

2021-22
Term 2
Class VIII
Subject English
Model Test Paper

Time: 2hrs

M.M.40

General Instructions:

- 1. The Question Paper carries 10 questions.**
- 2. It consists of four sections.**
- 3. Section A(Reading Comprehension) carries 5 marks.**
- 4. Section B (My English Companion) carries 12 marks.**
- 5. Section C(Vocabulary) carries 2 marks.**
- 6. Section D(Translation, Grammar and Composition) carries 19 marks.**
- 7. 2 marks are to be given for good handwriting.**

Section-A (Reading Skills)

- 1. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow. (5 Marks)**

Daffodils, the trumpet-shaped flowers bloom during the spring. In fact, daffodils are the first sign of spring and they symbolise rebirth, new beginnings, and friendship. It is the flower of those born in March. Daffodils are native to the Mediterranean region but are cultivated all over the world. The flower is called Nargis in Hindi, perhaps because of its association with the egotistical Greek God Narcissus. It is believed that Narcissus fell in love with his own image in a pool of water. He was so enamoured by his own image that he fell into the water and drowned. The flower, also called Narcissus, grew where he died. This led it to becoming a symbol of unrequited love. A gift of daffodil flowers is believed to ensure happiness. It is a common decoration flower during the Chinese New Year. Feng Shui experts believe that if a daffodil bulb blooms during the New Year, it will bring good luck to your home. Daffodil bulbs, because of their astringent properties, are pounded and made into a paste to be applied to wounds. Pharma companies use daffodil extracts to make drugs that are used to treat Alzheimer's and Polio.

- i. What do daffodils symbolise?**
- ii. Where are daffodils cultivated?**
- iii. Whom are daffodils associated with?**
- iv. How did Narcissus die?**
- v. Which diseases are being cured by daffodil extracts?**

Section-B (My English Companion)

2. Answer any two questions. (4 Marks)

- i. What is the religious importance of Anandpur Sahib? (The Punjab- A Glimpse)
- ii. Which puppy was chosen by the little boy and why? (Charge for Love)
- iii. How did the police counsel Seema and Bhavya? (Safety while Driving)
- iv. Which features of the Chinese cities impressed Marco Polo? (Marco Polo)

3. Write down the meanings of any two words in Punjabi/Hindi. (2 Marks)

delight, mischief, defenders, luxury,

4. (a) Fill in the blanks with correct answer. (2 Marks)

- i. Marco Polo set out on his first voyage at the age of _____.
- ii. Marco Polo was released from the prison in _____.

(b) Answer any one question based on poem. (2 Marks)

- i. What is the condition of the books? (We Who Love Books)
- ii. Who are being referred to as 'Defenders of borders'? (My Dear Soldiers)

5. Make sentences of any two words. (2 Marks)

melodious, familiar, set about, confidence

Section-C (Vocabulary)

6. (a) Fill in the blanks choosing the correct synonyms from the brackets. (1 Mark)

The _____ old man spoke in a _____ voice. (feeble, weak)

(b) Make sentence of the given idiom. (1 Mark)

Actions speak louder than words.

Section-D (Translation, Grammar and Composition)

7. (a) Translation any two of the following sentences into Punjabi/Hindi. (2Marks)

- i. Sudha played a game.
- ii. Why are you making a noise?
- iii. Work hard lest you should fail.

(b) Translation any two of the following sentences into English. (2Marks)

- i. ਮੇਰੀ ਸਹੇਲੀ ਨੇ ਮੇਰੀ ਮਦਦ ਕੀਤੀ। / ਮੇਰੀ ਸਹੇਲੀ ਨੇ ਮੇਰੀ ਮਦਦ ਕੀ।
- ii. ਤੁਸੀਂ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਕਦੋਂ ਪੜ੍ਹ ਰਹੇ ਸੀ?/ ਆਪ ਪੁਸਤਕ ਕਬ ਪਠ ਰਹੇ ਥੇ?
- iii. ਸ਼ਾਬਾਸ਼! ਤੁਸੀਂ ਬਹੁਤ ਵਧੀਆ ਕੀਤਾ।/ ਸ਼ਾਬਾਸ਼ ! ਆਪਨੇ ਬਹੁਤ ਬਢਿਆ ਕਿਆ।

8. Do as directed: (3Marks)

(a) Select the correct verb from the bracket to fill in the blank.

Time and tide _____ for none. (wait/waits)

(b) Fill in the blank with the Present Perfect or Present Perfect Continuous form of the verb given in the bracket.

I _____ for a house for two months. (search)

(c) Change the voice of the following sentence.

Mina wrote a letter.

9. (a) Paragraph: An Indian Farmer (4Marks)
Or

Story: The Moneylender and his Purse

(b) Letter Writing (5Marks)

Write a letter to your younger brother congratulating him on his brilliant success.

Or

Suppose you are Manjul. You live at 1806, 34D Chandigarh. Write a letter to your uncle requesting him to buy you a bicycle on your birthday.

(c) Newspaper Headlines (3 Marks)

- i. PM Launches New Education Policy
- ii. 14 Year Old Claims to Have Cured Covid

Or

Dialogue Writing

Write a dialogue between your friend and you in which you invite your friend for dinner. Take the help of the given poster to write the dialogue.

The poster is titled "Inviting Someone to Come to Your House for Dinner" and is divided into two columns: "INFORMAL" and "FORMAL".

INFORMAL

- Wanna come over for dinner tonight?
- How about coming over for dinner tonight?
- Care to come over for dinner tonight?

FORMAL

- Would you like to come over for dinner tonight?
- Would you care to join us for dinner at our house tonight?
- We'd be delighted to have you over for dinner tonight.

10. Marks for Good Handwriting (2 Marks)