

SEMESTER: ONE

ENGLISH

Grade XII Sample Paper —2

Max. Marks: 50

Time Allowed: 90 minutes

1. In each of the following fill in the blanks with suitable forms of the verbs given in the brackets. 10

1. Not only the principal but also the teacher _____ (be) present there.
2. Neither he _____ (come) nor his friend.
3. I _____ (expect) him here yesterday.
4. He _____ (not come) till today.
5. No one _____ (know) what (happen).
6. Perhaps he _____ (reach) here tomorrow.
7. I _____ (go) for a walk daily.
8. Last evening, I _____ (come) back from the office late.
9. Even though it _____ (be) 7 p.m. I _____ (go) for my walk as usual.
10. I _____ (go) to see the Principal yesterday but he _____ (be) not in the school.

2. Fill in the blanks with suitable forms of the present tense. 10

1. Daniel is now _____ (write) a book.
2. The water level in Yamuna (rise) fast.
3. The teacher _____ (ark) the papers since 2 p.m.
4. Electricity _____ (fail) continually in our | town for a month.
5. I _____ (get) the report but I _____ (go through) it yet.

6. The teacher _____ (*prepare*) the report.
7. John _____ (*have*) two sons.
8. I don't know him because we never _____ (*met*).
9. I _____ (*never be*) to the U.S.A.
10. A meeting _____ (*go on*) in the next room,

3. In each of the following change the tense as directed.

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1. The gentleman has spoken the truth. (*Future perfect*)
2. Vegetables will rot in the hot sun. (*Future perfect*)
3. Our Country is in difficulty. (*Past perfect*)
4. Daniel was going to leave for Delhi on Saturday.
(*Future Progressive*)
5. He is taking his Secretary with him. (*Future Perfect*)

4. Read the following sentences and select the correct form of verb from the brackets.

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1. The dogs _____ all night. (barks/bark)
2. The cat _____ the snake. (catch/caught)
3. We _____ in the park in the evenings. (play/plays)
4. Amy _____ very fast. (walk/walks)
5. Have you _____ the baby? (see/seen)

5. Pick out the direct and indirect objects in the following sentences.

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1. The leader gave us many promises.
2. Her father given her a lap top.
3. I owe my teacher many things.
4. The Principal gave us prizes.
5. The master taught the servant a lesson.

6. You are Elizabeth, a member of school Literacy Club, which has organised literacy classes in villages and city slums under the adult education programme.

Draft a speech in 150-200 words highlighting the importance of educating the illiterates. 5

7. *Maira has been asked to deliver a speech on ‘The Brain Drain Problem’. He has prepared the following notes. Use these notes together with your own ideas, write the speech in about 150-200 words. 5*

8. *Write a brief summary of the following passage. 5*

Nelson, as a child, was not of a strong body. Yet he gave proof of that resolute heart and nobleness of mind which during the whole of his glorious career so eminently distinguished him. One day he strayed from his grandmother’s house in the company of a cowboy. The dinner hour passed; he was absent and could not be found. The alarm of the family became very great, for they feared that he might have been carried off by the gipsies.

At length after a long search, he was discovered sitting composedly by the side of a brook which he could not get over. “I wonder, child,” said the old lady, when she saw him, “That hunger and fear did not drive you home”, Fear! grandmamma,” replied the future hero,” I never saw fear; what is it?” (137 words)