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Series A1DBB/3



Q.P. Code **2/3/3**

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Candidates must write the Q.P. Code on the title page of the answer-book.

- (I) Please check that this question paper contains 15 printed pages.
- (II) Please check that this question paper contains 11 questions.
- (III) Q.P. Code number given on the right hand side of the question paper should be written on the title page of the answer-book by the candidate.



- (IV) Please write down the Serial Number of the question in the answer-book before attempting it.
- (V) 15 minute time has been allotted to read this question paper. The question paper will be distributed at 10.15 a.m. From 10.15 a.m. to 10.30 a.m., the candidates will read the question paper only and will not write any answer on the answer-book during this period.

ENGLISH (Language and Literature)

Time allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 80

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General Instructions :

Read the instructions very carefully and strictly follow them :

- (i) *This question paper comprises 11 questions. All questions are compulsory.*
- (ii) *The question paper contains THREE sections –
Section – A : Reading Skills
Section – B : Grammar and Creative Writing Skills
Section – C : Literature*
- (iii) *Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each Part.*

Section – A : Reading Skills

(20 Marks)

1. Read the following text :

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- (1) Fossil fuels (oil, coal, and natural gas) are our most traditional sources for power generation. The energy that's produced from any source other than fossil fuels is termed as alternative energy. Between the two sources, using alternative energy has a lower environmental impact.
- (2) We now know that alternative energy sources are the sources we use to supplement or even replace traditional energy sources used for power generation. You could almost say the same thing about renewable energy sources. But there is one subtle difference between the two. All renewable energy sources fall under the category of alternative energy sources, but it doesn't work the other way around.
- (3) That's because renewable energy sources are derived from naturally replenished sources or processes of Earth, such as the sun, wind, and water. We refer to these resources as renewable or sustainable since, unlike fossil fuels, this naturally occurring continual renewal makes them inexhaustible. However, alternative energy sources are exhaustible, and therefore not renewable. That's the difference !
- (4) The equipment necessary to harness energy from alternative sources used to be so expensive that it wasn't practical for consumer use. However, thanks to increased demand, more experienced energy developers, competitive supply chains, improved renewable technologies, and enhanced energy efficiency capabilities, that's no longer the case.





- (5) When it comes to energy efficiency, the leader of the renewable energy pack is wind energy. Behind wind comes geothermal energy, hydropower, nuclear energy, and then solar power. Wind power serves both individuals and entire communities. It is versatile, and can be produced from small-scale windmills or wind turbines on residential properties. It can also be produced from large-scale offshore wind farms in the ocean.
- (6) We generate geothermal power by tapping into underground reservoirs of hot water and steam. Geothermal electricity can directly heat and cool buildings. Generated from the energy of moving water, hydroelectricity (also known as hydropower) is produced when water behind a dam causes turbine blades to move as it flows through an intake. The turbine blades then rotate a generator to produce electricity that is sent to power homes.
- (7) Nuclear energy is created in the form of heat through the fission process of atoms. The initial fission process creates energy and triggers a chain reaction that repeats the process and generates more energy. In nuclear power plants, the heat that fission produces creates steam. The steam then rotates a turbine, which leads to the production of electricity.
- (8) Solar power most commonly refers to the use of solar cells to create energy. On a small scale, you may see a few solar panels on a house roof used to produce energy for just that one home. On a larger scale, you may see a solar farm used as a power plant to produce electricity for its consumers.

Answer the following questions, based on the above passage :

- (i) Which of the following statements best describes the difference between renewable energy sources and alternate energy sources ? 1
- (A) Alternative energy sources are more expensive than renewable energy sources.
- (B) Renewable energy sources are inexhaustible whereas alternate energy sources could be exhaustible.
- (C) Alternative energy sources are as renewable as renewable energy sources.
- (D) Renewable energy sources are exhaustible but alternative energy sources are inexhaustible.





- (ii) What is the tone of the writer in the given lines from para (4) ? Rationalise your response in about 40 words. 2
"However, thanks to increased demand, more experienced energy developers, competitive supply chains, improved renewable technologies, and enhanced energy efficiency capabilities, that's no longer the case".
- (iii) Complete the sentence appropriately : 1
In the past, alternative energy sources were not used much by the consumers because _____.
- (iv) The passage includes some words that are opposites of each other. From the sets (a) to (e) below, identify two sets of antonyms : 1
(a) generate and produce (b) exhaustible and inexhaustible
(c) subtle and versatile (d) power and energy
(e) sustainable and exhaustible
- (v) Who is the leader of renewable energy pack and why ? 1
- (vi) Based on the reading of the passage, examine, in about 40 words, the difference between geothermal electricity and hydroelectricity. 2
- (vii) What is the message conveyed by the passage ? 1
(A) Only those energy sources should be used which are renewable.
(B) Wind energy is a renewable as well as inexhaustible source of energy.
(C) There are plenty of renewable energy sources that can be used to replace traditional energy sources.
(D) Alternative energy sources are the emerging energy trends and are still evolving.
- (viii) State whether the following statement is **True** or **False** with reference to the given extract. 1
Hydroelectricity as a renewable energy source is used for residential as well as commercial purposes.
2. Read the following text, an excerpt from a case study titled 10 M
"Scouts and Guides Around the World."
(1) Many young people aged between 6 and 25 belong to the Scout movement. It is a worldwide organization, which was set up to help young people achieve their full potential as they grow up.

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- (2) The organization was established in 1907 by a British general called Robert Baden-Powell. While in the army, he wrote a publication about scouting (which means searching and keeping watch) and how to survive in the wild, called 'Aids to Scouting'. He realized how popular this was, and the result was another book, 'Scouting for Boys', which had less emphasis on the military. To test his ideas, he held a week-long camp for 21 boys from various schools in London, Poole and Bournemouth. This took place in August 1907, on Brownsea Island, in Southern England. These boys had the chance to enjoy outdoors, which became another of the movement's objectives.
- (3) The Scout Movement quickly got established in Europe. It then spread throughout the world, starting in Chile in 1909. To begin with, the focus was on boys aged 11 to 18. However, as the movement grew, it was clear that younger boys, older boys and girls all wanted to be involved too. Baden-Powell's sister set up the Girl Guides in 1910, and in 1914 she started Rosebuds, later renamed Brownies, for younger girls. The movement's intention to help young people play useful roles in society applies equally to girls and boys. By 2010, there were 32 million scouts, and by 2006, there were 10 million guides around the world, from a total of 216 different countries.
- (4) 2007 marked 100 years of the Scout Movement, and events took place around the world to celebrate this centenary. To mark the occasion, a colourful badge was produced for scouts to sew onto their uniforms or bags. The design included the official scout emblem, as well as the phrase, 'one world one promise', and images of doves and the globe.
- (5) 2007 was also the 150th anniversary of Baden-Powell's birth. To honour both occasions, a flame was lit at Baden-Powell's grave in Nyeri. This is the place in Kenya where he spent the last few years of his life. The flame was then carried through several countries until it reached the UK.

Country	Membership	Population participation	Scouting introduced	Guiding introduced
India	41500000	0.3%	1909	1911
Indonesia	17100000	7.2%	1912	1912
Philippines	21500000	2.2%	1910	1918
Thailand	1300000	1.9%	1911	1957
United States	7500000	2.4%	1910	1912





Answer the following questions based on your reading of the above passage :

- (i) Infer one reason for the following, based on the information given in paragraph 4 : 1
'Colourful badge was sewn on to the uniform and bags of the Scouts'.
- (ii) From paragraph 1, we can infer that Scout Movement was set up _____ 1
- (iii) Complete the following analogy correctly with a word/phrase from paragraph 4. 1
10 years : decade :: 100 years : _____
- (iv) After reading the passage, bring a contrast between the books 'Aids to Scouting' and 'Scouting for Boys'. 2
- (v) What does the writer mean by the following phrase ? 1
'One world one promise.'
- (vi) According to the chart, which country took maximum time to introduce 'Guiding' after 'Scouting' ? Choose your answer from the options given below : 1
(A) India (B) Indonesia
(C) Thailand (D) Philippines
- (vii) List two reasons why a flame was lit at Baden-Powell's grave in 2007. 2
(a) _____
(b) _____
- (viii) Fill in the blank by selecting the correct option : 1
The establishment of Scout movement from 1907 to 2006 showed _____ results.
(A) uniform (B) encouraging
(C) inconsistent (D) disappointing





Section – B : Grammar and Creative Writing Skills (20 Marks)

GRAMMAR

3. Complete any **TEN** of the following twelve tasks, as directed. **10 × 1 = 10**

- (i) Fill in the blank by using the correct form of the word in the bracket, for the given portion of a letter. **1**

Sir

Attached is the invoice that _____ (detail) the expenses incurred during the team's business trip to Tribogh.

- (ii) Read the given sentence from a recipe review article. Identify the error and supply the correction in the sentence. **1**

The upma recipe was so delicious that I couldn't barely stop myself from having a second helping.

Use the given format for your response.

Error	Correction

- (iii) Mahi and Pankaj had a conversation about volunteer work. Report Mahi's question. **1**

Mahi : How do you balance your volunteer work with your personal life ?

Pankaj : I set a particular time for volunteering and ensure I have enough time for my personal activities.

- (iv) Read the dialogue between Rita and Jeetu about a hobby course. **1**

Rita : Why did you decide to take up painting ?

Jeetu : I view painting as a form of self-expression and relaxation.

Select the option to complete the reporting of the above dialogue.

Rita asked Jeetu why he had decided to take-up painting. Jeetu calmly explained that _____ self-expression and relaxation.

- (A) he views painting as a form of
(B) he has viewed painting as a form of
(C) he viewed painting as a form of
(D) he is viewing painting as a form of





- (x) Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option to complete the sentence to share the latest update on the school art competition. 1
Our talented young artists have done us proud once again as our school's art team _____ the top spot in the state-level competition.
(A) won (B) win
(C) is winning (D) has win

- (xi) Complete the sentence from the song, by filling in the blank with the correct option : 1
The frosty winter mourns your absence,
The snow flakes and ice _____ your warmth.
The fireplace flickers in longing,
As the cold night awaits your returns.
(A) crave (B) craves
(C) craved (D) shall crave

- (xii) Identify the error and supply the correction for this line from a sociological research paper. 1
There's a significant correlation of low income and high crime rates.
Use the given format for your response.

Error	Correction

Creative Writing Skills

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Note : All details presented in the questions are imaginary and created for assessment purpose.

4. (a) The bursting of the sewage pipe in your colony has led to an overflow of sewage making it impossible to travel on A2 and A3 streets of your colony. The stench is unbearable and the colony gates have to be closed leading to traffic jams. In addition, the overflowing sewage water has become a breeding ground for mosquitoes. As secretary RWA, you have been repeatedly complaining to the civic authorities but to no avail.

You are Shanti / Shantam of Kanchan Vihar. Write a letter to your local MLA requesting immediate action. 5

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- (b) As President of the Mountaineering Club of your school, you wish to organize a weekend trek to Kempty Falls. You are Pratibha / Prateek. Write a letter to the Director, Outdoor Adventures mentioning your proposed travel dates, number of students and teacher escorts. Find out about the mode of travel options, boarding, lodging, trekking gear, camping facilities and cost.
5. (a) The data given below represents the percentage of some of the electronic devices used in India. Summarize and analyse the data in about 120 words. Give all necessary details and compare the segments where relevant.

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S. No.	Devices	Percentage
1.	Television	86%
2.	Electronic toys	40%
3.	Mobile phones	96%
4.	Laptops	38%
5.	Refrigerators	69%
6.	Kitchen appliances	84%

OR

- (b) Based on the following extract, write an analytical paragraph in about 120 words : <https://www.cbseboardonline.com>
- “One of the biggest changes in our lives over the past decade is the ability to order items online and have them delivered to our doorstep. The prevalence of this raises an important question of how it affects our environment. Though buyers conserve fuel and reduce emissions from their vehicles, it is replaced by additional mileage of truck routes. Also a large amount of wastage is generated from packaging such as cardboard boxes, bubble wraps, plastic bags etc.”
- You may begin like this :
- As a responsible citizen, I believe
- You may end like this :
- For these reasons, I believe, we need to limit the wastage associated with online shopping.





Section – C : Literature

(40 Marks)

6. Read the following extracts and answer the questions for any ONE of the given two. 5

(a) Tenth May dawned bright and clear. For the past few days, I had been pleasantly besieged by dignitaries and world leaders who were coming to pay their respects before the inauguration. The inauguration would be the largest gathering ever of international leaders on South African soil. The ceremonies took place in the lovely sandstone amphitheatre formed by the Union buildings in Pretoria. For decades this had been the seat of white supremacy, and now it was the site of rainbow gathering of different colours and nations for the installation of South Africa's first democratic non-racial government.

(Nelson Mandela – Long Walk to Freedom)

- (i) What do you infer from the following statement ?
"The inauguration would be the largest gathering ever of international leaders on South African Soil." 1
- (ii) Explain in about 40 words the effective shift from white supremacy to a rainbow gathering. 2
- (iii) Which phrase would correctly substitute 'pleasantly besieged' in the given sentence from that extract ? 1
- (iv) State **true** or **false** with reference to the given extract. 1
In the past the 'amphitheatre' had been a seat for theatrical performances.

OR

(b) Anyone could ramble on and leave big spaces between the words, but the trick was to come up with convincing arguments to prove the necessity of talking. I thought and suddenly I had an idea. I wrote the three pages, Mr. Keesing had assigned me and was satisfied. I argued that talking is a students' trait and that I would do my best to keep it under control, but that I would never be able to cure myself of the habit since my mother talked as much as I did if not more, and that there's not much you can do about inherited traits.

(From the Diary of Annie Frank)





- (i) State any one inference about Anne from the given context. 1
“Anyone could ramble on and leave big spaces between the words, but the trick was to come up with convincing arguments to prove the necessity of talking.”
- (ii) In about 40 words, elaborate on the justification Anne gives for her talkative nature. 2
- (iii) Which one of the following best describes the tone of the given extract ? 1
(A) derogatory (B) persuasive
(C) nostalgic (D) cautionary
- (iv) Which phrase would correctly substitute ‘ramble on’ in the given sentence from the extract ? 1

7. Read the following extracts and answer the questions for any ONE of the given two. 5

(a) He stalks in his vivid stripes
The few steps of his cage,
On pads of velvet quiet,
In his quiet rage

- (i) Explain the contrast created by the words, ‘stalks’ and ‘few steps of his cage’. 1
- (ii) Which of the following best describes the tiger’s feelings in the context ? 1
(A) anger (B) conflicted
(C) pessimism (D) apprehension
- (iii) Comment in about 40 words on the poet’s use of imagery in the above extract. 2
- (iv) Which word in the stanza means the same as ‘clear and bright’ ? 1

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- (b) And no one buys a ball back, Money is external
He is learning, well behind his desperate eyes
The epistemology of loss, how to standup.
- (i) When the poet says that “no one buys a ball back”, what does he refer to in the context of the poem ? **1**
- (ii) Complete the sentence with an appropriate option : **1**
The lines from the poem tell us that the boy is experiencing _____
(A) distress (B) terror
(C) realisation (D) elation
- (iii) What is the significance of the term “desperate” used to describe the boy’s eyes in the poem, and how does it contribute to the overall mood and tone of the poem ? **2**
- (iv) Identify and discuss the poet’s use of metaphor in the poem “The Ball Poem”. **1**

8. Answer any **FOUR** of the following questions in **40-50** words each.

4 × 3 = 12

- (i) Explain the irony in the chapter, “A Letter to God”.
- (ii) “During our childhood in Goa, the baker used to be our friend, companion and guide.” What does this statement imply in relation to the character of the baker ? (Glimpses of India)
- (iii) It is our attitude towards a situation that makes it positive or negative. Do you agree with it ? Express your views with reference to the poem ‘Dust of Snow’.
- (iv) Belinda and other animals have been described as brave. But on seeing the pirate they behaved in a cowardly way. How did they react ? (A Tale of Custard, The Dragon)
- (v) Flying is a natural act in birds. Then why was the young seagull ‘exhausted by the strange exercise’ ? Justify the given statement with reference to baby seagull’s fear. (His First Flight)

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9. Answer any **TWO** out of the three questions, in **40-50** words each : **2 × 3 = 6**

- (i) Do you think Bholi could have confidently refused to marry Bishamber if she wasn't educated ? Give reasons. (Bholi)
- (ii) Who was Henry ? What role did he play in Ausable's plan ? (The Midnight Visitor)
- (iii) Horace Danby was a typical thief. Describe how he planned his work. (A Question of Trust)

10. Answer any **ONE** of the following questions, in **100-120** words.

1 × 6 = 6

- (a) Valli was sensitive, but at the same time, she was fearless and quite determined. Think of another character from your text book, who displayed similar character traits.

Compare and contrast the lives of Valli and the other character, that you have chosen from the text of Two Stories about Flying.

You may begin this way.

The characters who are fearless and determined from two texts are Valli and _____.

(Reference : Madam Rides a Bus & Two Stories about Flying)

OR

- (b) Based on your understanding of the Play 'The Proposal', what do you think of relationships ?

Prepare a speech draft on relationships based on Natalya's and Anne Frank's characters.

You may begin this way.

Good morning everyone.

Relationships are the bond between two people based on mutual likes, understanding, need or love. I'd like to discuss relationships as portrayed in the two texts

You may end this way

To conclude, I'd like to say that

Thank you,

(Reference : The Proposal & from the Diary of Anne Frank)

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11. Answer any **ONE** of the following two questions in **100-120** words.

1 × 6 = 6

- (a) Griffin's brilliance as a man of science fades before his darker traits.
Give reasons from the text to support your answer.

(Footprints Without Feet)

OR

- (b) Hari Singh says – "He knew it but neither his lips nor his eyes showed anything." Anil successfully addressed the situation by not addressing it all. Elaborate based on your reading of 'The Thief's Story'.

