

CLASS X (2020-21)
ENGLISH (CODE 0184)
SAMPLE PAPER-02

Time Allowed : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

General Instructions :

- (i) This paper is divided into two parts: A and B. All questions are compulsory.
- (ii) Separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary. Read these instructions very carefully and follow them.
- (iii) Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

PART - A (40 MARKS)

READING

[20 Marks]

Q1. Read the passage given below.

[10 Marks]

- (1) If you are addicted to coffee, and doctors warn you to quit the habit, don't worry and just keep relishing the beverage, because it's not that bad after all! In fact, according to a new study, the steaming cup of Java can beat fruits and vegetables as the primary source of antioxidants. Some studies state that coffee is the number one source of antioxidants in American diet and both caffeinated and decaf versions appear to provide similar antioxidant levels.
- (2) Antioxidants in general have been linked to a number of potential health benefits, including protection against heart diseases and cancer. But Sandra Vinson, a dietitian, said that their benefits ultimately depend on how they are absorbed and utilised in the body. The research says that coffee outranks popular antioxidant sources like tea, milk, chocolate and cranberries. Of all the food and beverages studies, dates actually have the most antioxidants based solely on serving size, but since dates are not consumed anywhere near the level of coffee, the drink comes as the top source of antioxidants, Vinson said.
- (3) Besides keeping you alert and awake, coffee has been linked to an increasing number of potential health benefits, including protection against liver and colon cancer, type 2 diabetes, and Parkinson's disease according to some recently published studies.
- (4) The researchers, however, advise that one should consume coffee in moderation, because it can make you jittery and cause stomach pains.

On the basis of your understanding of the passage, answer ANY TEN questions from the twelve that follow.

[1 × 10 = 10 Marks]

- (a) have the most antioxidants among all the food and beverages.
 - (i) Dates
 - (ii) Cranberries
 - (iii) Tea and milk
 - (iv) Coffee
- (b) is an important source of antioxidants in American diet.
 - (i) Tea
 - (ii) Coffee
 - (iii) Milk
 - (iv) Chocolate
- (c) According to dietitian Sandra Vinson, the benefits of coffee ultimately depend on:
 - (i) how it is relished
 - (ii) how they are absorbed and utilised in the body
 - (iii) how they are served and consumed
 - (iv) whether it keeps us alert and awake

According to the new report, progress has been made since 2000, yet billions of people are still underserved. The report delineates between access to basic services, which has greatly improved, and access to “safely managed” services, which is inadequate in many parts of the world. Only about 45 per cent of the global population has access to safely- managed sanitation services. In 2017, an estimated 673 million people continued to openly defecate, most of them in 61 “high burden” countries where the practice remained common among more than 5 per cent of the population.

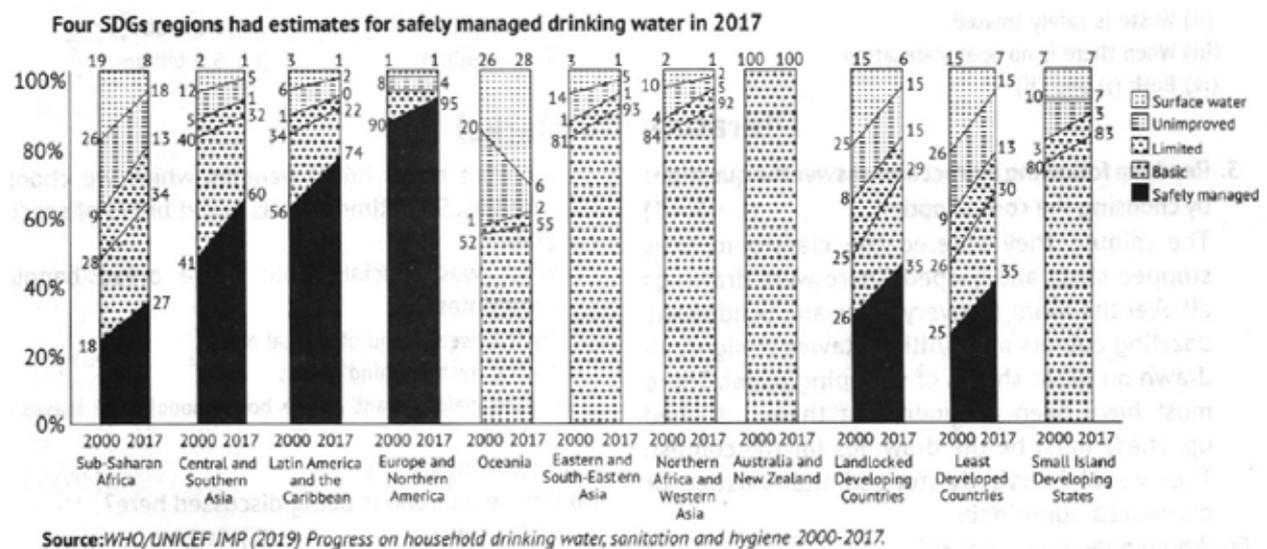
To qualify as being “safely managed”, drinking water must meet three criteria: be accessible on the premises, be available for at least 12 hours per day, and be free from E. coil, arsenic, or fluoride contamination. Sanitation is considered safely managed when facilities are not shared with other households, and waste is safely treated on-site or at an off-site facility.

In 2017, an estimated 5.3 billion people had access to safely-managed drinking water. Of that number, 1.4 billion used basic services, 206 million used limited services, 435 used unimproved sources, and the remaining 144 million relied on untreated surface water.

Poor and rural populations are at the greatest risk of being left behind. In 2017, urban access to basic drinking water services was at 97 per cent, while rural coverage was at 81 per cent.

In terms of sanitation, an estimated 2.1 billion people gained access to basic services between 2000 and 2017, but 2 billion remain without access.

The report also focuses on improvements in eliminating open defecation. Between 2000 and 2017, the global rate of open defecation fell from 21 percent to 9 per cent.



On the basis of your understanding of the passage, answer ANY TEN questions from the twelve that follow. [1 × 10 = 10 Marks]

- (a) The given passage focuses on:
- drinking water
 - hygiene
 - sanitation
 - All of these
- (b) What is the percentage of population which has access to sanitation services?
- 45%
 - 21%
 - 5%
 - 9%
- (c) Which type of water is considered as safely managed and drinking water?
- Accessible everytime when needed
 - Available for at least 12 hours per day
 - Free from harmful substances
 - All of the above

- (d) What target has been set by UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) programme?
- End poverty in all its forms everywhere
 - Access to safe and adequate access to drinking water
 - No open defecation
 - All of the above
- (e) What percentage of people in urban areas have access to drinking water?
- 45%
 - 5%
 - 97%
 - 81%
- (f) Which countries have the maximum access to safely managed water?
- Australia and New Zealand
 - Europe and North America
 - Small Island Developing states
 - Northern Africa and Western Asia
- (g) Which country has the least accessibility to basic drinking water?
- Oceania
 - Sub-Saharan Africa
 - Latin America and the Caribbean
 - Europe and North America
- (h) Rank the following countries from the highest to the lowest accessibility to surface water:
- A — Latin America and the Caribbean
 B — Oceania
 C — Sub-Saharan Africa
 D — Europe and North America
- BCDA
 - BACD
 - BCAD
 - BADC
- (i) Which country has maximum access to basic drinking water?
- Australia and New Zealand
 - Europe and North America
 - Sub-Saharan Africa
 - Central and South Asia
- (j) What is the number of population that is still tended to open defecation?
- 673 million
 - 61 million
 - 5.3 million
 - 206 million
- (k) When is sanitation considered as safely managed?
- Sanitation facility is not shared with other households
 - Waste is safely treated
 - When there is no open defecation
 - Both (i) and (ii)
- (l) What is the number of population that has gained access to basic services by 2017?
- 2.1 billion
 - 2 billion
 - 1.4 billion
 - 5.3 billion

LITERATURE**[10 Marks]**

- Q3. **Read the extracts given below and attempt ANY ONE, by answering the questions that follow.**

[1 × 5 = 5 Marks]

The minute they entered the classroom, they stopped short and gasped. There were drawings all over the room, on every ledge and windowsill, dazzling colours and brilliant, lavish designs, all drawn on great sheets of wrapping paper. There must have been a hundred of them, all lined up. These must be the drawings for the contest. They were! Everybody stopped and whistled or murmured admiringly.

- (a) Whom does 'they' refer to?
 (i) Peggy (ii) Maddie
 (iii) Wanda (iv) Both (i) and (ii)
- (b) Which drawings are being discussed here?
 (i) Drawings of motorboats
 (ii) Drawings of dresses made by girls of room 13 for the contest
 (iii) Drawings made by Wanda
 (iv) The winning drawings of dresses made by Wanda
- (c) Why did 'they' stop short and gasp?
 (i) On seeing the room full of drawings
 (ii) On knowing that Peggy had not won the contest
 (iii) The teacher scolded them for being late for school
 (iv) On seeing the beauty, colours and brilliance of drawings
- (d) There were drawings on the
 (i) sixty, room thirteen (ii) hundred, windowsill
 (iii) hundred, room thirteen (iv) hundred, every ledge and every windowsill
- (e) How did everybody respond to Wanda's drawings?
 (i) Whistled, murmured, admired on them
 (ii) Murmured and condemned them
 (iii) Everyone was shocked
 (iv) All of the above

OR

The jingling thud of his bamboo woke us up from sleep and we ran to meet and greet him. Why was it so? Was it for the love of the loaf? Not at all. The loaves were bought by some Paskine or Bastin, the maid-servant of the house! What we longed for were those bread bangles which we choose carefully. Sometimes it was sweet bread of special make.

- (a) What was special about those bread bangles sometimes?
 (i) The sweet bread of special make
 (ii) The fresh morning breads
 (iii) The maid servant of the house bought the loaves of bread
 (iv) Both (i) and (ii)
- (b) Whose bamboo is being discussed here?
 (i) The baker (ii) Paskine
 (iii) Bastin (iv) The watchman
- (c) What made the narrator and his friends wake up in the morning?
 (i) The idea of eating fresh bread bangles
 (ii) The idea of choosing the loaves of bread from the basket
 (iii) The jingling thud of the bamboo
 (iv) All of the above
- (d) What would happen after the author woke up on hearing the baker's jingling sound?
 (i) Pick up the bread bangles from the basket
 (ii) Ran to meet and greet him
 (iii) Both (i) and (ii)
 (iv) To meet their friend, companion and guide

- (e) In the olden days baker in Goa was known as:
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| (i) baker | (ii) kabai |
| (iii) pader | (iv) bolinhas |

Q4. Read the extracts given below and attempt ANY ONE, by answering the questions that follow. [1 × 5 = 5 Marks]

I think I could turn and live with animals, they are so placed and self-contained.

I stand and look at them long and long.

- (a) From which poem has this extract been taken?
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| (i) Animals | (ii) A Tiger in the Zoo |
| (iii) The Tale of Custard the Dragon | (iv) Dust of Snow |
- (b) Who is the poet of the poem?
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| (i) Ogden Nash | (ii) Walt Whitman |
| (iii) John Berryman | (iv) Robert Frost |
- (c) The poet wants to live with the animals because they are:
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| (i) calm | (ii) self-contained |
| (iii) satisfied | (iv) All of these |
- (d) The poet feels more at home with animals than
- | | |
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| (i) birds and insects | (ii) human beings |
| (iii) natural things | (iv) All of these |
- (e) The word which means 'calm and quiet' is
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| (i) placid | (ii) groan |
| (iii) complex | (iv) contented |

OR

Belinda embraced him, Mustard licked him.

No one mourned for his pirate victim.

Ink and Blink in glee did gyrate.

Around the dragon that ate the pirate.

- (a) Whom does 'him' refer to in the stanza?
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| (i) Belinda | (ii) Custard |
| (iii) Mustard | (iv) Pirate |
- (b) Why did Belinda embrace him?
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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| (i) Out of helplessness | (ii) Out of gratitude |
| (iii) Out of fear | (iv) Out of shock |
- (c) Why were Ink and Blink happy?
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| (i) Joy of their victory | |
| (ii) Because of the fear of pirate | |
| (iii) Because the pirate was killed | |
| (iv) They were in a good mood | |
- (d) Find a word which means 'move round in circles'.
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| (i) Mourn | (ii) Gyrate |
| (iii) Lick | (iv) Embrace |
- (e) Which figure of speech/literary device has been used here?
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| (i) Personification | (ii) Enjambment |
| (iii) Alliteration | (iv) All of these |

GRAMMAR**[10 Marks]**

- Q5. **The following passage contains some errors which have been printed in bold. Edit them by choosing the appropriate options.** **[1 × 3 = 3 Marks]**

Abraham Lincoln (a) **is having** a dream on the eve of his first election as President. In (b) **any** large mirror, he noticed two distinct images of himself, one imposed on the (c) **others**. One image was more pale than the other.

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| (a) (i) was having | (ii) will be having |
| (iii) has | (iv) had |
| (b) (i) a | (ii) an |
| (iii) some | (iv) the |
| (c) (i) other | (ii) two |
| (iii) another | (iv) anothers |

- Q6. Ram and Shyam are discussing their plans for the weekend. Complete the dialogue given below by choosing the correct option. **[1 × 3 = 3 Marks]**

Ram : What are you doing this weekend, Shyam?

Shyam : I don't (a)

Ram : How do you like the idea (b) the Dal Lake?

Shyam : That sounds lovely; but I (c) my parents' permission.

Ram : I'll come to your house this evening and request your parents to allow you to join the picnic.

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| (a) (i) have some plans | (ii) have any special plan |
| (iii)made plans on weekends | (iv) have many special plans |
| (b) (i) to going to visit | (ii) for going to visiting |
| (iii)of going to visit | (iv) to go to visiting |
| (c) (i) should take | (ii) need to be seeking |
| (iii)shall have to take | (iv) shall be having |

- Q7. Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct options for any four of the six sentences given below. **[1 × 4 = 4 Marks]**

(a) He never help me when we were in Delhi.

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| (i) should | (ii) need |
| (iii)used to | (iv) have to |

(b) They as well as I leaving for Mumbai.

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| (i) am | (ii) was |
| (ii) have | (iv) are |

(c) She has books on this topic.

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| (i) little | (ii) much |
| (iii)a few | (iv) any |

(d) She met M.L.A. yesterday.

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| (i) a | (ii) the |
| (iii)an | (iv) any |

- (e) A pair of cotton trousers in the cupboard.
 (i) were (ii) is
 (iii) are (iv) have been
- (f) You obey your seniors.
 (i) dare (ii) need
 (iii) could (iv) should

PART - B (40 MARKS)

WRITING

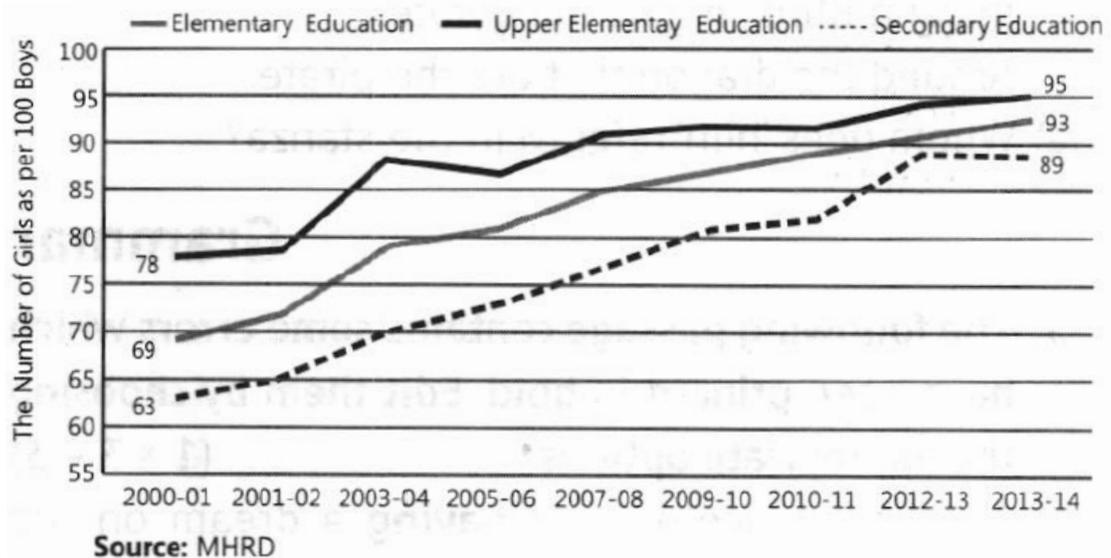
[10 Marks]

- Q8. **Attempt ANY ONE of the following in 100-120 words.** [5 Marks]
 Owing to the MCD employees' strike, the roads in your area are littered with garbage. The place not only is stinking but also has become a health hazard. As Mini/Manish of 112, Laxmi Nagar, Delhi, write a letter in 100-120 words to the editor of a local newspaper informing the concerned authorities of the unhygienic conditions and requesting them to take appropriate and necessary actions in the matter.

OR

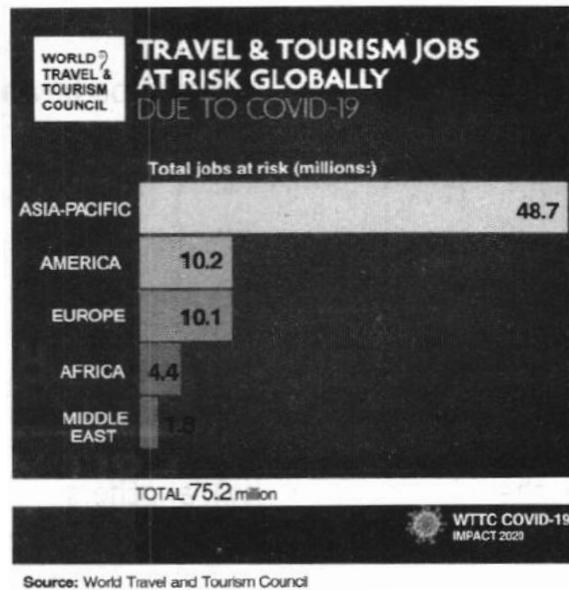
You are Nikhil/Nisha staying at 53, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad. Last week you bought a new laptop from 'M/S Clear Vision' of Hyderabad, with a warranty of 2 years. You worked on the laptop all week and finished writing a Long assignment that is due shortly. However this week, the laptop doesn't even switch on. Write a letter to the dealer complaining about the problem and requesting him to get the defect rectified.

- Q9. **On the basis of the given line graph, write a paragraph in about 100-120 words describing the given information.** [5 Marks]
 The Number of Girls per 100 Boys in Elementary and Lower-Secondary Education in India Selected Between 2000 and 2014



OR

On the basis of the given bar graph, by analysing and carefully understanding the data, write an analytical paragraph in not more than 120 words.

**LITERATURE****[30 Marks]**

Q10. Answer ANY TWO questions in 20-30 words each, from (A) and (B) respectively. [2 × 4 = 8]

(A) (any two)**[2 × 2 = 4 Marks]**

- (i) How did she develop a longing for the bus ride?
- (ii) What did the Buddha preach to the people?
- (iii) How can you say that Coorgs are hospitable by nature?

(B) (any two)**[2 × 2 = 4 Marks]**

- (i) How did Hari Singh realise that Anil knew about his theft?
- (ii) "I think I know a cure for you." What was the 'cure'?
- (iii) Madam Loisel was intoxicated with pleasure at the ball party. Explain.

Q11. Answer ANY TWO questions in 40-50 words each, from (A) and (B) respectively. [3 × 4 = 12]

(A) (any two)**[3 × 2 = 6 Marks]**

- (i) How did the baker, known as 'pader' highlight his arrival?
- (ii) What was the magnificent view of the tea estate with reference to the lesson -Tea from Assam"?
- (iii) What was the drawing and colouring contest about? Who were the winner?

(B) (any two)**[3 × 2 = 6 Marks]**

- (i) What did Griffin, the scientist, do to escape after setting the fire to his landlord's house?
- (ii) Did Ebright have other interests besides science? Mention them.
- (iii) For what unusual reasons was Bholi sent to school?

Q12. Answer ANY ONE the following in 100-120 words:

[5 Marks]

Through the story of Kisa Gotami, what did the Buddha try to preach the common man?

OR

'Coorg' seems to share a lot of historical perspective. Is it important to possess historical knowledge for the progress of our society?

- Q13. **Answer ANY ONE of the following in 100-120 words:** **[5 Marks]**
“Where there is a will, there is a way.” Elaborate in the context of the story of “The Making of a Scientist.”

OR

Griffin was a brilliant scientist but not a good human being. Explain.

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