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MP BOARD CLASS 10 ENGLISH PRACTICE SET - 2

*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 instructions carefully before attempting the paper.

SECTION A - READING (15 Marks)

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

(1 × 5 = 5 Marks)

Yoga is an ancient Indian practice that harmonizes the body, mind, and spirit. The word 'Yoga' is derived from the Sanskrit root 'Yuj', which means to join or unite. Regular practice of yoga improves physical strength, flexibility, and immunity. It also plays a vital role in reducing mental stress, anxiety, and depression. Unlike vigorous exercises, yoga emphasizes deep breathing and concentration through various 'asanas' and 'pranayama'. Today, people all over the world celebrate International Day of Yoga on June 21st to promote health and peace. Incorporating yoga into daily routine helps individuals lead a balanced, healthy, and happy life.

(i) The word 'Yoga' is derived from which Sanskrit root word?

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| (a) Yuga | (b) Yuj |
| (c) Yojan | (d) Yogi |

(ii) International Day of Yoga is celebrated worldwide on:

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| (a) June 5th | (b) June 21st |
| (c) August 15th | (d) December 1st |

(iii) Which of the following is a key component of yoga practice?

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| (a) Heavy weightlifting | (b) Deep breathing and concentration |
| (c) Fast running | (d) High jump |

(iv) Regular practice of yoga helps in reducing:

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| (a) immunity | (b) flexibility |
| (c) mental stress and anxiety | (d) physical strength |

(v) Find the adjective form of 'Harmonize' from the passage context:

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| (a) Harmony | (b) Harmonious |
| (c) Harmoniously | (d) Harmonizing |

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

Water is the most precious natural resource on Earth, essential for all living beings. Although nearly 71 percent of the Earth's surface is covered with water, only about 1 percent is accessible freshwater suitable for human consumption. Rapid population growth, industrialization, and urbanization have led to severe water scarcity in many parts of the world. Water pollution caused by industrial waste and plastic dumping further reduces clean water availability. Rainwater harvesting and efficient irrigation techniques like drip irrigation are necessary steps to conserve water. Saving water today ensures a sustainable future for the coming generations.

(i) What percentage of Earth's surface is covered with water?

- (a) 50 percent
- (b) 71 percent
- (c) 25 percent
- (d) 90 percent

(ii) How much of Earth's water is accessible freshwater suitable for human consumption?

- (a) About 1 percent
- (b) About 10 percent
- (c) About 25 percent
- (d) About 50 percent

(iii) Which technique is mentioned as an efficient method for water conservation in agriculture?

- (a) Flood irrigation
- (b) Drip irrigation
- (c) Canal watering
- (d) Surface washing

(iv) Water scarcity is mainly caused by rapid population growth and:

- (a) afforestation
- (b) industrialization and urbanization
- (c) heavy snowfall
- (d) soil conservation

(v) Give the synonym of 'Essential' from the options:

- (a) Optional
- (b) Vital / Necessary
- (c) Unimportant
- (d) Rare

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

Time management is an indispensable skill for achieving personal and professional success. It involves planning and exercising conscious control over the amount of time spent on specific activities. Good time management enables individuals to work smarter, not harder, so that they accomplish more in less time. Key elements include prioritizing tasks, setting clear goals, avoiding procrastination, and maintaining a daily schedule. By managing time effectively, students can reduce exam stress, improve academic performance, and enjoy adequate time for recreation.

SECTION B - WRITING (15 Marks)

Q4. You are Sunita/Suresh studying in Govt. Higher Secondary School, Jabalpur. Write an application to your Principal requesting a full fee concession as your family's financial condition is weak.

4 Marks

OR You are Amit, residing at 45, Nehru Nagar, Ujjain. Write a letter to your younger brother advising him to take part in games and sports regularly along with his studies.

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

5 Marks

1. Importance of Trees / Afforestation
2. Digital India / Online Education
3. My Favorite Teacher
4. Unemployment Problem in India

OR Write a short paragraph on 'Pollution: A Threat to Environment' or 'Value of Time' (120-150 words).

Q6. On the basis of the picture given below, write a short descriptive paragraph in about 75 words on 'Healthy Habits for Students':

6 Marks

[Visual Prompts: Early rising, eating balanced diet, practicing yoga/exercise, studying regularly, avoiding junk food and excessive screen time]

SECTION C - GRAMMAR (10 Marks)

Q7. Fill in the blanks choosing the correct option:

(1 × 5 = 5 Marks)

1. Copper is _____ useful metal. (a / an / the)
2. The sun _____ in the east. (rise / rises / rising)
3. You _____ obey your parents and teachers. (should / ought to / may)
4. How _____ sugar do you take in tea? (many / much / any)
5. He distributed sweets _____ the children. (between / among / in)
6. She died _____ malaria last week. (of / with / by)

Q8. Do as directed (Any five):

(1 × 5 = 5 Marks)

1. He does his duty well. (*Change into Negative*)
2. The boy is my nephew. The boy is wearing a blue shirt. (*Combine using 'Who'*)
3. Unless you run fast, you cannot catch the train. (*Rewrite using 'If' in place of 'Unless'*)
4. They are building a new bridge. (*Change into Passive Voice*)
5. She said, "The earth revolves round the sun." (*Change into Indirect Speech*)
6. hard / key / work / is / success / the / to. (*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 was the name of Anne Frank's diary?**

- (a) Kitty (b) Sweetie
(c) Peggy (d) Mary

(ii) Which crop was growing in Lencho's field before the hailstorm?

- (a) Barley (b) Corn
(c) Wheat (d) Rice

(iii) What pilot was flying the Old Dakota plane over France to England?

- (a) Frederick Forsyth (b) The Narrator
(c) Robert Frost (d) Gavin Maxwell

(iv) In 'A Tiger in the Zoo', where should the tiger be lurking according to the poet?

- (a) In a concrete cell (b) In shadow near long grass
(c) In a circus tent (d) On a city street

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

"Paper has more patience than people. I thought of this saying on one of those days when I was feeling a little depressed and was sitting at home with my chin in my hands, bored and listless, wondering whether to stay in or go out."

- Who is 'I' in the above lines? (Anne Frank / Wanda Petronski)
- Why does the speaker think paper has more patience than people? (It doesn't get bored / It absorbs ink)
- Write the word from the extract that means 'lacking energy or enthusiasm'. (Listless / Depressed)

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

"He stalks in his vivid stripes
The few steps of his cage,
On pads of velvet quiet,
In his quiet rage."

- Name the poem from which these lines are taken. (A Tiger in the Zoo / How to Tell Wild Animals)
- Which word in the extract means 'quiet movement of paws'? (Pads of velvet / Vivid stripes)
- Who is the poet of this poem? (Leslie Norris / Carolyn Wells)

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

- What did Lencho write in his second letter to God?
- What ideals did Nelson Mandela set for the future of South Africa?
- Why was Mr. Keesing annoyed with Anne Frank? What punishment did he give her?
- What risk did the pilot of the Old Dakota take and why?
- What are the elders in Goa nostalgic about?
- Who was Rajvir and Pranjol? Where were they going?
- How did Lencho's fields look after the hailstorm?

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

1. How does the poet contrast the tiger in the cage with the tiger in the forest?
2. What does the poet say the boy is learning from the loss of his ball in 'The Ball Poem'?
3. Why does the poet want to turn and live with animals in the poem 'Animals'?

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

1. What was the real cause of Tricki's illness?
2. Why did Hari Singh choose Anil as his target?
3. How did Horace Danby manage his robbery every year?

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

Describe the character sketch of Nelson Mandela based on 'Long Walk to Freedom'.

OR Give a brief character sketch of Anne Frank highlighting her intelligence and wit.

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

Write the central idea of the poem 'A Tiger in the Zoo'.

OR What is the theme of 'The Ball Poem'?

ANSWER KEY - SET 2

SECTION A: READING ANSWERS

Q1. Unseen Passage 1

(i) (b) Yuj | (ii) (b) June 21st | (iii) (b) Deep breathing and concentration | (iv) (c) mental stress and anxiety | (v) (b) Harmonious

Q2. Unseen Passage 2

(i) (b) 71 percent | (ii) (a) About 1 percent | (iii) (b) Drip irrigation | (iv) (b) industrialization and urbanization | (v) (b) Vital / Necessary

Q3. Note-making Model Answer**Title: Importance of Time Management**

1. Meaning & Concept:
 - 1.1 Planning and conscious control over time
 - 1.2 Working smarter to achieve more in less time
2. Essential Elements:
 - 2.1 Prioritizing tasks & setting goals
 - 2.2 Avoiding procrastination & scheduling daily work
3. Benefits for Students:
 - 3.1 Reduces exam stress & improves performance
 - 3.2 Ensures time for recreation

SECTION B: WRITING MODEL ANSWERS

Q4. Application for Full Fee Concession

To, The Principal, Govt. Higher Secondary School, Jabalpur.

Subject: Application for Full Fee Concession.

Respected Sir, Most respectfully I state that I am a student of Class 10th in your school. My father works as a daily wage laborer and his monthly income is very low. My family's financial condition is very weak, and he cannot afford my school fees. I am a diligent student and scored 88% marks in Class 9th. Kindly grant me full fee concession so that I may continue my studies. Thanking you. Yours obediently, Sunita/Suresh, Class 10th.

SECTION C: GRAMMAR ANSWERS

Q7. Fill in the Blanks

(1) a | (2) rises | (3) ought to | (4) much | (5) among | (6) of

Q8. Do As Directed

- (1) He does not do his duty well.
- (2) The boy who is wearing a blue shirt is my nephew.
- (3) If you do not run fast, you cannot catch the train.
- (4) A new bridge is being built by them.
- (5) She said that the earth revolves round the sun. (Universal truth remains unchanged)
- (6) Hard work is the key to success.

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

(i) (a) Kitty | (ii) (b) Corn | (iii) (b) The Narrator | (iv) (b) In shadow near long grass

Q10. Extracts (A & B)

(A) 1. Anne Frank | 2. It doesn't get bored (allows expression without judgment) | 3. Listless
(B) 1. A Tiger in the Zoo | 2. Pads of velvet | 3. Leslie Norris

Q11. Short Answers (Key Points)

1. Lencho asked God for the remaining 30 pesos and requested not to send it through post office because he called post office employees 'a bunch of crooks'.
2. Mandela pledged to liberate his people from poverty, deprivation, suffering, gender, and other discriminations.
3. Mr. Keesing was annoyed with Anne because she talked too much in class. He punished her by assigning extra essays.