

Date: Grade: VII

CPE-1 (2022-23) ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Max. Marks: 20 Time: 1 hour

SECTION A: READING

Read the passage given below.

(1x4=4)

Our ancestors had great difficulty in getting books. Now, our difficulty is what to read. There are books and books but our hours of reading are very few. Therefore, the choice becomes essential. We should be very careful about what we read. There are books that poison our lives by suggesting evils. We should keep them at arm's length.

We should read only those books which have stood the test of time. Such books are our great classics like the Ramayana and the Gita. They contain the wisdom of our sages and saints. They have appealed to mankind from generation to generation. Reading such books has an ennobling influence on our mind and character. It gives us spiritual enjoyment. These books give us instruction with entertainment. They represent our ancient culture. High ideas to be followed by us have been set by them in front of us. They are our best friends, best guides, and the best treasure.

On the basis of your reading of the passage answer the following questions:

- (i) We should be selective because
 - (a) there is a great number of books available to us
 - (b) there is a scarcity of books
 - (c) there are only bad books in the market

(d)

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- (ii) We should avoid those books which
 - (a) cost high price
 - (b) come in paperback
 - (c) corrupt our lives by suggesting evils
 - (d) come in more than one volume

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	(iii) The books which have stood the test of time are called			
	(a) great books (b) rare books (c) biographies (d) classics			
	(iv) What is /are the special qualities/qualities of classics?(a) They affect our mind in a good way(b) They teach us something great(c) They help us in our spiritual growth			
	(d)			
	SECTION B: WRITING AND GRAMMAR			
2	Imagine yourself to be the valet who entered the speaker's room in the morning. Write a short paragraph on what happened when you went into the room.	(4)		
3	Complete these sentences with suitable indefinite pronouns from the box.	(1x4=4)		
	few no one another anyone most			
	1) Just a few people have accepted the invitation but have refused.			
	2) can surpass his greatness as a music composer. 3) Many people have watched this film, but have			
	liked it. 4) Has seen my glasses?			
SECTION C: LITERATURE (8 MARKS)				
4	Choose the correct answer from the given options	(1x2=2)		
	 Under whom did the master artist work as an apprentice? 			
	a. Guiliano Bartoli			
	b. Ambrogio Lorenzetti			
	c. Monsieur l'Abbaye d.			
	2. What made the master artist change his mind about			
	accepting the new job just before his retirement? a. the money that was offered for the job			
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	b. the disappointment in the patron's eyes c d	
5	 Answer the following questions. According to l'Abbay, why was the painting taking so long? How long did the masterpiece take? Do you know why? "My friends were fond of practical jokes. I do not care to know people who are not." From the second sentence, what do you think the speaker valued in his friends? 	(2x3=6)

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