

BIHAR BOARD CLASS - 10

2014

अँग्रेजी (ENGLISH)

प्रथम पाली (First Sitting)

Time: 3 Hours 15 Minutes]

[Full Marks: 100

SECTION-A

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below in your own words:

In developing countries, the girls lag behind the boys in education. A large number of them do not go to school. Even when they are enrolled the burden of domestic chores stands in the way of their education progress. The single most important factors in their poor performance is the time and strain imposed by girl child's work load. Close behind poverty, follows tradition. And perhaps the strongest tradition of all is the idea that sons should be educated because they will be the bread winners of their own future families, and supporters of their aging parents. A girl's work, though it may be longer and harder, is considered less likely to bring monetary income. In culture where marriage means that a daughter becomes the part of her husband's family, the incentive to educate girls is weaker still.

Questions:

- (i) Why do people prefer to educate boys to girls?
- (ii) Girls are paid less though their work may be harder. What attitude of society does it show?
- (iii) Why is the incentive to educate girls less in culture where the daughter becomes the part of her husband's family after marriage?
- (iv) Which word in the passage means the following? Not keep up with/go to slow.

2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below in your own words:

If you wish to be a writer, you must learn to develop your own point of view. All good writers make us see things in a different light. You may be writing about the same thing as your classmate, but your presentation must reflect your personality and individuality. There are so many interesting subjects you can write about in different forms but here we will try to attempt writing short stories. There is a good market for the following types:

The humorous stories, the adventurous stories, the domestic stories, the mysteries and stories related to animals and strange experiences.

Don't worry if the story turns out to be very short. Some of the very good stories are quite very short. Be very careful about the end of the story. So think of a plot-make points on how the story will progress and pen it down.

Questions:

- (i) What does a reader do to be a writer?
- (ii) What things must a successful writer keep in mind while writing a story?
- (iii) Write any two types of stories which people like to read.
- (iv) Find a phrase in the passage which means the same 'to write'.

SECTION-B

3. Write a letter to your friend, telling him the measures your school has taken to preserve ecology in the locality.

OR

Write a letter to your elder brother expressing your impression of Hindi film which you have seen recently.

4. Write a paragraph on any one of the following in about 60 words:

- (i) Importance of Television
- (ii) Bliss of Solitude
- (iii) Female education
- (iv) Your School Library

5. You are Vinay/Sunita, the Secretary of the drama society of your school. Write a notice to invite the students to watch a play in Hindi. Mention the title of the play, its writer, the venue and the time.

OR

If you move from one culture to another culture you may find variation in custom, food habits, dress code and activities. Write a short paragraph on culture variation that you observe in the society.

SECTION-C

6. Missing Question

7. Missing Question

8. Missing Question

9. Missing Question

10. Translate any five into English:

(i) बिहार के बच्चे साइकिल से स्कूल जाते हैं।

(ii) बिहार के छात्र पढ़ने में तेज हैं।

(iii) बिहार विद्यालय परीक्षा समिति एक शैक्षिक संस्था है।

(iv) हमें मिल जुलकर रहना चाहिए।

(v) धूम्रपान मत करो।

(vi) वह नृत्य करना नहीं जानती है।

(vii) क्या तुम सुबह में टहलते हो?

(viii) तुम्हारे पिताजी कब सोते हैं?

SECTION-C

11. Missing Question

12. Missing Question

13. Answer any one of the following in about 80 words:

(i) Why does the writer call the two little girls "Dear little soul"?

(ii) Do you think that Jim is a real ecology friendly boy? Give your opinion.

(iii) What is the most dominant influence on Indian films?

14. Answer any two of the following in about 30 words:

(i) Write few sentences about the elderly corn merchant.

- (ii) Why did Mr. Johnson think that the narrator did not follow the principle of walking?
- (iii) How did Humayun Kabir define civilization?
- (iv) Do you think that language is crucial to a writer? Give your opinion in short.

15. Read carefully the stanza given below and answer the questions that follow:

Whose herd with milk, whose field with bread.

Whose flock supply him with attire,

Whose trees in summer yield him shade, in winter fire.

Questions:

- (i) Who wrote these lines?
- (ii) From which poem have these lines been taken?
- (iii) Who gives him bread?
- (iv) From where does he get his clothes?

16. Answer any two of the following question in about 40 words:

- (i) How does a polythene bag pollute our environment?
- (ii) Describe Radha's condition, as reported by her friends.
- (iii) Do you think that the Koel symbolises true love?
- (iv) How Sleeping Porter is the hero of the mountain?

17. Answer any one of the following questions:

- (i) The work style of Mr. Gessler was unique. Explain.
- (ii) Suggest a few possible ways to avoid allergy.

18. Answer any two of the following questions:

- (i) How did the author know Mr. Gessler?
- (ii) What did the banker do to kill the lawyer?
- (iii) Suppose you are Munni. The landlord comes to your house and asks you to pay the rent. What will you do then?
- (iv) Mr. Gessler was not successful in his trade. Why?