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**SESSION ENDING EXAMINATION 2021-2022**  
**SAMPLE PAPER**

**CLASS: VIII**

**SUBJECT: ENGLISH**

**MM: 40**

**TIME : 90 MINUTES**

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

**1. The question paper is divided into three sections. All the sections are compulsory.**

<b>Section A</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>8 Marks</b>
<b>Section B</b>	<b>Writing &amp; Grammar</b>	<b>14 Marks</b>
<b>Section C</b>	<b>Literature</b>	<b>18 Marks</b>

**SECTION A: READING**

**I. Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow. (1x8= 8 Marks)**

The culture of nuclear families is in fashion. Parents are often heard complaining about the difficulties in bringing up children these days. Too much of freedom in demand, too much independence; overnight parties; excessive extravagance, splurging pocket money; no time for studies and family all this is a common cry of such families. Aren't parents, themselves, responsible for this pitiful state? The basic need of a growing youth is the family, love, attention and bonding along with moral values. One should not forget that 'charity begins at home'.

Independence and individuality both need to be respected, in order to maintain the sanctity of family. Children, today are to be handled with tact in order to bridge the ever widening generation gap. Only the reasonable demands need to be fulfilled, as there are too many expenses to be met and too many social obligations to be taken care of by the parents. Our forefathers lived happily in joint families. Children loved to live with their cousins, learnt to adjust within means. There was perfect harmony between the generations. There never existed the concept of old-age homes. There was deep respect for the family elders and love, care and concern for the youngsters. Even the minor family differences were solved amicably.

**Answer the following questions :**

- a) Mention any two major common concerns of a nuclear family.
- b) Mention any two advantages of Joint family system ?
- c) Explain the expression 'charity begins at home'.
- d) Describe the atmosphere in joint families.
- e) Which family system would you like to prefer and why ?
- f) Why do you think now a days old age home are mushrooming?
- g) Pick a word from the passage which means "Polite & friendly".
- h) What are the basic values we need to learn to become a good human being ?

## SECTION B : WRITING & GRAMMAR

2. You went to Shimla during winter vacation and experienced the snow fall. Write a dairy entry of about 100 words about your experience that enthral you whenever you recollect your visit. **(5 Marks)**

OR

Write an article on the topic "The Purpose of Education".

3. Your friend, Kunal is fond of reading good books. Write a letter to him to visit the book fair which is going to be held in your city in March 2022. You are Rajeev living at H-15, Balla Colony, New Delhi. **(5 Marks)**

OR

Write a letter to the Editor "The Times of India" complaining about the condition of bad roads in your locality.

4. The following passage has not been edited. There is a mistake in each line. Write the incorrect word as well as the correction in your answer sheet. **(1/2X4=2 Marks)**

	Incorrect	Correct
When da Vinci became a young men,	(a) _____	_____
peoples heard he was going	(b) _____	_____
to make paintings for a churches.	(c) _____	_____
But he drew a horse or a plants.	(d) _____	_____

5. Fill in the blanks in the following with a correct form of a verb given in the bracket (only present tense) **(1/2X4=2 Marks)**

- a) I \_\_\_\_\_ in model town (live)
- b) The mother \_\_\_\_\_ food for us. (cook)
- c) She \_\_\_\_\_ to temple every morning. (go)
- d) My father \_\_\_\_\_ from his office in the evening. (return)

## SECTION C: LITERATURE

6. Read the extract carefully and answer the questions carefully **(1x3=3 Marks)**

That is the grasshopper's -- he takes the lead  
In summer luxury -- he has never done  
With his delights, for when tired out with fun  
He rests at ease beneath some pleasant weed.

- (a) Mention name of the poem and the poet.
- (b) Which insect is the music provider in Summer ?
- (c) What does grasshoppers symbolise ?

**7. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. (3 Marks)**

Cambridge was my metaphor for England, and it was strange that when I left it had become altogether something else, because I had met Stephen Hawking there.

It was on a walking tour through Cambridge that the guide mentioned Stephen Hawking, 'poor man, who is quite disabled now, though he is a worthy successor to Issac Newton, whose Chair he has at the university.

**Answer the following questions.**

**( 1 X 3= 3 Marks )**

- a) Which place is known as metaphor for England ?
- b) Whom did the author meet over there ?
- c) Who is the successor of Issac Newton ?

**8. Answer any 2 of the following questions**

**(2x2 =4 Marks)**

- (a) How did Jody bring the fawn back home ?
- (b) When does the monsoon begin and when does it end ?
- (c) How do you prepare to face the monsoon ?
- (d) What was the great stone face ?

**9. Answer any 2 of the following questions**

**(2x2 =4 Marks)**

- (a) What is it Ranji finds difficult to explain at home ?
- (b) Why had Framton Nuttel sister given him the letter of introduction to people living there ?
- (c) What was the consequence of buying jalebis with fees money ?
- (d) Why does Indrani Debi dislike Duttada's "hobnobbing" with Dibya ?

**10. Write a paragraph expressing your point of view regarding our relationship with nature with reference to the lesson ' This is Jody's Fawn'. (4 Marks)**

**OR**

If God had granted his wish that day, what harm would it have caused him in later life ?  
(Jalebis)

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**MARKING SCHEME**

**READING SECTION**

1. Too much independence and no time for studies and family.
- 2 .get good guidance from elders, unity is strength.
3. The parent should not forget that it is in giving that one receives.
4. In joint families, children get a friendly atmosphere and they also learn to adjust within means.
5. Joint family because we share and care for each other.
6. Because now a days mostly young couples prefer to live a burden less life and they don't have time to take care of their old parents.
7. Amicably
8. Sharing, caring, loving, helping etc.

2. Diary entry / Article writing

Content – 2.5, Accuracy – 1, Fluency – 1, Format – 0.5

3. Letter

Content – 2.5, Accuracy – 1, Fluency – 1, Format – 0.5

**Incorrect**

**correct**

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| 4. (a) men   | man    |
| (b) peoples  | people |
| (c) churches | church |
| (d) plants   | plant  |
|              |        |
| 5. (a) live  |        |
| (b) cooks    |        |
| (c) goes     |        |
| (d) returns  |        |

6 – 10 As per the text.