



**CPE 4 Annual QUESTION PAPER (2021-22)**  
**ENGLISH – Language and Literature**  
**CLASS-VIII**

**Time allowed: 2 Hrs. Maximum Marks: 40**

**Date: 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2022**

General Instructions:

1. This paper is divided into three sections: A, B and C. All questions are compulsory.
2. Separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary. Read these instructions very carefully and follow them.
3. Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

	<b>OBJECTIVE</b> <b>Section A: Reading and Literature</b>	<b>15 Marks</b>
<b>Q1.</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Reading</b></p> <p><b>Read the passage given below and choose the correct answers from the options:</b></p> <p>An owl is a bird. There are two basic types of owls: typical owls and barn owls. Owls live in almost every country of the world. Owls are mostly nocturnal, meaning they are awake at night. Owls are predators—they hunt the food that they eat. Owls hunt for mice and other small mammals, insects and even fish. Owls are well adapted for hunting. Their soft, fluffy feathers make their flight nearly silent. They have very good hearing which helps them to hunt well in the darkness. The sharp hooked beaks and claws of the owl makes it very easy to tear apart their prey quickly, although owls also eat some prey whole.</p> <p>Owl's eyes are unusual. Like most predators, both the eyes of the owl face front. The owl cannot move its eyes. Owls are far-sighted, which means they can see very well far away..... But they can't see very well at all. Fortunately, their</p>	<b>5 Marks</b>

	<p>distant vision is what they use for hunting and they can see far away even in low light. Owls have facial disks around their eyes, tufts of feathers in a circle around each eye. These facial disks are thought to help the Owl's hearing. Owls can turn their heads 180 degrees. This makes it look like they might be able to turn their heads all the way around, but 180 degrees is all the owl needs to see what's going on all around it. Perhaps because of the Owl's mysterious appearance, especially its round eyes and flexible neck, there are a lot of myths and superstitions about owls. Many cultures believe that owls are unusually wise. Because owls are nocturnal, some cultures associate owls with bad omens. The screech of the barn owl is considered by many to sound eerily human, like a person screaming. However, owls probably do not interact with the fates of humans at all. In fact, some owl species may become extinct because of humans.</p>	
	<b>On the basis of the reading of the above passage complete the following sentences:</b>	<b>(1x5=5m)</b>
1.	<p>Which of the following is not true about owls?  (a) Owls eat small animals  (b) Owls are able to fly silently  (c) Owls have the best hearing of all birds  (d) Owls have poor vision</p>	1
2.	<p>The eyesight of the owl is used for.....  (a) flying  (b) hunting  (c) sleeping  (d) none of these</p>	1
3.	<p>Title for this passage can be.....  (a) Owls hunt at night  (b) Owls can fly silently  (c) Owls are interesting birds  (d) Owls have flexible necks</p>	1
4.	<p>Which of the following is true?  (a) The facial disks of the owl help them to see.  (b) Owls have a strong, bent beak.  (c) Most owls hunt for food during the day.</p>	1

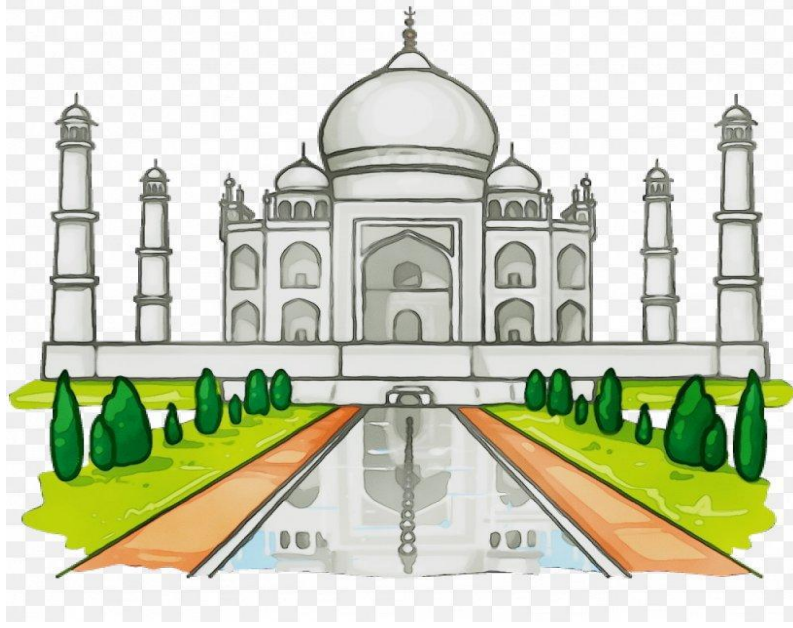
	(d) Owls are dangerous to humans.	
5.	The purpose of this short passage is ..... a) to entertain b) to inform c) to persuade d) none of these	1
	<b>Literature</b>	<b>10 marks</b>
<b>Q2.</b>	<b>Choose the correct meaning of the underlined words given in the following:</b>	<b>(1x5=5m)</b>
1.	" <i>You are not a shoemaker by trade?</i> " said Mr. Lorry, looking steadfastly at him. His <b><u>haggard</u></b> eyes turned to Defarge as if he would have transferred the question to him."  a) Fresh b) Enthusiastically c) Exhausted d) Disgusted	1
2.	"Called 'em off a snipe hunt," was the <b><u>succinct</u></b> answer. "Didn't you think a'that Mr. Finch?"  a) Lengthy b) To the point c) Elaborative d) Spontaneous	1
3.	"The common silt for hidden gold, Those <b><u>glimmerings</u></b> we lose with age;"  a) Obscure b) Murky c) Gloomy d) Small signs/symbols	1
4.	Enter Lady Macbeth, with a <b><u>taper</u></b> . a) Show up b) Candle c) Candlesticks d) Blood-stained hands	1
5.	"If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken Twisted by <b><u>knaves</u></b> to make a trap for fools" a) peacemaker	1

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b) pacifier</li> <li>c) intercessor</li> <li>d) rouges</li> </ul>	
<b>Q3.</b>	<b>Choose the correct answer from the following:</b>	<b>(1x5=5m)</b>
1.	<p>When Defarge asked Dr Manette's name, what did he reply?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) One hundred and Five, North Tower</li> <li>b) One hundred and Five, South Tower</li> <li>c) One hundred and six, South Tower</li> <li>d) One hundred and six, North Tower</li> </ul>	1
2.	<p>Which character is most like a mockingbird in the metaphorical sense?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Boo Radley</li> <li>b) Scout Finch</li> <li>c) Tom Robinson</li> <li>d) Atticus Finch</li> </ul>	1
3.	<p>What is the Poet trying to convey??</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Keep Expensive things safe.</li> <li>b) Tiny things that give you memories are more valuable than expensive things</li> <li>c) We will lose Memories with age</li> <li>d) Expensive things matter more and are more valuable than memories.</li> </ul>	1
4.	<p>The gentlewoman refuses to repeat Lady Macbeth's sleep-talk to the doctor because...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) she thinks that the doctor will not believe her</li> <li>b) the words are mumbled and she can't understand them</li> <li>c) there is no witness to confirm the truth of her words</li> <li>d) Lady Macbeth made her promise not to reveal the words to anyone</li> </ul>	1
5.	<p>What is the theme of this poem "IF" as stated by Rudyard Kipling?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Becoming a grownup takes confidence, determination, and virtue.</li> </ul>	1

	<p>b) Most people handle failure better than they handle success.</p> <p>c) Talking about your problems is the first step toward solving them.</p> <p>d) People should spend more time in crowds and less time around royalty.</p>	
	<b>Section B: Grammar</b>	<b>5 Marks</b>
<b>Q4.</b>	<b>Read the following sentences carefully and choose the appropriate participle phrase given in the options: -</b>	<b>(1/2 + 1/2 =1)</b>
1.	<p><i>Glancing at the competitors, she discovered that three of them had on checked shirts.</i></p> <p>a) Glancing at the competitors.  b) Discovered  c) Checked  d) Discovered that three of them</p>	1/2
2.	<p><i>After being badly injured, the respected coach insisted that the determined girls try out anyway.</i></p> <p>a) injured  b) Respected coach insisted  c) Determined girls to try out anyway  d) Both b &amp; c</p>	1/2
<b>Q5.</b>	<b>Identify defining and non-defining relative clause from the following: -</b>	<b>(1/2 + 1/2 =1)</b>
1.	<p><i>Identify which of the following is defining relative clause.</i></p> <p>a) Paris is the city, where I grew up.  b) Paris, is the city, where I grew up.  c) Paris is the city where I grew up.  d) Paris is the city where, I grew up.</p>	1/2
2.	<p><i>Identify which of the following is a non-defining relative clause.</i></p> <p>a) The building that is quite old, is being occupied by, a university.  b) The building, that is quite old, is being occupied by a university.  c) The building that is quite old is being occupied by a university.</p>	1/2

	d) The building, that is quite old, is being occupied, by a university.	
<b>Q6.</b>	<b>Which of the following is the correct conversion for the provided Reported speech?</b>	<b>(<math>\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1</math>)</b>
1.	<p><i>"Work hard if you want to pass," said the teacher. (<b>indirect</b>)</i></p> <p>a) The teacher advised the students to work hard if they wanted to pass.  b) The teacher told the students to work hard if they wanted to pass.  c) The teacher said that the students to work hard if they wanted to pass.  d) The teacher told me that the students to work hard if they wanted to pass.</p>	$\frac{1}{2}$
2.	<p><i>I asked my sister if she had returned the mobile phone to her friend. (<b>direct</b>)</i></p> <p>a) I said to my sister, 'have you returned the mobile phone to your friend?'  b) I said to my sister, 'did you return the mobile phone to my friend?'  c) I said to my sister, 'have you returned the mobile phone to my friend?'  d) I asked my sister, 'have you return the mobile phone to your friend?'</p>	$\frac{1}{2}$
<b>Q7.</b>	<b>Which of the following is the correct voice conversion for the provided sentences?</b>	<b>(<math>\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1</math>)</b>
1.	<p><i>Who will lead the nation in the forthcoming situation? (<b>Passive voice</b>)</i></p> <p>a) By whom will the nation be led in the forthcoming situation?  b) By whom will the nation led in the forthcoming situation?  c) By whom will the nation been led in the forthcoming situation?  d) By whom would the nation be led in the forthcoming situation?</p>	$\frac{1}{2}$
2.	<p><i>The dog was made fun of by the boys. (<b>Active Voice</b>)</i></p> <p>a) The boys made fun of the dog.  b) The boys were making fun of the dog.</p>	$\frac{1}{2}$

	c) The dog will be made fun of by the boys. d) The boys were made fun of the dog.	
<b>Q8.</b>	<b>Identify the direct and indirect objects and choose the correct option given below: -</b>	<b>(<math>\frac{1}{2}</math> + <math>\frac{1}{2}</math> = 1)</b>
1.	Identify the <b>indirect object</b> in the following sentence. <i>Paul gave Teresa a new hat for her birthday.</i>  a) Birthday b) Hat c) Teresa d) None	$\frac{1}{2}$
2.	Identify the <b>direct object</b> in the following sentence. <i>For my babysitting services, Mrs. Badboy paid twenty dollars.</i>  a) Services b) Mrs. Badboy c) Dollars d) None	$\frac{1}{2}$
	<b>SUBJECTIVE</b>  <b>Section C – Writing and Literature</b>	<b>20 marks</b>
<b>Q9.</b>	<b>Writing</b>  You visited the historical city of Agra in your summer vacation, where you saw the famous monument the Taj Mahal. Write a descriptive essay on this monument using the clues given below.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Situated in the city of Agra</li> <li>• Jewel of Muslim art</li> <li>• Built by Shah Jahan</li> <li>• Made of white marble</li> <li>• Fine Mughal architecture</li> <li>• UNESCO World Heritage Site</li> <li>• Completed in 16 years</li> <li>• Seventh wonder of the world</li> </ul>	<b>5 Marks</b>



	<b>Literature</b>	<b>15 marks</b>
<b>Q10.</b>	<b>Answer the following questions:</b>	<b>15 marks</b>
1.	<p><i>"The proof that loving eyes can sift The common silt for hidden gold."</i></p> <p>Explain the above verse from the poem, <i>A Grain of Sand</i>. (A Grain of Sand- maximum 30 words)</p>	2
2.	<p>What quality can help a person start again in the face of failure?</p> <p>(IF- maximum 30 words)</p>	2
3.	<p>Describe the shoemaker in your own words, depict some incidents to justify your answer.</p> <p>(The Shoemaker- maximum 50 words)</p>	3
4.	<p>Who is Atticus Finch? Why was Atticus anxious when he saw Scout, Jem and Dill?</p> <p>(Scout Shows the Way- maximum 50 words)</p>	3
5.	<p>What could be the significance of Macbeth's action of washing her hands? What do you infer from Lady Macbeth's words heard by the doctor and the gentlewoman?</p> <p>(Macbeth- maximum 100 words)</p>	5