

Series JSR

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 and 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 that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.

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## SECTION - A

(Reading)

20 marks

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : **1x8=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.



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

2. Read the passage given below. 12

- 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. As a result they are unable to foresee future developments. Hence, a 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.

2.1 Answer the following questions : **2x4=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 : **1x4=4**

- (a) Misadventure (Para 3)
  - (i) Mishap
  - (ii) Unlucky
  - (iii) Unhappy
  - (iv) Unpleasant
- (b) Endangering (Para 3)
  - (i) Reckless
  - (ii) Imperil
  - (iii) Risky
  - (iv) Threatening

- (c) Assess (Para 5)
- (i) Assemble
  - (ii) Acquire
  - (iii) Evaluate
  - (iv) Accept
- (d) Objective (Para 4)
- (i) Obedient
  - (ii) Servile
  - (iii) Honest
  - (iv) Impartial

## SECTION - B

(Writing and Grammar)

25 marks

3. You feel that the 'Clean India Campaign' has not been as effective as you thought it should have been. As Ankit/Ankita, write an article in 100-120 words discussing the reasons for this. Also highlight the measures that a common man and a student can take to make it a success. **5**

OR

Influence of friends can have both positive and negative impact on the students. Write a letter to the editor of a national daily in 100-120 words discussing how we can make it more positive and productive. You are Arun/Aruna 24 Mall Road Chennai.

4. Write a story in 150-200 words based on the input given below : **10**
- They started a trek to the peak of the mountain - supposed to be a very hard journey - a five - day long trek - when they started.....

OR

He opened the factory door - peeped inside - some light - last shift over - could be thieves.....



5. Complete the following paragraph by filling in the blanks with the help of the given options : **1x3=3**

Reading a novel or short story (a) \_\_\_\_\_ second language could dramatically (b) \_\_\_\_\_ physiological responses to emotions such (c) \_\_\_\_\_ smiling.

- (a) (i) of            (ii) in            (iii) from            (iv) at  
 (b) (i) reduce    (ii) reduces    (iii) reduced    (iv) reducing  
 (c) (i) like        (ii) similar to    (iii) as            (iv) alike

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. **½x8=4**

	Error	Correction
One day a wonderful plate full in gold	e.g. in	of
fell from Heaven into a courtyard of	(a) _____	_____
a temple at Benaras; so on the	(b) _____	_____
plate these words were inscribe.	(c) _____	_____
“A gift from Heaven to he who	(d) _____	_____
loves better”. The priests at once	(e) _____	_____
made a announcement that every	(f) _____	_____
-day at noon, all which would like	(g) _____	_____
to claimed the plate should come.	(h) _____	_____

7. Rearrange the following words and phrases into meaningful sentences. The first one has been done as an example. **1x3=3**

detective / below / go / written / through the / story

Go through the detective story written below.

- (a) can be / two / blamed / persons / the murder / for  
 (b) to the / there are / culprit / many clues / real / pointing  
 (c) the / find / murderer / who / real / out / is

**SECTION - C**

**(Literature : Textbook and Long Reading text)**

**25 marks**

**8.** Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : **1x3=3**

“Oh, oh, oh, oh, oh ...” Patol Babu began giving the exclamation a different inflection each time he uttered it. After doing it a number of times he made an astonishing discovery.

- (a) Why did Patol Babu repeat the word, ‘oh’ over and over again ?
- (b) What ‘astonishing discovery’ did he make ?
- (c) What does the word, ‘uttered’ mean ?

**OR**

“They that have done this deed are honourable :  
What private griefs they have, alas, I know not,  
That made them do it” : .....

- (a) Who is the speaker ?
- (b) What deed have ‘they’ done ?
- (c) What does the word, ‘griefs’ mean ?

**9.** Answer **any four** of the following in 30-40 words each : **2x4=8**

- (a) What does the poet compare the snake’s drinking habits to ? Why ?
- (b) What sort of person was Michael’s dad ?
- (c) Why does Brutus kill Caesar ?
- (d) Why is John’s wife angry and what does she decide to do ?
- (e) Why were the mariners angry with the Ancient Mariner ?

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

Who was Mr. Pakrashi and how did he instil the value of being true to one’s work in Patol Babu ?

**OR**

Keeping in mind the poem, ‘Snake’, write out a speech for the morning assembly on the topic, ‘Snakes - a beautiful creation of God, an object of our love and not hatred.

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

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There were many reasons for Helen Keller's embittered childhood. What were they and how were they overcome ?

**OR**

Helen's struggle has become a source of inspiration for all less fortunate. Comment.

**OR**

Anne's relationship with her mother was never simple. What created the tension and discord ? Why ?

**OR**

Anne's father was close to her. What did she like about him ? Why ?



## QUESTION PAPER CODE 1/1

### 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 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. ARTICLE WRITING –CLEAN INDIA CAMPAIGN

MARKS - 5

**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**

**Reasons:**

Lack of civic sense, insensitive public , callous and lazy attitude of people , lack of awareness among the public, poor infrastructure , lack of funds and no penalty .

**Measures to make it a success :**

To sensitize people on the importance of cleanliness and hygiene through awareness programmes , like rallies, street plays, electronic and print media , active participation of community and school.

OR

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR – Influence of friends**

**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)**

**Format – include date, subject addressee and closing.**

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

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

**Suggested value points**

**Positive Impact :**

Friendship - valuable relationship

Influence: establishes a bond , companionship , sharing problems, healthy competition among peers, boosts happiness , reduces stress , a friend in need is a friend indeed.

**Negative impact:**

Can develop vices, waste of time , peer pressure

**Measures:**

Making use of time in a productive way, learning from each other, taking up some projects and social work , encouraging each other and being supportive

**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 –**

**MARKS-3**

**Objective : To use grammatical items correctly**

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

**Answers:**

- a) (ii) in
- b) (i) reduce
- c) (iii) as

**6. EDITING –**

**MARKS–4**

**Objective : To use grammatical items correctly**

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

**ERROR      CORRECTION**

- |    |          |           |
|----|----------|-----------|
| a) | a        | the       |
| b) | so       | and       |
| c) | inscribe | inscribed |
| d) | he       | him / one |
| e) | better   | best      |
| f) | a        | an        |
| g) | which    | who       |
| h) | claimed  | claim     |

**7. REARRANGING WORDS**

**MARKS - 3**

**Objective :** To reorder words/phrases to write grammatically accurate sentences

To test the knowledge of syntax

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

For a partially correct answer, no marks are to be allotted

**Answers :**

a) Two persons can be blamed for the murder.

b) There are many clues pointing to the real culprit. / Many clues are there pointing to the real culprit.

c) Find out who the real murderer is .

**SECTION C (LITERATURE)**

**TOTAL MARKS-25**

**General Instructions:** This section is meant to test the student's familiarity with and appreciation of the set texts. However, if the expression prevents clear communication,  $\frac{1}{2}$  a mark may be deducted.

**8 Objective :** To identify the correct answer on the basis of inference, interpretation and comprehension.

**(a) PROSE-PATOL BABU , FILM STAR**

**MARKS-3**

**Marking :** 3 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

**Answers :**

a) His guru Mr.Pakrashi's advice – each word spoken in a play has its own importance / gave the exclamation a different inflection each time he uttered / to perfect it / to rehearse it

b) that one simple word 'Oh!' could carry so many different shades of meaning when spoken in different ways.

c) said / spoke / made a sound with one's voice

**OR**



**(b) DRAMA –JULIUS CAESAR**

**MARKS-3**

**Answers:**

- a) Mark Antony
- b) Killed the mighty ruler , Julius Caesar
- c) Grievances / reasons / grudges

**9. Answer any four.**

**TOTALMARKS 2x4=8**

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

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

**POETRY - SNAKE**

- a) To the drinking habits of cattle like lifting their heads and looking up vaguely.

**PROSE – VIRTUALLY TRUE**

- b) Nutty about computers and could not resist any of the new gadgets or gizmos that came into the market.

**DRAMA – JULIUS CAESAR**

- c) Brutus' love for Rome was greater than his love for Caesar - he believed that Caesar was ambitious.

**PROSE-SHADY PLOT**

- d) Lavinia was suspicious of John's fidelity - suspected him of having an affair – thought he was secretly seeing someone and decided to leave him and go to her grandmother's house - her lawyer would communicate with him later.



## **POETRY – THE RIME OF THE ANCIENT MARINER**

- e) The Ancient Mariner had killed the harmless albatross, that had got them out of the land of ice and snow. As a result they had to undergo a lot of sufferings. ( their examples)

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

**TOTAL MARKS- 4**

### **PROSE- PATOL BABU , FILM STAR**

Gogon Pakrashi was Patol Babu mentor . He had advised that however small the role may be , a good actor should give full attention to it as every word in a play is important - nothing beneath one's dignity - make use of every opportunity – do full justice to the role - work done with perfection gives satisfaction.

OR

### **POETRY - SNAKE**

‘Snakes – a beautiful creation of God , an object of our love and not hatred.

- graceful , majestic looking
- some people think some snakes are poisonous , so should be killed.
- king in exile / lord of life
- arouses a sense of admiration
- man's duty to respect and protect the rights of other creatures
- co-exist in harmony
- many superstitions attached to it.

### **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 Keller's embittered childhood – illness – deaf , dumb and blind – led to tantrums and frustration - outbursts of passion - short- tempered , problems at school.

Helen overcame this after Anne Sullivan's arrival – Miss Sullivan – embodiment of love , understanding , patience and perseverance - Helen conquered her handicaps due to her determination and her love for nature – communicated with others – broke barriers – aspired for higher goals - supportive parents and friends – self -reliant – no more a burden – not defeated in life – learnt to read , write and speak

**OR**

Undying spirit, never dwelt on her handicaps , had patience , perseverance , determination and self- confidence - not defeated in life – small and steady steps towards her destination – the more she attained - the higher she aspired , gave the world the lesson of optimism and positivity – inspired readers and others similarly disadvantaged .

**OR**

Anne's resentment due to the strange circumstances she was in – confined to a small place with fear being her constant companion - initially mother was jovial – teased her about her boyfriend - praised her for her school reports but later Anne did not like to be treated like a baby – did not want to be sermonized - felt that her mother was not an ideal mother who would support her emotionally - felt mother was more fond of her sister - blamed Anne for everything - jealous of her father's attention to her mother - mother's sarcasm - lack of sweetness - accusations affected her so did not confide in her

**OR**

Father was caring , gentle , modest , peace maker , wanted the best for his daughters - wanted Anne to be happy , more tolerant of her, imposed less restrictions and gave her more freedom - not bothered about their reports - defended her - patient, considerate - Anne learned self- control from her father .

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