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SUBJECT: ENGLISH CORE (301)
CLASS – XI
MARKING SCHEME

SECTION A : READING SKILLS (26 marks)

1.
 - i. (ii) moulding their personality in the right way
 - ii. There are two problems which cause great worry to our educationist – the problem of religious and moral instruction in a land of many faiths and the problem arising out of a large variety of languages.
 - iii. In terms of education of children, they should be
 - i. trained to love one another,
 - ii. to be tender to the lower animals, and
 - iii. to observe and think right. (any two)
 - iv. (iv) tender
 - v. (ii) By teaching them about culture, tradition, and religion
 - vi. Difficult to teach a diversity of students about a particular culture/religion
 - vii.
 - By promoting an atmosphere of understanding
 - By building co-operation among diversities
 - Building up mutual trust and respect (any two)
 - ii. Every student must learn more than one language
Appreciate and respect different religions
 - iii. (iv) Barren Secularization
 - iv. (ii) Finding ways of religious and moral education
2.
 - i. (a) (1) is the result of (2)
It is clearly given in passages that due to the plastic waste amalgamating in the waters of the oceans, the marine life is risked and contaminated with micro-plastics in them. Hence, (a) is the right answer.
 - ii. Professor in marine biology
 - iii. Ocean Trash Index
 - iv. Waves
 - v. (d) analysing the fish sold in California.
 - vi. (d) (III), (IV)
 - vii. 298,332
 - viii. (b) 339,875

3. Title: Qualities of a Leader

Notes:

Summary:-

Leadership does not exist without followership. A good leader should have an emotional impact on his followers so that they value his knowledge and respect his identity. The strength of character shown by leaders is imitated by all, irrespective of cadre, class and caliber. When the leader is simple, he is counted as belonging to the group. Technical and administrative knowledge and the role of a guide in balanced quantity and of right kind is essential. A leader is considered great if he moulds his followers to his frame of mind by setting an example. The leader should maintain equanimity, which means keeping oneself poised and balanced at all times.

I. Leadership

- i. does not exist without flwrshp
- ii. a leader to be acptd by grp.
- iii. emotional impact on the group members

II. **Strength**

- i. strength makes leaders dear to followers
- ii. leader's style to be emltd
- iii. simplicity must
- iv. inspires and motivates
- v. no flattery or show-off
- vi. classy and follows simplicity
- vii. knowledgeable

II. **Role**

- i. assume role of guide
- ii. technical & administrative knowledge required
- iii. should be 'Jack of all' or 'Master of few'
- iv. leader shapes people's character
- v. requires eqnmty

● **Key to Abbreviations**

flwrshp – followership
 acptd – accepted
 grp – group
 emltd -emulated
 tchncl – technical
 eqnmty – equanimity
 ⧫ – and

Section B – Grammar (7 Marks)

4.A. Answer any SEVEN of the following questions:

1.
 - a. (iii) don't
 - b. (i) lack
 - c. (ii) are
 - d. (iii) more
- 4B. it was a very cold day
- e. it must be the coldest day of the season
5. We eat so that we may live.
- f. I am sure we will succeed.

2. **Section – B Creative Writing Skills (16 Marks)**

6.ACCOMMODATION WANTED Required a newly built independent house having three bed rooms with attached baths, drawing and dining, modular kitchen and parking, East and park facing, near school, bank and shopping complex on monthly rental of Rs. 15,000 in East Delhi. Contact Mr. R.V. Singh, 90122xxxxx (M).

OR

6B.TOURS & TRAVEL Holidays Tours & Travel, India's most trusted name in domestic and overseas travel. Our foreign travel services extend to Dubai, Singapore, UK and Australia. We're hoping to establish our services in the States very soon. Contact for air tickets, tour packages, hotel, resort and cab booking. Book online and avail 25% discount on hotel room tariffs anywhere in India. Try once trust forever. Special pilgrimage packages available. Visit our website www.holidays.com or call toll free number 1800-444-XXXX.

7A.

Dramatic Club
RYAN'S INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, GURGAON
proudly presents
THE NEVER NEVER NEST
a hilarious comedy
by
CEDRIC MOUNT
for the benefit of Spastic Society of India
on
SATURDAY, THE 4TH August; 2019
at 6 p.m. sharp
SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
Entry: Donor Tickets of" 100 each
COME, ENJOY & HELP A NOBLE CAUSE Cultural Secretary: **RISG**

OR

7B

Dowry is a Curse
Stop Immoral acts. Let's build a better human society.



As an evil it causes:

- Unnecessary mental pressure on the bride and her family.
- Deaths of the bride.
- Ill-treatment to the bride and her family at the hand of the groom and his family.

Let us join together and eradicate this menace from our society.

Issued in public interest by Vikram/Sonia, Secretary Society for Creation of Awareness (SCA)

8A.Protecting Our Eyesight Good morning everyone! Honourable Principal Sir, respected teachers and all my dear friends! I, XYZ, have come before you all to remind you about the importance of protecting our eyesight.

Our eyes are two of the most sensitive parts of our body, and we should never take our eyes for granted. But unfortunately, most of us don't take care of our eyesight unless something drastic happens.

A recent health check-up in our school has revealed that many of our fellow students are suffering from weak eyesight. Reading in bad light, bad posture, wrong direction from which light is coming, excessive TV/computer viewing etc. are some of the factors that can be attributed to it. It is high time we understand the imperative need for protecting our eyes. It starts with the food on our plate. Eating a well-balanced diet and including more green vegetables in our diet is very essential.

To improve our vision is a matter of changing the way we see and use our eyes i.e. bringing a change in our habits. We must make sure never to read in bad light and also that we do not sit in the wrong direction from the source of light. One must avoid watching television excessively, and not spend a long time in front of the computer screen. Regular washing of eyes with filtered water keeps them fresh. Besides, enough sleep and some simple exercises of the eyes are also of much help. By following these simple but necessary steps, we can

protect our eyesight and thus show some respect for the wonderful gift of sight which God has bestowed upon us.

Thank you!

OR

8B.Donate Your Old clothes for Noble Cause Recently, we have heard the news about floods in one section of our country and an earthquake hitting another part of the country. Both natural disasters have caused wide-scale destruction. Thousands of people have been rendered houseless and stranded in rescue camps.

We buy a lot of clothes throughout the year. And if we notice, a good amount of clothes lie untouched in our wardrobes. Why dump them when there are millions of underprivileged people in this world struggling to get enough bread to live for the next day, enough rag to cover themselves away from humiliation and enough shelter that promises them some hope for tomorrow. Don't dump, rather donate old clothes. There are so many victims of floods and earthquakes whose future can be made by giving your small donation of old clothes. The best way to tidy any clothes and shoe collection is through donating. Donating is an essential and transparent way to help needy people. This is where you can donate your valuable used clothes to victims of floods and earthquakes in different parts of the country. Our school is raising an initiative towards second-hand clothes collection, medicine collection so that we can also contribute to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund.

I urge all of you to be a part of this noble cause.

9A.Against the Motion The heavy emphasis on academic performance has changed the educator's point of view completely. The focus on acquiring skills and information through cramming is greater than the application of principles of learning about practical life. And the obsession with marks, which are considered to be the sole indicator of one's merit has resulted in such a phenomenon that fundamental tools of education like basic problem-solving, team spirit and justice are ignored completely. What you learn in school are facts, known facts. Your job at school is to accumulate and remember facts, the better you do.

For the Motion

A good education is essential, as it not only teaches us the necessary skills required in the world of work but also prepares the mind to make sane, healthy and intelligent decisions about any situation that one may encounter on life's journey. If a person is educated and specialised in his field, he can do all the related works and be a creative mind to bring more invention. Put simply, academic excellence will not help an individual to grow in life. We need to groom our personality overall because nowadays the market requirement is multipurpose and they want all the possible quality in one candidate who can manage things personally and professionally both. Hence, in my opinion, success requires a combination of academic excellence with other essential life skills.

OR

9B.For the Motion Respected judges, honorable opponents and friends,
I will speak for the motion, "Private cars should be banned in the congested commercial areas of the cities."

The commercial areas of the cities are prone to traffic jams during working hours. This causes problems like incidents of road rage, increase of pollution due to vehicle exhausts, wastage of precious time and congestion etc. Thus, I am in favour of private cars being banned from entering such areas.

Most private cars emit carbon dioxide, various nitrogen oxides and particulate matter from their exhausts as they run on petrol or diesel. These emissions, besides being hazardous to human health, contribute to global warming also. The continuous honking in these areas due

to the jams leads to noise pollution. Vehicles of traders as well as their customers occupy the limited parking space in such areas, leading to illicit parking also. This leads to further traffic jams. If private cars are banned from entering commercial complexes, their lands can be put to better use e.g. opening more shops or food outlets for visitors etc.

Thank you!

Against the Motion

Respected judges, honorable opponents and friends,

I will speak against the motion, "Private cars should be banned in the congested commercial areas of the cities"

Our public transport system in cities is not efficient enough to satisfy the needs of the daily commuters in the cities. Freedom of travelling is inhibited when one is at the mercy of public vehicles. Public vehicles have their stops fixed and times of arrival and departure scheduled in way that may not meet the needs of all the commuters. Thus, I am not in favour of banning private cars from entering the congested commercial areas.

Moreover, if traders and their customers use taxis or autos, it will become a very costly affair. Therefore, trade and business will suffer. Retail prices will increase, causing difficulties for the common man.

Thus, both business and the economy will be adversely affected due to such a measure, which we cannot afford. So government should think over some other strategy to overcome the problem of pollution like odd-even rule, which was tried earlier with limited success.

Thus, our economy will blossom and environmental pollution can be contained without putting a ban on cars being plied in congested commercial areas.

Thank you!

1. Section C – Literature (31 Marks)

10A. Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given.

(A) The cardboard shows me how it was
When the two girl cousins went paddling,
Each one holding one of my mother's hands,
And she the big girl - some twelve years or so.

1. What does the cardboard refer to here?

(c) A photograph

2. 'It' here refers to:

(b) the poet's mother's childhood

3. What does the word 'paddling' refer to as used in the above stanza?

(a) Walking through shallow water in bare feet

OR

10B. Question 1. Answer: (d) 'She' is the mother goldfinch who enters the thickenss of the Laburnum tree

Question 2. Answer: (c) It refers to the nest of the goldfinch where its young ones are staying

Question 3. Answer: (c) Whole

11A. Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given.

1. (A) focusing less on treasure and more on the fascinating details of life and mysteries of death
2. (B) Valley of the Kings
- C) they sent it for X-Ray

OR

B.iIn the speaker's childhood, the temple dogs followed them home and were fed chapattis. However, in the city, there were no street dogs, and their grandmother started feeding sparrows instead.

- ii. The turning point was when the narrator's parents settled in the city and they were sent for. At that point, the grandmother no longer accompanied the narrator to school.
- iii. The evidence shows a shift in the protagonist's routine when they moved to the city: he attended an English school, used a motor bus, and fed sparrows instead of village dogs.

12A. Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given.

1.

The phrase "he began to roar" suggests that he sang very loudly and cheerfully.

- i. Two sensory details present in the extract are:
 - I. Sense of smell – The air was new and lovely to breathe.
 - II. Sense of touch – The feel of the horse running was wonderful
- ii. A line from the extract that supports the fact that the narrator and his cousin resided in a rural area is, "Behind our house was the country: vineyards, orchards, irrigation ditches, and country roads."
- iii. (A) A boy's joyful ride with his cousin

12B. a. her daughter quickly noticed the changes in the house.

b. She was a nice lady.

a) person that you know but who is not a close friend

d) Various things were missing

13A. Answer the following questions in 40-50 words:

Some of the reasons for the extinction of languages are as follows:

- i. **Language shift:** When a group of people start to speak a different language.
- ii. Migration of people from one place to another.
- iii. **Cultural change:** Some cultures have been colonized or dominated by some other culture.
- iv. The written script of some ancient languages is destroyed or lost.
- ii. The goldfinch's movement is compared to that of a lizard. The basis of the comparison is the sleek, abrupt and alert movements of a lizard. The same kinds of movements are observed when the goldfinch arrives on the laburnum tree.

2. OR

- i. The narrator planned to go on a round-the-world sea voyage on the same pattern as Captain James Cook had done 200 years earlier. For the past 16 years, he and his wife had spent all their leisure time developing and improving their skills with work related to travel on the sea. They had tested their boat 'Wavewalker' in the roughest weather also.

ii.-The lines 'And the sea, which appears to have changed less' depicts that the sea which touched her mother's feet is the one which has not changed over the years. Whereas, her

mother and her cousins grew older. The sea symbolises eternity and immortality. Human being has a life span and has to die one day. Human life is not permanent.

14. Answer ANY ONE of the following three questions, in about 40-50 words. 3M

A. The narrator's family was Jewish. During the war, Mrs. S was afraid that either they may have to leave suddenly or be imprisoned. In either case, their most valuable possessions would be lost. So, she was happy when Mrs. Dorling (obviously not a Jew) suggested that she would safely keep their possessions. She believed that Mrs. Dorling would return all her possessions after the war. So, she allowed Mrs. Dorling to gradually take away the possessions.

OR

B. She was Mrs. Pearson's daughter. She was surprised to see her mother smoking a cigarette and was even more alarmed at her behaviour.

15. Answer ANY ONE of the following two questions, in about 120-150 words. 6M

i. This lesson talks about an Egyptian pharaoh named Tutankhamun. Tut was the last ruler of a famous dynasty. As rulers of a rich civilisation, they conquered lands and lived in splendour and brought many changes. After their death, they were buried in pyramids.

People believed that a dead man needed everyday things in his next life too, so along with everyday necessities, Tut's body was buried with lots of treasures. His body was laid on a bed of gold and decorated with precious necklaces, collars, bracelets, rings, etc. The coffin was made of gold. There was so much gold that with the passage of time, the mummy had got stuck to the gold and scientists had to chisel it out to separate the body for investigation. King Tut was the last heir of a powerful dynasty that had ruled Egypt for centuries. He met a very early death just when he was 18 years old. Since the discovery of his tomb in 1922, the world has speculated a lot about him. Tut's mummy had to undergo a CT scan that offered new clues about his life and death. His mummy was one of the first to go for a CT scan, hence, in death as in life, he moved regally ahead of his countrymen.

ii. Many writers have paid tributes to their loved ones through beautiful writing. Khushwant Singh gave an adorable description about his grandmother through his story. Shirley Toulson remembered her mother through her heart-touching poem. In my opinion, writing about a loved one is much better than building their statues or drawing their portraits. One can never tell the true personality of a person just by looking at their sculptures or portraits. One can never know about the amazing time someone has spent with them. That magic can only be created by words. Words stand the passage of time whereas sculptures or portraits may get damaged by it. Hence, words are the best way by which anyone can pay a tribute to one's loved ones.

16 Answer ANY ONE of the following two questions, in about 120-150 words. 6M

A. Answer. Aram did not believe they had stolen the white horse, despite the fact that they had kept it with them for a long time, because stealing, in his opinion, would occur only when they intended to sell the horse for money or keep it with them indefinitely. As a result, they did not believe they had stolen the horse. Mourad stole the horse because he loved riding but couldn't afford to buy a horse. They returned the horse because their conscience commanded them to. Mourad's mind and heart were changed by his meeting with John Byro. John Byro did not claim the horse, despite the fact that he believed it was his lost horse. He only spoke about the honesty of the boys' family which prompted them to return the horse to its rightful owner.

B. Mrs. Pearson is a loving wife and mother. She is very fond of her husband and children. She looks at all their needs. She does her best to keep them happy. Mrs. Pearson is a simple-hearted woman. But she is gentle to a fault. She does feel that her husband and children are thoughtless. Her husband and children work eight

hours a day and five days a week. But the poor mother has to work all the hours of the day and all the days of the week. Yet the husband and the children have for her no word of praise or gratitude. This is what pains Mrs. Pearson. But, she is too weak to protest. It is Mrs. Pearson's own weakness that has spoiled her husband and children.