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PSEB 12th Sample Paper 2027 Elective English

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Punjab Class 12	2027	Sample Paper	English

MODEL TEST PAPER
SESSION-(2026-27)
ENGLISH (ELECTIVE)-XII

TIME:3 Hrs. **M.M. 80**

PART-A

1. OBJECTIVE &VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS: (10 Marks)

All questions are compulsory. Give your answers based on the lessons in the text books.

A (Dear to All The Muses) (3X1=3)

i. What did the glossy covers of the books resemble in the lesson 'A Tiny Sanctuary'?

a. Butterflies c. New Year sweetmeats
b. Fresh flowers d. Paintings

ii. What is the ferocious eye of summer? (Gold In the North)

a. Moon c. Mercury
b. Sun d. Snake

iii. What quality of Mahatma Gandhi is highlighted in the lesson 'The Heritage of India'?

B (The Literary Petals) (3X1=3)

iv. The story 'After Twenty Years' is full of _____.

v. What kind of poem is 'The Tree Fell Down'?

a. Satirical c. Ballad
b. Tragic d. Lyrical

vi. Who were the sons of Madri? (The Gambling Match)

a. Yudhisthira and Duryodhana c. Sakuni and Bhima
b. Nakula and Sahadeva d. Nakula and Arjuna

C (Select One -Act Plays/ Novel-Pride And Prejudice (2X1=2)

vii. How much loan does Louis Courcet want from his aunt ? (The Miracle Merchant)

a. Twenty pounds c. Fifteen pounds
b. Ten pounds d. Thirteen pounds

OR

Who was Wickham? (Pride and Prejudice)

a. A cook in the army. c. A clerk in the army.
b. An officer in the army. d. A waiter.

viii. Who finally receives the reward in 'The King's Warrant'?

a. The little boy c. The pedlar
b. The Sheriff d. The Inn-keeper

OR

Where did the Bennet family live? (Pride and Prejudice)

a. At Manchester c. At Longbourn
b. At Edinberg d. At Meryton

D. GRAMMAR: (2X1=2)

ix. Tagore's father founded a school**. (Change the Voice)**.

x. The man said, "The bird has flown." **(Change the Narration)**

PART-B
BOOK- DEAR TO ALL THE MUSES (16 marks)

2. (a) Read the seen passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (10 marks)

In my grandmother's room, the books were lying down; she used to borrow them from a lending-library and I never saw more than two at a time. These trashy works reminded me of New Year sweetmeats because their shiny flexible covers seemed to be cut of glazed paper, bright, white, almost new, they served as an excuse for petty mysteries. Each Friday, my grandmother would get dressed to go out and say, "I'm going to take them back". When she returned, and had taken off her black hat and her veil, she would take them out of her muff and I would wonder mystified: are they the same one?"

Questions: (2+1+3+2+2)

i. Answer the following Very Short Questions:

(a) What are the trashy works referred to in the passage?
(b) When would the grandmother go out?

ii. The grandmother borrowed the books from:

(a) A bookshop c. A school library
(b) A lending library d. A neighbour

iii Match the words under column 'A' with their meaning given under column B :

A	B
(a) borrow	useless
(b) mystified	to take on loan easily moulded
(c) Petty	puzzled
	small

iv. Fill in the blanks with suitable words:

(a) The book is covered with ..... paper.
(b) She made a lame .....

v. Find one word for the given expression from the passage:

(a) Which can be easily bent without breaking.
(b) Bright and always new

(b) Answer any *three* of the following questions in about 30-40 words each: (3X2=6)

i) How does the writer heighten the effect of barrenness and solitude of the deserted villages? (Gold in the North)

ii) What realization dawned upon the author on the second day? (Jamaican Fragment)

iii) What does the author suggest was Gandhi's achievement? How has that affected the Hindu

way of life? (The Heritage of India)

iv) Why did books become a source of emotional stability for Sartre in 'A Tiny Sanctuary'?

v) Who won the election? What was the secret of his success? (A Young Turkish Catastrophe)

PART-C
BOOK- THE LITERARY PETALS (23 marks)

3 (a). Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words each: (4X3=12)

i) How was Guru Tegh Bahadur's body cremated? (Hind Ki Chadar- Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur)

OR

Why did the people decide to build over the river Lunda? (The Eternal Why)

ii) Why did Jimmy Wells not personally arrest Bob? (After Twenty Years)

OR

Why was Vidura against the game of dice? (The Gambling Match)

iii) How has the poet been fascinated by the rainbow through his manhood? (My Heart Leaps up When I Behold)

OR

What does the poet want to sing of as a tribute to his motherland? (The Song of India)

iv) How does the poet react to the sadness of his counter-part? (Border Guards)

OR

Who have gone 'for hours'? When are they expected to come back? (The Tree Fell Down)

(b) Answer the following question in 40-50 words: (6)

Give a brief character- sketch of Johny Ford. (Attacked by Pit-Bulls)

OR

Write a pen-portrait of Nathu Ram, the sweeper boy. (The Boy Who Broke the Bank)

4. Explain with the Reference to the Context. (5)

The quality of mercy is not strain'd.
It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven
Upon the place beneath: it is twice blest:
It blesseth him that gives and him that takes

OR

Every virtue requires today
A fancy dress; the cassock is
The priests' main virtue, the clever
Politician dons a saint's mean
Apparel.

OR

What is the central idea conveyed in the poem 'The World today is Wild with the Delirium of hatred?

OR

Write in your own words the summary of the poem 'The Song of India'. **(5)**

PART-D
(SELECT ONE-ACT PLAYS/ NOVEL- PRIDE AND PREJUDICE) (10 marks)

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5. (a) Give in your own words a character-sketch of Louis Courcet. (The Miracle Merchant)

OR

Give a character-sketch of the Convict. (The Bishop's Candlesticks) **(5)**

(b) Narrate in your own words the theme of the play "The Monkey's Paw".

OR

Write a short note on the theme of the play "The King's Warrant". **(5)**

OR

(NOVEL- PRIDE AND PREJUDICE)

(a) Give a brief character-sketch of Elizabeth Bennet.

OR

Give a brief character- sketch of Mr. Collins. **(5)**

(b) Write a short note on the theme of the novel 'Pride And Prejudice'.

OR

Give a brief account of Elizabeth and Darcy love affair. **(5)**

PART-E
(COMPOSITION AND GRAMMAR) (21 marks)

6. Write a paragraph of about 150 words on any one of the following: (5)

i) My aim in life
ii) The Value of Good Health
iii) Child Labour
iv) The Value of Discipline
v) Pleasure of Reading

7. Do as Directed:

i) Change the Voice: (2)

a. Wild dogs were killing pets.
b. I know a sweeper-boy.

ii) Change the Narration: (2)

a. He said to me, "How are you?"
b. The Conjuror said, "I will show you trick now."

iii) Combine the two sentences into one using linkers: (2)

a. The audience began to think this. He was a wonderful man.
b. He had lost his jewels. He sat back in his seat in silent rage

iv) Fill in the blanks with suitable Modals: (2)

a. Sakuni saw that he__ _be roused again to anger.

b. He was just afraid that it____ happen.

v) **Transform the sentences as directed:** **(1/2X4=2)**

a. He came____ (sweep) the steps. **(Use To-Infinitive)**

b. ____ (read) improves the mind. **(Use Gerund)**

c. Sakuni defeated the Pandavas____ (clever). **(Use Adverb)**

d. He picked up the ___ (tear) pieces of paper. **(Use Past Participle)**

8. Translate the following paragraph into English: **(6)**

ਧੰਨ ਜੀਵਨ ਵਿਚ ਸਭ ਤੋਂ ਮਹੱਤਵਪੂਰਨ ਵਸਤੂ ਹੈ। ਧਨ ਦੀ ਘਾਟ ਮਨੁੱਖ ਨੂੰ ਜੀਵਨ ਦੇ ਬਹੁਤ ਸਾਰੇ ਸੁੱਖਾਂ ਤੋਂ ਵਾਂਝਾ ਕਰ ਦਿੰਦੀ ਹੈ। ਧੰਨ ਦੀ ਘਾਟ ਦਾ ਅਰਥ ਹੈ ਰੋਗ, ਅਗਿਆਨਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਕਰੂਪਤਾ। ਮੇਰੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ ਵਿਚ ਸੰਸਾਰ ਦੀ ਸਭ ਤੋਂ ਵੱਡੀ ਬੁਰਾਈ ਗਰੀਬੀ ਹੈ। ਜਦੋਂ ਤੱਕ ਅਸੀ ਇਸ ਨੂੰ ਜੜ ਤੋਂ ਉਖਾੜ ਕੇ ਨਹੀ ਸੁੱਟਦੇ, ਅਸੀ ਸੰਸਾਰ ਨੂੰ ਸੁੱਖੀ ਬਣਾਉਣ ਦੀ ਆਸ ਨਹੀ ਕਰ ਸਕਦੇ।

OR

धन जीवन में सबसे महत्वपूर्ण वस्तु है। धन का अभाव मनुष्य को जीवन के बहुत से सुखों से वंचित कर देता है। धन के अभाव का अर्थ है रोग, अज्ञानता तथा कुरूपता। मेरे विचार में संसार की सबसे बड़ी बुराई गरीबी है। जब तक हम इसे जड़ से उखाड़ नहीं फेंकते, हम संसार को सुखी बनाने की आशा नहीं कर सकते।

OR

Note: (A special question in lieu of translation for foreign students only)
Write a paragraph on any one of the following topics:

An Indian Fair

India -- country of villages - fair and festivals -- live in passion - fairs held when farmers -- free-works day and night - in scorching heat - extreme cold - several fairs - baisakhi - villagers - dressed in colourful - people throng -- wrestling matches -- kabbadi - counter challenges - bets - won and lost -- sweets shops - bangles and magic shows - merry go rounds - minni circus - stalls - horse races - bear dances - happy memories - a new lease of life.

OR

Railway Journey

A rail journey-tickets-platform -- interesting study of men and manners -- thrilling experience - chance to travel - crowded -going for holiday - high spirits - cracked many jokes -heartly laugh - in mood to enjoy life - impressed -annoyed - zigzag-scenery - beautiful-valleys - charming - small stations - wayside scenes - reached – cherished memories.