

DAV PUBLIC SCHOOL, M.C.L., KALINGA AREA  
SAMPLE PAPER - 4 (2020-21)  
ENGLISH - LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE  
CBSE CLASS - X

MARKING SCHEME

**Answers**

1. (i) (b) Not to let a peaceful discussion change into a heated argument.  
(ii) (b) 4,5 and 6 (iii) (d) Apologise  
(iv) (d) How to Control Arguments?  
(v) (a) The other person thinks you are unreasonable  
(vi) (c) It is a willing ..... to a set of values and procedures and a standard of conduct.  
(vii) (d) All of these (viii) (d) All of these  
(ix) (b) how we start a discussion is very important (x) (c) Stop exaggerating  
(xi) (d) learning to avoid arguments (xii) (c) 2 and 5
2. (i) (b) Food items consumed violate the food quality standards  
(ii) (a) 1,2 and 3  
(iii) (a) The increasing number of complaints regarding quality and adulteration  
(iv) (d) Both (b) and (c)  
(v) (b) The poor enforcement on the ground and a lack of awareness results in adulteration  
(vi) (c) Lengthy process  
(vii) (b) Strict initiatives to implement food safety rules  
(viii) (d) All of the above  
(ix) (d) Both (a) and (c)  
(x) (d) All of these  
(xi) (d) Both (b) and (c)  
(xii) (c) Making food items that are not organic.
3. (i) (b) an essay on chatterbox (ii) (a) talking was a necessary trait for any student.  
(iii) (b) Anne's teacher (iv) (a) Only 6  
(v) (d) All are opinions
- Or*
- (i) (a) To the hospital (ii) (c) Because Tricki was being hospitalised  
(iii) (a) Tricki's owner (iv) (d) All of the above  
(v) (d) Option 4
4. (i) (c) Ink and Blink are brothers. (ii) (a) Because he saved everyone's life  
(iii) (c) Pirate (iv) (d) Aabb (v) (d) Mourned

Or

- (i) (d) Both (a) and (c)      (ii) (a) This shows importance is given to physical beauty.  
(iii) (b) To look                      (iv) (d) Both (a) and (c)      (v) (a) Amanda's mother
5. (i) (b) became                      (ii) (a) took                      (iii) (b) was
6. (i) (a) was carrying              (ii) (c) told them              (iii) (b) remembered something
7. (i) (d) every                      (ii) (c) grasping, greater than              (iii) (b) would progress  
(iv) (d) would do                      (v) (c) very little                      (vi) (c) was preparing

8. B-35, Anna Complex  
Kerala  
March 23, 20XX  
The Housing President  
Anna Complex  
Kerala

**Subject** Problems with the neighbour

Sir/Madam

I am Akshat from B-35 of the housing complex. I am writing this letter to inform you about the uncomfortable, and sometimes unbearable, noise which keeps coming from the ongoing construction work at my neighbour's house.

At other situation, the construction work would have not been as much an issue of problem. But this time, my situation is such that it cannot be ignored. I had recently had an ear surgery which required me to take rest and be away from noise. While being aware of this, the neighbours started their construction work which is very loud and is hampering my recovery. I had tried to tell them to postpone their construction till my recovery time but they refuse to compromise.

Therefore, I would like to request you to interfere in the matter and ask them to postpone the construction work till 15th April so that I can recover properly.

Thanking You

Yours faithfully  
Akshat

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C-109, Amba Apartments  
Vasant Vihar  
Delhi  
24 October, 20XX  
The Human resource Manager  
MNC enterprises  
Delhi

**Subject** Inability to come for the interview on the date arranged

Sir/ Ma'am

I am writing to request you to reschedule my interview at a later date. I need to go to Australia during the first week of November to attend some emergency office work which unfortunately contradicts my earlier schedule to meet you in a formal interview for the position of assistant manager in your company. I sincerely apologize for any inconvenience caused due to this.

I am supposed to meet you to further discuss my candidacy for the position of assistant manager in your reputed organisation after 9th November. However, I was assigned a new project recently and my current employer expects me to visit our Australian office during the first week of November. Considering the situation, I am hoping that you would agree to meet me at your convenient time. I will be ready to meet you any day and any time after 9th November if it suits you.

My sincere apologies for the request but I can assure you that I am really looking forward to meeting you in a formal interview as planned. I consider your company as one of the best places to work in and I hope that I would be able to prove my worth once hired.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully  
Rohan Khanna

9.

### Emigration of Indian Students

Brain drain is not a new concept. Every year during the times of admissions, thousands of students leave the country to pursue higher education in foreign nationalities. The bar chart shows the number of Indian students who emigrated to five destinations over the period 2014 to 2017. It is evident from the chart that throughout the period, the most popular place to move to was Australia.

Emigration to Australia stood at just over 40,000 people in 2014, which was approximately 6,000 higher than for Spain, and twice as high as the other three countries. Apart from a jump to around 52,000 in 2016, it remained around this level throughout the period. The next most popular country to move to was Spain, though its popularity declined over the time frame to finish at below 30,000 in 2017. Despite this, the figure was still higher than for the remaining three countries. Approximately 20,000 people emigrated to New Zealand each year, while the USA fluctuated between 20-25,000 people over the period.

Although the number of visitors to France spiked to nearly 35,000 in 2015, it was the country that was the least popular to emigrate to at the end of the period, at just under 20,000 people. The number however, still remains in thousands.

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### Trends in Buying Music

In this busy and crowded world, music has become an agency for us to be happy and relaxed. Its importance is very well depicted by the new music and new applications for music streaming being introduced everyday. The given graph illustrates the trends in music buying habits between 2011 and 2018.

The data presents three different methods of buying music: streaming, downloading and buying CDs. Overall, both downloads and physical sales of music have steadily declined. The latter has slumped since 2011, while the downturn for the former began in 2014. However, there has been a sharp rise in people streaming music since 2013. In 2011, the majority of music sales were of CDs, at 55% of all sales. In contrast, streaming was not common at all. Also, although people had started to download music, it only represented 35% of sales. As sales of CDs began to fall, the era of downloads began. Downloading soon overtook physical sales in mid-2013. During the same period, with newer technology streaming doubled to 10% and started to grow more dramatically.

10.

- (a) (i) Coorg has a bountiful and varied wildlife. It has fish like Mahseer, birds like kingfisher and animals like malabar squirrel, macaque, slender loris and elephant.
  - (ii) If Amanda were a mermaid, then she would drift slowly on a languid emerald sea. She would be the sole inhabitant of the relaxed green sea and would move slowly on it.
  - (iii) Mandela says that courage is not the absence of fear but it is the triumph over fear. The brave man is not the one who does not feel afraid. But, he is the one who conquers that fear.
- (b) (i) Hari Singh was a thief who did not have much luck recently. He approached Anil with the intention of robbing him as he seemed to be an easy going and simple man.
  - (ii) Inside the story Griffin opened boxes and wrappers and dressed himself in warm clothes. He ate and drank to his heart's content. In the end, he laid down on the pile of quilts to sleep.
  - (iii) In the end, Bholi refused to marry Bishamber because he was greedy and mean. She refused to allow him to garland her and told him that he was an unworthy person.

11.

- (a) (i) Anne Frank tells that she has very lovely and caring family. Her parents and her elder sister love her a lot. There are about thirty people nearby her whom she can call her friends. She has loving aunts and a good home but she wants to have a true friend with whom she can share feelings and thoughts.
- (ii) The Buddha attained enlightenment after meditating for seven days under a big tree. As he got wisdom under that tree, he called it the Bodhi Tree. He decided to share his understandings and preachings with people so that he can make them free from their sorrows.
- (iii) The message that the poet is trying to give is that nothing in this world is eternal. The poet first concludes that the world must end in fire after considering his personal experience with desire and passion, the emotions of fire. But at the same time, ice or hatred can also bring total destruction to this world. We should thus, not forget this supreme reality and keep ourselves away from all selfish matters.

- (b) (i) The Loiseles had been invited to a party at the Minister's residence. When Matilda told her husband that she wanted a new dress to wear, first of all he asked her to wear whatever she possessed. When she got angry and refused to go to the party at all, he finally agreed to let her buy a new dress.
- (ii) The author was rejoicing at the prospect of being sent to New Mullion, which he expected to be a sweet simple village. But he was disappointed to find the streets covered with mud and lined with pale-coloured shops. He met a red-faced cheerful man, hack driver or Oliver Lutkins who befriended him.
- (iii) Mrs. Pumphrey gave tricki little extra between meals i.e., malt, cod-liver oil, etc. He was not given any physical exercise. This was the reason for Tricki's ailment. It made Mrs. Pumphrey so much worried that she had to call the veterinary surgeon, Dr. Herriot for his treatment.

**12.** The narrator of the chapter 'The Black Aeroplane' was stuck in a situation wherein even though his plane did not have enough fuel, he did not lose hope. He knew that he could not fly up nor he could fly around the clouds due to the paucity of fuel. Yet he decided to take a risk and entered his plane into the clouds because he wanted to visit his family at breakfast. This shows him to be a courageous and a family loving person. Even though he knew that it was risky to enter the cloud, he did so to save his fuel.

However, his decision could have landed him in deep trouble if the pilot of the strange black aeroplane had not helped him to safety. Further, the pilot comes out as a grateful person. He go to the women at the control tower specifically to thank the person who helped him out of a difficult situation.

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Wanda Petronski's letter highlights the greatness that every man should try to achieve. Her letter gives us a view of her nature as a simple, loving, caring and friendly human being. She gifts her drawings to Peggy and Maddie though they tease her a lot. It shows how she amiable she would have been. Such an act as displayed by Wanda requires a lot of courage and patience.

Not every person can do that. Instead people would definitely hate their bullies and would display their dislike but Wanda shows polite and peaceful traits of her character. By answering in a polite and friendly manner, Wanda displays to be a humble person.

In our society, it is very difficult to find such a character but such traits are a must to be a good human being. Here, in our society, people tease others with indifferent behaviours and remarks, which is not a sign of good culture. We all should try to have or acquire such traits in our character so that everyone could praise us and we can live peacefully.

**13.** It is truly said that it was because of Mme Loisel herself who invited her doom. Mme Loisel belongs to a family of clerks. Her existence is quite average. They live on meager income, enough for basic needs, but not to fulfill her aspirations. She gets married to a clerk and is so caught up with her dreams of wealth and pleasure that she is out of touch with the truths of her real life.

In order to keep up appearances just to flatter her pride, she blows up four hundred francs on a gorgeous dress. Still not contented, she goes on borrowing a necklace from her friend. And, all of this is just to impress the wealthy and the rich with her beauty and glamour even if on loan. No doubt, her pride is flattered and her wish of fine dining, expensive dresses and jewels satisfied but at a great price. Unfortunately, the necklace was lost and the couple had to give up their entire inheritance and borrow as well to replace it. Repayment of the debt took away the next ten years of their youth. They live poor. All the household chores and cares of a life of poverty visit them. Hence, her disposition invites her doom.

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'Money cannot make a man as much as education can' holds absolutely true. However, one focuses more on money as it can buy all the luxuries and needs of life. Yet it is not enough to buy knowledge, civilised thinking, skills and abilities. Education allows one to keep up with the fast moving world and lays platform for all to work upon one's goals.

The above lines hold true in the story 'The thief's story' wherein a thief pretends to be Hari Singh to rob a kind and an honest fellow Anil. Anil, who is a struggling writer slowly starts educating Hari Singh while the latter is waiting for the right opportunity to rob Anil. After stealing the money, Hari plans to go away forever but cannot as he desires a life of respect which he could get if he stays under Anil. He prioritizes being literate over a certain amount of money. Thus, it is evident through the story that education can help us achieve our goals.