



GRADE: IX	MT- 1 [2024-2025]	Max Marks - 20
DATE : 25 July 2024	ENGLISH (Language and Literature)	TIME - 50 minutes

Q.N o	Questions	Marks
	<p style="text-align: center;">SECTION A</p> <p>Read the passage and answer the following questions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Power of Dreams</p> <p>Dreams have long fascinated humanity, offering a glimpse into the subconscious mind and sometimes foretelling the future. For centuries, cultures around the world have interpreted dreams as messages from gods, warnings of impending danger, or even as a window into one's deepest desires.</p> <p>In ancient civilizations such as Egypt and Mesopotamia, dreams were considered significant omens. The Egyptians believed dreams were messages from the gods or the deceased, offering guidance or predictions. They kept dream journals and consulted dream interpreters to understand the divine messages conveyed during sleep.</p> <p>Similarly, in the Bible, dreams played a pivotal role in conveying divine will. Joseph, son of Jacob, famously interpreted dreams that foretold the future, such as predicting seven years of plenty followed by seven years of famine in Egypt. His ability to decipher dreams earned him favor and power in the Egyptian court.</p> <p>In more recent times, psychologists like Sigmund Freud and Carl Jung explored dreams as a means to understand the unconscious mind. Freud posited that dreams were a pathway to repressed desires and thoughts, while Jung believed they contained archetypal symbols shared across cultures.</p> <p>Today, dreams continue to intrigue scientists who study the brain's activity during sleep. Rapid Eye Movement (REM) sleep, when most</p>	

	<p>dreaming occurs, is associated with increased brain activity resembling wakefulness. This suggests that dreams serve a crucial function in processing emotions, memories, and cognitive tasks.</p> <p>Despite advances in understanding dreams scientifically, their mystical allure remains. Many people believe dreams provide insight into unresolved issues or future events. Modern dream interpretation often combines psychological insights with cultural and personal symbolism.</p> <p>In conclusion, dreams have captivated human imagination throughout history. Whether viewed as divine messages, psychological phenomena, or random brain activity, dreams continue to provoke curiosity and debate about their true meaning and purpose.</p>	
1	<p>What role did dreams play in ancient Egyptian culture?</p> <p>A. They were seen as meaningless. B. They were considered divine messages. C. They were interpreted by medical professionals. D. They were used for entertainment.</p>	1
2	<p>Who interpreted dreams in ancient Egypt?</p> <p>A. Priests and dream interpreters B. Pharaohs and soldiers C. Farmers and merchants D. Children and elderly</p>	1
3	<p>According to Freud, what do dreams primarily represent?</p> <p>A. Manifestations of daily activities B. Messages from the gods C. Desires and repressed thoughts D. Predictions of future events</p>	1
4	<p>Which sleep stage is associated with most dreaming?</p> <p>A. Stage 1 B. Stage 2 C. REM sleep D. Deep sleep</p>	1
5	<p>What is the conclusion of the passage regarding dreams?</p> <p>A. Dreams have no scientific basis. B. Dreams have lost their importance over time. C. Dreams are still mysterious despite scientific study. D. Dreams are only important in religious contexts.</p>	1
	(Attend any two questions from Q.No 6,7,8)	
6	<p>How did dreams influence ancient Egyptian society beyond personal guidance?</p>	2
7	<p>What are the differences/similarities in Freud's and Jung's views on</p>	2

	dreams.	
8	Do you think dreams have practical significance in modern life? Explain with reference to the passage.	2
	SECTION B	
9	<p>Attend any one of the following.</p> <p>(A) Every day you are late for school by fifteen minutes. Your school bus is stuck in a traffic jam near the Gandhi Square crossing. Along with your own ideas, write a letter to the editor of The Hindu highlighting this problem and suggesting some remedy for it. You are Ravi Arora/Revathi Arora of Kendriya Vidhyalaya, Kochi.</p> <p>(B) Imagine that you are Ravi Arora/Revathi Arora, a student from Kendriya Vidyalaya, Kochi and you are living in the year 2020. You are concerned about the large political rallies carried by popular parties for elections. Write a letter to the editor of The Hindu raising concern about the grave impact of large gatherings amidst the pandemic.</p>	3 3
	Answer any two of the following questions in not less than 120 words.	
10	<p>Suppose you are Margie. Write a diary entry dated 17th May 2157 about Tommy's real book that he found in his attic.</p> <p>You may begin like this :</p> <p>Tuesday, 17th May 2157 10.00 p.m. Dear Diary It has been a wonderful day for me as I have seen a real, hard-bound printed paper book. In fact, Tommy found...</p>	4
11	Can you imagine a school without teachers and books? Give your opinion on the basis of the lesson 'The Fun They Had'.(write in not less than 120 words, underline the important points)	4
12	Explain about the origin of Shehnai and how it has changed the life of Mr.Bismillah Khan.(write in not less than 120 words, underline the important points)	4