

Part -1
ENGLISH
Maximum : 80 Scores

Time: 2 ½ Hours
Cool of time : 15 Minutes

General Instructions to candidates:

- There is a 'Cool-off time' of 15 minutes in addition to the writing time of 2 1/2 Hrs.
- You are not allowed to write your answers nor to discuss anything with others during the cool-off time
- Use the 'cool-off time' to get familiar with questions and to plan your answers.
- Read the questions carefully before answering.
- All questions are compulsory and only internal choice is allowed.

1. Framton Nuttel in 'The Open Window' ends up in a state of mental shock and confusion. Write two pieces of advice to console him. Begin using 'You had better....., You may....., You rather..... It is better.... (2 scores)

2. Adoor Gopalakrishnan tells " I hate violence I can't stand it." What are your views regarding violence in films. (60 words, 5 scores)

3. Prepare a profile of Sukumar Azhikode based on the hints given below:

Born in 1926- Kannur-Gandhian - intellectual- great humanist-cultural guru-Champion of human rights- Literary critic- noted work Tatwamasi (1984) Chairman of National Book Trust from. 1993-96-won. Central Sahithya Academy award- Vayalar award- rejected Padma Sri award in 2007. Died in 2012. (60words, 5 scores)

4. The following text has 5 mistakes , correct them.

"We had quiet a dialectical discussion at it. I said that the transition of slapstick to sentiment was a matter in feeling and discretion of arranging scenes".

(5 scores)

5. "A man can be destroyed not defeated" is the philosophy underlying the poem 'The Patriot' Discuss.

(100 words- 7 scores)

6. Compare and contrast the theme, style, feelings and emotions expressed in the following poem with Middle Age by Kamala Das.

Something that we keep for ever

A handwritten name of a
Grade one paper
A handkerchief with a
name embroidered on it
locks of baby's hair inside
the page of a fairy tale book
an old wooden box

these are some of the things
mother kept for me
my first paper when
I learned to write
My name
a handkerchief that mother
gave me on my 5th
birthday
Locks of my hair
On my first hair cut
Mother keep them all,
Mother's love I too,
Shall keep it forever
I love you mamma
I always will

Ric Bastasa

(120 words, 8 scores)

7. Consider the story 'The World Renowned Nose' as a satire on contemporary society.

(100 words, 7 scores)

8 Teachers have a great role in moulding the character of a child. Write about a teacher who has influenced you a lot and what qualities of a teacher are the most important. You can take points from 'A Nice Citizen' also.

(80 words, 6 scores)

9 "Driver hijacks bus, mows down people killing up 8 in Pune" (Hindu Jan 26, 2012).

"Annual world wide death toll of accidents is more than two times that of Tsunami toll".

Write an editorial on road accidents- (use points : incompetent drivers- overloaded and speeding vehicles- careless crossing of busy roads- jam packed vehicles plying little ones to school)

(100 words, 7 scores)

10 Kalpana Chawla and Rose Donegan represent two aspects of Womanhood. Compare and contrast

(80 words, 6 scores)

11. Mind in its own place and in itself can make a Heaven of Hell, A Hell of Heaven. Analyse the story 'Lottery Ticket' on the basis of this comment.

(100 words, 7 scores)

12. The Role of the Media is in shaping the mind of its citizens. What role is played by Indian media in this regard. You can take points from APJ Abdul Kalam also.

(60 words, 5 scores)

13. The Literary Club of your School has decided to honour Ezhuthachan Puraskaram winner 2011 M.T Vasudevan Nair. Make a programme notice-selecting Venue, date, dignitaries to be included etc

(5 scores)

14. Given below is a chart showing

Richness of Biodiversity of our state

Group of Living Organisms	No of species		
	World	India	Kerala
Mammals	4500	430	102
Birds	9700	1224	475
Fishes	21000	2546	202
Flowering plants	250000	15000	3872

Analyse and interpret the data.

(60 words 5 scores)