

**GRADE : XI** 

MT-1 [2024-2025]

Max Marks - 20

DATE : 26 July 2024

ENGLISH(184) (Language and Literature) TIME - 50 minutes

Q NO.	Questions	Marks
	SECTION A	
	1. Read the passage given below and answer the following questions.	
	Subhash Chandra Bose passed through quarters inhabited by Englishmen and also met a large number of them in the tram cars. The British using these cars were purposely rude and offensive to Indians in various ways. The sensitive mind of Subhash revolted against such insulting and rude behavior of the British. On many occasions, there was an exchange of hot words between him and misbehaving British. Majority of the students of the Presidency College, where he studied, were free thinkers. The college continued to be a storm centre and was looked upon by the British Government "as a hotbed of sedition, rendezvous of revolutionaries" and was frequently searched by the police. The first two years of his life were greatly influenced by the group, which styled itself as the neo-Vivekananda group and Subhash developed intellectually during this period. The group generally followed the teachings of Rama Krishna and Vivekananda with special emphasis on social service as means of spiritual development and was non-aligned to a revolutionary group. The shock of the Great World War roused his political consciousness. He graduated at the age of 22 and enrolled himself for the postgraduate with experimental psychology as a	

special subject.

	His father, however, wanted him to go to England to appear for the Indian Civil Services. In spite of his mental reservations, Subhash took it as a challenge. In England, he was greatly impressed with the freedom allowed to students at Cambridge. Every student behaved in a dignified manner. Not withstanding his preoccupation with his studies, he displayed his public spirit and fearlessness throughout his stay in England. He and K. L. Gouba were selected by the Indian Majlis, to represent the British Government the difficulties the Indian students encountered for admission to the University Officers' Training Corps. Though he took a harsh view of the British high-handedness and racial arrogance, he did admire their qualities which exacted him. He himself behaved there in a dignified way and was of the view that Indians who go abroad, must consider themselves to be unofficial ambassadors of the country, who should uphold their country's prestige. He was quite serious in purpose and disliked anybody wasting time on trivialities. <b>On the basis of reading the passage, answer the following questions.</b>	
1.	Who was selected by the Indian Majlis? a) Subhash Chandra Bose and KL Gouba	1 mark
	b) Jawahar Lal Nehru	
	c) Mahatma Gandhi	
	d) none of the above	
2.	Majority of the students of the Presidency college were	1 mark
2.	a) radical b) arrogant c) unhappy d) free thinkers	1 111äIK
3.	Whose teachings did the group generally follow?	1 mark
	a) Mahatma Gandhi b) Rabindranath Tagore	

	c) Rama Krishna d) Lala Lajpat Rai	
4.	Subhash Chandra's father wanted him to go to England and appear for ?	1 mark
	a) Barrister's exam b) Indian Civil Services	
	c) Start the freedom movement d) Judiciary exam	
5.	At what age was Subhash enrolled for his postgraduation?	1 mark
	a) 20 years b) 25 years c) 22 years d) 21 years	
6.	Based on your understanding of the passage, the location of the Cambridge University is	1 mark
	a) England b) Germany	
	c) United States of America d) France	
	SECTION B	
7.	Answer the following questions. You are Ashish/Astha, a resident of No.254, Vigyan Vihar, Amla, Madhya Pradesh. You are worried to see your younger brother's frequent habit of using Internet as a homework tool. Taking ideas from the input given below and your own, write a letter to the Editor of a popular newspaper, expressing your opinion on the advantages, and disadvantages of the dependence of youth on computers in the present times(150 words).	3 marks
	<ul> <li>In the techno world-24 hr access to the Internet-no doubt school children using Net as homework tool-has many advantages-quick way to find information update—more free time for other activities—provides a variety of sources.</li> <li>more drawbacks than advantages-students' reading, writing and thinking skills seem to be disappearing—just copy information—some websites may contain inaccurate information-no interest in listening to teacher in school-concept of hard work disappearing in present</li> </ul>	

	generation-balanced, sensible use of internet required.	
	SECTION C	
8.	Answer the following with the right choice from the options.Chris	1 mark
	Meera for the charitable cause.a. came to contributeb. come to contributedc. came to contributedd. comes to contributed	
	SECTION D	
	Answer any two of the following questions in not less than 30-40 words.	
10.	Why was the tree compared to a machine in the poem 'The laburnum top'?	2 marks
11.	Mention Three reasons why the author's grandmother was disturbed when he started attending the city school.	2 marks
12.	In the poem, 'Voice of the rain', there are two voices in the poem. Who do they belong to? Which lines indicate this? What does the phrase 'strange to tell' mean in the poem ?	
	Answer any two of the following questions in not less than 150 words.	
13.	Do you think that it was foolish of the narrator to risk the safety and well-being of his family by going on a sea travel? Did he and his family gain anything out of it? Explain with supporting evidence from the lesson.	3 marks
14.	Write a character sketch of the author's grandmother by using following words: affectionate, caring, kind and benevolent, religious, a strong woman. Validate your answer with examples from the lesson.	3 marks
15.	How does the 'Laburnum Tree' play an integral part in the day to day life of the bird? Explain with reference to the poem.	3 marks