

PRACTICE PAPER (CLASS- 10 ENGLISH)

Q1. Read the following passage and answer the questions: (9 Marks)

"Yoga is a physical, mental, and spiritual practice that originated in ancient India. The word 'Yoga' is derived from Sanskrit, which means to join or unite. In modern times, yoga has become popular as a form of physical exercise based upon asanas (postures) to promote better control of mind and body and to enhance overall well-being. Regular practice of yoga helps in reducing stress, anxiety, and inflammation. It improves heart health and flexibility. Unlike other forms of exercise, yoga focuses not only on the physical body but also on breathing and meditation. It is a holistic approach to health that leads to a balanced life. In today's fast-paced world, where people are constantly under pressure, yoga serves as a tool for peace and inner strength."

- A. Where did Yoga originate? (1)**
- B. What is the Sanskrit meaning of the word 'Yoga'? (1)**
- C. Mention any two health benefits of regular yoga practice. (2)**
- D. Why is yoga considered a 'holistic approach' to health? (2)**
- E. How does yoga help people in today's fast-paced world? (1)**
- F. Vocabulary: (a) Find the word in the passage which means: 'belonging to the very distant past' (Ancient). (1)**
- (b) Give the opposite of: 'Physical'. (1)**

Q2. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow: (6 Marks)

"Rajasthan, the land of kings, is famous for its rich cultural heritage and majestic forts. Among all the cities, Jaipur, known as the 'Pink City', attracts the most tourists. It was founded by Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh II. The city is famous for its unique architecture and vibrant markets. Visitors from all over the world come to see the Hawa Mahal, Amer Fort, and City Palace. The folk music and dance of Rajasthan, like Ghoomar and Kalbelia, are world-renowned. The people of Rajasthan are known for their hospitality and colorful attire. Tourism plays a vital role in the economy of the state, providing employment to thousands of locals." Tourism.

- A. Which city is known as the 'Pink City'?**
- B. Why do foreigners visit Rajasthan in large numbers?**
- C. What is the significance of Rajasthani folk music?**

Q3. Personal/Official Letter: (5 Marks)

You are Sunil/Sunita living in Bikaner. Write a letter to your friend inviting him/her to attend your sister's wedding.

OR

Write a formal letter to the Collector of your district complaining about the use of loudspeakers during examination days.

Q4. Story Writing: (4 Marks)

Write a story using the given outlines:

A hungry dog — finds a bone — crosses a bridge — sees reflection in water — thinks another dog with a bone — barks — bone falls into water — moral.

Q5. Short Paragraph: (6 Marks)

Write a paragraph in about 80 words on the topic: "My Favourite Teacher" or "Clean India Mission".

Q6. Tenses: Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb: (4 Marks)

A. The sun _____ (rise) in the east. B. I _____ (finish) my work already.
C. She _____ (cook) food when I arrived. D. They _____ (go) to Jaipur tomorrow.

Q7. Indirect Speech: Change the following sentences: (2 Marks)

A. Ram said to me, "Do you like coffee?" B. The teacher said, "The Earth is round."

Q8. Connectives: Join the sentences using the words given in brackets: (3 Marks)

A. He is poor. He is honest. (yet) B. Sita is a singer. Gita is a singer. (both...and)
C. You work hard. You will pass. (if)

Q9. Voice: Change into Passive Voice: (2 Marks)

A. Who wrote this book? B. People speak English all over the world.

Q10. Framing Questions & Question Tags: (1 Mark)

A. Frame a question for the answer: "Yes, I am a student."
B. Add a question tag: "She is very smart, _____?"

Q11. Read the extract from 'First Flight' and answer: (4 Marks)

"The house — the only one in the entire valley — sat on the crest of a low hill..."

A. Whose house is referred to? B. Where was the house located?

Q12. Answer any THREE out of four short questions (Prose): (3 x 2 = 6 Marks)

A. Why was Lencho angry when he received the letter?
B. What "twin obligations" does Mandela mention?
C. Why does Anne Frank want to keep a diary?
D. Describe the pilot's experience inside the black clouds.

Q13. Answer any ONE out of two long questions (Prose): (5 Marks)

A. Draw a character sketch of Wanda Petronski.
B. How did the young seagull conquer his fear of flying?

Q14. Poetry: Explain any one of the following stanzas with reference to context: (4 Marks)

"Some say the world will end in fire, Some say in ice..."

Q15. Answer any TWO short questions from Poetry: (2 x 2 = 4 Marks)

A. What does 'Dust of Snow' represent? B. Why does the poet want to live with animals?
C. How does the tiger feel in the cage?

Q16. Supplementary Reader (Footprints Without Feet): (10 Marks)

A. How did Bholi's teacher change her life? (Long Question:) (5 Marks)
B. Why did Griffin set fire to the house? (Short Question:)(2 Marks)
C. What was the cause of Matilda's ruin? (Short Question:)(3 Marks)

Q17. Multiple Choice Questions (Literature): (5 Marks)

A. Who is the author of 'A Triumph of Surgery'?
B. What was the name of the dog in 'A Triumph of Surgery'?
C. What did Horace Danby like to collect?
D. Who was the thief in 'The Thief's Story'?
E. Which book saved the Earth?