



**DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL, GWALIOR**  
**MODEL TEST PAPER**  
**CLASS – VII**  
**SUBJECT – ENGLISH**

**Time: 03 hrs.**

**M.M.:80**

The question paper is divided into *four* sections:

<b>Section A :</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>15 Marks</b>
<b>Section B :</b>	<b>Writing</b>	<b>20 Marks</b>
<b>Section C :</b>	<b>Grammar</b>	<b>20 Marks</b>
<b>Section D :</b>	<b>Literature</b>	<b>25 Marks</b>

**General Instructions:**

1. All questions are **compulsory**.
2. An additional 15 minutes time has been allotted to read this question paper.

**Section A - Reading**

**Q1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:**

1. Ideas rule the world. You shape your fate and decide your destiny by your thoughts. You have to think high to rise. You have to believe and be sure of yourself to win a prize. Life's battles don't always go to the stronger or faster man: but sooner or later the man who wins is the man who thinks he can. Success starts with your thoughts. Whatever your mind can conceive and believe, it can achieve. And your mind is nothing more than a bundle of thoughts. Since you have the power to shape your thoughts, you automatically also have the power to fashion your fate and decide your destiny. Thus, your thoughts are the most potent, powerful and prime source of your success. For your thoughts to blossom into success, they should be combined with definiteness of purpose, perseverance and a burning, pulsating, strong desire to translate them into action.
2. Believe that you will succeed and believe it firmly. You will then do whatever is necessary to bring success about. Faith in yourself, confidence that you can and will succeed is the key to your success in any venture. If you keep your mind riveted on your goal and focus your thoughts on the great and splendid things you wish to have, you will find yourself unconsciously seizing upon the opportunities that are required for the fulfillment of your desire.
3. Thoughts are supreme. Preserve a right mental attitude of courage, frankness and good cheer. Think of success in your work and you will then do automatically and unconsciously the things necessary to bring success about. If your desire is weak and efforts are erratic, your achievements will also be slight and fleeting. But if you go after your goal with the single-mindedness of a bulldog after a cat, with boundless energy, enthusiasm and determination, nothing and nobody under the sun can stop you from reaping success and securing your cherished objective. The swiftness and speed of your progress towards achieving your goal depends solely on the depth and intensity you desire. Your goal should also be definite, clear-cut and specific and should be linked to a fixed time frame so that your energies and efforts can be focused and forcefully directed towards its attainment.

**A. Complete the statements:**

1. One's thoughts shape .....
2. Battles of life are not always .....
3. Thoughts are the most potent .....

**B. Fill in the blanks with ‘one’ word only:**

If a man keeps his mind (a)..... on his goal and (b)..... his thoughts on the great and splendid things he (c)..... to have, he will find (d) ..... unconsciously, seizing upon the opportunities, required for the fulfillment of his goal.

**Q2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:**

**How A Boat Sails Against The Wind**

If ships and boats were like toy balloons, swept hither and thither at the mercy of every gust of wind, Columbus would never have crossed the Atlantic, nor would Drake have sailed round the world.

A kite is heavier than air, and yet it can be made to rise into the air, because the string holds it against the wind and the angle at which the kite is set prevents any downward movement. The kite takes the line of least resistance by going upwards.

If you pass your ruler edgewise through water, very little resistance will be offered, but if you roll up your sleeve and hold the flat of your hand in the water, over the side of a moving boat, you will be surprised at the amount of pressure exerted against your palm.

Accordingly, boats are made sharp at the bow and cleanly ‘run’ at the stern, that is, beautifully tapered off so that the water slips away behind without bubbling and acting as a drag.

**From the given alternatives, choose the best choice as your answer.**

- (a) What would have happened if ships and boats were pushed here and there by the wind
- (i) Columbus would have crossed the Atlantic
  - (ii) Columbus and Drake would have crossed the Pacific Ocean
  - (iii) Columbus would never have crossed the Atlantic, nor Drake sailed around the world
  - (iv) Columbus would have crossed the world
- (b) Although a kite is heavier than air, yet it rises in the air because
- (i) of its string and the angle at which the kite is set
  - (ii) of its shape and size
  - (iii) the angle of the string and the height at which the kite is set
  - (iv) it wishes to fly away
- (c) The amount of pressure exerted against the palm when held in the water, over the side of a moving boat is?
- (i) less      (ii) high      (iii) satisfactory      (iv) great
- (d) Water slips away behind a boat, without dragging it only if
- (i) boats are painted well      (ii) boats are motorized
  - (iii) boats sink quickly      (iv) boats are made sharp at the bow and cleanly ‘run’ at the stern
- (e) The meaning of the word ‘resistance’ is
- (i) carry      (ii) acceptance
  - (iii) persist      (iv) deny

**Q3. Read the following poem carefully and choose the correct answer:**

Where can a man buy a cap for his knee?  
Or a key for the lock of his hair?  
And can his eyes be called a school?  
I would think - there are pupils there!

What jewels are found in the crown of his head,  
And who walks on the bridge of his nose?

Can he use, in building the roof of his mouth,  
The nails on the ends of his toes?

Can the crook of his elbow be sent to jail-  
If it can, well then, what did it do?  
And how does he sharpen his shoulder blades?  
I'll be hanged if I know - do you?

Can he sit in the shade of the palm of his hand,  
And beat time with the drum in his ear?  
Can the calf of his leg eat the corn on his toe?  
There's something pretty strange around there!

**Tick the most appropriate answers.**

1. The eyes could be jokingly referred to as a school because they  
(a) help students. (b) have space around them.  
(c) have pupils. (d) are big.
2. Which of these parts of the body could be used to walk on?  
(a) crown of the head (b) bridge of the nose  
(c) crook of the elbow (d) palm of the hand
3. What is strange about the poem?  
(a) the foolish questions (b) the punctuation  
(c) the rhyming words (d) the funny references to parts of the human body
4. In the poem what is the meaning of the word '*crook*'?  
(a) a twisted person (b) a thief  
(c) the inside of one's arm (d) to bend
5. Give the synonym of the word 'odd' from the given poem.  
(a) difficult (b) strange  
(c) pretty (d) none of these

### **Section B - Writing**

- Q4.** Vineetha Rao had to go to Chennai urgently on an official work. When she reached the house, her husband Vijay had still not arrived from his office. As her flight was scheduled to take off in just an hour, she decided to leave without meeting Vijay. However, she left a message behind for her husband. Write this message on behalf of Mrs. Vineetha Rao. Do not use more than 50 words and put this message in a box.
- Q5.** Write a diary entry describing your visit to the Trade Fair of your city. Write in about 60-80 words.
- Q6.** You are Raman / Rashi, resident of 30, Ashok Nagar, Saharnpur. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper requesting for help to the flood victims in Uttarakhand. Do not exceed more than 100 words.
- Q7.** You're Rakesh / Vandana. Write an article on 'Life is Boring without Adventure'. Write in about 120 words.

### Section C – Grammar

**Q8. Choose the correct verb to fill in the blanks.**

1. **The boys \_\_\_\_\_ in the ground for ages. It's time to call them now.**  
(a) have been playing (b) have playing  
(c) has been playing (d) have been played
2. **His computer \_\_\_\_\_ properly. The picture keeps going fuzzy.**  
(a) has not working (b) has not been working  
(c) has not be working (d) has not be worked
3. **When I met her, she \_\_\_\_\_ French for the last two years.**  
(a) had already been studying (b) has already been studying  
(c) already been studying (d) had already been study
4. **When he arrived, we \_\_\_\_\_ for him for three hours.**  
(a) has been waiting (b) had been waiting  
(c) had been waited (d) has been wait

**Q9. Choose the correct Passive Verb to fill in the blanks:**

1. In our homes, water \_\_\_\_\_ and used by us.  
(a) is purified (b) purified (c) are purifying (d) purifying
2. If this work \_\_\_\_\_ now, I will punish you.  
(a) doesn't finish (b) isn't finish (c) is n't finishing (d) isn't finished
3. Ten trees \_\_\_\_\_ on his Birthday.  
(a) were planting (b) were planted (c) was planted (d) planted
4. This book \_\_\_\_\_ by a famous author.  
(a) is write (b) wrote (c) writes (d) is written

**Q10. In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after it, in your answer sheet.**

The television has always very controversial.

eg. always been very

While the positive aspects the electronic  
media innumerable , their negative  
impact children cannot be denied.

(a) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) \_\_\_\_\_

For new piece of information that

(d) \_\_\_\_\_

a child learns the Discovery or National

(e) \_\_\_\_\_

Geographic channel, are also

(f) \_\_\_\_\_

unrealistic stunt shows parents dislike.

(g) \_\_\_\_\_

Computers and TV have students to lose

(h) \_\_\_\_\_

interest in students.

**Q11. Complete these sentences in reported speech with the correct forms of the verbs.**

1. Marisa : "I want to meet all my cousins and friends in India."  
Marisa said that she \_\_\_\_\_ to meet all her cousins and friends in India.
2. Hamid: "I ate all the chocolates in the fridge."  
Hamid confessed that he \_\_\_\_\_ all the chocolates in the fridge.
3. "We have been waiting for two hours.", they said.  
They claimed that they \_\_\_\_\_ for two hours.
4. Rupa: "I'm throwing a party for my friends next week."  
Rupa said that she \_\_\_\_\_ a party for her friends the following week.

**Q12. Rearrange the following words to form meaningful sentences:**

- (a) assistants / shop / required / salesmen / and / are
- (b) Chinese / served / Italian / are / here / meals / and
- (c) are / cinnamon / benefits / what / the / of?
- (d) tomato / and / cut / cucumber / slices / some

**Section D – Literature**

**Q13. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow.**

**(1) “*That dwelt in the lone house then  
Stood listening in the quiet of the moonlight*”**

- (a) Who dwelt in the lone house?  
1. Demons                      2. Birds                      3. Animals                      4. Phantom listeners
- (b) How did the listeners answer to the traveler’s call?  
1. With shouts              2. with silence              3. with chaos              4. with a reply
- (c) How might the traveller have felt when no one answered?  
1. Angry                      2. Baffled                      3. Indifferent                      4. Shocked

**(2) ‘*But there wasn’t time to save them.*’**

- (a) Who says this and when?
- (b) Whom did she try to save?
- (c) Why could she not save them?

**(3) “*Don’t go putting two and two together again, like this!*”**

- (a) Who says these words and to whom?
- (b) Which situation was ‘put together’ ?
- (c) How was the situation resolved?

**Q14. Answer any five of the following questions.**

- 1. Why did the Traveller come to the house? Who were the listeners?
- 2. How did Montmorency ‘contribute’ to the packing?
- 3. Why could the Muddlehead not reach his destination even after boarding a train carriage?
- 4. What did Swaminathan look forward to doing after he handed in his paper?
- 5. How did Hogan and Burns conclude that the family was away for a vacation?
- 6. What started the confusion in the professor’s house?

**Q 15. Answer the following question in 30-40 words.**

Climbing the Everest is the great learning experience. What did the narrator learn?

**Q16. Answer any one of the following questions.**

Romi takes as a challenge the task of crossing the fiery forest though he has the chance to stay back at his friend’s house. Do you think this was a wise decision? Give reasons.

**OR**

Ma Ryan was Jim’s mother. Give a detailed character analysis of her from the play “Guilty” .

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