

ST. ARNOLD'S CENTRAL SCHOOL, PUNE
TERM -2 EXAMINATION, 2017-18
SUBJECT – ENGLISH

STD: VII

M.M:80

General Instructions:

i) This paper consists of four sections

Section A:	Reading	20 marks
Section B:	Writing	15 marks
Section C:	Grammar	15 marks
Section D:	Literature	30 marks

ii) All questions are compulsory.

iii) All questions of a section must be attempted in the correct order.

SECTION A – (READING)

1. Read the following passage carefully:

(8)

1. Kausani, a small hill station in Uttarakhand, may not be a popular tourist destination, but it has been immortalized by two great Indians, excelling in two entirely different fields. In 1929, after serving a long jail term, Gandhiji stayed at the Anashakti Ashram of Kausani, set up by his disciple Sarlaben (Katherine Heilemen). His stay at Kausani soothed his nerves and refreshed him. He was fascinated by the spectacular view of Nanda Devi, Trishul and Nanda Kot and the ever-changing moods of the Himalayan weather. He was so impressed that he described Kausani as the 'Switzerland of India'.
2. The well-known Hindi poet Sumitranandan Pant was born at Kausani, and his poetry was greatly influenced by its beauty. The Sumitranandan Pant Gallery was built here to commemorate him. A poetry symposium is organized at Kausani every year to mark his birth anniversary. Apart from its historical importance, Kausani has great attractions for other tourists as well. For the religious, there are the famous temple towns of Baijnath and Bageshwar. Bageshwar's small temple dedicated to Lord Shiva draws tourists from all over the world.
3. Wildlife enthusiasts can visit the bird and wildlife sanctuary at Binsar, which is home to more than 200 species of birds, barking deer, leopards and foxes. Tea gardens of Kausani also offer a great view. Tea from Kausani is exported to all parts of the world including Australia, Germany and the US. Since it gets a lot of snow in December and January, April to November is the best time to be in Kausani. If you wish to enjoy the calm majesty of the Himalayas, pack your bags and go to Kausani.

1.1 Answer the following questions given below:

(1x5=5)

- a) Why did Gandhiji stay in Kausani?
- b) Why was Kausani called the 'Switzerland of India'?
- c) Why is Binsar important for the wildlife enthusiasts?

d) What is the commercial importance of Kausani?

e) Express your views on your idea of a perfect holiday.

1.2 Complete the following statements:

(1x3=3)

a) A poetry symposium is organized at Kausani every year _____.

b) A small temple at Bageshwar _____.

c) A visit to Kausani should be avoided in December and January because _____.

2. Read the following passage carefully:

(12)

1. In India, the use of robots in surgeries is still at an early stage, but it has already been hailed as the future of surgical procedures. In a robotic surgery, robotic arms and instruments are inserted into the human body through a 5-10 mm hole. The surgeon takes his position in front of a computer and gives instructions. These instructions are transmitted to the robotic arms, which actually carry out the surgical steps on the body. So, in a way, the surgery is a joint operation by the surgeon and the robot.

2. Robotic surgery has several advantages over normal mechanical surgery. The range of movement robotic arm can manage is not possible to achieve with human wrists and fingers. Since the surgeon is all the time getting a three-dimensional view of the inside of the body, he is able to operate on areas which are not easy to access in open surgery. He also feels less stressed up and gets less fatigued. The hole through which the instruments are inserted being very small, the healing process is really fast. The body gets fewer and smaller scars. There are fewer infections and the number of people being readmitted to the hospital is much smaller. To top it all, robotic surgery proves to be much cheaper.

3. India offers reliable robotic surgery which is 60 to 80 per cent cheaper as compared to prevailing rates in the US. So India is gradually becoming a preferred destination on the medical tourism map. The number of international patients visiting India for robotic surgery is slowly but steadily on the rise. However, the number of Indian surgeons who have made their mark in robotic surgery is not very large because our educational institutions lack facilities to impart the specialized knowledge or the specialized practical training required for it.

2.1 Answer the following questions given below:

(2x4=8)

a) Give any two advantages of robotic surgery over normal surgery.

b) Why is the healing process much faster in a robotic surgery?

c) What makes India a preferred destination on the medical tourism map?

d) Why have the Indian surgeons failed to make a mark in robotic surgery?

2.2 Do as Directed:

(1x4=4)

- a) Find the word from the passage which means 'tired'. (Para 2)
- b) Find the adjective form of the word 'education'. (Para 3)
- c) Give the noun form of the word 'transmitted'.
- d) Make a sentence with the phrase 'as compared to' in your own words.

SECTION B – (WRITING)

- 3. A heavy fire erupted in the junior school wing of Springdale Public School. Write a newspaper report in about 100-120 words describing the losses and the damage caused by the fire. (4)
- 4. Last Sunday you went to an adventure park along with your friends and enjoyed yourself. Write a Diary Entry about your experience in 100-120 words. (5)
- 5. Write a short story with the following story starter in not more than 100-120 words:
Rishab had never seen an elephant outside of a zoo. And now, as he faced the monster in front of him..... (6)

SECTION C - (GRAMMAR)

6. Do as Directed:

(1x10=10)

- a) He shared the food with us. It was generous of him. (Join the sentences using **infinitives**)
- b) We _____ not disrespect others. (Choose the correct option- **would / should**)
- c) the manager said we need only experienced people (**Punctuate** the sentence)
- d) _____ Indian must be proud of their country. (Choose the correct option -**each / every**)
- e) _____ learning French, she is also learning dance. (Fill in the blanks with appropriate **preposition**)
- f) Traffic is heavy at this hour usually. (Correct the error in the sentence by placing 'usually' in the correct position)
- g) Some strangers made an attempt to break into the house. (Change the **Voice** of the sentence)

- h) She had a highly successful career. (Identify the kind of **Phrase** of the underlined words)
- i) Our Science teacher said, "A magnetic needle always points to the north." (Change the sentence from **Direct Speech** to **Indirect Speech**)
- j) Shyam plays the guitar beautifully. (Identify the **Verb** in the sentence and state its kind)

7. This passage has not been edited. There is an error in each line. Write the error and correction in the space provided. (3)

	Error	Correction
Next day he continue his daily	a).....
work, still no one spoke with	b).....
him in the village. From morning		
till evening, he toiled in the field		
and he returns home before sunset.	c).....

8. Rearrange the following phrases and words to form meaningful sentences: (2)

- a) that / the cradle / rocks / the hand / the world / rules
- b) a hat / wore / made of / coconut fiber / he / on his head

SECTION D – (LITERATURE: TEXT BOOK AND NOVEL)

9. Read the following extract and answer the following questions: (1x3=3)

"They saw that I'm dyxlectic
(that's a word they've just found out)
.... but when I get some plasticine
I know what that's about."

- a) Who is the speaker?
- b) What emotions does the speaker reveal in the above lines?
- c) How does the speaker make use of the plasticine?

10. Answer the following questions in 30-40 words: (2x3=6)

- a) Why did Tom feel 'a little foolish'? What made Aunt Polly laugh and cry together?

- b) How does the poet describe what the dog and his master feel for each other in the poem 'A Boy and his Dog'?
- c) What was Hafiz Mian's reaction on seeing the passenger? What does it tell us about the passenger?

11. Answer the following questions in 100-120 words: (4x4=16)

- a) What were the three gifts that the nymphs gave Perseus? How did he use the three gifts?
- b) Why was it difficult to catch the 'orange-tipped white butterfly'? Why did the author set it free once it was caught?
- c) Describe the girl's action as soon as the temple door was flung open.
- d) You live in an apartment along with two more neighbours on your floor. Both your neighbours are quarrelsome and argue over petty issues. With reference to the prose piece, 'A Dog is Man's Best Friend', how can you work towards bringing peace and harmony by settling their issues?

12. Answer the following question in 120-125 words: (1x5=5)

With reference to the novel 'Treasure Island', if you were the author of the novel, how would you like to conclude the story?