

FIRST TERM EXAMINATION 2024-2025
CLASS IX – COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH (101)

Time: 3 hrs

Max. Marks: 80

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The Question Paper contains FOUR sections- READING, WRITING & GRAMMAR, and LITERATURE
2. All questions are compulsory.
3. Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.

SECTION A – READING (20 MARKS)

Q1 Read the following passage carefully:

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1 The three major effects of viewing TV violence are: children may become less sensitive to the pain and suffering of others, they may be more fearful of the world around them, and they may be more likely to behave in aggressive or harmful ways towards others. Parents can limit the effects of violence by viewing TV together and discussing the violence with the child. Talk about why the violence happened and how painful it is. They may ask the child how conflicts can be solved without violence and explain to the child how violence on an entertainment programme is actually "fake". Parents must restrict violent videos. Encourage your child to watch programmes with characters that cooperate, help and care for one another. These programmes have been shown to have a positive influence on children.

2 Television programming is all about showing reality without censorship, meaning that child watchers are inundated with shows depicting physical and sexual violence, as well as the use of illegal substances and harsh language. According to the American Academy of Paediatrics, "Extensive research evidence indicates that media violence can contribute to aggressive behaviour, desensitization to violence, nightmares, and fear of being harmed." Statistics read that some cartoons average twenty acts of violence in one hour, and that by the age of eighteen children will have seen 16,000 simulated murders and 200,000 acts of violence on television. Young people are especially in jeopardy of the negative effects of television violence because "many younger children cannot discriminate between what they see and what is real.

3 Read to your child rather than watch television. Children's stories, written by thoughtful authors, portray conflict in a more realistic and constructive manner. The best TV teachers are entertaining as well as informative, and they are also child-centred that expand the horizons of the young minds.

4 Watching these programmes provides children with the right stimulus to acquire knowledge through an indirect play way methodology. Absorption of such knowledge and the love for learning are stirred and the child begins to understand the explorative thrills of the knowledge track, where he becomes the racing car driver speeding the knowledge vehicle through his own speedometer of knowledge acquisition.

On the basis of your understanding of the passage, attempt the following questions.

1.1 Select the options that titles the paragraph correctly:

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- (i) Effects of viewing TV
 - (ii) Aggressive behaviour in children
 - (iii) Plight of parents
 - (iv) Western culture
 - (v) Children's stories
- (a) i) and ii) (b) iii) and iv) (c) iv) and v) (d) ii) and iii)

1.2 List any two concerns that the author has raised.

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- 1.3 How can parents limit the effects of viewing violence on TV?
- 1.4 By the statement "read to your child rather than watch television", the author wants the readers to understand:
- Time restriction
 - How much is it important to spend time with your children
 - To provide with right stimulus to acquire knowledge
 - All of the above
- 1.5 What does Media violence contribute to?
- 1.6 What traits can children imbibe by watching violence on the TV?
- 1.7 Fill in the blank- The best TV teachers are _____.
- 1.8 Find out a word from the passage similar in meaning to 'particularly'.
- Energetically
 - Especially
 - Enthusiastically
 - Normally
- 1.9 The antonym of the word 'jeopardy' is
- Violence
 - Losing trust
 - Danger of loss or harm
 - Parenting values

Q2 Read the following passage:

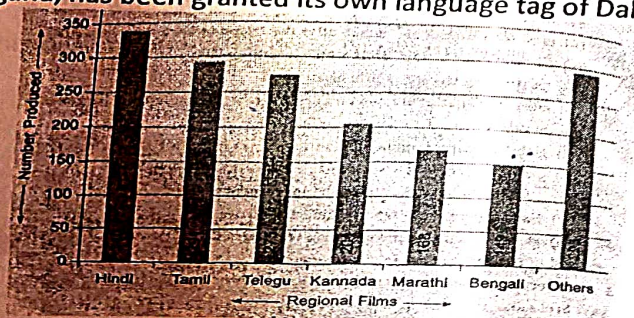
The Indian Film Industry

1 India's regional movie industries are responsible for India's rank as the world's highest movie producer. The Telugu film industry has won several Guinness World Records. Tollywood of West Bengal has given us legends like Satyajit Ray, Ritwik Ghatak, and Mrinal Sen. Bhojiwood, the Bhojpuri film industry has earned renown in the 80s with movies like Mai (1989) and Hamar Bhauji (1983).

2 Pahariwood or Dogri cinema, has won the National Film Award in the regional category, for Dille Ch Vasya Koi (2011). Dhollywood/Gollywood Gujarati cinema, in existence since 1932, has produced more than a thousand movies. Sandalwood, the Kannada film industry is the fifth largest film industry in India after Bollywood and the madness is worth an experience during the release of a movie starring Puneeth Rajkumar.

3 Mollywood, the Malayalam film industry has now become one of the top film industries of India with a crazy fan following of stars like Mohanlal, Mammootty, and Prithviraj. Ollywood, the Odia film industry now boasts of 36 National Awards in the regional category. Pollywood, the Punjabi film industry, in existence since the 1920s, now boasts of movies like Carry on Jatta 2 with box office collections of more than 60 crores.

4 Kollywood, the Tamil cinema is the second largest film industry in India, and the first talkie 'Kalidas' was released by it, in 1931. And there's no explaining to the madness that follows during the release of any movie starring Rajinikanth. Deccanwood based in Hyderabad, Telangana, has been granted its own language tag of Dakkhini.



On the basis of your understanding of the passage, attempt the following questions.

- 2.1 In the line... 'Tollywood of West Bengal has given us legends...' the word 'legends' refers to 1
- (a) Celebrities (b) Celebrations (c) Cerebral (d) Celeries
- 2.2 What information do you infer from the bar graph given above? 2
- 2.3 What element is important in the regional film industry? 1
- 2.4 Based on your understanding of the passage what defines the inherent qualities of regional films? 1
- 2.5 What is special about the Mollywood film industry? 1
- 2.6 Choose the option that is NOT mentioned in the paragraph 1
- (a) Kollywood is the least watched cinema.
 (b) Mollywood has now become one of the top film industries of India.
 (c) Shah Rukh Khan is a world-famous artist
 (d) Option (a) and (c) both
- 2.7 According to the survey, how many films have been produced by the Gollywood since 1932? 1
- 2.8 Which of the following observation contradicts the information in the bar graph given? 1
- (a) Highest number of regional films are produced by Hindi film industry.
 (b) Telugu cinema does not produce regional films.
 (c) Bengali cinema produced the least number of films.
 (d) All of the above
- 2.9 State whether the following statement is TRUE or FALSE- Mollywood is the Maharashtrian film industry. 1

SECTION B – WRITING (15 MARKS)

- Q3 Your cousin is a brilliant student but he is not keeping well since past few days because he avoids homemade food and is very fond of eating outside. Write a letter telling him/her about the harmful effects of junk food and advising him/her to maintain good health in 100-120 words. You are Jay/Jasmine of C-8 Civil Lines, New Delhi. 7
- Q4 Write a paragraph in 120-150 words on the visual clue given below



OR

Using the given hints below: Write a descriptive paragraph on your favourite teacher in 120-150 words.

- Physical Appearance
- Personality
- Way of talking
- What do you like/dislike about the person
- Behaviour
- Bond with the students
- Special traits

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SECTION C – GRAMMAR (16 MARKS)

- Q5 Attempt ANY 10 questions out of the following.
- (a) Kabir, _____ famous saint, was neither a Muslim nor a Hindu. (Use a determiner)
- (b) Rearrange the words to make meaningful sentence.
by/ childhood/ are/ memories/ everyone/ cherished
- (c) The mother said, "Wow! I love the gift." (Change into indirect speech)
- (d) Will you (save) _____ enough money by next summer? (future perfect tense)
- (e) The human body is like a machine containing _____ systems.
(i) Little (ii) several (iii) much (iv) more
- (f) Rearrange the words to make meaningful sentence.
many/ sandalwood/ Indians/ is/ to/ be/ considered/ by/ sacred
- (g) There is an error in the sentence, Apply suitable correction.
You can follow traffic rules at all times.
- (h) You _____ study hard to achieve success. (Apply a suitable modal)
- (i) The teacher said, "Get out of the class." (Change into indirect speech)
- (j) I can write this with my left hand.
What does the above sentence suggest
(i) Ability (ii) possibility (iii) probability (iv) promise.
- (k) The stranger inquired where I (live) _____. (present continuous tense)
- (l) She said that she (believe) _____ me. (past tense)

- Q6 Read the dialogue and complete the following.

Ankit : Where are you going ?

Atul : To the airport

Ankit : May I drop you there in my car ?

Atul : Thanks a lot. It will be a great help to me.

Ankit asked Atul where (a) _____. Atul replied (b) _____ airport.

Ankit further asked him (c) _____ there in his car. Atul thanked him, adding that it would be a great help to him.

- Q7 There is an error in each line. Find the incorrect word and apply suitable changes.

	ERROR	CORRECTION
Children are fond to mangoes. It is a	a) _____	_____
Juicy or citrus fruit, available in	b) _____	_____
much varieties. Mangoes grow on a	c) _____	_____
Tree in tropical and temperate climate		

SECTION D – LITERATURE (29 MARKS)

- Q8 Answer the following questions based on the extract given.

No nightingale did ever chant
More welcome notes to weary band
Of travellers in some shady haunts
Among Arabian sands.

- (a) What do mean by the word 'weary'?
- (b) The speaker quotes the example of the nightingale because _____.
- (c) Alliteration has been used in the above extract. Identify and explain where it has been used?

OR

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence
Two roads diverged in a wood and
I took the less travelled by

- (a) Why did the poet take the less travelled road?
(b) The speaker sighs because _____.
(c) Identify the poetic device used in the first line and match it with the one which has used the same
- Harry hurried home to watch football on TV.
 - The flowers danced in the wind.
 - Silence your cell phone so that it doesn't beep during the movie.
 - None of the above

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Q9 Answer the following based on the extract given

I will work harder than anybody but I will do it. For learning there is no age bar.

- (a) What kind of spirit does the speaker of this line portray.
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| (i) The spirit of her age | (iii) The spirit of the family |
| (ii) To fulfil her set goal | (iv) About difficulties |
- (b) What is she going to work hard at
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| (i) To learn Kannada alphabet | (iii) To learn English language |
| (ii) To know her granddaughter | (iv) To learn driving |
- (c) What is the justification for doing so?
- There is no age bar for acquiring knowledge
 - Language is easy to learn
 - She is still young at heart
 - None of the above

OR

Suddenly over the babble of voices, Chuck heard the screech of breaks outside.
Instinctively he looked for Duke.

- (a) Identify the position of Chuck when he heard the screech
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| i) Chuck was in the garden | iii) Chuck was in the kitchen |
| ii) Chuck was in the house | iv) Chuck was sleeping |
- (b) What made Chuck instinctively look for Duke?
- He was eager to know about his son
 - He was eager to know about his dog
 - He was eager to know about his father
 - None of the above
- (c) What did Chuck suspect when he looked for Duke?
- He suspected that Duke met with an accident
 - He suspected that one of the neighbour had been bit by Duke
 - He thought that Duke had run away
 - None of the above

Q10 Attempt ANY FOUR out of the following in 30-40 words.

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- How did Marcy react when Duke was brought home after his accident?
- What great Indian tradition had been reversed in the pooja room in the story "How I taught my grandmother to read"?
- What was the turning point in the life of Private Quelch?
- How can we say that the Brook has been personified throughout the poem?
- What does the choice made by the poet indicate about his personality in the poem 'The Road not Taken'?
- What effect does the song of the reaper have on the poet in the poem 'The Solitary Reaper'?

Q11 Attempt ANY THREE out of the following in 40-50 words.

- i) Mention how can we relate the journey of the brook with that of human life.
- ii) Money is not sufficient to become an independent individual. Discuss with reference to 'How I taught my Grandmother to read'.
- iii) The story 'A Dog named Duke' shows that success is not achieved overnight. Give examples to prove this from the story.
- iv) Private Quelch lacked the qualities of a team member. Do you agree?

Q12 Attempt ANY ONE out of the following in 100-120 words.

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- i) Do you think the title of the story "The man who knew too much" is appropriate?

Write about the character traits of Private Quelch that you think are highlighted in the story.

OR

- ii) "But I know it was not possible. If only I was educated enough....."
- Describe the circumstances that made the grandmother realize the importance of education in the story "How I taught my grandmother to read".