



Std.: X
Date:09/11/2015

SET I
ENGLISH

Max. Marks: 20
Time: 40 Min.

General Instructions:

- This paper consists of three sections:

Section A – Reading	(5Marks)
Section B – Writing & Grammar	(8Marks)
Section C – Literature & Long Reading Text	(7Marks)
- All sections are compulsory.
- Separate instructions are given for each section and questions wherever necessary. Read the instructions carefully and follow them.

SECTION A: READING **(5 Marks)**

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it: **(5)**

Oliver Goldsmith, a great English writer, was born at Lissoy, a pretty Irish village. His father was poor but very kind hearted. No traveller ever asked him for help and went away empty handed. An old dame taught letters of alphabet to Young Goldsmith. She said he was the dullest pupil. Young Goldsmith's life was full of troubles. He was most unhappy in his school and college days. He was rather ugly and looked more so on account of small pox marks. His school mates treated him roughly and cruelly and made fun of him. Goldsmith joined Trinity college, Dublin before the gates of which his statue now stands. Goldsmith was admitted free to the college. But for that he had to sweep out the courts and help to carry up dishes at dinner time. He was very unhappy in college. No one was kind to him. He did not show himself clever enough to receive the kind attention of his tutors. He had little money and what he had, he usually gave to the first beggar whom he met. He studied medicine for three years, but left the college without a degree. He worked as a chemist's assistant and then practiced as a doctor without much success. He wore an old suit with a large patch. When he visited his patients he was asked to cover this sign of poverty with this hat.

- (a) Oliver Goldsmith was a native of _____.
- (i) *England* (ii) *Scotland* (iii) *Holland* (iv) *Ireland*
- (b) Goldsmith was unhappy at school because _____.
- (i) *he was poor* (ii) *he was dull* (iii) *he was ugly* (iv) *he was without friends*
- (c) Goldsmith's tutors did not pay attention to him because _____.
- (d) He wore an old suit with a large patch as _____.
- (e) The word which means the same as 'a woman' is _____.

SECTION B: WRITING & GRAMMAR **(8 Marks)**

2. Write an article on “How Advanced Technology has Added to Man’s Problems” in about 80 words. (4)

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| *less physical exercise and health problems | *detaches from fellow beings |
| *destructive weapons | *deteriorating language |

3. Complete the passage given below by choosing the correct alternatives. (2)

There is no doubt that fish as food (a)_____ very good for us. Not only (b)_____ it contain proteins, important vitamins and minerals (c)_____ it is also low in fat and calories. It is fish that contains omega 3 fatty acids (d)_____ are thought to lower the risk of heart disease.

- (a) (i) am (ii) is (iii) are (iv) was (b) (i) does (ii) did (iii) do (iv) done
(c) (i) and (ii) or (iii) but (iv) as (d) (i) who (ii) what (iii) this (iv) which

4. Rearrange the following words / phrases to make meaningful sentences. The first one has been done for you. (2)

*Example: A headache/ are several/ there/ reasons for
There are several reasons for a headache.*

- a) a signal of / can be/ an underlying/ sometimes/ headache/ disease
b) yoga therapy/ more than/ medicines/ suits any need

SECTION C: LITERATURE & LONG READING TEXT (7 Marks)

5. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. (2)

“Well, I was not in a position to contradict Jenkins.”

- a. Who was Jenkins? What had Jenkins asked the narrator to do?
b. Why was the narrator not in a position to contradict Jenkins?

6. Answer the following questions in about 20- 30 words each. (3)

- a. What is the irony in the poem ‘Ozymandias’?
b. Why did Lavinia decide to leave her husband and what made her change her mind later?

7. Answer the following question in 30 – 40 words. (Long Reading Text) (2)

- a. Describe Helen’s visit to the World Fair.
