

Q. 8 Read the following extracts and answer the questions given below. Attempt any one.

(1x4 =4marks)

All the world's a stage

and all the men and women merely players:

Thy have their exits and their entrances;

And one man in his time plays many parts,

- What does the poet mean by the terms, 'exits and entrances'?
- What parallelism has the poet drawn between the stage and the world?
- Which figure of speech is used in the second line?
- Name the poet and the poem.

OR

How I laughed at my mother's false teeth

As they foamed in the waters beneath.

But now comes the reckonin'

It's me they are beckonin'

Oh, I wish I'd looked after me teeth.

- How had the narrator behaved when her mother had lost all her teeth ?
- Explain "As they foamed in the water beneath".
- What is the tone of the narrator in these lines?
- What is the rhyme scheme of this stanza?

Q. 9. Answer any four of the following questions in about 30 –40 words.(2x4 = =8marks)

- Why did the granddaughter find her grandmother in tears on her return?
- How did Private Quelch make the corporal angry?

3. Why was it necessary to keep Harold's father's profession a secret from him?

4. What was John Pescud's opinion about best sellers? Why?

5. Describe the two roads that the author comes across. Which road does he choose?

Q.10. Answer any one of the following in 100 -120 words (1x8 =8marks)

(I). Harold, when came to know about his father's profession reacted in an unexpected way. We should always be respectful to our parents, whatever profession they are in. What is your opinion?, based on the story and its climax write your opinion about Harold's parents' over concern, and how Harold reacted to their decision ?

OR

(II). When heroism exceeds limits, it loses its impact. Do you agree? Elaborate with reference to *Private Quelch*

Q.11. Answer any one of from (i) or (ii) in about 150 -200 words (1x10 =10marks)

(i) a). Describe briefly the efforts of the three men in finding accommodation for the night at Datchet. What was the outcome?

OR

(b). Give a character sketch of George, as revealed through the novel?

(ii). Describe how Gulliver learnt the language of Houyhnhnms.

OR

b). Give a character sketch of Munodi