

TILOTTAMA SECONDARY SCHOOL

Assignment-2077 (2020)

Subject: English

Full Marks: 100

Grade: XII

Pass Marks: 35

Time: 3 hrs

Candidates are required to give their answer in their own words as far as practicable. The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Attempt **all** the questions

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions below:

3x5=15

If there were no mountains or oceans and if the winds circled the earth with perfect regularity then the amount of heat and the length of the farmers growing season uniformly from north to south. Instead, there are all kinds of unexpected differences in climate, as the temperature maps of the United States show. For instance, all along the western coast, the temperature changes little between winter and summer. In some places, the average difference between July and January is a little as 10 degrees centigrade. The climate along the northern part of this coast is similar to that of England. But in the north central part of the country, summer and winter are worlds apart. There the average difference between July and January is 36 degrees centigrade and more violent extremes are common. The coldest days of typical January may be 40 degrees centigrade, and the hottest July day may be 45 degrees. This is the sort of climate that is also found in central Asia, far from the moderating influence of the oceans. In the eastern part of the United States, the difference between summer and winter is also very distinct, but not nearly so extreme. Near the south western corner of the country, the climate is mild and spring like in winter, but in summer the temperature may reach equatorial intensity. In Alaska, almost continuous day light in summer makes the short growing season an intense one. The variations in temperature within the United States have had a marked effect on the country's economy and living standards.

Questions

- What are the causes of unexpected differences in climate?
- In which part of United States are summer and winter world apart?
- What is the temperature of the coldest days of a typical January in the north?
- What is the effect of continuous daylight in summer on the growing season in Alaska?

e. Which sectors are affected by the variations in temperature in the United States?

2. Answer any **five** questions: [5x3=15]

- How does Alyohin define love? (About Love)
- Mention three things the old man laments about why is he sad about them? (The lamentation of the old Pensioner)
- How is the glory of God praised in the poem? (God's Grandeur)
- According to Traugot, what changes are transforming American adoption scene? What factors are responsible for the changes?
- What is the real dream of Martin Luther king about the future of Americans? (I Have a Dream)
- Why does the narrator develop intense hatred against the old man? Would you call the narrator mad? Give reasons for your answer. (The Tell-Tale Heart)
- Sketch the character of Mrs. Mooney briefly. (The Boarding House)

3. Answer any **one** of the following. [10]

- The story 'The last Voyage of the Ghost Ship' describes the growth of an ordinary boy to an assertive young man. Discuss.
- Show the links between over population and deforestation on the basis of the essay 'Two Long Term Problems: 'Too Many People, Too Few Trees.'

4. Write a sentence showing how the following pairs of events happened in rapid succession using **had only just**. [5]

- My grandfather retired/ he had a heart attack.
- The plane took off/ three hijackers walked into the cabin.
- The new exhibition hall was opened/ it was destroyed by fire.
- We had the washing machine repaired/ it broke down again.
- They got back from their honeymoon/ they had a terrible quarrel.

5. Imaging that you are in the situations below. [5]

- Write a **wish** for each of the following.
 - You failed the exam.
 - You are ill in bed.
 - You're short of money.
- Express **regret** for the following:
 - You forgot your friend's birthday.
 - You didn't set your alarm.

6. Report the following remarks using suitable verbs: **advise, accuse, beg, suggest, insist**. [5]

- You've got to lend me money! Oh, please, please.

- b. Why don't you point the ceiling yellow?
 - c. No, I've already told you I'm going to pay.
 - d. You really ought to have your roof repaired, you know.
 - e. You have been talking about me behind my back.
7. Change these sentences below into comparative sentences using '**than**' [5]
- a. I had imagined my landlady would be in her fifties but she turned out to be thirty.
 - b. You said I would enjoy the film but I didn't like it much.
 - c. They could have helped me a lot, but in fact they hardly helped me at all.
 - d. The exam is not usually very difficult, but this year, it was quite tough.
 - e. I hadn't expected her to be very angry, but in fact she was absolutely furious.
8. Change the following sentences using '**supposed to**'. [5]
- a. People say David eats spiders.
 - b. Scientists say the universe is getting hotter.
 - c. People say the terrorists robbed a bank a few years ago.
 - d. It was said that she was born in a flying plane.
 - e. They say Mr. Thapa has 20 children.
9. Change the following sentence using **sure to**, **certain to**, **bound to** **likely to** and **unlikely to**. 5
- a. The price of bread will definitely go up within a few weeks.
 - b. I doubt if the miners will go on strike.
 - c. The government probably won't make its policy implemented easily.
 - d. We expect a lot of people will take part in the meeting.
 - e. In five years time everyone will have a laptop.
10. What might Colin say in the situations below? Begin the answer with '**If there's one thing**'..... [5]
- Example: Someone's singing in the bath, it's getting on Colin's nerves,
Ans: If there's one thing that gets on my nerves, it's people who sing in the bath.
- a. Someone's laughing at Colin, It's infuriating him.
 - b. Someone's taken Colin's pen without asking He's angry.
 - c. It's after midnight, and the people next door are playing loud music. Colin is objected to it.
 - d. Someone's just spat in the street Colin is offended.
 - e. Colin's just seen someone with purple and green hair. He can't stand this.

- 11. Make up a news story with a headline "Airport Collision: 20 Killed." [5]
- 12. Write a review of a movie or book that you have watched or read recently in about 200 words. [10]
- 13. Write a letter to the editor of "The Kathmandu Post" saying how you feel about the extending lockdown period in your country. [10]