

9 th CBSE Batch :	MAHESH TUTORIALS SUBJECT : ENGLISH Fiction : 1, 2, 3, 4 Poem : 1, 2, 3, 4, Moments : 1, 2, 3, Grammar and Writing Skills Model Answer Paper	Test - Date: Time: 2 Hrs Marks : 60
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	<u>Grammar and Writing Skills</u>	
Q : 1	Read the following passage given below and answer the questions that follows :	08
1.1.	Answer the following in brief:- [2 Marks]	
	<p>(a) Bessie Smith, a great singer, met with an accident. An ambulance rushed her to the nearest hospital, but she was not admitted because she was Black. The ambulance took her from one hospital to another, but she could not find a place for herself because these hospitals were only for the whites. She died for want of blood.</p> <p>(b) Martin Luther King is considered to be one of the greatest men ever to walk on this earth. He was the one who started the defence force with which the American Blacks got their rights and gained freedom from the distressing racial discrimination.</p> <p>(c) King completed his studies at More House College and then earned a doctor's degree in theology from Boston University. In 1995, king married Alabama Soprano Coretto Scott. That very year he become a pastor and preached his first sermon in the Baptist Church of Atlanta.</p> <p>(d) King drew national attention in 1956. Since the Blacks were not permitted to sit in the same buses as the Whites, he led a boycott of public buses in Montgomery. A year later, after many arrests and threats, the US Supreme court gave a ruling that racial segregation of public transport was unlawful.</p>	
Q : 2	Read the following outline given. Using your own creativity and ideas, write a story. Assign it with a title and moral.	07
	<p style="text-align: center;">THE COOKIE THIEF</p> <p>One night, a woman was waiting at the airport for the flight but she had to wait for several hours. So she went to an airport shop and bought a book and a packet of cookies. While she was busy reading her book, she noticed that the man sitting behind her grabbed a cookie or two from the bag. The lady ignored him as she did not want to make a scene there.</p> <p>As time passed by ,she munched the cookies and watched the clock, seeing that cookie thief finishing her stock. By the passing time she was getting more and more irritated thinking, "If I wasn't nice, I would have blackened his eye."</p> <p>Every time she took one cookie, he took one. When the last cookie was left, that man nervously took that cookie and broke it in half. He offered the other half to the lady, seeing this she snatched the other half from his hand and thought, "My God, this guy has some nerve that even after eating half of cookies he didn't even show any gratitude towards her."</p> <p>She was in relief when called for the flight. She gathered her things and headed towards the gate without looking back. When she boarded the plane, sat in her seat reading . The book which was almost complete. As she reached for her bag in her baggage, she was surprised to see that there was a packet of cookies in it, sealed.</p> <p>This made her think that it was not the man who was the thief but she herself was. In fact the man tried to share. By the time she realized that she was the rude one it was her mistake, it was too late to apologise</p>	

Moral: We should not judge. It's a matter of perspective.

Q : 3 Letter Writing :

The Principal,
St. Joseph's High School,
Vikhroli (W),
Mumbai - 400 079.
19th September 2017.

Subject : Request to organize a photography exhibition

Sir,

I, the head boy of our school would like to request to have your permission to hold a photography exhibition in our school.

Photography has become a hobby of many of our students. I too have a keen interest in it. The photography exhibition will give all the students an opportunity to learn about the new phenomenon in creativity. Sir, our plan is to hold the exhibition on Saturday, 29th June. We require your permission to use the school premises. We shall also be needing the assistance of our Arts teachers.

It is an earnest request to you to grant us the permission to organize the exhibition and make it viable and successful.

Thanking you,

Yours obediently,
Abhishek sharma

Q : 4 Gap Filling:

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| (a) have | (b) treat | (c) steadily | (d) advice |
| (e) punishment | (f) the rod | (g) insulted | (h) principle |

Q : 5 Read the passage below. Then answer questions about errors in the passage.

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| 1) iv) disruption - | 5) iv) Gazing |
| 2) iii) Telescope, launched in 2003, | 6) ii) interact with one another |
| 3) i) belief | 7) i) paucity |
| 4) i) assist in | 8) iii) can be attributed |

Q : 6 Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after it. Ensure that the word that forms your answer is underlined.

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| (a) attacks <u>on</u> the | (b) Pentagon <u>in</u> Washington |
| (c) began <u>to</u> be | (d) man <u>behind</u> the |
| (e) President <u>declared</u> him | (f) as <u>a</u> key |
| (g) denied <u>any</u> involvement | (h) praised <u>those</u> who |

TEXTUAL

Q : 7 Answer the following questions :

1. Tommy told Margie that there were schools in the past. Classes were arranged in big buildings. Children studied together in different classrooms. All teachers were human beings. They taught them different subjects. Boys and girls laughed and played together.
2. The poet stands on the roadway in London. The pavements are dull and grey. But the place in Innisfree is surrounded by the beautiful scenery all around the Lake Isle of Innisfree. The poet feels happy in the company of nature.

3. It was a percussionist named Ron Forbes who spotted her potential in music. Everybody else discouraged her from pursuing music as they thought it impossible for a deaf person to learn music. Ron Forbes advised her to feel the music instead of listening to it. He asked her to feel it through her whole body.

4. The poet describes a sky full of stars now covered by the hovering dark clouds of rain. Now in the absence of the beautiful shining stars, the sight of the darkness of the night is no more pleasant. It looks sad and melancholic and seems to shed tears in the form of raindrops.

Q : 9 Answer in detail : [Any 1]

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1. **All parents have different ways of showing their love towards their children.**

It's certainly true that all parents are different in their approach in dealing with children. However, all of them, have one thing in common, which is their love towards their children. At times they might not control their anger and shout at the kids if they do something wrong. But that doesn't change the fact that they still love their children. The only motive of our parents, is to make sure that we have a better future. In ensuring that it does happen, they might not fulfill all our demands just to show us that it's possible to have tough times in life. Some parents do look after all the requests their child makes, with a feeling that the child deserves to have everything he wants. On the other hand, there are some parents, who want the child to understand the meaning of life and thus, are very strict in their approach with the kids. And thus, are very strict in their approach with the kids. Having said that the one common factor that all our parents have, is their constant love and affection for us.

2. Ustad Bismillah Khan was a great maestro in the world of music, an outstanding Shahnai player of great national and international fame. He was a great musician. The Shehanai was brought to its classical stage by Ustad Bismillah Khan. He practised for hours and worked very hard to attain perfection. It was his incredible talent of music that made him the first Indian to greet independent India. He also created many new ragas and brought musical innovation. He was a winner of the most prestigious award 'The Bharat Ratna' and many other awards. He refused all opportunities to stay abroad and chose to stay in India which shows that he was a true patriot. He advised all Indians to learn and teach music to their children. In his opinion, music is considered to be the richest tradition of Hindustan. The Indians should preserve their heritage as the West is also influenced to learn it.

Bismillah Khan refused a request made by one of his students to start a Shehnai school in the USA because he did not wish to live away from Hindustan, specifically from Benaras, the River Ganga and Dumraon. He was a great artist who maintained simplicity always. Ustad Bismillah Khan devoted his life to preserving, improving and spreading Indian music. He was a devout Muslim but he played Shehnai in the Hindu temple every day. He found his inspiration from the River Ganga. His life was a perfect example of the rich, cultural heritage of India.

Q : 10 Read the passage and answer the questions :

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- (a) Einstein's role at his job was to assess other people's inventions.
(b) Einstein developed his ideas secretly while he was working as a technical expert at the patent office in Berlin.

- (c) Einstein's desk drawer was filled with papers of his work in theoretical physics. Hence, it was called as the 'bureau of theoretical physics' by him.

Q : 11 Read the poem and answer the questions :

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- (a) The wind is clever as it selects the weak from the strong and then crushes them.
(b) The houses, doors, rafters, wood, bodies, lives and hearts which are weak, are all affected by the wind.
(c) It means that the wind is like a strong current of air crushing everything weak which comes in its way.

Q : 12 Answer in detail from Moments : [Any 2] [5 Marks]

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1. This story, 'The Lost Child' by Mulk Raj Anand, depicts vividly the tender, yet strong emotions of a child. It leaves an unforgettable impression on the minds of the readers. It tells us that parents are an inseparable part of a child. He values his parents more than any worldly possessions. When the child gets separated from his parents all the charm of the external world disappears for him. He only longs to be in the arms of his parents.
- Once the child entered the fair, he was attracted to many things. First of all he wanted to buy a toy. But his father looked at him in anger. The child understood that his father would not buy him that toy. Then he was charmed by the dragonflies, insects and worms but he could not catch them.
- Later, he saw a sweetmeat shop. He wanted to eat burfi. He slowly murmured too. But he feared his parents would say he was greedy. So he moved on without saying anything. Then a flower-seller attracted him. He wanted to have a flower garland. But he could not get it. Then he saw a balloon seller. He was attracted by the multicoloured balloons. But he knew well that his parents would not buy him a balloon. So he moved on. Thus he could not get the things he desired. Finally he came to a roundabout. He wanted to have a ride in it. So he kept looking at it till it slowed and came to a standstill. He made a bold request to his parents. But he got no reply. He painfully realized that his parents were not there. He was lost.
2. 'The Adventures of Toto' is an interesting narrative by Ruskin Bond. It contains a very amusing description of the mischievous acts of a baby monkey named Toto. The author's Grandfather who was a great lover of pets tried to tame it, but failed. The wild mischief of Toto could not be controlled and they had to sell him back to its owner.
- A pet shares our love and affection. He becomes a member of the family and misses the absence of any one who leaves the family for a short or a long time. If a pet is adopted, he should be properly looked after as far as his needs for food, shelter and comfort are concerned. Whatever the season, the pet ought to be given the maximum comfort. But he should be kept under strict discipline and guidance so that he does not go out of control or cause any inconvenience or discomfort to any member of the family or the people in the neighbourhood. In case of the dog as a pet, he must be periodically vaccinated and examined by a veterinary surgeon. Suppose he begins to cause some trouble and is a source of nuisance, have tact and patience and never lose your temper. In no case is violence to be tolerated. His needs, likes and dislikes should be studied and action taken accordingly. In this story, the Grandfather gets troubled, but he shows a lot of patience, and finally decides to sell him back to the owner out of his helplessness to discipline him and bring him under his control.
3. 'Iswaran the Storyteller' is an interesting narrative written by R. K. Laxman who is well-known for his interest in the supernatural. In this story, Mahendra, a young man who worked as a junior supervisor in a construction firm narrates his own account to Ganesh. Mahendra doesn't believe in the existence of ghosts,

until Iswaran, his cook, ignites this fear in his mind after the narration of a ghost story one night. Whatever happened the next full moon night is for the readers to read, either to cherish or to dread. But strangely, the next morning Mahendra submits his resignation papers as he decides to leave the haunted place.

Mahendra had to cope with many inconveniences at the workplace and residence. The only asset he had was Iswaran, the cook. Iswaran cooked for him, washed his clothes and told him many interesting stories and anecdotes. He had the ability to procure vegetables and other cooking material even when there were no shops up the shed, wash the clothes and have a leisurely bath. He was a good narrator. He would tell many stories to entertain his master. He would create suspense and add to the interest by his gestures. He told Mahendra how he once tamed a mad elephant. Not a day passed without his recounting some story packed with adventure, horror and suspense. However, his narrating an encounter with a female ghost had an adverse impact on Mahendra's mind. Mahendra himself saw the ghost. He got so frightened that he quit his job and left the place.

★★★★ *Best of Luck* ★★★★★

