

SET – 1

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## SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – II

### ENGLISH

#### (Communicative)

Time allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

#### General Instructions :

(i) The question paper is divided into **three** sections :

**SECTION A : READING**

**20 marks**

**SECTION B : WRITING & GRAMMAR**

**25 marks**

**SECTION C : LITERATURE : Textbook and Long Reading Text** **25 marks**

(ii) All questions are compulsory.

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

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

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## (READING)

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : **1 × 8 = 8**

One of the greatest advances in modern technology has been the invention of computers. They are widely used in industries and in universities. Now there is hardly any sphere of human life where computers have not been pressed into service of man. We are heading fast towards the day when a computer will be as much part of man's daily life as a telephone or a calculator.

Computers are capable of doing extremely complicated work in all branches of learning. They can solve the most complex mathematical problems or put thousands of unrelated facts in order. These machines can be put to varied uses. For instance, they can provide information on the best way to prevent traffic jams. This whole process by which machines can be used to work for us has been called 'automation'. In the future 'automation' may enable human beings to enjoy more leisure than they do today. The coming of automation is bound to have important social consequences.

Some years ago an expert on automation, Sir Leon Bagrit, pointed out that it was a mistake to believe that these machines could 'think'. There is no possibility that human beings will be "controlled by machines". Though computers are capable of learning from their mistakes and improving on their performance, they need detailed instructions from human beings to operate. They can never, as it were, lead independent lives or "rule the world" by making decisions of their own.

Sir Leon said that in future, computers would be developed which would be small enough to carry in the pocket. Ordinary people would then be able to use them to obtain valuable information. Computers could be plugged into a national network and be used like radios. For instance, people going on holiday could be informed about weather conditions. Car drivers can be given alternative routes when there are traffic jams. It will also be possible to make tiny translating machines. This will enable people who do not share a common language to talk to each other without any difficulty or to read foreign publications.

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|---|----------|
| (a) What is the greatest advancement in modern technology ?         | <b>1</b> |
| (b) What complicated works are computers capable of doing ?         | <b>1</b> |
| (c) Write one use of computers.                                     | <b>1</b> |
| (d) Explain : automation.   | <b>1</b> |
| (e) Why can't computers lead independent lives or rule the world ?  | <b>1</b> |
| (f) How would computers as translating machines help people ?       | <b>1</b> |
| (g) What was the prediction of Sir Leon about computers in future ? | <b>1</b> |
| (h) How can computers help people going on holiday ?                | <b>1</b> |



2. Read the passage given below :

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- (1) Why does a person become overconfident ? The reason lies in over assessment of his capabilities. Sometimes people over assess their competence and jump into situations that are beyond their control.
- (2) Napoleon Bonaparte who became Emperor of France would say that the word 'impossible' was common only amongst fools. The overconfident Napoleon invaded Russia in the winter of 1812. This proved to be a big disaster.
- (3) Overconfidence generally leads people into misadventures, endangering their chances in life. It is wisely said that, any achievement is a result of two factors-one's personal planning and support from the external world. People, take into account only their planning, generally ignoring external factors. They become unable to foresee future developments. Hence the great risk of failure.
- (4) Then there is the question : how can one manage overconfidence ? The formula is very simple. Before taking a decision discuss the matter with other informed people with an objective mind and when it is proved that you are about to go off the path, accept reality and say without delay, "I was wrong."
- (5) Overconfidence is a flaw characterizing people who lack the virtue of modesty. Modesty makes you a realist; you become a person who is cut down to size. People of this kind become very cautious; before taking an action they assess the whole situation. They adopt a realistic approach.
- (6) Overconfident people live within their own thoughts. They know themselves but they are unaware of others. Living inside their own cell they are unable to make use of the experiences of others. This kind of habit is highly damaging to all concerned.
- (7) There is a saying that the young man sees the rule and the old man sees the exception. With a slight change, I would like to say that the overconfident person sees the rule and the confident person sees the exception. Overconfident people are always at risk. It is said that taking risk is good but it must be well calculated otherwise it becomes very dangerous.

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(2.1) Answer the following questions :

**2 × 4 = 8**

- (a) Why does a person become overconfident ?
- (b) What does overconfidence generally lead people into ?
- (c) How can one manage overconfidence ?
- (d) What kind of person does 'modesty' make you ?

(2.2) Find meanings of the words given below with the help of the options that follow :

**1 × 4 = 4**

(a) Misadventure (para 3)

- (1) Mishap
- (2) Unlucky
- (3) Unhappy
- (4) Unpleasant

(b) Endangering (para 3)

- (1) Reckless
- (2) Imperil
- (3) Risky
- (4) Threatening

(c) Assess (para 5)

- (1) Assemble
- (2) Acquire
- (3) Evaluate
- (4) Accept

(d) Objective (para 4)

- (1) Obedient
- (2) Servile
- (3) Honest
- (4) Impartial

**SECTION – B**  
**(WRITING AND GRAMMAR)**

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3. There is an increasing dependence of students on coaching institutes and tuition centres. Write a letter to the Editor of The Hindu giving reasons for this over dependence. Also, suggest a few measures that can be taken to check this trend. You are Arun/Aruna F-114, Mall Road, Agra. **5**

**OR**

Many students have lost the habit of writing due to frequent use of computer. This has resulted in the slow death of writing as a skill. Write an article in **100-120** words suggesting measures to give importance to writing by hand. You are Arun/Aruna.

4. Write a story in **150-200** words based on the input given below : **10**

The stadium looked festive – match going on – all excited – suddenly .....

**OR**

He was hungry and tired – could do anything for food – but didn't know how to get food, so .....

5. Complete the following paragraph by filling in the blanks with the help of the given options : **1 × 3 = 3**

When we read (a) \_\_\_\_\_ a happy person we smile, (b) \_\_\_\_\_ if the character (c) \_\_\_\_\_ angry, we frown.

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|-------------|--------------|---------------|-----------|
| (a) (i) off | (ii) about   | (iii) from    | (iv) on   |
| (b) (i) as  | (ii) because | (iii) whereas | (iv) when |
| (c) (i) is  | (ii) became  | (iii) are     | (iv) am   |

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6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the error and its correction as shown in the example.  $\frac{1}{2} \times 8 = 4$

	<b>Error</b>	<b>Correction</b>
There is some truth in a common	e.g. a	the
saying that dogs became attached to	(a) —	—
persons, cats are general attached to	(b) —	—
places. A dog will follow their	(c) —	—
master anywhere, so a cat keeps	(d) —	—
to the house it was used to. Even	(e) —	—
then the house changes hands, the	(f) —	—
cat will remain here, as long as	(g) —	—
that is kindly treated by the new owners.	(h) —	—

7. Rearrange the words and phrases given below into meaningful sentences. The first one has been done as an example.  $1 \times 3 = 3$

a real princess/a prince/marry,/wanted to/but only/once

Once a prince wanted to marry, but only a real princess.

- (a) to find / it was / princess / very difficult / a real
- (b) all over / of one / he / in search / travelled / the world
- (c) but no / real / many / one seemed / he saw / to be

**(LITERATURE : Textbook and Long Reading Text)**

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : **1 × 3 = 3**

So I went home and sat down before my desk and ... waited, but nothing happened. Pretty soon my mind began to wander off on to other things.

- (a) Who is 'I' ?
- (b) What did 'I' wait for ?
- (c) What does the phrase, 'wander off' mean ?

**OR**

Calpurnia : Do not go forth today : call it my fear

That keeps you in the house, and not your own.

Let me, upon my knee prevail in this.

- (a) What is Calpurnia's fear ?
- (b) What is the cause of her fear ?
- (c) What does the phrase, 'go forth' mean ?

9. Answer any **four** of the following questions in **30-40** words each : **2 × 4 = 8**

- (a) Why does the poet experience conflicting emotions for the snake ?
- (b) How was Shultz rescued from 'Warzone' ?
- (c) What is 'The Writer's Inspirational Bureau' and what was its protest ?
- (d) Why does Ozymandias refer to himself as 'king of kings' ?
- (e) What attention did Patol Babu pay to the minor role he played in the movie ?



10. Answer the following in **80-100** words : **4**

You are one of the crew on the ship. After the mariner kills the Albatross, you have to suffer and there is no hope of survival. Write a diary entry describing your feelings at this point of time.

**OR**

Imagine you are Sebastian's parents. Write a diary entry describing your feelings when you come to know what has happened to him.

11. Answer the following question in **150-200** words : **10**

What did Helen's visit to Niagara make her feel ? What enabled her to understand the glory of nature ?

**OR**

The charges of plagiarism had shaken Helen's confidence and demoralized her. How did she regain her confidence in life ?

**OR**

Anne had a tough relationship with her sister. Why did she find it difficult to get along with her and other fellow residents of the annexe ?

**OR**

Why is Anne's diary regarded as a valuable and authentic account of those times ?



**QUESTION PAPER CODE 1/2/1**  
**SECTION A (READING) 20 MARKS**

**Note:** Section A tests the candidate's ability in reading only. Therefore, no deductions are to be made for errors in spelling, grammar or punctuation. Marks should be awarded if the answer can be clearly understood.

**Objective:** This section evaluates the reading and comprehension skills of the students and their ability to infer and evaluate the given information.

**1. COMPUTERS**

**MARKS-8**

**Objective:** To identify the main points of a text

**Marking:** 8 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

**1.1 Sentence Completion**

**Answers :**

- a) invention of computers
- b) solve mathematical problems / put thousands of unrelated facts in order
- c) provide information on the best way to prevent traffic jams / used in industries / used in universities / carry out complicated work in all branches of learning ( any one).
- d) the process by which machines can be used to work for us
- e) need detailed instructions from human beings to operate/ cannot make decisions of their own ( any one)
- f) will enable people who do not share a common language to talk to each other without any difficulty / to read foreign publications ( any one)
- g) computers would be developed which would be small enough to carry in the pocket . / Ordinary people would be able to use these pocket computers to obtain valuable information . / Computers could be plugged in to a national network and be used like radios ( any one)
- h) can be informed about weather conditions / car drivers can be given alternative roads when there are traffic jams / make tiny translating machines ( any one)



## 2 OVERCONFIDENCE

TOTAL MARKS-12

**Objective** : To identify the main points of a text

**Marking** : 8 marks - 2 marks for each correct answer

### 2.1 Answers :

- a) because of over assessment of his capabilities and competence ; jumps into situations that are beyond his control. 2
- b) misadventures /endangering their chances in life / putting them at great risk of failure (any two) 2
- c) by discussing the matter with other informed people with an objective mind and accepting reality when proved wrong. 2
- d) modesty makes you a realist ; you become a person who is cut down to size ; people of this kind become very cautious before taking any action.(any two) . 2

### 2.2 Vocabulary

**Marking** : 4 marks - 1 mark for each correct answer

**Answers** :

- a) i) mishap
- b) iv) threatening
- c) iii) evaluate
- d) iv) impartial

1X4=4

## SECTION B (WRITING & GRAMMAR)

TOTAL MARKS - 25

### 3. LETTER TO THE EDITOR – INCREASING DEPENDENCE ON COACHING INSTITUTES

MARKS-5

**Objective** : To use the given input in a short sustained piece of writing

**Marking** : Content – 3 marks – (the given information in the question paper to be included)

**Expression - 2 marks (fluency and accuracy to be taken into account)**

**Format - includes date, subject, addressee and closing**

**Format to be treated as part of the content**

**Suggested Value Points :**

**Reasons for over dependence**

- Easily accessible
- More practice
- Schools don't prepare specifically for entrance examinations
- Coaching institutes make tall claims to their results

**How to check this trend**

- by making sure that teaching in the school classroom is competitive examination oriented too
- more materials for practice provided.
- school classroom should be better equipped
- interesting environment must be created
- conduct mock test for entrance examinations at schools.
- pay more attention to individual problems (any other relevant point)

**OR**

**ARTICLE WRITING –IMPORTANCE TO WRITING BY HAND**

**Objectives : To plan, organize and present ideas coherently  
To write in a style appropriate for communicative purposes**

**Marking : Content - 3 marks**

**Format – includes heading and signatory**

**Format to be treated as part of the content**

**Expression- 2 marks (fluency and accuracy to be taken into account)**

**Suggested Value Points :**

- Creativity of the students in writing skills should be encouraged
- More work to be handwritten and marked accordingly

- Students should be given work in the notebooks which need to be evaluated regularly
- Incentives should be given to the students to encourage good writing.
- Parents should be motivated to develop writing skills in their wards.
- To hold competitions to promote beautiful handwriting.  
(any other relevant point)

#### 4. STORY WRITING

MARKS – 10

**Objective : To plan, organize and present ideas coherently**

**Marking : Relevance of content + creativity – 6 marks**  
**Fluency – 2 marks                      Accuracy – 2 marks**  
**Story completed in any suitable way using the hints provided should be accepted.**

#### 5. GAP FILLING – A HAPPY PERSON

MARKS-3

**Objective : To use grammatical items correctly**

**Marking : 1 mark for each correct answer**

**Answers:**

- a) (ii) about
- b) (iii) whereas
- c) (i) is

#### 6. EDITING – Truth

MARKS – 4

**Objective : To use grammatical items correctly**

**Marking : ½ a mark for each correct answer**

**Answers :**

<b>ERROR</b>	<b>CORRECTION</b>
a) became	become
b) general	generally
c) their	its / his
d) so	but
e) was	is



**DRAMA- JULIUS CEASAR**

**MARKS- 3**

**Answers :**

- (a) that something bad would happen / Ceasar might be killed .
- (b) supernatural events , occurrences / Culpurnia’s dream / omens
- (c) go ahead / go out /go to the senate

**9. Answer any four.**

**Objective : To test the ability to infer and evaluate**

**TOTAL MARKS**

**Marking : 2 marks for each correct answer**

**(a) POETRY – SNAKE**

**MARKS - 2**

**Answer:**

conflicting emotions – he feels honoured by its visit and he is in awe of the snake and then the voice of Education asks him to kill the snake.

**(b) PROSE – VIRTUALLY TRUE**

**MARKS - 2**

**Answer :**

the jeep hit by the tank , Sebastian was thrown into air, went round and round , tumbled near the helicopter , pulled up by Michael to safety.

**(c) PROSE – SHADY PLOT**

**MARKS-2**

**Answer :**

organisation of ghosts who gave ideas and helped authors to write ghost stories.

people using Ouija Boards call them to answer questions all the time and they get tired.

went on a strike / refused to be helpful

**(d) POETRY - OZYMANDIAS**

**MARKS -2**

**Answer :**

thinks he is the greatest of all Kings, arrogant, vain, conceited, egocentric

**(e) PROSE – PATOL BABU**

**MARKS -2**

**Answer :**

he used different inflections of the word ‘Oh!’, gave a suggestion to use a newspaper / rehearsed it a lot

**10. Answer any one in 80 – 100 words**

**TOTAL MARKS : 4**

**Objective : To help students relate the values in the text to their own lives and understand their importance.**

**Marking : Content - 2marks  
Expression – 2 marks**

**DIARY ENTRY – RIME OF THE ANCIENT MARINER**

**Answer :**

- punishment for crime committed by Mariner – killed Albatross
- Albatross brought luck – icebergs split, south wind started to blow, moved out of South pole
- stuck in silent ocean- ship, motionless as no breeze
- no sound – only sound when sailors spoke
- intense heat , sun – red hot; sky – hot and copper
- surrounded by water- but couldn’t drink it – throats dried
- sea rotting , slimy creatures walked on its surface
- no hope of survival
- angry / desperate

**OR**

**DIARY ENTRY – VIRTUALLY TRUE**



**Answer :**

- wondered if it was possible to have memory stored in a computer
- Sebastian in coma – trapped in a video game
- Michael rescued him
- thanked God, Michael did not give up
- grateful to Michael for saving son's life
- realized how dangerous psycho- drive games can be

### **LONG READING TEXT (NOVELS)**

**11. Answer any one in 150 – 200 words      TOTAL MARKS- 10**

**Objective      : To understand and relate to the prescribed text and be able to make an analysis of events and characters**

**Marking        : Content : 5 marks Expression : 5 marks**

**Answers :**

#### **Helen's Visit to Niagara Falls**

- Her visit to Niagara Falls was an eye-opener
- Could feel the glory of nature through vibrations and other sensory perceptions
- Felt great ; humbled

**OR**

#### **Charge of Plagiarism**

- She was accused of plagiarising 'The Forest Fairies' by Ms Margaret T Canby in her story 'The Forest King' .
- She was accused of not telling an original story.
- She was unaware of plagiarism in any form.
- It shook her confidence.
- It demotivated her.
- It left her demoralized .
- Ms. Sullivan helped and consoled her, restored her self confidence, persuaded her to write for the Youth's Companion a brief account of her life.
- Lost her dearest friend , Mr. Anagnos of the Perkins Institute for the blind .





**OR**

Anne's relationship with her sister

- The sisters were very different from each other .
- Her sister was liked by mother and was closer to her
- Anne resented her .
- She was difficult to understand and get along with
- Argumentative

**OR**

Anne's diary a valuable and authentic record

- Diary – invaluable – provides invaluable insights into the times, lives and hardships
- One of the surviving authentic accounts of the times
- A rare insight from child's point of view

**(Any other relevant points in respect of answers to the novel's questions may be accepted)**