

SECTION A: WRITING (55 MARKS)

Question 1

Write an expository essay of about 350 – 400 words on any ONE of the topics given below. Marks will be awarded for orderly and coherent presentation of essay content, essay features and accuracy of grammar.

[25]

- a) Write on the importance of value education for adolescents.
- b) Explain what should be the basis for class X graduates in making appropriate choice of subject-streams in class XI. What can help them make the best decisions for their future?

(START WRITING BELOW)

Please take note that you are **NOT PERMITTED** to mention any personal or school details which may disclose your identity. **FAILURE** to do so may lead to **CANCELLATION** of your answer.

Question 2

You are Sonam, studying in class X in Meto Central School in Trongsa Dzongkhag. Write a letter on any ONE of the following situations.

[15]

- a) Your school is organizing ‘Summer Games Festival’ and as the school sports captain, you are responsible to place a supply order for sports equipment. Write to the manager of Garab Health and Fitness, Trongsa, mentioning the items needed, quantity, mode of payment and transportation of the items.
- b) As a captain of your school’s nature club, you have organized a week-long study tour to Mangde Botanical Park in the month of March. Write a letter to the park manager seeking approval for the visit and stating details of your learning objectives, assistance required and number of participants for the tour.

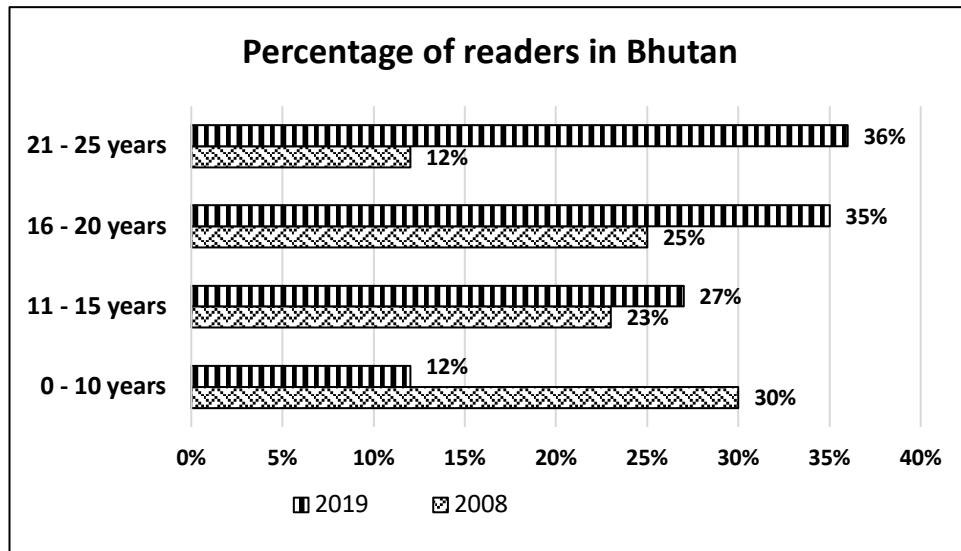
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Please take note that you are **NOT PERMITTED** to use your real name and school details in the letter and failure to follow this may lead to **CANCELLATION** of your answer.

Question 3

Study the graph and transfer the information into paragraphs using NOT MORE than 150 words.

[15]



SECTION B: GRAMMAR (45 MARKS)

Question 4

Read the passage and fill in the blanks with appropriate words. ONLY one word is missing from each blank. [5]

One early morning _____ Mila was out for her walk on her usual route to the community Lhakhang she saw a small bag beside the road. She picked it up and saw that it contained some money, visiting cards and hotel bills. She realized that _____ was a lost property and _____ took it to the police. Later, it was found that the bag belonged _____ a Canadian couple, Mr. and Mrs. Swanson, who were tourists. The police contacted and asked them to visit the police station.

“We did not think we would be getting our bag _____ at all,” said Mrs. Swanson with a grateful smile.

Question 5

Underline the correct *discourse markers* in each of the sentences given below. [5]

Example:

My grandmother’s place had no T.V connection, however/ although/ meanwhile/, we did not even miss it.

- i. Well, I think we can declare this meeting closed. **Moreover** / **Actually** / **By the way**/, who is going to have lunch at the canteen today?
- ii. I will help him. **After all** / **Basically** / **Obviously** /, he has always been there for me.
- iii. **In fact** / **Basically** / **Obviously** /, the most qualified candidates get the best jobs.
- iv. We’d better find a quick solution to this crisis, **otherwise** / **in fact** / **after all** /, our customers will start losing faith in us.
- v. Pemo is the most well-mannered and respected person I know. **Moreover** / **Actually** / **In other words** /, she is a helpful person.

Question 6

For each of the following questions there are four responses: A, B, C & D. Choose the alphabet corresponding to your response and CIRCLE it neatly. DO NOT circle more than ONE response. If there are more than one choice circled, NO score will be awarded.

[5]

- i. *My English teacher loves potted plants.* The underlined word is functioning as
 - A an auxiliary verb.
 - B a conjunction.
 - C a preposition.
 - D an adjective.
- ii. What is the passive form of the following?
Open the window.
 - A The window is opened.
 - B Let the window be opened.
 - C Somebody open the window.
 - D The window should be opened.
- iii. *We used to go swimming every weekend.*
The underlined modal auxiliary explains that 'swimming' is
 - A an obligatory action.
 - B a recently developed habit.
 - C a habit in the past, now discontinued.
 - D a habit in the past, which still continues.
- iv. *Some stories have ambiguous endings.* What is the antonym of the underlined word?
 - A clear
 - B happy
 - C beautiful
 - D mysterious
- v. If robbers do break into the shop, they _____ find any cash.
 - A needn't
 - B couldn't
 - C wouldn't
 - D oughtn't

Question 7

Some of the sentences given below contain errors. Read them carefully and state which ones are CORRECT or INCORRECT as shown in the example.

[10]

Example: Were you happy hear about our team's victory?	incorrect
i. Yesterday, one of the boy was absent in the Biology practical lesson.	
ii. Although Nima was down with fever, but she attended the class as she didn't want to miss it.	
iii. Not only is she beautiful but also intelligent.	
iv. My dog wags its tale whenever it sees my mother bring out treats for it.	
v. In spite of being injured, he completed the race as he did not wan't to disappoint his team mates.	
vi. Nima said that she would returned the book to her reading circle members.	
vii. Deki tried her best to untie the yarn nots.	
viii. Her father taught her to drive the family truck.	
ix. No sooner did the bell ring then children came running out of the class.	
x. Roshan did not want to give into his old habit of smoking so he left the room.	

Question 8

Read the passage and fill in the blanks with the correct form of the words given in the brackets. Only ONE word is missing from each blank. Marks will be deducted for spelling errors.

[5]

From the time my uncle ⁽¹⁾ _____ (be) a little boy, his dream was to study abroad. When he ⁽²⁾ _____ (graduate) from high school, he was ⁽³⁾ _____ (award) a scholarship to study mechanical engineering in Germany. However, ⁽⁴⁾ _____ (adjust) to a new way of life in a foreign country initially ⁽⁵⁾ _____ (turn) out to be a nightmare for him. Having ⁽⁶⁾ _____ (live) in a small remote village in Bhutan, his new place ⁽⁷⁾ _____ (appear) very strange to him. To see hundreds of vehicles ⁽⁸⁾ _____ (ply) at the same time, people moving about in shopping malls ⁽⁹⁾ _____ (overwhelm) him. He suffered for the first few years and now, he is ⁽¹⁰⁾ _____ (plan) to live there for some years.

Question 9

Rearrange the words to make complete sentences. You must use ALL the given words in each sentence. Marks will be deducted for spelling errors.

[10]

i. has / in / swimming / neighbourhood / trend / healthy / our / become / a/.

ii. these / charts / all / given / are / information / correct / the / on /.

iii. leave / Karuna / a / did / me / letter /.

iv. glitters / shoes / with / Chuki / on / them / fancies /.

v. be / for / won't/ cooked / this / have / to / long/.

vi. shall/ Dechen / reaches / lamps / when / light / the / here / she /.

vii. while / rescue / to / Padma / cat / trying / injured / got / the /.

viii. slightly / delicious / was / tasted / cake / the / , however, / it / still / burnt /.

ix. made / the / beautiful / look / moonlight / lake / the /.

x. coastal / the / storm / devastations / the / caused / areas / in/.

Question 10

Fill in the blanks with the correct phrasal verbs given in the table below. Marks will be deducted for spelling errors

[5]

carry on	broke down	do away	carried away	pick up
run down	put up with	check out	set up	make up
gave up	back up	cut down	passed out	looked out

- i. The hotel has _____ a temporary food stall in its parking lot.
- ii. Pack your things as we need to _____ of the hotel in an hour.
- iii. Gyaltshen was asked to _____ some groceries by his wife on the way home.
- iv. The important points of the meeting were _____ by the director to his subordinates.
- v. Delma's old car _____ on the way to the vegetable market.