

**All India Secondary School Examination
March 2015**

Marking Scheme – English Communicative (Outside- 1/1, 1/2, 1/3)

General Instructions :

Please note that the questions are numbered in continuation from 1 to 11.

- (i) Marking of the entire script *should be done by one examiner*. All answers in all the scripts issued to the examiner should be marked section wise.
- (ii) In the marking scheme, a slash (/) indicates alternative answers; any one such answer is counted as correct.
- (iii) Brackets () *indicate optional information*; the mark is awarded whether the part in brackets is included or not.
- (iv) If a student writes an answer which is not given in the marking scheme but which is equally acceptable, full marks should be awarded.
- (v) Students should not be penalized if they do not follow the order of the sections / questions while answering.
- (vi) In questions requiring word limit please note that no marks are to be deducted for exceeding the word limit.
- (vii) The Marking Scheme carries only **suggested value points** for the answers. These are only guidelines and do not constitute the complete answers. The students can have their own expression and if the expression is correct, marks should be awarded accordingly.

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2.2 Vocabulary

TOTAL MARKS : 4

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SECTION B (WRITING & GRAMMAR)

TOTAL MARKS - 25

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MARKS - 5

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MARKS-3

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6. EDITING – ROAD TO SUCCESS

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7. REARRANGING WORDS

MARKS - 3

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Answers :

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SECTION C (LITERATURE)

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General Instructions: This section is meant to test the student's familiarity with and appreciation of the set texts. However, if the expression prevents clear communication, $\frac{1}{2}$ a mark may be deducted.

8 (a) Objective : To identify the correct answer on the basis of inference, interpretation and comprehension.

POETRY - SNAKE

MARKS - 3

Marking : 3 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

Answers :

- a) The act of throwing a log / stick at the snake / trying to harm the snake
- b) Despised himself for listening to the voice of education / mean act of throwing a log / stick at the snake
- c) Something that can be cursed / misleading / giving wrong information

OR

8 (b) PROSE – A SHADY PLOT

MARKS - 3

Answers :

- a) The ghost, Helen to John Hallock / writer / author
- b) To provide help / ideas for writing ghost stories
- c) 'Bothering' means troubling / disturbing / irritating by summoning them using the Ouija Boards

9. Answer any four.

Objective : To test the ability to infer and evaluate .

TOTAL MARKS 2x4 =8

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Answer :

Came through the fog - came at a time of unfavourable weather – symbol of purity and goodness - sign of hope from God – saved them from the trouble (any two)

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MARKS- 2

Answer :

The second Sheriff, Sebastian was shot by the horsemen - fell down - computer screen said, ‘Game Over’

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MARKS -2

Answer :

As fair and fortunate - citizens washing their hands in the blood spouting from Caesar’s statue is a sign that they are deriving inspiration from him

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MARKS-2

Answer :

Sudden retrenchment in his company due to war

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MARKS -2

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10. Answer any one in 80 – 100 words

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 - talks about the subject she learned in the first year and the works of famous French and German writers
 - took more time to learn
 - no books for the blind
 - She dreaded examinations.
 - College taught her patience.
 - slightly disappointed at not meeting great people
 - firmly believed that knowledge is power
- (any five points)

OR

- extremely patient and tolerant with Helen
 - handled her with sensitivity but firmly.
 - encouraged her to explore
 - taught her the manual alphabet
 - a true friend and companion - a guiding force
 - a good tutor – broadened her horizons – opened the window to life
 - constant support and motivation
 - Her presence helped Helen to study and learn like normal children.
- (any five points)