

- a) Name the poet and the poem. (2)
- b) What did the poet notice about her mother ? (1)
- c) Why was her mother's face looked like that of a corpse ? (1)

Or

Now we will count to twelve and we will all keep still.

- a) Name the poet and the poem. (2)
- b) What does the poet ask us to count to twelve ? (1)
- c) Why does the poet ask us to keep still ? (1)

8. Answer any three of following questions in 35 words each : (2x3= 6)

- a) What does the poet want for the children of the slums ? How can their lives be made to change ?
- b) What will counting upto twelve and keeping still helps us achieve ?
- c) What makes human beings love life inspite of troubles and suffering ?
- d) What was the plea of folk who had put up the roadsides stand ?

9. Answer any five of following questions in 35 words each : (2x5=10)

- a) Why do you think little franz afraid of being scolded ?
- b) What makes the city of Firozabad famous ?
- c) Is saheb happy working at the tea-staff ? Explain.
- d) From where did the peddler get the idea of the world being a rattrap ?
- e) Why was the croffer so talkative and friendly with the peddler ?
- f) How was the champaran episode a turning point in Gandhi's life ?

10. Answer any one of the following in about 125 words. (10)

Justify the tittle of "The Last Lesson".

Or

How did the instructor build a swimmer out of Douglas ?

**ABM COLLEGE, JAMSHEDPUR**  
**SUBJECT : ENGLISH CORE A (COMMERCE)**  
**XII INTERMEDIATE SECOND INTERNAL EXAM, 2019**

**Full Marks : 100**

**Time : 3hrs.**

**All questions are compulsory**  
**(Reading Comprehension and Note Making)**  
**(Marks : 20)**

1. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follows :  
 Power foods are foods that provide rich levels of nutrients like fibre, potassium and minerals. With people becoming increasingly health consious today, a lot of fitness trainers encourage their clients to include these foods in their daily diet to increase muscle development. There are various ways of incorporating power foods in your daily diet of course, the key to enjoying power foods is proper preparation of these foods. The use of season fresh foods and identifying your choice of flavour among power foods. Some of the recommended power food combinations are those that are prepared in our kitchens on a regular basis. Take for instance the combination of chickpeas and onions. This combination is a powerful source of iron which is required by the body to transport oxygen to its various parts. Iron deficiency can lead to anaemia, fatigue, brain fog and tiredness. A study by the Journal of Agriculture and Food Chemistry says that sulphur compounds in onion and garlic help in absorption of iron and zinc from chickpeas. The combination is a hit with teenagers who need to be diligent about getting iron in thier diet. A quick way to prepare this power food is to make a chickpea salad with chopped onions, chaat masala and cilantro. Another favourite combination with power food takers is yoghurt and bananas. Yoghurt is packed with proteins and bananas are packed with carbohydrates. A quick and easy recipe with bananas is a banana smoothie topped cool yoghurt.
- a) What are power foods ? 2
  - b) What are the rules regarding the partaking of power foods ? 2

- c) What is the advantage of including onions and garlic in our diet ? 2
  - d) Suggest a quick recipe with chickpea and onions? 2
  - e) Why is yoghurt and bananas an enriching power food ? 2
  - f) Suggest a quick recipe with yoghurt and banana? 2
2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follows
- Newspapers not only gives us information about the odd happenings which may interest the human beings and may also claim the emotional and intellectual involvement in that. Infact with the passage of time newspaper have grown into not only a diversion for the breakfast table but also an essential source of knowledge and the most important medium of making people democratic in their outlook and thinking. At the earlier stages of its growth the press was just to give information to the people and to keep them alive to the changes in the country and the world at large. But as all media of education are used or misused for one or the other purpose so is the case with the newspapers.
- Now-a-days there are subtle suggestion in the news and there are very clever distortion here and there. So the primary purpose of newspapers now-a-days is to colour the opinions of the people. The people also accept these things happily because the common man has neither the intelligence nor the time to varify the validity of the news. Once the ideas are propagated it is very difficult, because of lack of resources to shift the truth from falsehood. Consequently people become the victim of propaganda without being conscious of this process.
- a) On the basis of your reading of above passage make notes on it, using headings and sub-heading. Also use recognizable short forms wherever necessary. Supply an appropriate title to it ? 5
  - b) Write a summary of the above passage in about 80 words ? 3

### Section - B

#### Advance writing skills (Marks : 35)

3. Your school is organising a tour to Goa during the winter vacation. Write a notice giving detailed information to the students. You are the cultural secretary of the school. (5)

Or

Write an suitable advertisement for Central Delhi Public College, an academy you are running in Central Delhi specialising in B.Ed and L.L.B. group coaching besides other specialised courses. (5)

4. Your school has recently shifted the school library to a spacious hall with many facilities and draws more students, thus promoting reading habit among students. You are secretary, literary club of your school. Write a factual description of the new library in not more than 125 words. (10)

Or

You are sports secretary of your school. Recently annual sports day was organised in your school. Write a report on the event to be published in your school magazine in about 125 words. (10)

5. Write a letter to the editor of 'Times of India', Ranchi about water scarcity in your area suggesting ways to improve the position of water supply. (10)

Or

You purchased a Voltas Air-conditioner 2 months ago. It was working well initially and suddenly the cooling effect has been reduced and also there is a ratting sound. Write a letter to the Lakshmi Electronics, Sakchi, asking for the repair/replacement of the A.C. (10)

6. Write an article on 'Importance of English' in about 150 words (10)

Or

Write an article 'Misuse of Mobile phones' in about 150 words (10)

### Section - C

#### Literature (Marks : 45)

7. Read the following extract and answer the following question :

Driving from my parents  
home to Cochin last friday  
morning, I saw my mother  
beside me,  
doze open mouthed, her face  
ashen like that  
of a corpse and realised with pain  
that she thought away

11. Answer the following question in about 100 words. (7)

What does the third level refer to ? Is it a medium or a way of getting away from the unpleasant present forgetting your normal life ?

Or

Justify the title of the story "The Enemy".

12. Answer any four of following questions in (2x4 = 8)

35 words each :

- a) What oppression and discrimination did Zerkow and Bama experience during their childhood ?
- b) How did the Tiger King stand in danger of losing his kingdom ?
- c) What did Dr. Sadao and his wife do with the American soldier ?
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