

SEMESTER-ONE

ENGLISH

Grade XI

Sample Paper—1

Max. Marks: 50

Time Allowed: 90 minutes

1. Fill in the blanks with *past tense* forms of the *verbs* given in brackets. Write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Attempt ANY FIVE. 5

- a. Mrs Pumphrey ____ (*hasten*) to explain.
- b. He ____ (*seem*) to have no energy.
- c. I ____ (*look*) down again at the little dog.
- d. And I ____ (*wonder*) about all the things Mrs Pumphrey hadn't mentioned.
- e. Mrs Pumphrey ____ (*wring*) her hands.
- f. The poor lady almost ____ (*swoon*).

2. Fill in the blanks with *past participle* forms of the *verbs* given in brackets. Write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Attempt ANY FIVE. 5

*Example: I have revised (*revise*) my chapters.*

- a. I ____ (*pull*) up my car when I saw him in the street with his mistress.
- b. I found that he ____ (*become*) hugely fat, like a bloated sausage with a leg at each corner.
- c. I told him that I ____ (*make*) my plans in advance.
- d. ____ she ____ (*leave*) now?
- e. ____ they ____ (*do*) as they are asked to?
- f. He was lucky that he ____ never ____ (*have*) such a time in his life.

3. Fill in the blanks with verbs in future perfect progressive tense. Write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Attempt ANY FIVE. 5

- a. He ___ (*help*) his father in their shop for some years before taking it over.
- b. We ___ (*enjoy*) a picnic since morning by the time our friends join us.
- c. The cold winds ___ (*blow*) incessantly till evening tomorrow as predicted.
- d. Who ___ (*distribute*) the prizes to the achievers on the annual day before the chief guest's arrival?
- e. How long ___ the girls ___ (*play*) with dolls before they turn sixteen?
- f. Children ___ ('not' *draw*) pictures for more than an hour by 11 a.m.

4. Look at the following sentences and see if the verbs are used correctly therein. If yes, write 'True' and if not, write 'False.' Attempt ANY FIVE. 5

Sentence	True/False
<i>Examples:</i>	
1. He is pass in English.	False
2. He passes in English.	True
a. Burn the lamp,	
b. When will you give the test?	
c. The teacher will take our test in English next week.	
d. I am ill for four days.	
e. I wish I were young again.	
f. He talks as if he were mad.	

5. Read and rewrite the following sentences, adding/deleting 's'/'es' from verbs wherever needed. Write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct numbers. Attempt ANY TEN. 10

- a. I goes for a morning walk every day.
- b. Stars twinkles at night.
- c. Water freeze at 0°C.
- d. Two and two makes four.

- e. Towards the end of life, one becomes indifferent to worldly pleasures.
- f. Early to bed and early to rise make a man healthy, wealthy and wise.
- g. Truth prevail everywhere and at all times.
- h. He rarely visit any religious place.
- i. She know how to cook.
- j. A butcher show no mercy towards animals.
- k. They walk along toward the river.
- l. She treat her dog like her son.

6. Fill in the blanks with 'is' or 'are,' and write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Attempt ANY TEN. **10**

- a. Two thousand rupees ____ a good sum.
- b. The king and poet ____ here.
- c. The father with his sons ____ present there.
- d. He as well as his parents ____ illiterate.
- e. Bread and Butter ____ my only food.
- f. Either of these two boys ____ guilty.
- g. The jury ____ of one mind.
- h. 'Gulliver's Travels' ____ an interesting book.
- i. A large number of people ____ present there.
- j. The majority of the applicants ____ girls.
- k. The news from the War front ____ not encouraging.
- l. None of them ____ right.

7. Write an essay on ONE of the following topics. (word limit: 150-200) **5**

a. Population

or

b. Drug Addiction

8. You must have read so many books so far. Visualize any book and write a report on it, discussing its contents, style, characters. etc. **5**