

## MARKING SCHEME-PRACTICE TEST

(2019-2020)

Class- X

Subjects: English

### Section-A (Reading)

20 Marks

**Note:** Section “A” tests the candidate’s ability in reading only. Therefore no mark is to be deducted in spelling, grammar or punctuation.

**Objective:** This section evaluates the reading and comprehension skills of the students & their ability to infer and evaluate the given information.

**Q.1 Marking :** one mark for each correct answer. (8 marks)

A. (c)

B. (d)

C. (c)

D. (d)

E. (b)

F. (a)

G. (a)

H. (b)

**Q.2 Marking:** 1 mark for each correct answer. (12 Marks)

- (a) These drinks are often a substitute for a glass of milk which leads to osteoporosis.
- (b) Insufficient intake of milk leads to calcium & vitamin D deficiency. Lack of exercise and sedentary life style also contributes in making our bones weak.
- (c) It becomes apparent in old age.
- (d) It is called fatal because Upto 25 % of older people who suffer a broken hip die within a year.
- (e) It causes loss of height, pain in joints and back fractures and fear of fractures. These can be very depressing.
- (f) The ‘Indian society for bone and Minerals research’ is spreading awareness about this bone crippling disease.
- (g) The bones get riddled with holes and this leads to broken bones, deformity or disability.
- (h) Exercise, enough sunlight and adequate calcium.
- (i) Sedentary
- (j) Jeopardy
- (k) Substitute.
- (l) Adequate

### Section- B ( Writing & Grammar)

30 Marks

#### Q. 3 Article Writing

8 marks

**Objective:** To analyse, interpret and infer; creative and logical expression.

**Format:** 1 mark (Heading & Writer's name)

**Content:** 4 marks

**Expression:** 3 marks (grammatical accuracy, appropriate words spellings; coherence and relevance of ideas & style)

**OR**

**Letter of Enquiry**

**Marking:**

**Format:** 1 mark (Sender's address, Date, Receiver's address, Subject, Salutation, Complimentary close)

**Content:** 4 marks

**Expression:** 3 marks (fluency, accuracy, coherence and relevance)

**Q.4 Story writing**

**10 marks**

**Objective:** To plan, organize and present ideas coherently.  
Imagination and creativity

**Marking:**

**Format:** Title - 1 mark

**Story (Content):** 4 Marks (Use of cue given, clarity of plot, logical sequence of events, well defined characters and apt conclusion)

**Expression:** 3marks (Originality of ideas, creativity and imagination, coherence and relevance)

**Value / moral-** 2 marks

**Q.5 Editing:**

**4 Marks**

**Objective:** To use grammatical items correctly.

**Marking:** 1 mark for each correct answer.

<b>Answer:</b>	<b>Incorrect words</b>	<b>correction</b>
	(a) the	a
	(b) on	by
	(c) must	can
	(d) with	to

**Ans 6 Fill in the blanks (MCQ)**

**1/2x8=4**

**marks**

**Marking** : A half mark for each correct answer

**Answer:** (a) iv then (b) iii while (c) i that (d) i whether (e) iii or  
(f) iv so (g) iv see (h) i attending

**Ans. 7 Sentence completion**

**4**

**Marks**

**Objective:** 1. To test the student's accurate use of grammatical items.

2. To test the knowledge of syntax.

**Marking** : One mark for each correct answer

**Answer:** a. dismissed the petition

- b. broke Hadlee's record
- c. plans to start courier
- d. donated

**Section- C (Literature)**

**30**

**Marks**

**Q.8 Extracts for comprehension**

**Objective:** To test inferential, interpretative and comprehension skills.

**Marking:** 01 mark for each correct answer.

**Answers:**

- a. 'He' refers to tiger. He is in a cage of a zoo.
- b. ....in order to prey on the deer who come to drink water.
- c. Rhyme scheme is- abcb
- d. Name of the poem – A Tiger in The Zoo  
Poet – Leslie Norris

**OR**

Answers:

- a. Nelson Mandela.
- b. He has seen men and women risk and give their lives for an idea / People stand up to attacks and torture without breaking.
- c. .... unimaginable strength and resilience of people.
- d. He learnt that courage is not absence of fear but triumph over it.

**Q.9 Objective:** To test the ability to infer and evaluate.

**Marking:** 02 marks for each correct answer (any 5)

- a. Lencho, a farmer completely depended on rain for his crop. The rain did come but it soon turned into big hailstones and this destroyed his crop of corn totally.
- b. It is believed that there is an unwritten code of conduct amongst thieves also- that a thief mustn't cheat another thief. The lady pretending as the mistress of the house turns out to be a thief. It was due to her that Horace lands up in jail especially when he wasn't guilty of crime. So, Danby believes that there was a breach of trust.
- c. No, the lawyer couldn't serve the summons that day because he failed to find Oliver Lutkins. He had been fooled by the hack driver who all the while pretended to be Bill and seemingly aiding him in the lawyer's search of Oliver. Not for one moment did he suspect the seemingly jovial & friendly hack driver could actually be Oliver himself.
- d. Mr Loisel had inherited eighteen thousand francs from his father and borrowed another eighteen thousand from money lenders to purchase diamond necklace for thirty-six thousand francs to replace the one which his wife had borrowed and lost.
- e. The theme is about the conflict between man and nature. A plant is brought inside the house when it is a sapling but as it grows into a tree, it gets suffocated with limited space so it departs to feel free.
- f. The poet has metaphorically compared the fog to cat. The comparison is apt because both make their presence felt in spite of their silent, watchful and mysterious ways.
- g. Valli behaved much more maturely than her age. She put on a very grown-up, overly confident and smart demeanour. The conductor was amused with her behaviour and teasingly addressed her as 'madam'.

h. Tea was first drunk in China in 2700 BC. Tea went to Europe in the sixteenth century.

**Q10. Objective:** To test the ability to interpret, evaluate and respond to themes/issues raised.

**Marking:** Content-4 marks; Expression- 4 marks

**Suggested Value Points:** Diary- silent recorder of Anne's thoughts..... Non-judgmental and patient..... People aren't interested in others..... Busy with their lives and problems..... patience is limited unlike paper

**OR**

Wanda Petronski- a funny name, wore same faded blue but clean dress to school every day..... Children's attitude is not justified.....didn't have hundred dresses but she had artistic and creative talent..... drew sketches.....proved herself..... rose high in people's eyes..... Trivial things like money and status aren't parameters to judge people. Their qualities, capabilities and potential make them respect worthy. So, no one should be judged on the basis of social or economic status.

**Q.11 Objective:** To test the ability to interpret, evaluate and respond to themes/issues raised.

**Marking:** Content-4 marks; Expression- 4 marks

**Suggested Value Points:** Anil's patience and goodness.....taught Hari Singh to cook, read and write..... Hari chose a suitable time to steal and be off.....remembers Anil's goodness, simplicity and generosity..... returns and puts the money back.....vows to reform himself for respectful and respectable life. Anil's goodness of heart and intentions transformed Hari. Trust and forgiveness can bring big changes in people's lives.

**OR**

Max, a spy- overconfident and excessively proud.....thought wielding a gun is enough to overpower an unassuming spy – Ausable who easily outwitted Max without having to lift a finger through his quick wit and intelligence. Max jumps to his own death taking Ausable's words at face value. One mustn't be proud and must pay attention to the finer details.

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(2019-20)

English- Class X

**Time: 3:00 Hours**

**M.M. = 80**

Typology & competencies	VSA ½ Mark	VSA 1 Mark	SA 2Mark	LA 8 Marks	Extended Task 10 Marks	Marks
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Reading ----- --Analysing, Inferring, Interpreting, Vocabulary		8 (MCQ) 12				20
Writing & Grammar ----- Creativity, Reasoning Justifying, Style, Format, Fluency, Content, Accuracy	8	8		1	1	30
Literature ----- Recalling, Reasoning, Appreciating, extrapolating, Interpretation, Theme		4	5	2		30
TOTAL	4	32	10	24	10	80