

GENIUS HIGH SCHOOL, BHONGIR

ENGLISH (CODE-184)

SA - 1

MARKS: 80 (3HRS)

General Instructions

- The paper consists of 3 sections: A, B, C.
- Attempt all the questions.
- Don't write anything on the question paper.
- Read each question carefully and follow the given instructions.
- All the answers must be correctly numbered and written in the answer sheet provided to you.
- Strictly adhere to the word limit given in the question paper. Marks will be deducted for exceeding the word limit.
- Ensure that questions of each section are answered together.

SECTION A (Reading – 20 Marks)

Q1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (8)

1. If you've noticed that you're feeling exhausted, that every time you climb a flight of steps you feel winded or that your skin does not look or feel right, your hair is falling and your nails are constantly breaking, don't take these symptoms lightly. It's possible that you are iron deficient.

2. Most of us do not realize that iron is an important component of hemoglobin, a protein in the red blood cells that carries oxygen from our lungs to the rest of our body. So, if you don't have enough iron in your system, you could well be feeling fatigued and out of breath.

3. Iron deficiency leads to anemia, particularly common among women who are at the reproductive ages, as well as children and adolescents of both sexes who require iron to grow, expand blood volume, increase hemoglobin concentration and muscle mass.

4. Given the lifestyles we lead and our rather inadequate dietary intakes of the right kinds of food, anemia is a problem that cuts across the rural and urban divide. The health consequences of anemia in children and adolescents are well known – it affects physical growth and mental development, reduces energy levels and impairs the function of the immune system. Both boys and girls need iron for growth during adolescence, but girls have a continuous need to replace the iron lost during menstruation.

5. Figures from the National Family Health Survey (2005-6) showed that 30.2 percent, 19.3 percent and 23.1 percent of men in the age groups of 9-15, 20-29 and 30-39 respectively, were anemic. The figures for anemia in women in the same age brackets were even greater – 55.8 percent, 56.1 percent and 54.2 percent respectively.

6. So, if you've attributed your feelings of exhaustion, falling hair and other factors to a hectic lifestyle, think again. Increase your intake of iron-rich fruits and veggies as you may well be iron deficient!

1.1. On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer any eight of the following questions in brief: (1 x 8 = 8)

- (a) Write any two symptoms of a person deficient in iron.
- (b) Name the disease that is caused due to iron deficiency.
- (c) What are the health consequences of anemia?
- (d) Why do girls need more iron during adolescence?
- (e) What is hemoglobin?
- (f) What did the figures from NFHS (2005-06) show?
- (g) What were the figures for anemic women in the age group of 20-29?
- (h) What can be done for the iron deficient person?
- (i) Find a word from the passage which means 'chaotic'.

Q2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (12)

1. Every event a person sees and every noise he hears are in every instance part of a life that has been created for him as a unit. Whether major or insignificant, no event in the universe happens by coincidence. No flower blooms or fades by chance. No man comes into existence or dies out of pure coincidence. No man becomes sick by mistake and neither does his sickness develop in an uncontrolled manner. In each case, these occurrences are especially predestined by God, from every moment they were created.

2. Destiny is something that you have been creating unconsciously. You can also create it consciously. You can rewrite it; all that we do in the form of a spiritual process is just that. If you can touch the core within you, if you can experience that the source of creation is within you and then shift your focus on yourself, you can rewrite your own destiny. This is true as far as I know

3. All the time your focus is scattered because what you consider as 'myself' is your house, your car, your wife, your children, your education, your position, and your other identities. If I strip you of all these things, including your body and mind, which are just accumulations, you will feel like a nobody.

4. Once you become a true individual, your destiny is yours. Individual comes from 'indivisible' – it cannot be divided any more. It cannot be here and there. Why people in the spiritual process, who are in a hurry for spiritual growth, are not getting into marriage, children and relationships, because the moment you have a wife or a husband, you fall into a trap. 'Me' gets identified with the others. The significance of Sanyasi and Brahmacharya is just shifting your focus on you. When I say 'you', it is just 'you', neither your body nor your mind.

5. If you are unable to be like that, you just choose one identity. When you say 'you', make it you and your Guru. You attach yourself to the Guru without any hesitation because you can get as entangled as you want with him but he is not going to get entangled. The moment you are 'ripe' you can drop the attachment. With other relationships, it is never so. Even if you want to get free, the others will not let you go.

6. So, just create a longing to grow, to dissolve and to know. What has to happen will happen. Once you become an individual, your destiny becomes yours. Once your destiny is happening in awareness, the next step will happen by itself, because life within you has the intelligence to choose freedom.

2.1. On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer any four of the following questions . in brief: 2×4 = 8

- (a) According to the writer, how can you rewrite your own destiny?
- (b) Why are 'spiritual' people not getting into marriage, children and relationship?
- (c) Why should you attach yourself to the Guru without any hesitation?
- (d) Why is our focus scattered when we have possessions and relationships?
- (e) What are the occurrences that are predestined by God?

2.2. On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer any four of the following: (1 x 4 = 4)

(a) Each event is by God.

- (i) ignored
- (ii) overlooked
- (iii) pre-decided
- (iv) performed

(b) Destiny is created by us

- (i) consciously
- (ii) unconsciously
- (iii) both (i) & (ii)
- (iv) none of these

(c) The word in para 4, which means 'involved in complication' is

- (i) flippant
- (ii) trap
- (iii) puzzled
- (iv) flattery

(d) In para 3, the word which means 'attention' is

- (i) feeling
- (ii) neglect
- (iii) focus
- (iv) mind

(e) Life within us has the to choose freedom.

- (i) wish
- (ii) intelligence
- (iii) fear
- (iv) pressure

SECTION B

(Writing & Grammar – 30 Marks)

Q3. You are Abhi/Shikha. You have been working as a chemist at Shama Medicos for five years. You purchase all the medicines from the wholesaler Shimanya Medical Stores. You have come across that the stock you received, contains banned and expired medicines. Write a letter of complaint to express your dissatisfaction towards the store.

OR

You are Edward write an article of wildlife conserve in 120-150 words.

Q4. Write a story in about 150-200 words with the help of following hints. (10)

Hints: A king named Vijendra Singh/people of his Kingdom lived happily/but were lazy/ King hatched a plan/put a stone in the middle of the road/nobody moved/surprised afterward/ felt ashamed.

OR

Complete the story with the help of the following beginning.

Once upon a time, there was a lake in which there lived a turtle and two swans.

Q5. Fill in any four gaps by choosing the most appropriate words from the options given below. (1/2 x 8 = 4)

Humans unlike many (a)..... animals, are omnivores. We require (b)..... vegetable matter and meat to be fully healthy. (c) some humans (d) to survive reasonably (e) whilst consuming no animal products at all, (f)..... their protein mainly (g) nuts and seeds. To carry out its many complicated functions, the human body (h)..... seven categories namely carbohydrates, proteins, fibre, minerals, vitamins, fats and water which form a balanced diet.

- a) i) another ii) other iii) others iv) anothers
- b) i) neither ii) together iii) either iv) both
- c) i) if ii) although iii) so iv) therefore
- d) i) manages ii) are managing iii) had managed iv) manage
- e) i) healthier ii) healthily iii) healthy iv) healthiness
- f) i) find ii) found iii) finding iv) finds
- g) i) into ii) in iii) inside iv) on
- h) i) required ii) is requiring iii) require iv) requires

Q6. In the following passage one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word in the space provided along with the words which comes before and after it. (1/2 x 8 = 4)

Arians prefer choose vacation spots that
offer new thrills, and often go outdoor
adventures test their endurance.
Being fire sign, they prefer warm, dry
climates cold locales. Africa, Australia and Rajasthan
in India the best holiday destinations for them.
A camping trip involves many adventures rock climbing,
sky diving bungee jumping which is a perfect deal
for them.

Q7. Rearrange any four of the following groups of words and phrases to form meaningful sentences: (1 x 4 = 4)

- (a) threat / earth / global / to / on / today / is / warming / the / biggest / life / single
- (b) average / used / term / earth's / rise / the / describe / in / temperature / is / to / unnatural / the
- (c) the / warming / increased / driver / dioxide / primary / global / is / carbon / of
- (d) impact / already / warming / is / creating / global / significant
- (e) uncertain / level / warming / the / of / is / future / global

SECTION C

(Literature : Textbook & Long Reading Text – 30 Marks)

Q8. Read the extracts and answer the questions that follow: (1 x 4 = 4)

1. With the opening of that sack began a phase of my life that has not yet ended and may, for all I know, not end before I do. It is, in effect a thralldom to others, another fixation, that I have since found to be shared by most other people, who have ever owned one. The creature that emerged from this sack on to the spacious tiled floor of the consulate bedroom resembled most of all a very small, media Volly – conceived dragon.

- (a) Which sack did the author open?
- (b) Which phase of life began with the author?
- (c) What did the sack contain?
- (d) What did the creature that emerged from the sack resemble?

OR

2. All night the root work
to disengage themselves from the cracks
in the veranda floor.
The leaves strain towards the glass
small twigs stiff with exertion.
Long cramped bought shuffling under the
roof like newly discharged patients.
- (a) Why are the boughs cramped?
 - (b) What is the poetic device used in 'like newly discharged'?
 - (c) Why are the small twigs stiff?
 - (d) Why are the roots working hard?

Q9. Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each: (2 x 5 = 10)

- 1. What is the Chinese legend associated with the discovery of tea?
- 2. How can you say Tricky had an affluent life?
- 3. What kind of struggle Nelson Mandela has faced?
- 4. Why was Matilda Loisel always grieved?
- 5. Why the thief has returned back?

Q10. Answer any one of the following questions in about 100-120 words: (8)

What kind of girl Valli was and what all things made her journey beautiful?

OR

What great truth about life does the Buddha want to teach Gotami through her experience? How is this lesson important?

Q11. Answer any one of the following questions in about 100-120 words: (8)
what is the significance of being an underdog explain it with the reference of the tale of custard the dragon.

OR

Give a character sketch of Mrs. Forestier in the story.