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MP BOARD CLASS 10 ENGLISH PRACTICE SET - 1

*Important Practice Questions for Board Examination***Subject:** English (Class 10th)**Max. Marks:** 75 Marks**Time Allowed:** 3:00 Hours

General Instructions: (1) All questions are compulsory. (2) Section A: Reading (15 Marks), Section B: Writing (15 Marks), Section C: Grammar (10 Marks), Section D: Literature (35 Marks). (3) Read all questions carefully before answering them.

SECTION A - READING (15 Marks)

Q1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below:

(1 × 5 = 5 Marks)

Discipline is the backbone of human life. It means training the mind and character to produce self-control and obedience to established rules. A disciplined student works regularly and systematically. Discipline is necessary in all walks of life—in schools, playgrounds, home, and society. Without discipline, social life would lapse into complete chaos. Nature itself teaches us discipline: the sun rises and sets at fixed times, seasons change in orderly fashion, and stars follow precise orbits. A student who practices discipline learns the true value of time and attains success in every sphere of life.

(i) What is considered the backbone of human life?

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| (a) Wealth | (b) Discipline |
| (c) Fame | (d) Power |

(ii) Without discipline, social life would:

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| (a) become peaceful | (b) lapse into complete chaos |
| (c) prosper rapidly | (d) remain unchanged |

(iii) What does nature teach us through the rising and setting of the sun?

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| (a) Hard work | (b) Discipline |
| (c) Kindness | (d) Bravery |

(iv) A disciplined student learns the true value of:

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| (a) money | (b) time |
| (c) food | (d) comfort |

(v) Find the noun form of 'obedient' from the passage:

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| (a) Obedience | (b) Obey |
| (c) Obeying | (d) Obediently |

Q2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below:**(1 × 5 = 5 Marks)**

Trees are essential for the survival of life on Earth. They absorb carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and release oxygen, which is vital for breathing. Trees also help in preventing soil erosion and keeping the environment cool. Forests act as natural habitats for millions of wild animals and birds. Furthermore, trees provide us with fruits, timber, rubber, and medicinal herbs. Deforestation has led to global warming and climate change, threatening the ecological balance. Therefore, it is our collective responsibility to plant more trees and protect our green resources.

(i) Which gas do trees absorb from the atmosphere?

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| (a) Oxygen | (b) Nitrogen |
| (c) Carbon dioxide | (d) Hydrogen |

(ii) Forests act as natural habitats for:

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| (a) human beings | (b) wild animals and birds |
| (c) aquatic plants | (d) domestic pets |

(iii) What major environmental problem is caused by deforestation?

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| (a) Soil fertility | (b) Global warming |
| (c) Clean air | (d) Abundant rainfall |

(iv) Trees help in preventing:

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| (a) soil erosion | (b) forest growth |
| (c) oxygen production | (d) rain formation |

(v) Give the opposite word of 'Protect' from the options:

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| (a) Save | (b) Destroy |
| (c) Guard | (d) Plant |

Q3. Read the passage and make notes on it, also give a suitable title:**(4 Marks)**

Reading is one of the most rewarding hobbies a person can cultivate. It expands our vocabulary, improves communication skills, and enhances mental sharpness. Books are treasure houses of knowledge and wisdom. Through reading, one can travel across time and space without moving an inch. It reduces stress and provides healthy relaxation to the mind. Reading good literature builds strong moral character and broadens our perspective on life.

SECTION B - WRITING (15 Marks)

Q4. You are Aman/Ananya studying in Govt. High School, Bhopal. Write an application to your Principal requesting him to issue your School Leaving Certificate (SLC) / Transfer Certificate (TC) as your father has been transferred to Indore.

4 Marks

OR You are Rahul, residing at 12, MG Road, Gwalior. Write a letter to your friend inviting him to attend your elder sister's marriage ceremony.

Q5. Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 150-200 words:

5 Marks

1. Wonders of Science / Science in Daily Life
2. My Hobby
3. Importance of Games and Sports
4. Clean and Green India

OR Write a short paragraph on 'Importance of English Language' or 'Save Water, Save Life' (120-150 words).

Q6. On the basis of the picture given below, write a short descriptive paragraph in about 75 words on 'Importance of Trees':

6 Marks

[Visual Prompts: Tree providing shade to animals, fruits/flowers to humans, roots binding soil, oxygen release, rainfall support]

SECTION C - GRAMMAR (10 Marks)

Q7. Fill in the blanks choosing the correct option:

(1 × 5 = 5 Marks)

1. He gave me _____ one-rupee note. (a / an / the)
2. She has been studying in this school _____ 2021. (for / since / from)
3. May I _____ your pen, please? (use / used / using)
4. There isn't _____ water left in the jug. (many / much / any)
5. Walk carefully _____ you should fall. (lest / because / until)
6. He is senior _____ me in office. (than / to / from)

Q8. Do as directed (Any five):

(1 × 5 = 5 Marks)

1. She wrote a letter. (*Change into Passive Voice*)
2. Rohan is very weak. He cannot run fast. (*Combine using 'so...that'*)
3. If you do not work hard, you will fail. (*Rewrite using 'Unless' in place of 'If'*)
4. He plays cricket. (*Change into Present Perfect Tense*)
5. Hari said, "I am going to market." (*Change into Indirect Speech*)
6. they / playing / football / are / ground / the / in. (*Rearrange to form a meaningful sentence*)

SECTION D - LITERATURE (35 Marks)

Q9. Answer the following objective questions (First Flight):

(1 × 4 = 4 Marks)

(i) What did Lencho hope for?

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| (a) A good shower of rain | (b) A new motorcycle |
| (a) A tractor | (d) A new house |

(ii) According to Nelson Mandela, what is the greatest wealth of a nation?

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| (a) Minerals | (b) Gems |
| (c) Its people | (d) Technology |

(iii) Who is the author of the lesson 'A Letter to God'?

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| (a) G.L. Fuentes | (b) Nelson Mandela |
| (c) Liam O'Flaherty | (d) Anne Frank |

(iv) What was the young seagull afraid of?

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| (a) Running | (b) Flying |
| (c) Swimming | (d) Sleeping |

Q10. (A) Read the following extract from First Flight (Prose) and answer the questions:**(1 × 3 = 3 Marks)**

"The house — the only one in the entire valley — sat on the crest of a low hill. From this height one could see the river and the field of ripe corn dotted with the flowers that always promised a good harvest."

1. Where was Lencho's house situated? (On top of a low hill / In a big city)
2. What promised a good harvest? (Ripe corn with flowers / Heavy flood)
3. Find the word from the extract which means 'top of a hill'. (Crest / Valley)

Q10. (B) Read the following extract from First Flight (Poetry) and answer the questions:**(1 × 3 = 3 Marks)**

"The way a crow
Shook down on me
The dust of snow
From a hemlock tree"

1. Name the poem from which these lines have been taken. (Dust of Snow / Fire and Ice)
2. Who shook down the dust of snow? (A crow / A parrot)
3. Who is the poet of this poem? (Robert Frost / Leslie Norris)

Q11. Answer any six of the following short questions in about 30 words:**(2 × 6 = 12 Marks)**

1. Why did Lencho say the raindrops were like 'new coins'?
2. What did courage mean to Nelson Mandela?
3. Why was the young seagull afraid to fly?
4. Why does Anne Frank want to keep a diary?
5. What made the woman in the control centre look at the narrator strangely?
6. What is Coorg famous for?
7. Why did Lencho call the post office employees a 'bunch of crooks'?

Q12. Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words:**(2 × 2 = 4 Marks)**

1. What does 'Dust of Snow' represent in the poem?
2. According to Robert Frost, what do 'fire' and 'ice' stand for?
3. How does a tiger behave in a cage compared to his natural habitat?

Q13. Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words (Footprints without Feet):**(2 × 2 = 4 Marks)**

1. Why was Dr. Herriot worried about Tricky?
2. How did Hari Singh justify his stealing habits?
3. Why was Griffin termed as a 'lawless person'?

Q14. Answer any one of the following questions in about 75 words:**(3 Marks)**

Describe Lencho's faith in God. How did the postmaster react to his letter?

OR What twin obligations does Nelson Mandela mention in his autobiography?

Q15. Answer any one of the following questions in about 75 words:**(2 Marks)**

Write the central idea of the poem 'Dust of Snow'.

OR What message does the poem 'Fire and Ice' convey to humanity?

ANSWER KEY - SET 1**SECTION A: READING ANSWERS****Q1. Unseen Passage 1**

(i) (b) Discipline | (ii) (b) lapse into complete chaos | (iii) (b) Discipline | (iv) (b) time | (v) (a) Obedience

Q2. Unseen Passage 2

(i) (c) Carbon dioxide | (ii) (b) wild animals and birds | (iii) (b) Global warming | (iv) (a) soil erosion | (v) (b) Destroy

Q3. Note-making Model Answer**Title: Importance of Reading Books****1. Benefits of Reading:**

- 1.1 Expands vocabulary & improves communication
- 1.2 Enhances mental sharpness & character

2. Value of Books:

- 2.1 Treasure houses of knowledge & wisdom
- 2.2 Reduces stress & provides healthy relaxation

SECTION B: WRITING MODEL ANSWERS**Q4. Application for School Leaving Certificate (SLC)**

To, The Principal, Govt. High School, Bhopal.

Subject: Application for issuing School Leaving Certificate.

Respected Sir, Most respectfully I beg to state that I am a student of Class 10th in your school. My father has been transferred from Bhopal to Indore recently. Therefore, I am unable to continue my studies here. Kindly issue me my School Leaving Certificate/Transfer Certificate at the earliest. Thanking you. Yours obediently, Aman/Ananya, Class 10th.

SECTION C: GRAMMAR ANSWERS**Q7. Fill in the Blanks**

(1) a | (2) since | (3) use | (4) any | (5) lest | (6) to

Q8. Do As Directed

- (1) A letter was written by her.
- (2) Rohan is so weak that he cannot run fast.
- (3) Unless you work hard, you will fail.
- (4) He has played cricket.
- (5) Hari said that he was going to market.
- (6) They are playing football in the ground.

SECTION D: LITERATURE ANSWERS**Q9. First Flight MCQs**

(i) (a) A good shower of rain | (ii) (c) Its people | (iii) (a) G.L. Fuentes | (iv) (b) Flying

Q10. Extracts (A & B)

- (A) 1. On top of a low hill | 2. Ripe corn with flowers | 3. Crest
(B) 1. Dust of Snow | 2. A crow | 3. Robert Frost

Q11. Short Answers (Key Points)

- 1. Raindrops brought promise of a good crop and prosperity, hence Lencho compared them to new coins.
- 2. For Nelson Mandela, courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it.
- 3. The seagull felt his wings would never support him over the vast expanse of the sea.