



BK BIRLA CENTRE FOR EDUCATION
SARALA BIRLA GROUP OF SCHOOLS
SENIOR SECONDARY CO-ED DAY CUM BOYS' RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL
PRE-MID TERM EXAMINATION 2024-25
ENGLISH CORE (301)



Class: XI
Date: 30.07.24

Duration: 1 hr
Max Marks: 25

SECTION A: READING SKILLS (7 marks)

I. Based on your understanding of the passage, answer the following questions by choosing the correct option.

1. **(B) moulding their personality in the right way**
2. **Challenge of diversity/ Cultural preservation/ linguistic diversity**
3. **Values of equality/ Educational equity/ Tolerance/ Secularism/ Unity in diversity**
4. **(D) Tender**
5. **(B) By teaching them about culture, tradition and religion**
6. **to give basic trainings in the schools to speak and understand more language than one and to appreciate and respect different religion.**
7. **(D) Barren Secularization**

SECTION B- WRITING & GRAMMAR (7+ 4 marks)

II. You are a student of Laxmi Public School Model Town Delhi. The school is holding its annual function at 5:30 PM on 24th July 2024. The education minister has consented to be the chief guest. Design an invitation card to be sent to the parents and other invitees.

LAXMI PUBLIC SCHOOL, MODEL TOWN, DELHI

We cordially invite you to our Annual Function on

Date: 24th December 2019

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Chief Guest: Honourable Education Minister

We look forward to your gracious presence.

III. You are Seetha / Surya living in Bangalore. You and your friends are planning a week-long holiday to a hill station. Write a letter making necessary enquiries from the tour operator before you make your final decision.

Surya Kumar
#45, 3rd Main, 2nd Cross
Koramangala,
Bangalore - 560034

9th July, 2024.

The Manager
Hilltop Travels
MG Road
Bangalore - 560001

Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: Enquiry about Hill Station Holiday Package

I am writing to inquire about the details of your week-long holiday packages to hill stations. My friends and I are planning a holiday and would like to make an informed decision before finalizing our plans.

Please provide the following information:

1. Available hill station destinations and their highlights.
2. Detailed itinerary for a week-long stay.
3. Cost per person, including accommodation, meals, and transportation.
4. Types of accommodation available.
5. Activities and excursions included in the package.
6. Any discounts or special offers available for group bookings.
7. Cancellation and refund policies.

We are particularly interested in a serene and scenic destination with opportunities for trekking and other adventure activities. We would appreciate it if you could send us the brochures and any other relevant information.

Thank you for your assistance. We look forward to your prompt response.

Yours sincerely,
Surya Kumar

IV. Rearrange the following groups of words/phrases to make meaningful sentences:

- (a) Reading is one of the greatest pleasures of mankind.
- (b) We enjoy reading our own books much more than the borrowed ones.
- (c) You should not be afraid of writing notes on your own book.
- (d) One should begin building a private library in one's youth.

SECTION C – LITERATURE (7 marks)

V. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follows:

1x3=3marks

- a. (C) January 2
- b. (B) his left ribs cracked, mouth filled with blood and broken teeth
- c. (C) 6years and 7years old

VI. Attempt ANY Two of the four questions given below, within 30-43 words each. 2x2=4 marks

a. The story runs between hope and despair. The sea-voyage started on a note of hope and enthusiasm, and ended on a note of fulfilment. During the voyage, the boat had to sail in rough waters. The captain managed to steer the boat to an island. At times, his failing courage got the boost from his family members, and crew. His wife stayed at the wheels in the crucial hours, his seven years old girl did not let them worry about her head injury and his six years old boy was not afraid to die.

b. The hallmark of the family was honesty and trust. The narrator believed Mourad stole the horse because they belonged to a poor family, and Mourad couldn't buy such a horse.

c. Uncle Khosrov is the uncle of the protagonist Aram. He is notorious for his bad temper. He is highly impatient and set aside any problem without even listening to the details. When his son reported that their house is on fire, he shouted the same 'It's no harm, pay no attention to it'.