

BIHAR BOARD CLASS—XII

2010

SUBJECT - ENGLISH

Time: 3 Hours 15 Minutes]

[Full Marks: 100

Instructions for the candidates: See above.

GROUP-A

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4. Read carefully the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

An old man had three sons who often quarrelled with one another. They paid no attention to their father's advice not to do so. One day he called all his sons together and gave them a bundle of sticks and asked each of them to try in turn and break the bundle. Each of them tried but failed. The old man then asked them to untie the bundle and break the sticks separately. Not to speak of the eldest, even the youngest one broke the sticks without any difficulty. Then the old man told his sons that they should see the power of unity. If they lived united no harm would come to them: If they quarrelled, they would have to face difficulty.

Questions:

- (a) How did the three sons behave with one another?
- (b) Did they heed to their father's advice?
- (c) What did the old man do next?
- (d) What moral do you get from the above passage?

5. Write an essay in about 100-150 words on any one of the following topics:

- (a) Television
- (b) The book you like most
- (c) A memorable day in your life
- (d) An ideal family.

6. Make a precis of the following passage giving a suitable title:

One of the most widely spread bad habits is the use of tobacco. Tobacco is now smoked or chewed by men, often by women and even by children, almost all over the world. It was brought into Europe America by Sir Walter Raleigh four centuries ago, and has thence spread everywhere. We very much doubt whether there is any good in the habit, even when

tobacco is not used to excess: and it is extremely difficult to get rid of the habit when once it has been formed.

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9. Translate the following sentences into English:

- (a) कल मेरी भेंट एक रिक्शाचालक से हुई।
- (b) उसका नाम रामू है।
- (c) उसका परिवार बहुत बड़ा है।
- (d) उसकी हालत दयनीय है।
- (e) उसे सुबह से शाम तक रिक्शा खींचना पड़ता है।

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GROUP-B

12. Match the names given in List-A with appropriate titles from List-B:

List-A

List-B

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| (a) Rupert Brooke | (i) Song of Myself |
| (b) D.H. Lawrence | (ii) To Autumn |
| (c) Walt Whitman | (iii) The soldier |
| (d) John Donne | (iv) Snake |
| (e) John Keats | (v) Sweetest love I do not go |

13. Give, in short, the summary of any four of the following poems:

- (a) Snake
- (b) My Grandmother's House
- (c) To Autumn
- (d) The Soldier

14. Name the poets who wrote the following lines:

(a) I celebrate myself, and sing myself.

And what I assume you shall assume.

(b) Whose white waterfall could bless

Travellers in their last distress.

(c) Where are the songs of spring?

Ay, where are they?

(d) If in thine life thou waste.

Thou art the best of me.

(e) I swore to save fire

From the sin of forgetfulness.

GROUP-C

15. Complete the following sentences on the basis of your textual reading:

(a) Dr. Radhakrishnan never lost his faith in.....

(b) Nanukaka was coming to Delhi to.....

16. Give, in short, the summary of any one of the following pieces:

(a) I have a Dream

(b) The Earth

(c) A child is Born

17. Name the authors of the following prose pieces:

(a) Bharat is My Home

(b) I Have a Dream

(c) The Artist

GROUP-D

18. Name the authors of the following:

(a) David Copperfield

(b) Emma

(c) Piers the Plowman

(d) The Guide

(e) Macbeth

19. Write a brief note on Modern English.

OR

Discuss the future of English in India.

20. English is an international language. How?

OR

Write the names of five Indian English Writers.

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