



**Half Yearly Exam 2021-22**

**ASK Classes**  
**Class - 10th**

**Sub. - English**



**Section-D Text Book**

**(Prose, Drama, Poetry and work book)**

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<b>Prose:</b>	2 Extracts $2 \times 5 = 10$ marks 2 questions $2 \times 3 = 6$ marks
<b>Drama:</b>	1 questions $1 \times 4 = 4$ marks
<b>Poetry:</b>	1 Extracts $1 \times 3 = 3$ marks 2 questions $2 \times 2 = 4$ marks 1 questions $1 \times 3 = 3$ marks
<b>Workbook:</b>	5 questions $5 \times 3 = 15$ marks

## Ques 10

## EXTRACTS FROM PROSE

1. Read the extract carefully and answer the questions that follow:

(2017)

I met Swami Shivanand- a man who looked like Buddha, wearing a snow white dhoti and wooden slippers. He had an olive complexion and black piercing eyes, I was struck by his irresistible, almost childlike smile and gracious manner. I introduced myself to the Swamiji. My muslim name aroused no reaction in him. Before I could speak any further, he inquired about the source of my sorrow. He offered no explanation of how he knew that I was sad and I did not ask.

### Questions:

- (a) The meaning of the word 'complexion' is :
- (I) Difficult.
  - (II) Colour of a person's face.
  - (III) Graceful.
- (b) From which lesson the extract has been taken?
- (I) One Step Ahead.
  - (II) Anger.
  - (III) Torch Bearers.
- (c) Give the name of the writer of the lesson:
- (I) A.P.J. Abdul kalam.
  - (II) Pt. Nehru
  - (III) Wordsworth
- (d) Who did the author meet? Describe his appearance.

Ques 11 Read the extract carefully and answer the questions that follow:

The day of the race dawned. It turned out to be a close race. Towards the end Mamta caught up with the champion. Her eyes were fixed at the finishing line like Arjuna in the Mahabharat aiming at the fish's eye. Mamta too could see nothing else. And in the end she did win, though by a couple of seconds only. It was so unexpected that there was a moment's silence all around as she crossed the finishing line. Even the judges on the field were surprised that someone looking so frail and delicate could run so fast.

### Questions:

- (a) The meaning of the word 'frail' is -
- (I) weak and thin
  - (II) fat and strong
  - (III) fat and thin
- (b) Arjun was aiming at?
- (I) The fish
  - (II) The fish's eye
  - (III) The fish's heart.
- (c) By what margin did Mamta win the race?
- (I) a couple of seconds
  - (II) a couple of minutes
  - (III) one second
- (d) Why were the judges surprised?

**Read the following extracts carefully and answer the question given below:** (2017)

- (A) Sardar Kishan Singh was on the verge of losing his nerve. He continued delivering his speech in his delirious manner. When the milkman ran towards him and gave the dreaded news that the execution was over, Sardar Kishan Singh announced to the crowd, "Bhagat Singh has been executed. I am going to fetch his body. None of you should budge from here. I don't wish that in taking away the body of Bhagat Singh, I shall have to take away many more."

**Question:**

(a) From which lesson has the extract been taken?

(i) The Power of Determination, (ii) Salutation to The Nation, (iii) Children.

(b) If I say don't budge from here. I mean

(i) Don't move from here (ii) Don't play over here

(c) Who was executed?

(d) Who was going to fetch Bhagat Singh's body?

- (B) Mamta had been studying in a small school in the nearby town till then, as her parents could not afford to send her to any one of the public schools in the city. It was only because of the scholarship she had won from a trust that it had been possible for her to join this reputed convent school. Being away home, in a hostel, she yearned for some friends, but till now most of the girls had refused to accept a small town girl as their friend. (2015)

**Question:**

(a) From which lesson this extract has been taken:

(i) The New Player in the Team (ii) The Tribute (iii) One Step Ahead.

(b) Mamta could not join any public school because .....

(i) she was weak in studies. (ii) her parents could not afford to send her to school. (iii) she could not get scholarship.

(c) Mamta had been studying in a .....

(i) big school (ii) famous old school (iii) small school.

(d) Why did the girls in the school avoid Mamta's company?

**Ques12**

**QUESTIONS FROM TEXTBOOK PROSE**

Q.1 What was the duty of the little boy?

(2015, 2018)

Q.2 Why was the boy sent to hospital?

Q.3 What do you learn from the story "The Power of Determination" ?

Q.4 Who is known as Shaheed -e- Azam?

Q.5 What Slogans were raised by three revolutionaries?

Q.6 Describe how the three revolutionaries embraced death for the cause of India's freedom ?

Q.7 What was the challenge before Mamta?

Q.8 What were the qualities that helped Mamta become indispensable for the team ? (2016)

Q.9 Why did Dr. Kalam go to Shivananda Ashram ?

Q.10 Who were Subuddhi and Kubuddhi?

Q.11 Why was the writer invited to Bangalore?

Q.12 What was the reaction of the young girls and boys after the writer's lecture?

Q.13 What should we do if we love our country?

Q.14 What is the responsibility of a student when he/she leaves the school ?

Q.15 Which type of citizens does a country need ?

Q.16 What were the qualities of Subuddhi and Kubuddhi?

### Ques 13

### DRAMA (1/2 QUESTIONS)

Q.1 Who was Bhama Sah ? And what title did Pratap Singh give to Bhama Sah ? (2015, 2016, 2018)

Q.2 Describe the qualities of Maharana Pratap ? (2018)

Q.3 Describe the thoughts of Bhama Sah about his mother land?

Q.4 How did Rao Sakta react for Bhama Sah? (2017)

### Ques 14

### EXTRACT FROM POETRY

Read the extracts carefully and answer the questions given under it : 1X3=3

Lesson-1 (2015, 2018)

Change my darkness to Thy light  
And my evil into good.  
Touch me but once and I will change  
All my clay into Thy gold.

#### Questions:

- (a) Name the poet of this poem
- (b) 'Light' stands for-----  
(i) electricity (ii) ignorance (iii) knowledge.
- (c) 'Darkness' stands for-----  
(i) night (ii) lord (iii) ignorance.

#### Lesson-4

2- In your hearts the birds and sunshine,  
In your thoughts the brooklets flow,  
But in mine is the wind of autumn,  
And the first fall of snow.

#### Questions:

- (a) In the hearts of the children there is -----  
(i) The moon and stars (ii) the birds and sunshine.
- (b) In the thoughts of the poet are-----  
(i) brooklets (ii) the wind of autumn.
- (c) Name of the poem

**Lesson-4**

(e) Ye are better than all the ballads  
That ever were sung or said,  
For ye are living poems,  
And all the rest are dead.

**Questions:**

- (a) Ye are better than all the-----  
(i) poems (ii) ballads (iii) songs
- (b) 'Ye' stands for the-----  
(i) Children (ii) poet
- (c) Name the poem.

**Lesson-7**

One angry moment often does  
What we repent for years,  
It works the wrong we never make right  
By sorrow or tears.

**Question:**

- (a) The meaning of the word 'repent' is ----- (1)  
(i) to feel happy (ii) to feel sorry (iii) to feel excitement
- (b) What we repent for  
(i) sorrow (ii) tears (iii) angry moment
- (c) Name the poem.

**Lesson-7**

The hand of peace is frank and warm,  
And soft as ring doves wing.;  
And he who quells an angry thought  
Is greater than a king

**Question:**

- (a) Quells means.....  
(i) Suppress (ii) Succeed (iii) hungry
- (i) Which word rhymes with 'king'.....  
(ii) angry (ii) wing (iii) frank
- (b) Who is greater than a king?

**Lesson-11**

O you that are so strong and cold  
O blower, are you young or old?  
Are you a beast of field and tree?  
Or just a stronger child than me?

**Question:**

- (a) Name of the poem is .....

(b) 'Beast' means:

- (i) fruit                      (ii) flower                      (iii) animal

(c) Which are the rhyming words:

- (i) strong and cold              (ii) tree and me              (iii) Young and old

**Lesson-11**

(2019)

I saw different things you did,  
But always you yourself hid.  
I felt you push, heard you call,  
I could not see you're self at all

**Question:**

- (a) The poet is talking about.....(1)  
(i) the sky              (ii) the wind
- (b) The Opposite word for 'different' is.....(1)  
(i) push              (ii) same              (iii) wind
- (c) Name the poet.

**Ques 15 Long answer type questions from poem.**

**Note: One out of two long answer type question.**

- Q-1. Why does the poet want God to light the lamp? (2016, 2019)
- Q-2. What is the message of the poem "Light the Lamp of thy Love"?
- Q-3. When do the problems of the poet end and why?
- Q-4. Why does the poet say that the children are better than all the ballads?
- Q-5. What are the disadvantages of being angry?
- Q-6. How can anger be conquered?
- Q-7. What does the poet want to know about the 'blower' the wind?
- Q-8. What things should we adopt in our life according to poet?
- Q-9. What are the things suggested by the poet that we should leave? (2015)

**Ques 16 QUESTIONS FROM TEXTBOOK POETRY**

$2 \times 2 = 4$

**Short answer type question from poem**

- Q-1. What does darkness stand for in the poem?
- Q-2. What does light stand for in the poem?
- Q-3. What happens when the poet looks at the children playing?
- Q-4. Where do the windows open? (2015, 2018)
- Q-5. What lies in the hearts of the children?
- Q-6. Who is greater than a king? (2015, 2018)
- Q-7. Who is noble, brave & wise? (2017)
- Q-8. Who takes the kites high? (2015, 2018)
- Q-9. How does the wind work? (2016)
- Q-10. What does the poet say about the memories of the dead people?

**Ques 17-18 WORKBOOK BASED QUESTIONS**

**15 Marks**

- Q.1. Why was the boy happy all the day? (2019)
- Q.2. In what place does malaria occur most? (2016, 2019)
- Q.3. How does a mosquito begin its life and where?
- Q.4. What is the cart carrying?
- Q.5. What is the main goal of our educational system? (2016)
- Q.6. What does the poet get from the cow? (2018)
- Q.7. What is the first requirement of good etiquette? (2017)
- Q.8. What did Ashoka do? (2015, 2018)
- Q.9. Why did Gandhiji travel in third class? (2017)
- Q.10. Who came to meet Gandhiji at Mumbai railway station?
- Q.11. Why is good health needed?
- Q.12. What is the Red Cross Society? (2018)
- Q.13. What is the aim of the Red Cross Society? (2015, 2016)
- Q.14. Who founded the Red Cross Society?
- Q.15. Who was Alfred Nobel? (2017)
- Q.16. In what places malaria does not occur? Why (2017)
- Q.17. What should be given due importance in the curriculum?
- Q.18. What does modern etiquette include?
- Q.19. What did Alfred Nobel introduce? (2016, 2018)
- Q.20. Why do some students prefer sports to studies?

**ASK Classes**





# Answer

## EXTRACTS FROM PROSE

### **Answer 10**

1. **Read the extract carefully and answer the questions that follow:**

I met Swami Shivanand .....did not ask.

Answers:

- (a) Colour of a person's face.
- (b) (I) One Step Ahead
- (c) (I) A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
- (d) The author met Swami Shivanand who looked like Buddha, wearing a snow white dhoti and wooden slippers.

### **Answer 11**

2. **Read the extract carefully and answer the questions that follow:**

The day .....could run so fast.

Answers:

- a. weak and thin
- b. The fish's eye
- c. a couple of seconds
- d. The judges on the field were surprised that someone looking so frail and delicate could run so fast.

**Read the following extracts carefully and answer the question given below :**

- (A)
  - (a) (ii) Salutation to The Nation
  - (b) Don't move from here
  - (c) Bhagat Singh
  - (d) Shardar Kishan Singh was going to fetch Bhagat Singh's body
- (B)
  - (a) (i) The New Player in the Team
  - (b) her parents could not afford to send her to school
  - (c) small school
  - (d) Most of the girls in the school came from rich families. They treated her unwelcome guest who was too low in the status by their standards.

### **Answer 12**

## QUESTION FROM TEXTBOOK PROSE

*Ans.1 The duty of the little boy was to start the fire and warm the room before his teacher and classmates arrived.*

*Ans.2 The boy was sent to the hospital for treatment.*



Ans.3 We learn that by firm determination we can face any kind of trouble and conquer them. Nothing is impossible, if we have firm resolution.

Ans.4 Bhagat Singh is known as Shaheed -e- Azam.

Ans.5 The Slogans were "Inqalab Zindabad , Samrajyavaad Murdabad"

Ans.6 When they were taken to the gallows they sang patriotic songs in a jovial mood and raised slogans "Inqalab Zindabad , Samrajyavad Murdabad". When they reached the platform they kissed the rope and embraced death.

Ans.7 The challenge before Mamta was to win the inter-school trophy.

Ans.8 Her determination and hard work made her indispensable for the team.

Ans. 9 He went to Shivananda Ashram because he wanted to seek solutions to doubts that troubled him.

Ans.10 Subuddhi and Kubuddhi were two friends.

Ans.11 She was invited to Bangalore to deliver a lecture on Corporate Social Responsibility.

Ans.12 They were all emotional after the lecture. They offered to donate old clothes and other things for the people who were affected by the earthquake.

Ans.13 If we love our country, we should try to become a good citizen.

Ans.14 Each student who leaves the school has a flame to carry which he has to pass to others. He has been given knowledge and skill. He should pass on by using them in the service of the country.

Ans. 15 A Country needs good citizen who bear the flame of knowledge and skills.

Ans.16 Subuddhi was an honest man and led a good life and kubuddhi was a wicked man and led a life of drinking and gambling.

### **Answer 13**

### **DRAMA (1/2 QUESTIONS)**

Ans.1 Bhama Sah was the Chief Minister of Mewar. He had given all his wealth to Pratap Singh to save Mewar. He loved his motherland very much Pratap Singh gave him the title "Saviour of Mewar."

Ans.2 Maharana Pratap was the king of Mewar. He was a brave warrior. He loved his motherland very much. He devoted his entire life to save the honour of Mewar. He was defeated by Akbar but he did not submit to his supremacy. He was a great ruler and fighter. He was very humble and a great patriot.

Answer- 3

Bhama sah loved his mother land Mewar very much. He say that hi mother land has given him so much. Now its time for him to do whatever he can do for his mother land. There for he submits all is wealth to Pratap Singh. He says once he has used his sword for his mother land and he is ready to do so again.

Answer- 4

Rao Sakta delighted a lot when he came to know that Bhama Sah had come in the disguise for Brahmin. He joyfully arranged the meeting with Rana, Massage that Bhama Sah had come with some great benevolent purpose.

### **Answer 14 EXTRACT FROM POETRY**

***(Extracts from the poem)***

**Read the extracts carefully and answer the questions given under it : 1X3=3**

**Lesson-1**

Change my darkness to Thy light  
And my evil into good.  
Touch me but once and I will change  
All my clay into Thy gold.

**Answer:**

- a) Ravindranath Tagor
- b) (iii) knowledge.
- c) (iii) ignorance.

**Lesson-4**

2- In your hearts ..... of snow.

**Answer:-**

- (a) (ii) the birds and sunshine.
- (b) (ii) the wind of autumn.
- (c) Name of the poem is 'Children'

**Lesson-5**

(a) Ye are better ..... are dead.

**Answer:**

- (a) (ii) ballads (1)
- (b) (i) Children (1)
- (c) Name the poem is 'Children'

**Lesson-7**

One angry moment ..... or tears.

**Answer:**

- (a) (ii) to feel sorry
- (b) (iii) angry moment
- (c) Name the poem Anger

**Lesson-7**

The hand ..... angry thought

**Ans:**

- (a) (i) suppress
- (b) (ii) wing
- (c) One who quells an angry thought is greater than a king.

**Lesson-11**

O you that are ..... child than me?

**Ans:**

- (a) Name of the poem is Wind.
- (b) (iii) animal
- (c) (ii) tree and me

**Lesson-11**

I saw different things you did,  
But always you yourself hid.  
I felt you push, heard you call,  
I could not see you're self at all

**Ans:**

- (a) (ii) the wind
- (b) (ii) same
- (c) Name the poet is Virginia Wolf.

**Ans. 15**

**Short answer type questions from poem.**

*Note: One out of two long answer type question*

- Ans.1 The poet wants God to light the lamp to remove darkness of ignorance from his heart.
- Ans.2 The poem given us message that we should pray to God to light the lamp of hi love to remove the darkness of ignorance. We should pray to God to free us from the worries of life.
- Ans.3 The problem of the poet vanish away when he looks at the children playing.
- Ans.4 The poet says that children are better than all the ballads because they themselves are living poem.
- Ans.5 It makes the most beautiful face ugly under its influence we make mistakes for which we repent for rest of our lives.
- Ans.6 Anger can be conquered by quelling angry thoughts and keeping a cool head.
- Ans.7 The poet wants to know about the wind wether it is young or old; beast of field and tree or just a stronger child than poet.
- Ans.8 We should give up all the bad things and adopt new good things.
- Ans.9 We should leave sad memories of the past misery harmful old traditions, greed, sins etc.

**Answer 16 QUESTIONS FROM TEXTBOOK POETRY**

**Short answer type question from poem**

- Ans. *Darkness stands for ignorance in the poem.*
- Ans. *Light stands for knowledge in the poem*
- Ans. *When the poet looks at the children playing all his tensions and worries vanishes away.*
- Ans. *The window open towards the sun.*
- Ans. *The birds and the sunshine lie in the heart of the children.*
- Ans. *One who quells an angry thought is greater than a king.*
- Ans. *One who tries to conquer and rule himself is noble brave and wise.*
- Ans. *The wind takes the kite high.*
- Ans. *The wind works by hiding itself.*
- Ans. *The poet says that we should give up the memories of the dead people because the grief saps the mind.*

**Answer 17-18**

**WORK BOOK BASED QUESTIONS**

- Ans.1 *The boy was happy all the day because he woke up before the morning.*
- Ans.2 *Malaria occurs most in damp and marshy places.*
- Ans.3 *Mosquito begins its life as a larve living in the water.*
- Ans.4 *The cart is carrying man and load*
- Ans.5 *The main goal of our educational system is to make students both academically sound and physically fit.*
- Ans.6 *The poet gets cream from the cow.*
- Ans.7 *Pleasing personalily with good appearance is the first requirement of good etiquette.*
- Ans.8 *Ashoka planted shady trees on roads and in public places.*
- Ans.9 *Gandhiji always travelled in third class because all poor people in India, travelled in third class.*
- Ans.10 *Some Americans men and women came to meet Gandhiji at Mumbai railway station*
- Ans.11 *Good health is needed to make work a pleasure.*
- Ans.12 *The Red Cross Society is an international organisation to serve the mankind.*
- Ans.13 *The aim of Red Cross Society is to help the mankind suffering from natural calamities, sick and the wounded during wars.*
- Ans.14 *Sir Henri Dunant founded the Red Cross Society in 1863.*
- Ans.15 *Alfred Nobel was a Swedish chemist*
- Ans.16 *Malaria does not occur in dry desert countries, because mosquitoes can not breed there.*
- Ans.17 *Games, and sports should be given due importance in the curriculum.*
- Ans.18 *Modern etiquette includes clear idea of day-to-day topics and happenings in the society.*
- Ans.19 *Alfred Nobel introduced dynamite a form of nitro glycerine.*
- Ans.20 *Some students prefer sports to studies because it is better to spend time and energy in sports arena than in a class room.*

