

BAL BHARATI PUBLIC SCHOOL**PRE-BOARD PAPER****ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE (Code No. 184)****CLASS-X- 2023-24****SET A- MARKING SCHEME**

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1.	Discursive passage	1x10=10m
i	(a)Feels weight gain in teenagers is normal but they should not become obese. Explanation: The author says weight gain is normal during teenage but when it goes beyond control the person becomes obese. Therefore, it is necessary to control excessive weight gain.	1 No partial credit
ii	The author's tone is concerned. He says that obese teens are more prone to being teased and physically bullied compared to others of their age. So, as a concern he wants them to control their weight which will also make them healthy.	2 1 for identification & 1 for rationale Partial credit of 1 for correct mention of either No ½ credit
iii	it highlights the important role of the parents in maintaining the health of their kids by being their role models and also by motivating them to be healthy.	1 1 for a complete explanation Partial credit ½ for indication of reason without explanation
iv	(c) unnecessary and essential (d) excess and lack Explanation: They represent opposite concepts, while essential means necessary or important, unnecessary means unimportant. Excess means more than required and lack means not present or not available.	1 1 for both correct identification Partial credit ½ for any one correct identification
v	the author acknowledges the changes in a teenager and understands the contemporary lifestyle and stress as a cause of excessive weight gain.	1 1 for addressing neutral and 1 for addressing the cause. Partial credit ½ for addressing either of the two

vi	<p>Teenage obesity is an epidemic as it is growing immensely. Contemporary lifestyle has led to excess intake of fast and junk food. Inactivity and spending most of the time in watching television and playing computer games are also causes of obesity.</p>	<p>2 2 for a completely appropriate identification and explanation of any 2 causes of obesity Partial credit 1 for just an appropriate mention of either No ½ credit</p>
vii	<p>(b) A child's intrinsic motivation with parents' support can help a child lead a healthy life. Explanation: Parents have an important role in controlling teenage obesity. A combined effort of the parents and kids can help to control excessive eating disorders.</p>	<p>1 No partial credit</p>
viii	<p>The statement displays an example of the jeering of peers. Explanation: Constant jeering of peers means mocking by peers for some reason. The given statement talks of being mocked. Hence, it is jeering.</p>	<p>1 No partial credit</p>
2.	Case-based factual passage	10 m
i	a. In 2013, the number of lives saved was 325.	<p>1 No partial credit</p>
ii	The RNLI stands for the Royal National Lifeboat Institution. It is a charity that saves lives at sea and Institutions. It is the charity that saves lives at sea and provides an on-call 24-hour, lifeboat search and rescue service and a seasonal lifeguard service. Its main purpose is to end the preventable loss of life at sea.	<p>2 Full credit 2, when the full form, purpose and explanation of the same is provided. Partial credit 1 when just one aspect is provided. No credit of ½</p>
iii	Staff and volunteers in the RNLI are required to be selfless. They need to be dependable, always available, and committed to saving lives. They need to put others before them. They are also required to work on their everyday affairs with transparency, integrity, and impartiality.	<p>2 Full credit 2, when any 2 complete points are presented Partial credit 1 when just a point is stated. No credit of ½</p>

iv	iv. render	1 No partial credit
v	how RNLI is a charity work and its need of donation money	1 No partial credit
vi	c. RNLI - Saving Human Lives Since 1824	1 No partial credit
vii	indispensable to the society (any other similar expression)	1 No partial credit
viii	c. It is very trouble to get the children to sleep in time.	1 No partial credit
3.	SECTION B: GRAMMAR (10 marks)	
Full credit 1, for correct answers. No partial credit of ½, for any question in this section		
i	c. completed	
ii	must - will	
iii	Shyam asked Ravi what the medium of instruction in his school was.	
iv	if he had seen her new umbrella.	
v	this	
vi	Stand-stood	
vii	b. entered- are entering	
viii	d. washed over	
ix	unlike the previous month, he had been away for quite some time that month.	
x	c. has won	
xi	b. call	
xii	Should-shall	
SECTION B: WRITING SKILLS (10 marks)		
4A.	<p>Format - 1 [full credit if all aspects are included. Partial credit (½ mark) if one or two aspects are missing. No credit if more than two aspects are missing]</p> <p>Content -2 [½ mark for each content, point, area addressed - suggestion, importance, implication, recommendation]</p> <p>Organization of ideas -1 [effective style, orderly sequence, paragraphed structure and formal tone and vocabulary]</p> <p>Accuracy 1- Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar</p>	Total - 5
4B.	<p>Format, Organization & Accuracy- same as 4A</p> <p>Content -2 [½ mark for each content, point, area addressed - suggestion, importance & credibility, feasibility]</p>	
5A & B	<p>(For 5 A & B)</p> <p>Analytical paragraph writing should NOT be confused with Descriptive paragraph writing. Content -2</p> <p>Four trends/ points included & well-developed with sustained clarity</p> <p>Organization of ideas -2 [effective style, orderly sequence, single paragraph structure, formal tone and functional vocabulary]</p> <p>Accuracy 1 [Spelling, punctuation and grammar]</p>	

SECTION D: LITERATURE TEXTBOOK AND SUPPLEMENTARY READING TEXT (40 marks)		
IV	Reference to Context	5+5=10
6A	Prose (Any one)	
i	both (1) crude and (2) benign can be used to describe Mr. Loisel in the context of the given sentence.	1
ii	Mr. and Mrs. Loisel can be considered pole opposites. While her husband was a simple, contented man, Matilda was dissatisfied with her life in general and felt that she was born into the wrong household by some twist of fate. Their personalities were diametrically opposite to each other.	2
iii	incessantly	1
iv	Content/ satisfied/ happy(any other synonym)	1
6B	Drama	
i	Chubukov's tone when he says the given line is fake because he was faking his emotions for Lomov as just after his arrival he thought that Lomov had come to borrow money and he wouldn't give the latter any money	2
ii	he was already 35 years old and was suffering from palpitations.	1 (1/2 mark for each correct point)
iii	'happy' would substitute the phrase 'glad' in the sentence from the extract.	1
iv	c) opponent	1
7A	Poetry (Any one)	
i	The repetition of the word 'suddenly' signifies that an unexpected noise was heard at the scene.	1
ii	Custard viewed the cage as a sanctuary and refuge as it means a place of safety and haven.	1
iii	(b) has imagined how the mouse would sound in this mood. Explanation: 'Weeck' is the sound imagined by the poet for the mouse in fear. Hence, (b) is the right answer	1
iv	The language of the poem is in accordance with the traditional ideas of poetry as it follows a rhyme scheme and uses poetic devices to create an impact on the reader's mind.	2 (1 mark for Rhyme scheme and 1 mark for poetic devices)
7B	Poetry	
i	Unlike traditional poetry that often relies on complex rhyme schemes and metaphors, this poem uses simple, everyday language to create a vivid picture in the reader's mind to create a powerful and evocative mood.	1
ii	The word "little" used to describe the fog in the poem suggests the subtle and quiet nature of the fog. The word "little" also evokes a sense of innocence and vulnerability, as if the fog is a harmless creature moving through the city. This contributes to the overall mood and tone of the poem, which is calm and peaceful, with a touch of mystery.	2(1 mark for identifying the mood and tone and 1 mark for explanation)
iii	b. coastal [the evidence lies in the use of the word 'harbour']	1
iv	visual /animal imagery [allows the reader to visualize the fog and creates a sense of atmosphere in the poem.]	1

8	FOUR of five Short Answer Questions - <i>First Flight</i>	4x3=12
Content-1; Organisation -1; Accuracy 1, ½ mark to be deducted for Accuracy from the overall credit of a response, if error density is high -more than a total of 2 spellings and/or grammatical errors.		
The given detailed reference points can be drawn upon to structure the desired response:		
i	Buddha's sermon doesn't undermine a mother's love- aims to make the person in grief realize- that grief and lamentation - destroy the peace of mind- never help the person- accept the loss and let go of the complaints- solace to the grieving person.	
ii	The third stanza shows the moon shining- open sky-the fourth stanza - the moon seems to be broken like a mirror - its pieces' shine in the crown -tallest oak tree- change occurs due to the shifting of the trees outside.	
iii	"Not a leaf remained on the trees" and "the flowers were gone from the plants" suggest a sense of emptiness and loss- mirrors Lencho's feelings of despair and disappointment- the destruction of the corn- the source of his livelihood- devastating for him-the emptiness and desolation of the landscape- serve as a powerful metaphor for Lencho's inner state of mind- the magnitude of his disappointment and hopelessness.	
iv	allowed her to express her thoughts and feelings - free without fear of rejection- provided her with a space to confide in - served as a form of therapy for her loneliness- it couldn't talk back - personifying the diary as a friend -gave Anne a sense of comfort and companionship-gave her a sense of privacy and security --she could write down her innermost thoughts and feelings	
v	The pilot was very happy to fly in the night- he looked down from the plane- and saw the sleeping countryside- the sky was clear with no sign of clouds- peace everywhere.	
9	TWO of three Short Answer Questions - <i>Footprints Without Feet</i>	(2x3=6)
Content-1; Organization -1; Accuracy 1, ½ mark to be deducted for Accuracy from the overall credit of a response, if error density is high -more than a total of 2 spellings and/or grammatical errors.		
The given detailed reference points can be drawn upon to structure the desired response:		
i	Griffin had chosen a bad time to be in London- without clothes- chilly weather in London during that time- biting cold in London - Griffin had to take off all his clothes to become invisible.	
ii	helped her gain confidence and self-esteem- enabled her to stand up for herself and challenge societal norms- empowered her to break free from the chains of patriarchy - choose her path -enabled her to recognize and resist oppression and inequality- became an embodiment of the transformative power of knowledge	
iii	Noodle is a very diplomatic Martian- politely reminds Think-Tank of all the possible answers -makes it appear as Think-Tank thought- he corrects his mistakes- without offending him.	
10.	ONE of two, Long Answer Questions -<i>First Flight</i>	6
A.	The baby seagull's mother:The baby seagull's mother- wanted to better her child's life- pushing him out of his comfort zone - encouraging him to learn new skills- tried to motivate him by showing him how much fun it could be- offered him scraps of fish to reward him for his efforts- kind of positive reinforcement strategy- the mother's approach also had some drawbacks- constantly pushing the baby seagull to fly- putting him in danger - risking his physical well-being Amanda's mother:Amanda's mother is depicted as a strict and critical figure- presented as always correcting Amanda's behaviour- her posture and habits to her academic performance and personal hygiene - her intentions may be good, her methods ineffective- or	Content 3 Expression 2 Accuracy 1

	<p>harmful- constantly nit-picking Amanda's behaviour- creates an atmosphere of tension and anxiety- makes Amanda feel worse about herself</p> <p>Comparison:the seagull's mother seems to be more attuned to her child's needs and abilities- recognizes that the baby seagull is capable of flying -she may not be taking into account his fears and anxieties- Amanda's mother seems to be too focused on correcting her daughter's flaws and may not be paying enough attention to her strengths and abilities.</p>	
	OR	
B.	<p>feel ashamed at the way - behaved with my parents - fulfil my demands. I always wanted to have expensive gadgets - branded clothes to wear, lavish places to go for vacation, etc. - never realized - materialistic possessions can't give me real happiness - real happiness lies in being able to do the things that I enjoy - have decided that from now on, I won't make any unreasonable demands from my parents- work very hard all day long - try to give them all the happiness that they deserve.</p> <p>(Or any other similar expression)</p>	<p>Content 3 Expression 2 Accuracy 1</p>
11	ONE of two, Long Answer Questions -Footprints Without Feet	6
(A)	<p>home is the first school- it paves the way for future successes- Richard's mother was highly compassionate, caring, understanding and supportive- raised Richard single handed - always was like a companion to him- was the one who fostered in him a curiosity and interest about the world around him- brought him books that inspired Richard</p> <p>Bholi's parents were uneducated, biased and uncaring- so she was an innocent girl neglected by her family-didn't believe in educating girls -sent Bholi to school to save themselves from embarrassment- prosperous enough-never gave Bholi good clothes or food - decided to marry Bholi to Bishamber, a man almost twice her age</p>	<p>Content 3 Expression 2 Accuracy 1</p>
OR		
(B)	<p>the thief is portrayed as an experienced criminal- focused on staying ahead of the law- initially attracted to Anil - believes he can exploit the young man's trusting nature- the thief begins to develop a friendship with Anil- and teaches him how to cook, write and read - thief's character reaches a climax- presented with an opportunity to steal money from Anil- chooses to resist the temptation- a significant change from the beginning of the story - the thief was only interested in self-gain- thief not completely abandoned his criminal ways- hesitated to jump on the train to escape with the stolen- money shows that he has developed a moral conscience.</p>	<p>Content 3 Expression 2 Accuracy 1</p>