

SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – I (2015-16)
ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE
Class - X

Maximum Marks: 70

Time: 3 hours

Instructions :

The question paper is divided into Three sections.

Section A	:	Reading	20 marks
Section B	:	Writing & Grammar	25 marks
Section C	:	Literature & Long Reading Text	25 marks

SECTION A

(READING: 20 marks)

1 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : (1x8)

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- (1) Mother Teresa was born in 1910 in a city which is now called Skopje and is the capital of the Republic of Macedonia. Her birth name was Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu. Her father died when she was eight and she was raised by her mother. She was raised as a Roman Catholic and decided to devote her life to God at a young age. She joined the Sisters of Loreto at the age of 18 to become a missionary to India. She first had to learn English. So she went to Ireland to learn English at the Loreto Abby.
- (2) A year later she started her missionary work in Darjeeling, India. She learned the local language, Bengali, and taught at the local school. She soon took her first vows as a nun and took the name Teresa. She taught for many years in India becoming the headmistress at a school in eastern Calcutta.
- (3) When she was 36 years old she felt the call from God to help the poor of India. She received some basic medical training and then set out to help the sick and needy. This wasn't an easy task in 1948 India. She had very little support and, while trying to feed and help the poorest of the poor, she herself was constantly hungry and even had to beg for food.
- (4) Soon other women joined her and she formed the Missionaries of Charity. Mother Teresa described the purpose of the Missionaries of Charity as an organization to take care of "the hungry, the naked, the homeless, the crippled, the blind, the lepers, all those people who feel unwanted, unloved, uncared for in society".
- (5) It wasn't an easy task to build such an organization and to keep the focus on the poorest people. In 1979, Mother Teresa was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for work undertaken in the struggle to overcome poverty and distress, which also constitutes a threat to peace. She was beatified in 2003, the first step on the path to sainthood, within the Catholic church. She worked almost up until her death on September 5, 1997.
 - (a) Where was Mother Teresa born ?
 - (b) Why was she raised by her mother ?
 - (c) Why did she join the Sisters of Loreto ?
 - (d) When did she change her name to Teresa ?
 - (e) At the age of 36 what did she do to help the poor in India ?
 - (f) What hardships did she face while helping the poor ?
 - (g) What do the Missionaries of Charity do ?
 - (h) What is being beatified ?

2 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : (2x4)+(1x4)=12

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India many not witnessed many tsunamis, but they have occurred all over the world in oceans and seas. The second half of the twentieth century experienced more than 15 devastating tsunamis but the fury of the 2004 killer tsunami has been the deadliest of all.

What is a tsunami ? It is a series of large waves of extremely long wavelength and period usually generated by a violent, impulsive undersea disturbance or activity near the coast. Such turbulent disturbances may be (caused by undersea earthquakes, violent volcanic eruptions, rock or icefalls, sudden submarine landslides or tsunamis, meteorite or asteroid hits and nuclear explosions. When a sudden displacement of a large volume of water occurs, or if the sea floor is suddenly raised or dropped, big tsunami waves can be formed by forces of gravity.) The waves travel out of the area of origin and can be extremely dangerous and damaging when they reach the shore.

Sometimes the term, "seismic or tidal sea wave" is used to describe the same phenomenon. However, the terms can be misleading. As mentioned above, tsunami waves can be generated by other non-seismic disturbances such as volcanic eruptions or underwater landslides, and have physical characteristics different from tidal waves. Tsunami waves are completely unrelated to the astronomical tides-which are caused by the extraterrestrial, gravitational influences of the moon, sun, and the planets. Thus, the Japanese word "tsunami", meaning "harbour wave" is the correct, official and all-inclusive term. It has been internationally adopted because it covers impulsive wave generation.

Once a tsunami has been generated, its energy is distributed throughout the water column regardless of the ocean's depth. A tsunami is made up of a series of very long waves which will travel outward on the surface of the ocean in all directions away from the source area, much like the ripples caused by throwing a rock into a pond.

The International Tsunami Information Centre, based in Honolulu, Hawaii, has been educating the public about the threat from tsunamis for the past many years. Staying away from all low-lying coastal areas is the safest advice when there is a tsunami warning. If you live on or near a coast and hear that an earthquake has occurred, stand by for a tsunami emergency. A noticeable rise or fall of coastal water is nature's tsunami warning and should be heeded. Never go down to the shore to watch for a tsunami, and never try to surf a tsunami, should there be a tsunami warning.

- (a) Describe any two factors which may cause a tsunami.
- (b) What is the difference between a tsunami and tidal waves ?
- (c) How does the Japanese term for tsunami correctly describe it ?
- (d) What steps should be taken in the event of a tsunami ?
- (e) What does the word, "devastating" mean (Para 1)
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| (i) calamitous | (ii) comfortable |
| (iii) bad | (iv) lucky |
- (f) What does the word, "competent" mean (Para 5)
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| (i) upset | (ii) capable |
| (iii) cunning | (iv) ineffective |
- (g) Write the opposite of the word, "turbulent". (Para 2)
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| (i) stormy | (ii) trouble some |
| (iii) full | (iv) calm |

- (h) Write the opposite of the word, "misleading". (Para 3)
- (i) famous (ii) popular
(iii) tricky (iv) accurate

SECTION B
(WRITING & GRAMMAR: 25 Marks)

- 3 Write an article in about 100-120 words, highlighting the benefits of a balanced diet and regular exercise. 5
- 4 Anuradha is participating in a story writing competition. Help her to complete her story in about 150-200 words. 10
- Sanjay, a thirteen years old boy was bullied by Mohit daily. Though he (Sanjay) complained to the teachers and parents, it was of no use. One day he decided that enough was enough. He
- 5 Read the paragraph given below. Fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate words / phrases from the given options. 3

Social-networking sites (a) _____ to hold the attention of most internet users, especially women (b) _____ 18 and 29 years of age, according to (c) _____ new research study.

	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)
(a)	continue	continues	continued	are continuing
(b)	among	between	from	within
(c)	an	the	a	their

- 6 The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the error and the correction in your answer sheet against the correct blank number. The first one has been done as an example. 4

	Error	Correction
The year 2012 marks the 50 th anniversary for the James Bond films. A first James Bond movie <u>title</u> , 'Dr. No' was released <u>in</u> 1962.	e.g. for	of
Numerous events <u>was</u> held for fans over the world.	(a) _____	_____
	(b) _____	_____
	(c) _____	_____
	(d) _____	_____

- 7 Rearrange the following words/phrases to make meaningful sentences. 3
- (a) the depressed / laughter / soul / relieves / and / amuses
- (b) a good exercise / it is / facial muscles / for toning / up
- (c) gives us joy / of friends / in making / a lot / laughter / and helps

SECTION C
(LITERATURE & LONG READING TEXT: 25 Marks)

Read one of the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow:

- 8 "The whole universe is built up through love and the grief of separation is inescapable". 3
- (a) When did the speaker acquire this philosophy?
- (b) What pain has the speaker gone through?
- (c) What does the word, 'inescapable' mean?

OR

Now the frog puffed up with rage.
"Brainless bird-you're on the stage-
Use your wits and follow fashion.

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Puff your lungs out with your passion".

- (a) Why was the frog puffed up with rage ?
- (b) Give the antonym of 'Brainless' ?
- (c) What happened when the nightingale puffed up her lungs ?

Answer the following questions in about 30 - 40 words.

- 9(i) When the narrator asked Nicola and Jacopo about their plans, they were evasive. Why? 2
- 9(ii) Why do you think the nightingale lost her appeal for the masses ? 2
- 9(iii) What are the three things that the grandfather planned to do on Monday ? 2
- 9(iv) Why do the rich and powerful ^{people} get monuments made ? 2

Answer one of the following questions in about 80-100 words.

- 10 'There are limits beyond which repressed emotions become dangerous'. The above statement refers to Loona Bimberton. Keeping this in view, write a letter to a friend, as Loona, describing your feelings at the success of Mrs. Packletide at shooting a tiger. 4

OR

Imagine yourself to be the nightingale (The Frog and the Nightingale). You realise how foolish you had been not to recognise your capabilities and instead, tried to emulate the frog. Write a letter to a friend, describing your feelings. 4

Answer one of the following questions in about 150-200 words.

- 11 Why did Mrs. Van Daan and Mr. Dussel find fault with Anne's upbringing? 10

OR

Anne's relationship with her mother was different from the one with her father. How did it contrast with her feelings for her dad ? 10

OR

What was the abstract idea that Helen came to understand ? How did she get to understand it ? 10

OR

Who was Mr. Anagnos ? Why did Helen regret losing his friendship ? 10