Telangana Board of Intermediate Education

Hyderabad

Model Question Paper for First Year English from March 2027 onwards

Time : 3 Hours | Max. Marks : 80

SECTION – A

1. Answer **ANY TWO** of the following **questions** in about 100 words each. $2 \times 4 = 8$

   a) What does the boy in **Father, Dear Father** think of his grandparents in his letter?

   b) **All great things have humble, small beginnings**. Justify the statement based on the life and work of Thimmakka.

   c) **Box and Cox** fulfills all the characteristics of a one-act play. Explain.

2. Answer **ANY TWO** of the following **questions** in about 100 words each. $2 \times 4 = 8$

   a) Discuss the aptness of the title, **The Noble Nature**, for the poem.

   b) How does the poem, **The Beggar** describe the farmer's pathetic physical condition?

   c) **Life is queer with its twists and turns**, … . List a few twists as mentioned in the poem, **Keep Going**.

3. Answer **ANY TWO** of the following **questions** in about 100 words each. $2 \times 4 = 8$

   a) Write a paragraph on how Alan and his parents felt excited when he was chosen to play for the school cricket match.

   b) "A spirited discussion springs up between a young girl and a colonel." Discuss with reference to the story, **The Dinner Party**.

   c) Does the story, **The Short-sighted Brothers** support the wise saying, Honesty is the best policy? Discuss.

SECTION - B

4. Read the following **passage** carefully and answer **ANY FOUR questions** given after it in a word or a sentence each. $4 \times 1 = 4$

"The years have taught you wisdom - surely it must be so. Three gifts remain.

Only one of them has any worth - remember it, and choose warily."

The man reflected long, then chose Fame; and the fairy, sighing, went her way.

Years went by and she came again, and stood behind the man where he sat solitary in the fading day, thinking. And she knew his thought.

i. Two of the remaining gifts are worthy. Say **true** or **false**.
ii. What did the man opt this time?
iii. Was the fairy happy with his selection?
iv. Which word in the passage indicates that the man was alone?
v. Write the **synonym** of the word **renown** from the passage.
vi. Write the word from the passage which means **disappearing gradually**.

5. Read the following **passage** carefully and answer **ANY FOUR questions** given after it in a word or a sentence each. $4 \times 1 = 4$

Beauty lies in … … …

A thing of beauty is a joy forever, says **Keats**. But what is real beauty? A big question. Yet, people crave for beauty. And man's (or woman's) craze for beauty supports big business. **Cosmetics cost a lot.** Here is a list of priceless cosmetics. On being asked, a wise woman gives the list from the core of her heart. I use truth for my lips; prayer for my voice; kindness and compassion for my eyes; love for my heart; charity for my hands and finally, uprightness for my figure! How long-lasting the cosmetics are! How valuable they are! Priceless possessions!

i. What does **Keats** say about beauty?
ii. What does the beauty business thrive on?
iii. What list does the wise woman give us?
iv. Where can one get the cosmetics the wise woman uses?
v. What does that wise woman use to make her eyes look beautiful?
vi. Describe the cosmetics the wise woman uses?

SECTION – C

[NOTE: Answers of this Section must be written at **one place** in the same Serial Order.]

6. Match **ANY EIGHT** of the following **words** in Column - A with their **meanings** in Column - B. $8 \times ½ = 4$

Column A	Column B
i. appreciate	a. convince
ii. bring about	b. the quality of being kind, generous
iii. provide	c. beyond hope
iv. lighten	d. acceptance as true
v. chasme	e. dismiss, become free
vi. recognition	f. make something happen
vii. benevolence	g. gap, wide difference
viii. get rid of	h. give something to somebody
ix. persuade	i. value something highly
x. desperate	j. reduce the amount of worry

7. Identify the **parts of speech** of **ANY EIGHT** of the following **underlined words**. $8 \times ½ = 4$

Oh! (1) Papa, last (2) week my rose plant (3) almost (4) died (5). Some pests. I asked my Biology teacher what (6) I should do to (7) save it (8). And (9) she was cross (10).

8. Fill in **ANY EIGHT** of the following blanks with **a, an** or **the**. $8 \times ½ = 4$

i. My effort was over and I collapsed almost unconscious, with ____ (1) arm on either side of me. It was only then that real pain overtook me. I felt like ____ (2) exploded flashlight with no will to live; I just went on existing in ____ (3) most passive physical state without being quite unconscious.

ii. It was ____ (4) capital idea of mine. But I haven't ____ (5) instant to lose. First of all, let me put Mr. Cox's things out of Mr. Box's way. Now then, to put ____ (6) key where Mr. Cox always finds it.

iii. You must cross ____ (7) Atlantic to go to ____ (8) U.S.A.

iv. Lynda is ____ (9) Australian, but her husband is ____ (10) European.

9. Fill in **ANY EIGHT** of the following blanks with suitable **prepositions**.

$8 \times ½ = 4$

i. As she grew up, she was married _____ (1) Sri BikkalaChikkayya _____ (2) Hulikal village _____ whom she found a purpose _____ (3) planting trees.

ii. Thimmakka and her husband used to carry four pails _____ (4) water _____ (5) a distance _____ (6) 4 km to water the saplings.

iii. Thimmakka continues her fight _____ (7) afforestation.

iv. It is difficult to swim _____ (8) the Godavari river _____ (9) the rainy season.

v. My brother knows French and German _____ (10) Latin.

10. Fill in **ANY FOUR** of the following blanks with suitable forms of the **verbs** given in brackets. $4 \times 1 = 4$

i. _____it Adam and Eve _____(eat) the Tree of knowledge, all over again?

ii. Mrs. Bouncer's, I _____ (be) bound. She _____(think) to cook her breakfast while I _____(be) asleep - with my coals, too!

iii. I _____(return) the novel as soon as I finish it.

11. Rewrite **ANY FOUR** of the following sentences as **directed**. $4 \times 1 = 4$

i. Do you apply Pythagoras Theorem or Newton's Law of Gravity?
(Change the sentence to **passive voice**.)

ii. My father says, "I love my country."
(Change the sentence to **indirect speech**.)

iii. I asked my Biology teacher what I should do to save it.
(Change the sentence to **direct speech**.)

iv. No other animal lives as long as the turtle.
(Change the sentence to **comparative degree**.)

v. Age is not bigger than aspirations!
(Change the sentence to **positive degree**.)

vi. Thimmakka continues her fight against deforestation.
(Add a **question tag**.)

12. Rewrite **ANY FOUR** of the following sentences **correcting** the **underlined errors**. 4 × 1 = 4

i. Athletics <u>are</u> my favourite sport.
ii. When did the meeting <u>begins</u>?
iii. Amala is senior <u>than</u> me.
iv. He sings <u>good</u>.
v. He boasts <u>about</u> his will power.
vi. Though he is fat, <u>still</u> he runs fast.

13. Supply the **missing letters** to **ANY EIGHT** of the following words. 8 × ½ = 4

i. m – – th	ii. l – – rn	iii. cha – – enge
iv. su – – ess	v. n – – se	vi. fea – – ers
vii. wo – – le	viii. invar – – bly	ix. an – – er
x. preci – – s		

14. Identify the **silent consonant letters** in **ANY EIGHT** of the following words. 8 × ½ = 4

i. honest	ii. knowledge	iii. chalk
iv. design	v. pneumonia	vi. debt
vii. listen	viii. white	ix. light
x. dawn		

15. Write **ANY FOUR** of the following **transcriptions** using **ordinary English spelling**. 4 × 1 = 4

i. /ˈlɪtərəsi/	ii. /ˈsæplɪŋ/	iii. /əˈveɪləbl/
iv. /ˈbrekfəst/	v. /vəˈreɪʃəs/	vi. /səˈvɪliən/

16. Circle **ANY FOUR** of the words that **sound different** from the other words in that set with regard to the sounds of the **bold** letters. 4 × 1 = 4

i.	s**i**ng	b**i**nd	r**i**ng
ii.	ar**ea**	gr**ea**t	id**ea**
iii.	strang**e**	energ**y**	g**e**t
iv.	n**ear**	b**ear**	f**ear**
v.	**s**ince	eas**y**	**s**orry
vi.	ph**o**ne	n**o**	d**o**

17. Mention the number of **syllables** in **ANY FOUR** of the following words. 4 × 1 = 4

i. subject	ii. monsoon	iii. relaxing
iv. encouragement	v. bewildered	vi. woman

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