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FOR PUNJAB CLASS 10 PREPARATION

PSEB 10th Sample Paper 2027 English

EXAM	YEAR	TYPE	SUBJECT
Punjab Class 10	2027	Sample Paper	English

Model Test Paper (2026-27)

Class X

ENGLISH

Time allowed : 3 hours **Maximum Marks: 80**

Note: All the questions are compulsory.

Section A – (Reading Skills) 8 marks

1. (a) Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow. 4x1= 4

Most young people lead busy lives with school, homework, sports, and entertainment all clamouring for attention. Unfortunately, amidst this whirlwind of activities, reading is often neglected. However, unless you cultivate the reading habit fairly early in life, you risk missing out on one of the greatest pleasures humanity offers. The world of books is a treasure trove of rich variety, brimming with adventure and vivid experiences that surpass what any individual can encounter firsthand. Through reading, you can tap into this vast reservoir at your own pace – whether you're travelling, waiting at the dentist's, between classes, or lounging at home. Reading isn't just a source of pleasure; it also grants you access to the wisdom and insights of minds often more astute and knowledgeable than your own. Moreover, a thoughtful selection of books can bolster your language skills. Wise readers absorb the nuances of proper English, thereby honing their linguistic proficiency. Teachers will attest that a poor reader often struggles with language mastery. Embracing reading opens doors to empathy, creativity and lifelong learning, shaping perspectives and broadening horizons. So, dive into the realm of books – immerse yourself in the joys of the written word and unlock its boundless rewards, nurturing a habit that enriches mind and soul.

i. What does the passage imply about the impact of reading on one's horizons?

a. Narrows them
b. Widens them
c. Keeps unchanged
d. Limits growth

ii. What's a consequence of neglecting reading habits early?

a. Gaining skills
b. Missing great pleasure
c. Becoming busy
d. Losing friends

iii. Which of the following is FALSE according to the passage?

a. Reading can be done while travelling.
b. Reading is prioritized by busy young people.
c. Books offer a rich variety.
d. Reading aids language proficiency.

iv. How does the passage suggest reading can be incorporated into a busy lifestyle?

a. Only through strict scheduling

b. At one's own convenience in various settings

c. Exclusively during formal study hours

d. By abandoning other activities

(b) Study the given poster carefully and answer the questions that follow. 4x1=4



i. According to the poster, what is a likely outcome of consistently practising good hygiene?

a. Reduced physical activity

b. Improved overall health

c. Increased stress levels

d. Poor sleep quality

ii. Why is avoiding smoking good for health?

a. It increases energy instantly.

b. It reduces long-term health risks.

c. It helps you eat more.

d. It's not important.

iii. What kind of meals are suggested for better health?

a. Only junk food

b. Balanced meals

c. Only meat

d. No breakfast

iv. In terms of stress coping, what does the poster suggest?

a. Ignore stress completely.

b. Use mindfulness and focus on priorities.

c. Eat more junk food.

d. Reduce all social interactions.

Section B – (Literature Textbooks) **35 marks**

2. Answer the following questions. 6x1=6

i. Unlike planets, stars appear to _____ in the night sky. (The Making of the Earth)

ii. Gilbert Chesterton declared to preach a sermon against _____ . (Secret of Happiness)

iii. How many people carried the soldier's bier to the grave? (A Ballad of Sir Pertab Singh)

a. four b. three c. six d. two

iv. Who were the lawyers handling the late uncle's estate? (One Thousand Dollars)

v. How much land did Pakhom actually need in the end? (How Much Land Does a Man Need?)

a. 40 acres b. 1000 acres c. land covered by him d. six feet

vi. Match Column A with Column B (Half a Rupee Worth)

Column A	Column B
i. Subbiah	a. Hidden storage for hoarded grain
ii. Secret Godown	b. Greedy man
	c. caused Subbiah's death

3. (a) Answer any *three* questions in about 20-30 words each. 3x3=9

i. How was the match girl helped? (The Happy Prince)

ii. What is really needed in the world today? (Where is Science Taking Us?)

iii. How can weak personalities become strong? (Secret of Happiness)

iv. Why did Shivaji bow his head before the woman who was brought to him as a gift?

(Some Glimpses of Ancient Indian Thought and Practices)

v. Why did the old lady cause trouble in Petrograd? (The Rule of the Road)

(b) Answer any *one* question in about 50 words. 1x4=4

How did Jim and Della sacrifice their most cherished possessions for each other? (A Gift for Christmas)

Or

Describe the quarrel between Phatik and Makhan. (The Home-Coming)

English Main Course Book: Poetry

4. (a) Answer any *two* questions after reading the following stanza. 2x2= 4

Grief and fear start competing

In Razia's heart. With Sheru gone,

Will the hyenas hound her cubs?

Can she leave the little ones alone,

When she goes hunting flesh and bone?

i. Name the poem and its poet.

ii. What is the cause of Razia's fear?

iii. What does Razia do when she goes out?

(b) Answer any *one* question. 1x3=3

Why is death called a leveller? (Death the Leveller)

Or

What is the central idea of the poem 'A Ballad of Sir Pertab Singh'?

English Supplementary Reader

5. Answer any *three* of the following questions in about 15-20 words. 3x3=9

i. Why did Naeem leave the hospital without informing the author? (Bed Number 29)

ii. Besides selling rice what else did Subbiah do to earn more? (Half a Rupee Worth)

iii. Who was Mrs Hudson? Why did she go to Watson's house ? (The Dying Detective)

iv. Who gave $1,000 to Robert Gillian? Who did the money belong to? Why was it given to him?

(One Thousand Dollars)

v. How did the boy get the nickname 'Sausage'? (Return to Air)

Section C – (Vocabulary) **4 marks**

6. Do as directed. 4x1= 4

i. Choose the correct word from the bracket to fill in the blank.

Hold the _____ of the horse carefully. (bridal, bridle)

ii. Complete the sentence after choosing the most appropriate idiom.

Life is full of ups and downs; it is definitely not _____ .

a. a bed of roses
b. a piece of cake
c. a bed of thorns
d. an apple of discord

iii. Give one word for the following.

A government by one person or one party

iv. Correct the following sentence.

She goes to her office on feet.

Section D – (Translation, Grammar and Composition) **33 marks**

7. (a) Translate any *three* sentences from English to Punjabi/Hindi. 3x1=3

i. I did not know what tears were.

ii. Confidence,not fear, will be yours forever.

iii. Phatik wiped his face.

iv. In this way our earth also shot out from the sun.

v. These things are personal.

(b) Translate any *three* sentences from Punjabi/Hindi to English. 3x1=3

i. ਸਾਨੂੰ ਗਰੀਬਾਂ ਦੀ ਮਦਦ ਕਰਨੀ ਚਾਹੀਦੀ ਹੈ। / हमें गरीबों की मदद करनी चाहिए।

ii. ਉਸਨੇ ਕੱਲ੍ਹ ਇੱਕ ਨਵੀਂ ਕਾਰ ਖਰੀਦੀ।/ उसने कल एक नई कार खरीदी।

iii. ਹਮੇਸ਼ਾ ਵੱਡਿਆਂ ਦਾ ਸਤਿਕਾਰ ਕਰੋ।/ हमेशा बड़ों का सम्मान करो।

iv. ਕਾਸ਼ ਮੈਂ ਇੱਕ ਰਾਜਾ ਹੁੰਦਾ! / काश मैं एक राजा होता!

v. ਇੱਕ ਹੱਥ ਨਾਲ ਤਾੜੀ ਨਹੀਂ ਵੱਜਦੀ। / एक हाथ से ताली नहीं बजती।

8. Do as directed. 10x1=10

i. Fill in the blank with a suitable determiner.

We always stay at _____ uncle's place whenever we go to Chandigarh.

ii. Fill in the blank with a suitable preposition.

He borrowed some money _____ a friend.

iii. Fill in the blank with the correct modal.

Had you worked hard, you _____ have passed. (would/should)

iv. Fill in the blank with a suitable conjunction.

I tried to talk to him _____ he gave no response.

v. Rewrite the following sentence using a non-finite verb.

I was shocked when I heard of the terrible accident.

vi. Combine the following sentences using 'that'.

This is the house. Ramesh built it.

vii. Change the voice in the following sentence.

Why did you pluck these flowers?

viii. Change the following sentence into the indirect form of Narration.

He said, “I will never forget you.”

ix. Fill in the blank with the suitable form of the verb given in the bracket.

I _____ (wear) a hat today because it is very hot.

x. Punctuate the following sentence.

gitanjali was composed by tagore

9. (a) Read the telephonic conversation given below:.

Ravi : Hello! Is it 2895634?

Tina : Yes, may I know who is on the line?

Ravi : This is Ravi. May I talk to Suraj?

Tina : He is not at home.

Ravi : Do me a favour. Tell him to pick me up while going to the office tomorrow as my car has been sent for servicing.

Tina : Anything else?

Ravi : Tell him to bring the file I gave him.

Tina : I’ll convey the message.

Ravi : Thank you. Bye.

Tina writes the message for Suraj as she has to go to her kitty party. 3

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Or

Due to severe heat, the school timing has been changed for a week. Being the principal of DPS, Ludhiana, write a notice informing students and parents. 3

(b) Advertise 'GALAXY HERBAL TOOTHPASTE'. 3

Or

Read the passage given below and make notes: 3

Indus Valley Civilization

A sophisticated and technologically advanced urban culture is evident in the Indus Valley Civilization. The quality of municipal town planning suggests knowledge of urban planning and efficient municipal governments which placed a high priority on hygiene. The streets of major cities such as Mohenjo-daro or Harappa were laid out in perfect grid patterns. The houses were protected from noise and thieves. As seen in Harappa, Mohenjo-daro and the recently discovered Rakhigarhi, this urban plan included the world's first urban sanitation systems. Within the city, individual homes or groups of homes obtained water from wells. From a room that has been set aside for bathing, waste water was directed to covered drains, which lined the major streets. Houses opened only to inner courtyards and smaller lanes. The ancient Indus system of sewerage and drainage that were developed and used in cities throughout the Indus Empire were far more advanced than any found in contemporary urban sites in the Middle East and even more efficient than those in some areas of Pakistan and India today. The advanced architecture of the Harappans is shown by their impressive dockyards, granaries, warehouses, brick platforms and protective walls. The massive citadels of Indus cities that protected the Harappans from floods and attackers were larger than most Mesopotamian ziggurats.

(c) Write a paragraph on any *one* topic using the following hints. 4

Inauguration of the Computer Wing of Our School: New computer wing ..... inaugurated by Principal Polytechnic College …… generous grants from N.G.O……. organized a talk on the role of computers ..... computers have revolutionized life ..... knowledge of the world thrown at man's feet …… impressed students to take the maximum advantage of the computer wing…….. tea served ..... gave demonstration to handle the computer ..... students happy and proud

Or

An Ideal Citizen : An asset to the nation ……..law abiding citizen is real patriot…… good civic sense……. Loyal to family, society and country ……. makes proper use of his vote…….. pays tax ……. believes in world peace……. He works for the welfare and upliftment of his country …… fights social evils…….....must for the prosperity of a country

(d) You are Rohit Verma living at 27 Gandhi Nagar, Panipat. Write a letter to your younger brother, who is a bookworm, persuading him to take part in games. In about 100-120 words. 7

(You may use the following cues along with your own ideas: Health benefits, life skills, advice)

Or

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You placed an order with M/s Readymade Woollens, Ludhiana, for the supply of Ladies Cardigans, but they have delayed the execution of the order. Write a letter to them cancelling the order. You are Nirmal Jain, Proprietor, Nirmal and Sons, Sangrur. 7

(You may use the following cues along with your own ideas: Reference, Reason for Cancellation, Formal Cancellation & Instructions)