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MODEL QUESTION PAPER II

CLASS IX

SUB: ENGLISH

SECTION A (READING- 20 Marks)

Q 1 Read the following passage carefully.

Most of us would agree that it is admirable to be loyal. We approve of loyalty to our friends and loyalty to our country. By loyalty here, we mean a readiness to help people when they are in difficulty or danger, and a constant interest in their well- being at all times. A person is disloyal when he lets his parents suffer without showing any concern or fights in an army against his fellow countrymen. However, there arise situations in which it is harder to decide if a person is being disloyal or not. A clever child may resist his parent's appeals to stop studying and pick up a job in order to help them financially. He may believe that he will be able to repay his parents more fully in the near future if he continues his studies for a few years longer, whereas, if he stops now, his talent will be wasted and not serve any purpose to anybody. On the other hand, if a boy's parents are in great poverty, it might be disloyal for him to refuse to help them by going out to work and even if later in life he is successful, he may regret his disloyalty as a boy.

A more difficult problem sometimes is that of a human being's relationship with the government of his country. A group of people who sincerely love their country and are anxious for its prosperity may revolt against the government, because they believe the government is doing something bad for the country. They will immediately be called rebels and traitors. Calling them rebels may be correct but not traitors, frothy may be more truly loyal to the interests of their fellow countrymen than the government of the day. Here, we have to see if they were inspired by true loyalty or by selfish interests.

Answer the following questions briefly.

- (a) What according to the writer does loyalty refer to?
- (b) What does a clever child believe in when he does not obey his parents?
- (c) What is the responsibility of a child whose parents are poor?
- (d) Is the boy in the passage sensible? Why?

(e) Why would a clever child regret later in life if his parents had been living in poverty when he decided to continue his studies?

- (f) Why do people who are loyal to their country revolt against their government?
- (g) Why can we not call those who revolt against their government traitors?

h) They will immediate be called as ______ and ______.

DUTATION: 3Hrs MARKS: 80

8*1=8 MARKS

Q 2 Read the following passage carefully.

By the time a child is six or seven, she has all the essential avoidances well enough by heart to be trusted with the care of a younger child. And she also develops a number of simple techniques. She learns to weave firm square balls from palm leaves, to make pinwheels of palm leaves or frangipani blossoms, to climba coconut tree by walking up the trunk on flexible little feet, to break open a coconut with one firm well directed blow of a knife as long as she is tall, to picking up the litter on the stony floor, to bring water from the sea, to spread out the copra to dry and to help gather it in when rain threatens, to go to a neighboring house and bring back a lighted faggot for the chief's pipe or the cook-house fire. But in the case of the little girls, all these tasks are merely supplementary to the main business of baby tending. Very small boys also have some care of the younger children, but at eight or nine years of age they are usually relieved of it. Whatever rough edges have not been smoothed off by this responsibility for younger children are worm off by their contact with older boys. For little boys are admitted to interesting and important activities only so long as their behavior is circumspect and helpful. Where small girls are brusquely pushed aside, small boys will be patiently tolerated and they become adept at making themselves useful. The four or five little boys who all wish to assist at the important business of helping a grown youth lasso reef eels, organize themselves into a highly efficient working team; One boy holds the bait, another holds an extra lasso, others poke eagerly about in holes in the reef looking for prey, while still another tucks the captured eels into his lava-lava. The small girls, burdened with heavy babies or the care of little staggerers who are too small to adventure on the reef, discouraged by the hostility of the small boys and the scorn of the older ones, have little opportunity for learning the more adventurous forms of work and play.

Short answer type questions:

(4*2= 8 MARKS)

- (a) What simple techniques does a little girl of six or seven learn?
- (b) What household chores are little girls responsible for?
- (c) In what way is a boy's life different?
- (d) Why do girls have little opportunity for learning the more adventurous forms of work and play?

Very Short answer type questions to test vocabulary:

(4*1=4) MARKS

- (e) The action of keeping away from (Para 1) ______.
- (f) Watchful and discreet (Para2) ______.
- (g) Rough. (Part3) _____.
- (h) Contempt. (Para3) _____.

Section B–Writing & Grammar -30 marks

Q 3. You are disturbed that these days the reading habit is taking a backseat and the children prefer T V and computers to reading books .Write an Article on the topic "Reading- a very useful hobby " highlighting the importance of reading in about 100-150 words. (1*8=8 marks)

Q 5. Choose the most appropriate options from the ones given below to complete the following passage. 4*1=4 marks

Cyclists, pedestrians and motorists make different demands (a) ______ road design which may lead to conflicts. Some jurisdictions give priority (b) ______ motorized traffic, for example, setting up one-way street systems, free right turns, high capacity roundabouts, and slip roads. Others may apply traffic restraint measures(c) ______ limit the impact (d) ______ motorized transport.

- (a) For, on, at, for
- (b) For, of, to, on

© to, on, for, the.

(d) to, on, of, over

Q. 6 Rearrange the given words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. Write the correct sentences in your answer sheet. 4*1=4 marks

a) Functions for/ they/ of/a/us/perform/number.

b) after/a/year/four/comes/leap/year.

c) sounds/dream/like/it/true/a/come.

d) cars/have/will/these/system/voice/command.

Q7 The following passage has not been edited. There is an error in each line against which a blank is given. Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet against the correct blank number as given. (4*1=4 m)

	Incorrect words	correct words
When Charles could not got works,	a)	a)
He wander about the city streets	b)	b)
He found food and warmth wherever he can	. C)	c)
Sometimes he was sent away to a orphanage	e d)	d)

SECTION C (LITERATURE 30 MARKS)

Q 8 Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow. 4*1= 4 MARKSA)

a) His first trip abroad was to Afghanistan where king Zahir shah was so taken in by the maestro that he gifted him priceless Persian carpets and other souvenirs.

i) Which country was Bismillah khan's first trip abroad?

ii) What was Zahir Shah present Bismillah Khan?

iii) Who was the king of Afghanistan?

iv) Find word from the passage which has the same meaning as 'momento'.

OR

And I shall have some peace there, for peace comes dropping slow

Dropping from the veils of the morning to where the cricket sings;

- i) What does the word 'there' in the above lines refer to?
- ii) How does peace enter the huts of peasants?
- iii) What does the poet wish to have?
- iv) Name the literary device used in the poem.

Q 9 ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTION IN 30-40 WORDS EACH. (5* 2=10 m)

- a) What was the doctor thinking while he was seated before the mirror?
- b) Why did A.P.J.Abdul Kalama call his childhood a secure childhood?
- c) Why did the author's grandfather decide to buy Toto?
- d) How did Iswaran tackle the elephant?
- e) How was the kingdom of fools different from any other place?

Q 10 ANSWER ANY ONE FROM THESE QUESTION IN 100-150 (1*8=8 MARKS)

a) Describe Innis free as visualized by the poet so graphically.

OR

b) "The little girl sobbed," What did God make father for? What does it imply, keeping the behavior of Kezia's father in mind? Write a paragraph suggesting that parents need not be demonstrative.

Q 11 ANSWER ANY ONE OF THESE QUESTION IN 100-150 WORDS. (1* 8=8 MARKS)

a) Toto's mischiefs are beyond imagination. Support your answer

OR

b) How was the kingdom of fools different from other places?