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SARALA BIRLA GROUP OF SCHOOLS
A CBSE DAY-CUM-BOYS' RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

ANNUAL EXAM 2025-26

SET I

ENGLISH

Class: V

Date: 14.03.26

Admission no:

Time: 3hr

Max Marks: 80

Roll no:

General Instructions:

1. The question paper contains four sections- Reading Skills, Writing Skills, Grammar and Literature.
2. Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.

SECTION A: READING SKILLS

1. Read the passage carefully then answer the question:

(12 marks)

Rohan was a cheerful boy who studied in Class Six in a small village school. He was good at sports but did not pay much attention to his studies. He thought that he could easily pass every exam without much preparation. His parents often reminded him that success comes to those who work hard with patience.

One year, the school organized a district-level science competition. Rohan wanted to participate because he wished to make his parents proud. At first, he felt confident, but when he looked at the syllabus, he understood that he was not fully prepared. He realized that he had not revised his lessons regularly. Noticing his concern, his science teacher encouraged him kindly. She said, "Hard work builds knowledge, and perseverance builds confidence." Rohan took her advice seriously. He began to study every evening and practiced his experiments carefully. He also asked questions whenever he had doubts. Gradually, his understanding improved and his fear disappeared.

On the day of the competition, Rohan presented his project confidently. When the results were declared, he won the first prize. Everyone appreciated his effort and determination. Rohan understood that talent alone is not enough to achieve success. From that moment, he continued to work hard and never gave up on his goals.

1. Where did Rohan study? (1)

Ans. Rohan studied in Class Six in a small village school.

2. What did Rohan think about exams? (1)

Ans. Rohan thought that he could easily pass every exam without much preparation.

3. What did his parents remind him? (1)

Ans. His parents often reminded him that success comes to those who work hard with patience.

4. Why did Rohan want to participate in the competition? (1)

Ans. Rohan wanted to participate because he wished to make his parents proud.

5. Rohan was a _____ boy. (1)

a) cheerful b) serious c) angry d) lazy

6. The school organized a district-level _____ competition. (1)

a) science b) math c) art d) debate

7. He practiced his _____ carefully. (1)

a) games b) songs c) speeches d) experiments

8. Complete the sentence- Rohan was good at sports but did not _____ studies.

Answer: Rohan was good at sports but did not pay much attention to his studies.

9. His success was because of his intelligence and _____. (1)

a) luck b) discipline c) money d) friends

8. What did he understand when he looked at the syllabus? (2)

Ans. At first, he felt confident, but when he looked at the syllabus, he understood that he was not fully prepared.

9. What did Rohan learn? (2)

Ans. Rohan learned that education shapes our mind, but discipline shapes our character.

2. Read the passage and answer the questions.

(10Marks)

The Power of Learning and Self-Control

Learning is a treasure that no one can steal from us. It brightens our minds and helps us understand the world better. At school, we study subjects like science, language, mathematics, and history. Each subject prepares us for the future and teaches us important lessons. Learning is not only about passing exams; it also teaches us kindness, honesty, respect, and good manners. It helps us grow into thoughtful and responsible individuals.

Teachers guide us with patience and care so that we can become responsible students. When we listen carefully and complete our work on time, we improve step by step. Learning also encourages us to ask questions and think clearly. By working hard every day, we slowly move closer to our goals. Self-control makes learning more meaningful and powerful. A student with self-control pays attention in class, finishes tasks on time, and follows school rules. Self-control helps us stay calm when work is difficult. Without self-control, it is hard to reach our goals and succeed. It teaches us to be patient and focused in everything we do.

When learning and self-control work together, they build a strong personality. A student who practices both becomes confident, honest, and successful. Together, they lead us toward success and a happy life.

1. What is learning compared to? (1)

Ans. Learning is a treasure that no one can steal from us.

2. What subjects do we study at school? (1)

Ans. At school, we study subjects like science, language, mathematics, and history.

3. Each subject teaches us _____. (1)

a) games b) jokes c) tricks d) important lessons

4. A student with self-control finishes _____. (1)

a) games b) food c) holidays d) tasks on time

5. In what way do teachers help us become responsible students? (Give 2 points.) (2)

Ans. Teachers guide us with patience and care so that we can become responsible students.

6. What do learning and self-control lead us toward? (Give 2 points.) (2)

Ans. When learning and self-control work together, they build a strong personality.

7. Apart from passing in exams what does learning teaches us? (2)

Ans. Learning is not only about passing exams; it also teaches us kindness, honesty, respect, and good manners.

SECTION B - WRITING SKILL

(22 Marks)

3. Write a **paragraph** on the topic of "Importance of Trees". (3)

Importance of Trees

Trees are very important for life on Earth. They give us oxygen, clean air, and shade. Trees also help in controlling soil erosion, provide homes for animals, and make our surroundings beautiful. Planting and protecting trees is necessary to keep the environment healthy and to fight climate change. They also provide fruits, wood, and medicines that we use in daily life. Everyone should take care of trees and plant more to save our planet.

4. If you are the Academic Monitor of your class, and you have to issue a notice about the English Olympiad being held in your class on 22 March 2026. Draft a notice for the same. (4)

XYZ School

Class 8 – Academic Monitor Notice

Date: 15 February 2026

NOTICE

This is to inform all students of Class 8 that an English Olympiad will be held in our classroom on 22 March 2026. All students are encouraged to participate and showcase their knowledge of English language and literature.

Students who wish to participate should register their names with the class monitor by 20 March 2026. Prepare well and get ready for an exciting and fun-filled competition!

Academic Monitor
ABC.

5. Write a **short biography** of Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam or PV Sindhu (7)

Short biography of Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam was born on 15 October 1931 in Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu, India. He was a famous scientist and became the 11th President of India. Known as the “Missile Man of India,” he played a key role in India’s space and defense programs. Dr. Kalam inspired millions with his dedication, simplicity, and love for education. He passed away in 2015, but his ideas and vision continue to guide the youth of India.

OR

Short biography of PV Sindhu

P.V. Sindhu was born on 5 July 1995 in Hyderabad, India. She is a famous Indian badminton player and has won many international medals, including an Olympic silver medal in 2016. Sindhu is known for her talent, hard work, and determination. She inspires young athletes in India to follow their dreams and achieve success in sports.

6. Write an **email** to your friend telling your friend about a recent school sports competition. (8)

From: yourname@email.com
To: friendname@email.com
Subject: Exciting School Sports Competition.

Hi Shristi,

I hope you are doing well. I wanted to tell you about an exciting sports competition held at our school recently. Students from all classes participated in events like running, long jump, and relay races. I took part in the 100-meter race, and it was so much fun!

The atmosphere was lively, and many students won prizes for their performance. Everyone enjoyed cheering for their friends, and it was a really memorable day. I wish you were there to see it!

Your friend,
Megha

SECTION C GRAMMAR

(10 Marks)

7. Choose the correct preposition:

(3)

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|--|-----------------|--------------|---------|
| 1. She put the flowers ___ the vase. | { (a) in | b) under | c) at } |
| 2. The picture is hanging ___ the wall. | { (a) in | b) on | c) at } |
| 3. The children are hiding ___ the bushes near the school. | { (a) in | b) over | c) at } |

8. Fill in the Correct Tag Question-

(4)

1. The moon shines at night, _____? **doesn't it.**
2. You will come to my party, _____? **won't you**
3. She doesn't eat sweets, _____? **does she.**
4. This is a small house, _____? **isn't it.**

9. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the adjective or adverb in brackets.

Use comparative or superlative forms as needed.

(3)

a. My Summer is ___ than spring. (long) Ans. longer.

b. She runs ___ than her brother. (fast) Ans. faster.

c. This cake tastes ___ than the one we had last week. (sweet) Ans. sweeter.

SECTION D -LITERATURE

(26 Marks)

10. Read the given extract and answer the questions briefly.

(2x4=8)

A) "She's right," says Chacha "she lost her dada in that flood."

Hearing this, one by one the men drop their axes and start going out of the forest. Contractor Chand shouts as he tries to stop them but nobody listens.

"We did it!" says Ma. We'll take our Chipko Movement to every part of India."

"Chipko! Hug the trees!" cry the women and children.

Dichi feels the tree's feathery leaves rustle in the evening breeze. "I'm like you, strong and fierce like a Yeti... sturdy as a yah," she whispers.

1. Make a sentence with the word- " fierce"- There is a forecast of a fierce storm. (1)

2. Give the meanings for the following: 1) sturdy- (here) physically strong. (1)

3. Contractor Chand says that the forests bear timber, resin and (1)

a) pure air b) foreign exchange c) soil

4. Write true or false, if false write the correct answer: (1)

a) The villagers troop into the forest chanting their religious slogans- _____

Ans. False, The villager's troop into the forest chanting their Chipko slogans.

B) SUPPOSING I became a champa flower, just for fun, and grew on a branch high up that tree, and shook in the wind with laughter and danced upon the newly budded leaves, would you know me, mother?

You would call, "Baby, where are you? And I should laugh to myself and keep quiet..

With reference to context answer the following questions:

1. Make a sentence with the word- " petals"- The hibiscus flower has five large petals. (1)

2. Give the meanings for the following: 1) Supposing"- Think or assume that something is true. (1)

3. What does the child imagine becoming? (1)

a) A bird b) A champa flower c) A butterfly d) A leaf

4. Write true or false, if false write the correct answer: (1)

a) The poem is between a mother and her daughter-

False, The poem is between a mother and her son-

11. Answer the following questions:

(2x5=10)

1. Why did Mr. Robinson want to build a tent? Did he not have a house?

Ans. Mr. Robinson wanted to build a tent because he and his family were stranded on an island due to shipwreck. No, he did not have a house on the island.

2. What was unusual about the beard of the old man in the poem, "Old Man with a Beard"?

Ans. The birds making nests in the beard of the old man was unusual.

3. What did the group see in the cave? What did the narrator think it was?

Ans. The group suddenly saw a skeleton dressed in some very old fashioned clothes in the cave. The narrator thought it was Don Jose da Silvestra.

4. Why is Luke happy that Myla is his new neighbour?

Ans. Luke was happy that Myla is his new neighbour as she has got the magic diary and they could have adventures together.

5. Why did Ernest propose to build a big tree house?

Ans. Ernest proposed to build a big tree house because it would be safe and cool and next to some fruit and trees.

12. Answer in about 100 words the following question.

(8x1=8)

1. Write a short note on “ The Chipko Movement”.

Ans. The Chipko Movement was a famous environmental movement in India that began in the 1970s in Uttarakhand (then part of Uttar Pradesh). Villagers, especially women, hugged trees to prevent them from being cut down, showing their care for nature. The word “Chipko” means “to cling” in Hindi. This peaceful movement highlighted the importance of forests in protecting the environment, soil, and water. It also raised awareness about deforestation and inspired laws to protect forests. The Chipko Movement became a symbol of non-violent environmental activism and encouraged people across India to protect trees and conserve nature.

-----All the Best-----