



DATE: 10/01/2025 GRADE - X	Model Examination 2 [2024-2025] English Lang and Lit(184)	Max Marks - 80 TIME - 3 Hours
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MARKING SCHEME

Question 1

Section A Reading Skill (10 Marks)

- (i) D because the depressing daily routine is forgotten. (1)
- (ii) A new meaning and significance to us.(1)
- (iii) Hiking takes us amid nature and the sight of waterfalls, flowers, streams, trees, and bushes is pleasing. This establishes a connection between us and nature.(2)
- (iv) B because of the excitement of climbing up and the adventure of coming down.(1)
- (v) (D) it is an escape from our busy schedule (1)
- (vi) Two examples of minute observations made while on a hike are:
 - A snake casting its slough.
 - A mouse peeping out of its hole.(2)
- (vii) It gives us unlimited freedom and the sights of nature lend a charm to our journey(1)
- (viii) Exult (1)

Question 2

Reading Skill (10 Marks)

- (i) of a discovery made by a renowned conservationist Daphne Sheldrick, who discovered that elephant babies like coconut oil, and she hit on a baby milk formula that contained coconut oil that kept the babies well nourished.(1)
- (ii) The statement that when she first made attempts to keep the orphaned babies alive, often at one or two years old, with other milk sources, they remained malnourished and

faded into death, is an observed fact because Daphne made an exhaustive observation of the elephant babies' health.(1)

(iii) The fact that elephant babies like coconut oil gave a huge impetus to preserving the lives of elephant babies from malnourishment. The other revealing facts that come out are that elephants are emotionally human animals. The touching part is the last line of the passage

“once a female wrenched the tusks from a newly killed bull elephant and threw them into the jungle, before the eyes of the poachers.” (2)

(iv) 1 Other milk sources.

2 Milk formula from Europe, which contained coconut oil. (1)

(v) With a slight increase in the population of elephants in 2014, between 2010 and 2018 there has been a stabilisation in the elephant population, which is partly due to the hand-rearing of the renowned conservationist Daphne Sheldrick.(1)

(vi) A Option 1(1)

(vii) She had a deep sympathy towards elephants. Often, the elephants arrived traumatized, having experienced the lethal violence and cruelty of poaching. It was crucial, in her view, to recognise their grief and helped them to overcome it.(2)

(viii) C The baby milk formula containing coconut oil proved to be a major discovery for saving baby elephants. (1)

SECTION B Writing and Grammar

Grammar (10 Marks) Any ten

Question 3

(i) wish

(ii) Error Correction

Must Will

(iii) Shilpa asked Jaya if she could borrow her English textbook.

(iv) If he knew

(v) a few

(vi) Error Correction

are is

(vii) (a) owns own

(viii) a) were driving

(ix) if he would take him to the doctor

(x) a) had done their homework

(xi) a) cannot be

(xii) Error Correction

have has

Writing Skill (10 marks)

Question 4

Formal Letter

Format 1

Content 2

Organization of ideas 1

Accuracy 1

Question 5

Analytical Paragraph

Content 2

Organization of ideas 2

Accuracy 1

SECTION C English Language and Literature

Extract based questions

Question 6

Extract 1

1 She argued that talking was a student's trait and that she would do her best to keep it under control. She very frankly accepted that she would never be able to get rid of this habit since she carried it in her genes as her mother talked as much as she did. There was not much that one could do about inherited traits. (2)

2 An aside is a brief comment or remark made by a character directly to the audience, which is not intended to be heard by other characters on stage.(1)

3 According to Anne, it is important to give convincing arguments in support of the necessity to talk in her essay.(1)

4 a) thinking about what to write in the essay (1)

Extract 2

1M Liosel is shocked and stupefied because his wife, Mme Liosel, has started crying after receiving the invite. He had expected his wife to be elated at the prospect of attending a high profile party. (1)

2 False (1)

3 frustration(1)

4 Matilda was crying because she did not have anything nice to wear at the party.(2)

Question 7

Extract 1

1. she is busy in daydreaming about her life of peace and joy. (1)

2. (c) Amanda follows the instructions(1)

3. The speaker's worry about acne shows that importance is given to physical beauty.(1)

4. The speaker asks Amanda not to eat chocolate. It is because Amanda had acne already. Eating chocolate may cause more pimples. So, Amanda is forbidden to eat chocolate.(2)

Extract 2

1. (a) assist in keeping the prey unsuspecting of the predator's sound.(1)

2. In the forest, the tiger can enjoy complete freedom. He would walk drowned freely without any fear. He would terrorise the villagers by growling and would show his teeth and claws.(2)

3. long grass(1)

4 The poet thinks that the tiger should have been in the jungle, lurking in the shadow of long grass to prey on the deer near the water hole. (1)

Short Answer Questions (4×3=12)

Content 1

Organization 1

Accuracy 1

Answer any four

Question 8

1 The postmaster sends money to Lencho so as to keep his faith in God alive and firm, as he was completely moved by it. When the postmaster reads Lencho's letter to God, he becomes serious. He decides that he wants to keep Lencho's faith intact, so he decides to answer the letter.(3)

2 At first Chubukov suspects that Lomov has come to borrow money. He is not sincere when he tells Lomov that he had always loved him and that he was like his own son. He had decided that he would not give Lomov any money if he tried borrowing from him.(3)

3 Yes I agree that the depths of operation create heights of character. Nelson Mandela illustrates this by giving examples of great heroes of south Africa who sacrificed their lives in the long freedom struggle (3)

4 In the poem "A Tiger in the Zoo," the poet Leslie Norris highlights the stark contrast between freedom and captivity through vivid imagery and contrasting settings. The tiger, confined within the zoo, is depicted as being restricted and powerless, pacing back and forth in his cage with a silent rage.(3)

5 The metaphor of the lost ball is beautifully linked to the loss of the sweet childhood. No amount of money can buy the ball back that has been lost forever. Similarly, no worldly wealth can buy back the lost childhood.(3)

Question 9

Short Answer Questions (2×3=6)

Answer any two

1, Ramlal's wife was a traditional housewife who believed that daughters should not be educated, as it would be difficult to find husbands for them. She neglected looking after her Bholi because she was a slow learner(3)

2 .Yes, Madam Loisel came to know the harsh reality of a life of necessity after losing the necklace, which drastically changed their lives. She had to do all the household chores herself, as they could no longer afford a maid, and even carried garbage to the street on her own.(3)

3 Hari Singh did not catch the train deliberately because his inner conscience held him back. He thought that Anil would feel sad not for loss of money but for the loss of trust he had reposed in him. Moreover, he did not want to lose the chance of learning (3)

Question 10

Long Answer Questions (6Marks) Any one

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Content 3

Expression 2

Accuracy 1

Good morning, everyone.

Today, I'd like to discuss two pieces of literature that offer a powerful insight into the resilience of the human spirit required to transcend discrimination. Both works share some of the common themes.

(Theme 1: Transcending Discrimination) Both Mandela's excerpt and Rich's poem address the issue of discrimination. Mandela speaks of how his own experiences of discrimination made him more determined to fight against it. He emphasizes the need to move beyond the divides created by race, gender, and class. Similarly, Rich's poem acknowledges the discrimination faced by trees, which are often overlooked and undervalued.

Rich compares the growth of trees to the growth of women who were once suppressed and marginalized by society. Just as trees grow from the earth and reach for the sky, women

too are rooted in their past but strive towards a better future, breaking free from the chains of oppression and discrimination.]

(Theme 2: The Efforts Involved in Achieving Equality) Both pieces of literature also highlight the hard work and sacrifices required to achieve equality. Mandela describes his long and difficult journey towards freedom, including his time spent in prison. He emphasizes that true freedom is not just about breaking physical chains but also breaking mental ones. (Theme 3: Resilience of the Human Spirit) Despite the challenges faced, both Mandela's excerpt and Rich's poem showcase the resilience of the human spirit. Mandela's perseverance and unwavering determination to fight against discrimination, even in the face of great adversity, inspire us to do the same. Rich's poem also speaks to the resilience of nature, which continues to thrive even in the face of human neglect and disregard. [The metaphorical perspective for The Trees - The poem celebrates the strength and tenacity of women and highlights the importance of perseverance in the face of adversity. Through the symbol of the trees, Rich suggests that just as nature can regenerate and thrive, so too can women emerge stronger and more resilient from discrimination and oppression.]

Thank you

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Content 3

Expression 2

Accuracy 1

- Dusty nd Ice evokes a sense of fear and contemplation about the destructive forces inherent in human nature. Dust of Snow focuses on the idea of small, unexpected moments in nature leading to positive change and renewal in the individual. Fire and Ice suggests that these internal forces have the potential to shape not only individual lives but also the fate of humanity as a whole.

While Dust of Snow emphasises the potential for beauty and renewal in even the smallest aspects of nature, Fire and Ice explores the darker aspects of human desire and hatred, highlighting the destructive forces that can shape human existence.both-poems-dust-snow-fire-contrasting-elements-nature-convey-their-respective-messages

Question 11

Long Answer Questions (6marks) Any one

Content 3

Expression 2

Accuracy 1

1 Yes, parents like Mrs Pumphrey definitely exist. These people spoil their children by making sure all their demands are met. They spoil their children in the name of love and care. They not only feed them junk but also spoil their social habits. This kind of a behaviour is very harmful for children. Such overprotective parental behaviour hinders their growth as adults. In fact it sows the seeds of greed and dependency in them. They become stubborn and do not learn to value anything. For them, hard work is a myth as they get everything easily. Over pampered children often fail to face the hardships of life later, as for them life has been a cakewalk. Pampering children in moderation is healthy, but excess of it is harmful. It is not just bad for humans but also for animals, as we see in the story .A triumph of Surgery..

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Content 3

Expression 2

Accuracy 1

Richard.s mother played a huge role in making him a great scientist. She would take him on trips to encourage learning. He was a single child. After his father died, his mother made him the focus of her life. She would buy him all kinds of microscopes, telescopes and other equipment. After dinner, she gave him problems to solve. This helped Richard to learn a lot. She was his only companion for a long time. It was his mother who got him the book The is of Monarch X. This book opened the world of science for Richard. She also wrote to Dr Urquhart to guide her son. The scientist helped Richard and guided him. Thus, his mother actually shaped him into an extraordinary scientist.