



<b>GRADE: VIII</b>	<b>Marking scheme (2024-2025) ENGLISH</b>	<b>Date : 05-10-2024</b>
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WORD / PHRASE	Meaning
1. Demolished	e. Pulled down a building
2. Hoax	g. A trick played on someone
3. Precariously	f. Likely to fail or be damaged
4. Beguiling	a. Attractive, interesting and mysterious at times
5. Sheen	b. Soft, smooth and shiny
6. Dwindles	c. Decrease in size or amount
7. Morass	i. A swamp
8. Diffidence	j. Lack of confidence
9. Embezzlement	d. Theft or misuse of money
10. Taken aback	h. Very surprised

**SECTION B- GRAMMAR (10 marks )**

**Question 11-13 carry 1 mark each**

**Write the correct form of the verb in present tenses [3x1]**

11. b. Is playing
12. a. Has just gone
13. b. Has been watching

**Question 14-16 carry 1 mark each**

**Identify the noun phrases in the following sentences. [4x1]**

14. Adwait and Sonia
15. A three-legged puppy
16. Pasta and momos
17. the box of chocolates.

**Question 17-20 carry 1 mark each**

**Identify the adjectival phrases in the following sentences [3x1]**

18. old and unused school uniforms.
19. The bright-eyed Indian girl
20. A few very helpful

**SECTION C- READING (5 marks)**

**21.** Read the passage given below and answer the following questions. (5 Marks)

1. B) Shillong
2. B) Mawsynram

- 3. C) Rubber tree roots
- 4. D) Bhil
- 5. C) Nongkrem Dance Festival

**Section D – Writing (5 marks)**

**Question 22 carries 5 marks**

Date : 3 March 20xx
From : anklt@yahoo.com
To: diamondelectronics@gmail.com
Subject : Replacing the default smart TV

Sir/ma'am

Via receipt no. 161 dated January 3, 20xx, we bought a colour T.V. from your shop. In fact, it started troubling us from day 1. When we reported the matter, you sent a mechanic. He replaced a certain part of the TV set and it started working. Some more trouble cropped up and each time you sent the mechanic who made some correction. However, we are now completely fed up with this set as it is not working again. We, therefore, request you to replace this set with a new one. This set, certainly, has some manufacturing defects which cannot be corrected. An early action will oblige us.

Sincerely

Ankit

**SECTION E -LITERATURE (10 marks)**

23. Mohan wanted to help Suman and the other boy to carry the heavy cyclostyling machine into the house. (1 mark)

24. They do not want to leave the place they have been living in for years and that has been their home. The hunting grounds were close. Besides,

separation from loved ones has not been easy.

(1 mark)

25. The Yup'ik people have lost their neighbours and friends while moving to their new establishments and the children miss their friends who now live miles away . There is a feeling of helplessness as their love for their native place is overcome by the necessity to move to a safe environment. The new homes do not have access to public water or sewer systems making people who have shifted to their new homes to still maintain their old homes.

(2 marks)

26. The water shimmers in the daylight reflecting the golden and silver brilliance of the sun. It appears blue on the deeper side and has a green hue closer to the shore. The poet has used alliteration in these lines.

( 2 marks)

27. Patol Babu was offered the role of a middle aged, absent minded pedestrian who had to collide with the Protagonist Chanchal Kumar on his way to the office and go away.

Patol Babu, despite the humiliation of the small role, made peace with the situation after recalling the advice of his mentor. He gave his all while playing the role of a pedestrian. Though he was physically hurt due to the collision with the actor, he continued playing his role delivering the best "oh" possible. This act of his shows his commitment and dedication. After the acting episode, he did not even bother to collect the money due to him, although the money would have meant a lot to him at this stage of his life. But at that moment, the satisfaction he derived from acting his role perfectly and with total honesty far superseded the money due to him.

( 4 marks )