

Solution

ENGLISH

Class 10 - English Language and Literature

Section A - Reading Skills

- 1. i. new snow or rain.
- ii. Even after warning signs that reveal danger of avalanches, there is a high risk of danger to persons or property. Escape from such danger is not possible always.
- iii. (1) Artificial Reasons – Snow mobiles, skiers, gunshots and explosives
(2) Natural Reasons – Earthquakes, avalanches
- iv. tiny
- v. People caught in the Avalanche can try to swim to the top
- vi. The crowd will gather at Gate No. 1 and disperse from Gate No. 2.
- vii. Plastic waste
- viii. With massive snow build-ups to trigger smaller avalanche
- 2. i. One reason for sewing the colourful badge onto the uniforms and bags of the Scouts could be to commemorate the 100 years of the Scout Movement and to create a sense of unity and belonging among the members.
- ii. From paragraph 1, we can infer that the Scout Movement was set up to help young people achieve their full potential as they grow up.
- iii. 10 years: decade :: 100 years: century
- iv. 'Aids to Scouting' focused more on survival skills and military aspects, while 'Scouting for Boys' had less emphasis on the military and aimed to provide a broader set of skills and activities for young boys.
- v. The phrase "One world one promise" signifies the unity and solidarity among Scouts worldwide, emphasizing their commitment to a shared set of values and ideals regardless of geographical or cultural differences.
- vi. Thailand
- vii. a. To honor the 150th anniversary of Baden-Powell's birth.
b. To commemorate the 100 years of the Scout Movement.
- viii. A. Both (A) and (R) are true, and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).

SECTION B GRAMMAR

3. Complete ANY TEN of twelve of the following tasks, as directed

(i) entreat

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| interestingly | interesting |

(iii) In response to the question about what he liked about his visit to the village, Saheb says that he likes the sense of joy in the simple things of life.

(iv) (d) if he got a new coach in the academy to train him.

Explanation: {

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(v) A lot of

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| to | too |

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| read | reader |

To test the subject- Verb concord /correct forms

(viii) (a) ate

Explanation: {

Anyas ate all the chocolates kept in the tray.

(ix) and asked when the competition was.

- (x) (d) She said that she had been sleeping when he had come.

Explanation: {

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- (xi) C. Love, spoke

The first blank is in a direct speech where the situation is of present. The second blank shows the past situation where action started in the past and was completed in the past itself.

| (xii) error | correction |
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| are | is |

SECTION B CREATIVE WRITING SKILLS

4. RWA, Anand Niketan

Agra

March 16, 2018

The Editor

The Heritage

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Sir,

Subject: Increasing Incidents of Mobile and Chain Snatching.

Through the columns of your esteemed daily, I wish to bring to your kind attention towards the deteriorating law and order situation in the city. Many incidents of daylight mobile and chain snatching have been reported during recent days. The residents of the locality are frequently becoming the victims of mobile and chain snatchers. Masked youth come on motorbikes, commit the crime and run away without being caught or traced. All that has caused a lot of insecurity and fear among residents.

Repeated complaints have been lodged by the victims but to no avail. The officials just give assurance but nothing has been done so far to control the situation. It has caused a lot of insecurity and fear among the residents and the absence of law and order in the town has been making the culprits bolder.

There are cases of chain snatching and even kidnapping. None of these criminals is arrested so far. It seems there is no law and order to control this kind of incidents. So, I request you to look into this matter and take necessary action immediately.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely,

Shweta Kapoor

(Secretary, RWA).

OR

82, Civil Lines

New Delhi

9 March 2018

The Editor

The Times of India

New Delhi

Sir,

Subject: Art of Living for Students

Through the columns of your esteemed newspaper, I would like to express my views about the benefits of Art of living for Students. The programme proves to be very beneficial. This programme teaches us time management techniques, coping with our academic pressure. We, students, face lots of problems in handling the stress caused by the increasingly competitive world. The programme helps to handle the stress without affecting one's health. It also teaches emotional and social skills, the skills to deal with relations and people. In a nutshell, in my view, every student should attend this workshop. Awareness for students should be given by the authorities. I hope you would do the needful in the interest of students.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,

Varun.

5. A survey was conducted to find out of the population of Rhinoceros Unicornis between 1910 to 2005. The result showed only 125 rhinoceros in early 1900's i.e., 1910 which reached almost 740 in 1959. Then the number plummeted down and touched 600 in 1964. It kept fluctuation and ranged between 600-750. The number again rose in 1966 but did not cross 750. By 1983 it has again reached 750. But after that there was a considerable increase in the number which touches 1750 in the year 2000. The graph then

shows a plateau till 2005 and the number again rose to 2100 by the year 2008. There is hardly any increase in the next three years. The graph shows a sharp rise in the number of rhinoceros in 2012, when it touched 2500. It remains stable for the next two years, but again the number again decreased by almost one hundred in 2017, when it was an estimated 2400.

OR

Students often choose private vans over school buses for several reasons. First, private vans can provide more personalized and convenient transportation, with flexible routes and schedules that cater to individual needs. Second, some students may find private vans to be a faster mode of transportation, reducing the time spent commuting to and from school. Additionally, private vans may offer a quieter and more relaxed environment compared to crowded school buses, allowing students to study, socialize, or simply enjoy a peaceful ride. These factors, among others, make private vans an attractive alternative for students and their families when it comes to school transportation.

SECTION C - LITERATURE

6. Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given.

- (i)
 - i. a secret agent
 - ii. It is so because he later admitted that there was no balcony at all.
 - iii. Option (b) is correct - flumped
 - iv. (d) She plays music louder than is necessary late into the night. (to raise the devil means to cause a commotion or to make a noisy disturbance)
- (ii)
 - a. Lencho has a big family. Though not having enough to carry a satisfactory life but still they seem to be self-sufficient with whatever they have.
 - b. Lencho had predicted about heavy rainfall.
 - c. Their elder children were working at the field and the younger ones were playing near the house when Lencho's wife calls everyone for dinner. It is during that time, drops of rain begin to fall, hereby proving the farmer's prediction to be true.
 - d. The weather in the valley was pleasant with fresh air, and became unpleasant with hailstones.

7. Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given.

- (i)
 - i. The whispers will be silent because the trees will move outside to the forest.
 - ii. The trees of the forest were cut down by man for selfish purposes. The forest was turned into a barren land as the trees were captivated inside the house as a part of interior decoration. However, the trees struggled very hard to free themselves from the confines of the house and return to their natural habitat which is forest. The roots of these trees are engaged in the cracks of the veranda floor. At night, these roots try to free themselves from the cracks. The leaves try to move towards the glass. Twigs become hardened and the boughs try to expand under the roof. Thus, Andreine Rich tries to convey in his poem "The Trees" that trees should be kept alive not by imprisoning them inside the house merely to beautify indoors.
 - iii. The word is 'silent'.
 - iv. Option (c)- imagery
- (ii)
 - i. (b) Students trickled into the classroom as the teacher entered.
 - ii. Blink hid in his little mouse hole in order to save himself.
 - iii. Fled
 - iv. When Belinda looked at the pirate she turned pale with fear and cried loudly for help. All her brave pets fled from the place. Mustard cried and ran away. Ink silently went to the bottom of the house and Blink very smartly disappeared in a mouse hole, leaving Belinda all alone.

8. Answer ANY FOUR of the following five questions, in about 40-50 words

- (i) In olden times, the baker had great importance among the villagers. Every festival and occasion would be incomplete without anything made from bread. The baker's sweet-bread was very popular among the villagers. Marriage gifts were meaningless without this sweet bread known as the 'Bol'.
- (ii) Through the poem, the poet wants to convey that it is cruel to keep the wild animals in small enclosures of the zoo, away from their natural habitat. They feel anger, helpless and unhappy and remember their life and environment in the forest.
- (iii) Natalya is the only daughter of the landowner Chubukov. Though well educated, she does not use her education wisely and thoughtfully. She is a short-tempered lady who quarrels with everyone. She always pinpoints the amount of help she offers to her neighbours. Also, she is very possessive about her land and is very determined not to part with it.
- (iv) Anne was probably right when she said that the world would not be interested in the musings of a thirteen-year-old girl. Most of the people do not want to see the world from a child's perspective because children are too immature for them. People seldom believe that a child can also have beautiful insights about the trials and tribulations of human life.

(v) 'Ice' symbolises 'hatred'. Hate is powerful as desire and maybe, more powerful and ferocious than it. While desire consumes quickly, hate can occur and linger in people's minds and hearts for years and sometimes even lifetimes. Hate consumes the hater perhaps even more than the person or groups. Thus the hate is sufficient to bring destruction.

9. Answer ANY TWO of the following three questions, in about 40-50 words.

- (i) Mr Herriot advised Mrs Pumphrey to put Tricky on a strict diet and not to give him any treats or extra food. To cut down on sweets and give Tricky plenty of exercise. Initially, Mrs. Pumphrey agreed but didn't act on it. Her resolve weakened over time, and she struggled to adhere to the strict diet plan for Tricky, leading to humorous and challenging situations in the story.
- (ii) Bholi Refused to marry Bishamber because he demanded five thousand rupees as dowry. He insulted her father. She refused to marry him to save her self respect. When Bholi refused to marry him and threw her garland into the fire. His head was bowed low with the weight of grief and shame. Now he thought what would happen with Bholi.
- (iii) Griffin was experimenting on invisibility in London but his landlord suspected something and he had to burn his equipment down. However, he saved his notes and important chemicals. Iping was a small and quiet village where nobody knew Griffin, the stranger. He came to Iping in search of isolation so that he could continue his experiment. He thought that in a place like Iping, he would be able to do his experiments in secret and without being disturbed.

10. Answer ANY ONE of the following two questions, in about 100-120 words

- (i) Food is the most essential ingredient that sustains all life on earth. But the young seagull, it was not eating that mattered, but flight. Whenever he tried to flap his wings to fly, he was seized with fear. He felt certainly that his wings would never support him. He had seen his elder brother catch his first Herring and devour it. It compounded his helplessness even more. He uttered a joyful scream when he saw his mother holding a piece of fish in her beak and flying quite near him. Hunger became motivation for the young seagull. Maddened by hunger, he fell outwards and downward into space. Then a monstrous terror seagull him but only for a minute. The next moment, he felt his wings spread outwards. The fear left him. Soon, he was floating on the green sea.

- (ii) **Nelson Mandela:** Greetings, trees. It is an honour to speak with you today.

Trees: It is an honour to speak with you as well, Nelson Mandela.

Nelson Mandela: I am interested in hearing your thoughts on freedom.

Trees: For us, freedom means being able to grow and reach for the sky without being hindered by humans.

Nelson Mandela: That is a beautiful way of looking at freedom. I think humans could learn a lot from you trees about what freedom really means.

Trees: But what does freedom mean to you, Mr. Mandela?

Nelson Mandela: With age and experience I understood the real meaning of freedom. As I grew older, freedom to raise a family and freedom to earn livelihood started dominating my thoughts. Tell me about your struggles for freedom, would you please?

Trees: Every confined part of us rose in revolt and struggle. Our roots struggle all night to break free from the cracks in the veranda floor. Our leaves struggle to come out of the glass. Small twigs have become hard due to overwork. Long cramped boughs to broke open the roof and come out. How you fought against the apartheid system?

Nelson Mandela: I joined African National Congress and the desire for my own freedom got converted into the larger desire for freedom of every one of my communities.

Trees: Bravo! Freedom is the most important thing. No matter what happens, we must always fight for our freedom.

11. Answer ANY ONE of the following two questions, in about 100-120 words.

- (i) Frequently in life is the ideal way to live is being as simple as possible. Buying a costly dress doesn't mean you would look the best in the party. One can look pretty even in a simple attire. So, go for something very normal in best colours.
Friend

Just suggest something...

You

May be a saree. It makes the woman look beautiful in all situations in all times. So, why don't you go for it. There are a number of varieties like tussar, chanderi, mogra, eerie to choose from.

Friend

That's a good idea. Let me just try it. You are the best adviser when it comes to suggest something Thanks any ways.

- (ii) When Hari asked Anil if he could work for him, Anil said that he could not pay him. Finally, the agreement was that if he would cook, then Anil would feed him. However, Anil soon found out that he did not know how to cook. Therefore, he taught him how to cook and later, how to write his name. He promised he would teach him how to write whole

sentences and how to add numbers. Apart from this, when Hari went out to buy the day's supplies, he would make a profit of a rupee a day.

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