

MODEL EXAMINATION, FEBRUARY 2012

HSE I

ENGLISH

Time : 2½ Hrs

Cool off time: 15 min

Total score: 80

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1. After having read Karma, you felt sorry for Lachmi. You think that she is ill treated by her husband, Sir Mohanlal. Imagine that you met Mohanlal on your way to Delhi. Write two pieces of advice you would like to give him, Use the following expressions like.... You should....., You must....., Why don't you..... (2)
 2. The Science Club of your school has constructed a Science Park. As the Secretary of the Club, prepare a notice for the inauguration of the Park. (include details such as time, date, venue, etc.) (6)
 3. You visited Mysore as per the following itinerary. Now write a travelogue with the help of it mentioning your observations, feelings, experiences, impressions, etc. in about 150 words.

Day I 10 am Departure from school

 1 pm Lunch

 9 pm Arrives Mysore

Day II 8 am Breakfast

 9 am Mysore Palace

 11 am Museum

 1 pm Chamundi Hills

 3 pm Shopping

 8 pm Return

(8)

4. Attempt a character sketch of Lady Catherine using the given hints:
Beautiful, proud, unrefined, wealthy (5)
5. You have invited the writer of the poem "On Killing a Tree" to inaugurate the 'Afforestation Programme' undertaken by the Eco Club in your school. Prepare a set of four questions to conduct an interview with him and his possible responses. (8)
6. Imagine that you felt hurt by the environmental issues discussed in 'A fable for Tomorrow'. Your class pays a visit to the Endosulfan affected areas of Kasargod. After the visit you write your diary. Prepare the diary entry. (6)
7. Imagine Milton Davidson in 'True Love' wants to prove his innocence to Charity Jones. He writes a letter to Charity revealing the truth. Prepare the letter. (7)
8. You are asked to present a speech in your school assembly on "The Evolution of English". Prepare a speech. (7)
9. Your friend told you about buying a motor cycle on hire purchase system. You decide to speak to him about the demerits of hire purchase system. Write four points against hire purchase system. (4)
10. Imagine that you are a newspaper reporter. You were sent to report the trial of 'Peckham Murder Case'. How will you report the incidents that happened in the court, the verdict and the incidents that occurred outside the court? Prepare the newspaper report in not more than 125 words. (8)
11. You have read the following sentence "Guptkashi in the evening is all a bustle". Now attempt a word picture of the mini town of Guptkashi with its teashop famed for samosas – bhool hartal buses – innocent villagers – their complaints – conversations – etc. (5)

12. "My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow in the sky

So was it when my life began

So is it now I am a man

So be it when I shall grow old or let me die

Child is the father of man"

William Wordsworth

Write a review of the above poem with special reference to its theme and language and compare it with "The Lake Isle of Innisfree" (8)

13. In the speech 'The Sacred Earth', Chief Seattle says "Contaminate your bed and you will one night suffocate in your own waste". Has the prediction of Chief Seattle come true in contemporary times? Write a short essay in about 120 words on the environmental problems we face today.

(Hints: Effects of polluting land, water bodies and air – effects of using plastics – problem of waste disposal – the health problems caused by them – etc.) (6)

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