SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – I, 2012
ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE
Class - X

Time : 3 hours
Maximum Marks: 90

Instructions:
The question paper is divided into four sections.

Section A : Reading 20 marks
Section B : Writing 25 marks
Section C : Grammar 20 marks
Section D : Literature 25 marks

SECTION - A
(Reading - 20 Marks)

1. Read the following passage carefully.

It's not "cool" to be fat, but that has not prevented an obesity epidemic from occurring among America's youth. Childhood obesity increased from 5 percent in 1964 to about 13 percent in 1994. Today, it is about 20 percent – and rising. Excessive time spent watching television, using the computer, and playing video games is partly to blame for this escalating rate. Children, on average, spend up to five to six hours a day involved in these sedentary activities. Perhaps it wouldn't matter if they were sufficiently active at other times, but most of them aren't.

To make matters worse, children are bombarded with well-crafted TV ads from fast-food chains and other purveyors of high-fat, high-sugar meals and snacks. A recent study reported that two-to-six-year-olds who watch television are more likely to choose food products advertised on TV than children who do not watch such commercials. These highly effective advertising campaigns, combined with a physically inactive lifestyle, have produced a generation of kids who are at high risk for obesity-associated medical conditions.

The major health threat is the early development of Type 2 diabetes (adult onset), particularly in children with a family history of disease. Doctors are reporting a surge in young adolescents developing Type 2 diabetes – which can lead to heart disease, high blood pressure, kidney disease, stroke, limb amputations, and blindness. People who develop diabetes in adolescence face a diminished quality of life and shortened life span, particularly if the disease progresses untreated. It's a scary prospect for our children but, in many cases, obesity and diabetes are preventable.

When children are spending most of their free time sitting in front of televisions and computers, they are not outside running, jumping or engaging in...
team sports that would keep their weight down. Parents need to set limits on the
time their children are engaged in passive activities. Pediatricians recommend
restricting children to one to two hours per day on TV and computers combined
— though older children may need additional time for learning activities.

Parental involvement remains the most important key to our children’s
healthy diets. Programs to educate parents about nutrition are essential. Fast
foods should be consumed only in moderation. Caregivers, who are often busy
and harried, must avoid the temptation to whisk their kids into fast-food
restaurants or to pick up fast food for dinner at home. Changing eating habits
and lifestyles is not easy, but the health benefit for our children is a wonderful
payoff for parents willing to take on the task.

(a) On the basis of your reading of the passage, complete the following
statements briefly.
(i) One of the major reasons behind obesity among children is the
…………………
(ii) Type 2 diabetes is normally found in the children ………
(iii) Type 2 diabetes can lead to …………………
(iv) In order to keep children’s weight in check, the parents need to
………
(v) Pediatricians suggest that …………………
(vi) The most important factor to improve our children’s diet is
…………………

(b) Answer the following questions briefly.
(i) How do advertisements are responsible for obesity associated
medical problem?
(ii) How does diabetes affect adolescents?

(c) Find words from the passage which mean the same as the following
(i) Inactive (para 1) …………………
(ii) Declined (para 3) …………………

2. Read the following passage carefully.

Sariska National Park is a wildlife sanctuary, located at a distance of 107 km
from Jaipur. The Park possesses historical monuments and temples, which
depict the legacy of the Maharajas of Alwar. The Park is bigger than
Ranthambore but has a similar topography. Though, this sanctuary doesn’t have
many tigers yet many wild animals dwell on the grounds of this park. Apart
from other carnivores and herbivores, you can also trace Rhesus Monkeys,
which can usually be seen playing tricks upon each other around Tad Vriksh
(tree).

The Park also shelters many different species of birds including Bush Quails,
Sand Grouses, Trek Pies, Golden backed Woodpeckers, crested Serpent Eagles
and Great Indian horned Owls. Animal lovers would definitely love this place
which will offer them some of the best scenes to remember. The best place to
spot the wildlife is at the waterholes where animals come to satisfy their thirst.
You can trace hundreds of birds at the Kalighati Waterhole and Nilgai can be
spotted at Salupka waterhole.
Siliserh Lake is another attraction which is inhabited by crocodiles on the edge of the sanctuary. You would find innumerable monkeys and langurs all over the Park doing activities. The Kankwadi Fort is also worth visiting that has a long chaotic history. According to one of the beliefs, here Dara Shikoh was imprisoned by Aurangzeb. Bharathari is another place which is named after Raja Bharathari of Ujjain who took ‘Samadhi’ in this holy place. Devotees from all over Rajasthan come to this place on 8th of shukla-paksha of Bhadon month.

Sariska Palace is also worth a visit, which has been converted into a heritage hotel. Besides all this, you can visit the Pandupol, a place where Bhima adjusted a stick in the rock face of a cliff to make a pathway. You can also opt for Jeep Safaris which are easily available to explore the National Reserve. Sariska National Park is an enthralling sanctuary, where you can visit the rich heritage sites and enjoy the beauty of natural world.

On the basis of your reading of the above passage, complete the following sentences by choosing the correct options from those given below.

(a) Sariska National Park is a
   (i) historical place.
   (ii) place of pilgrimage.
   (iii) legacy of Maharaja of Alwar.
   (iv) wildlife sanctuary.

(b) Serpent Eagles are
   (i) birds
   (ii) snakes
   (iii) animals
   (iv) mammals.

(c) Nilgai can be spotted at
   (i) Salupka
   (ii) Kalighati
   (iii) Rathambore
   (iv) Arawali

(d) …………… is a place of pilgrimage near Siliserh Lake.
   (i) Pandupol
   (ii) Bharathari
   (iii) Kalighati
   (iv) Rathambor

(e) In the above passage, the word ‘enthrall’ means
   (i) to annoy
   (ii) to captivate
   (iii) to enjoy
   (iv) to excite

3. Read the following extract carefully.

   If you can make one heap of all your winnings
   And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
   And lose, and start again at your beginnings,
   And never breathe a word about your loss:
   If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
   To serve your turn long after they are gone,
   And so hold on when there is nothing in you
   Except the Will which says to them: “Hold on!”

   If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
   Or walk with Kings – nor lose the common touch,
   If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
   If all men count with you, but none too much:
   If you can fill the unforgiving minute
   With sixty seconds’ worth of distance run,
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,  
And—which is more—you'll be a Man, my son!

Rudyard Kipling

On the basis of your reading of the above extract, complete the following sentences by choosing the correct options from those given below.

(a) The poet wants us not to .................................... when we have lost everything.  
(i) be happy  (ii) get excited  
(iii) despair  (iv) speak anything

(b) The poet says that when all your dreams and efforts have crashed ................................
(i) make new friends  (ii) rebuild your dreams  
(iii) take others help  (iv) sit alone

(c) The poet wants his country men to be .........................
(i) virtuous  (ii) understanding  
(iii) mature  (iv) practical

(d) The phrase “unforgiving minute” means................................
(i) time is a healer of wounds  
(ii) time passes very fast.  
(iii) time never forgives us  
(iv) time is short and it does not come back to us.

(e) The poet thinks that by following his advice, one can become  
(i) an immature human being  
(ii) a handsome human being  
(iii) a good and strong human being  
(iv) a successful human being

SECTION - B

(Writing - 25 Marks)

4. You are Ravi studying in class 10. Your friend Rahul has to stay back in school for badminton practice. On your way back from school, you have to inform Rahul’s mother about the same. On reaching Rahul’s home you find that his mother is not at home. Write a message for Rahul’s mother in about 50 words.

5. Write a short Bio-sketch of Sam Manekshaw. Take the help of the clues given below.

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<th>Sam Manekshaw</th>
<th>8th Chief of Army staff</th>
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<tr>
<td>Nickname</td>
<td>Sam Bahadur</td>
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<tr>
<td>Birth</td>
<td>April 3, 1914 (Amritsar)</td>
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<td>Death</td>
<td>June 27, 2008 Wellington, Tamil Nadu</td>
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<td>Early Life and Education</td>
<td>Schooling in Amritsar and Sherwood College (Nainital)</td>
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<td>Passed Indian Military Academy (IMA) Delhi (1934)</td>
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<td>Military Career</td>
<td>4 decades of military service</td>
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<td>Showed acumen for planning during Indo-Pak War</td>
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<td>Became Field Marshal (Jan-1973)</td>
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6. Read the following advertisement for products using solar energy.

**SOLAR POWER SYSTEMS FOR A GREENER INDIA**
- EXCELLENT OFFERS
- Solar Cookers
- Solar Lanterns
- Solar Heating/Cooking Systems
- Solar Water Heaters

In 300 Cities Round The World  
Raj Solar Sales and Service  
45 - Punchkwan Road  
New Delhi

Write a letter to the Editor of an English daily making a plea to the common people to switch over to solar energy to conserve electricity and limit electricity bills.

7. You are a member of the school Social Service Club. You have to visit a nearby slum where a large number of residents are addicted to smoking. You have decided to speak to the residents about the evils of tobacco abuse, which causes cancer and other respiratory diseases. Besides being a killer, it is a drain on the limited family income. Moreover, smoking is harmful for other family members who are passive smokers as they inhale the smoke and suffer from its ill effects even though they don’t smoke themselves. Prepare your speech in about 150 words on the topic, 'Smoking: A Silent Killer'. You may use ideas from the unit; Health and Medicine' in your main course book.

**SECTION - C**  
(Grammar - 20 Marks)

8. Complete the following passage by choosing the most appropriate options from the ones given below.

**Rainwater is always** (a) good (b) ....... plants. It is free of salts and other minerals (b) ....... can harm plants and root growth. Harvested rainwater (c) ....... be used in a large environment, such as school, parks, offices, parks, etc. But in the homes it's relatively an easy (d) ....... inexpensive system to set up and maintain. After the initial cost of installation (e) ....... of the water collected and used is free. Not only will (f) ....... realize your savings in real rupees, (g) ....... more importantly, you'll be conserving and protecting (h) ....... valuable resource as well.

(a) (i) in (ii) to (iii) for (iv) about
(b) (i) that (ii) who (iii) what (iv) if
(c) (i) may (ii) will (iii) can (iv) shall
(d) (i) or (ii) but (iii) so (iv) and
(e) (i) some (ii) all (iii) much (iv) more
(f) (i) they (ii) you (iii) we (iv) I
(g) (i) and (ii) or (iii) but (iv) for
(h) (i) with (ii) the (iii) of (iv) a
9. Complete the dialogue given below with the help of the options that follow.

**Renu:** How (a) ______ such beautiful dolls?

**Meenu:** It is an art which has to be learnt.

**Renu:** Where (b) ______ it from?

**Meenu:** I (c) ______ classes.

**Renu:** How much time (d) ______ to learn this art?

**Meenu:** Nearly two years.

(a) (i) have you made (ii) have you make
    (iii) should you make (iv) you have made

(b) (i) do you learn (ii) have you learn
    (iii) have you learnt (iv) bad you learnt.

(c) (i) have attend (ii) have attended
    (iii) had been taking (iv) have been taking

(d) (i) requires (ii) will require
    (iii) is required (iv) you will require.

10. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each of these lines. Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet. The first one has been done for you as an example.

God-like qualities are planted with us at birth.  Incorrect     correct
They grow amid the thorns of our fault. Many of us            a) basic     basic
look at ourselves and see only the thorn, the defects.        b) _______    _______
We despair, thinking such we cannot do anything              c) _______    _______
good. We neglect to water a good within us,                 d) _______    _______
and eventually it dies. We ever realize our potential.       e) _______    _______
Some people does not see the rose within themselves;         f) _______    _______
someone else must show it to them. One of the great gifts    g) _______    _______
a person can possesses is to be able to go past the thorns    h) _______    _______
in others, and find the rose within them.

11. Rearrange the following words/phrases to make meaningful sentences.

a) is / basic / Change / of / truth / existence / the

b) Every / entire / is / the / cosmos / changing / moment.

c) shows / Tagore / path of / the / taking / pride / love / in the /God / of

d) glorifies / self / Tagore / that / with / universal / the / merges

12. Read the conversation given below and complete the paragraph that follows.

Ali: Omar, why don’t you leave this place? I can drop you on my way back home.
Omar: I have no home.
Ali: Where have you come from?
Omar: From Tunisia.

Ali asked Omar ... (a) ................and offered to ... (b) ................. Omar
replied that he had no home. Then Ali asked (c) .......... Omar told him
(d) .............
SECTION - D
(Literature - 25 Marks)

13. Read the extract given below and complete the statements/answer the questions that follow by writing the correct options:

(A) "Well, poor bird she should have known
That your song must be your own.
That's why I sing with panache
Koo-oh –ah! ko-ash! ko-ash!
And the foghorn of the frog
Blared unrivaled through the bog.

   a) Who is referred to as the 'poor bird' in the first line?
      (i) Duck of Kent
      (ii) Coot of Monto Cristo
      (iii) The nightingale
      (iv) Milady Trent

   b) What is that “she should have known”?
      (i) that one should have proper training
      (ii) that one should be confident
      (iii) that one should be original
      (iv) that one should have a good voice.

   c) 'panache' here means........
      (i) feeling of pride
      (ii) unpleasant singing
      (iii) a very confident, elegant style
      (iv) splendid baritone.

(B) Read the extract given below and answer briefly the questions that follow:

"How you shot the goat and frightened the tiger to death", said Miss Mebbin, with her disagreeably pleasant laugh.

   (a) In the above statement Miss Mebbin is making fun of Mrs Packletide. Why?

   (b) What characteristic of Miss Mebbin is highlighted in the above extract?

   (c) How did the tiger die?

(C) Read the extract given below and answer briefly the questions that follow:

"I will tell you what I have got to do. On Monday next I have got to do three things".

   a) Who is the speaker of the above lines?

   b) Write any two things the speaker is talking about.

   c) What is the effect of these lines on the listeners?

14. Answer any four of the following questions in 30-40 words each:

   a) Who is Lucia? What is she suffering from?

   b) Do you think that Louisa Mebbin was devoted to Mrs. Packletide? Give reasons for your answer.

   c) What request did Ali make to 'Lakshmi Das'?

   d) What does the phrase, "terrible fish" symbolize in the poem, 'Mirror'?

   e) In what way is the poet stronger than powerful rulers?
15. As Louisa Mebbin, write an informal letter to a friend in about 150 words sharing the good news of your new cottage and the means through which you have got it.

OR

You are Victoria and you are really angry and disturbed at the way your parents, uncle and aunt have behaved with your grandfather. Express your thoughts and feelings in the form of a diary entry in about 150 words.