

ENGLISH CORE (CODE NO. 301)
CLASS - XII
2016-2017
SECTION A

READING COMPREHENSION**30 Marks****Reading Unseen Passages and Note making**

Two unseen passages with a variety of **very short answer / short answer or MCQ type questions** to test comprehension, interpretation and inference. Vocabulary such as word formation and inference of meaning will also be tested.

The total length of the two passages will be between 1100 - 1200 words. The passage will include two of the following:

- a) Factual passages, e.g., instructions, descriptions, reports.
- b) Descriptive passages involving opinion, e.g., argumentative, persuasive or interpretative text.
- c) Literary passages, e.g., extract from fiction, drama, poetry, essay or biography. A poem could be of 28-35 lines.
 - The passages can be literary, factual or discursive to test comprehensions. The length of one passage should be between 600-700 words.
 - A third passage of 400-500 words for note-making and abstraction.

SECTION B**WRITING SKILLS****30 Marks**

- **Short Answer Questions**, e.g., advertisement and notices, designing or drafting posters, writing formal and informal invitations and replies.
- **Long Answer Questions**: Letters based on verbal / visual input.

Letter types include

- Business or official letters (for making enquiries, registering complaints, asking for and giving information, placing orders and sending replies)
- Letters to the editor (giving suggestions or opinion on issues of public interest)
- Application for a job

Very Long Answer Questions: Two compositions based on visual and/or verbal Input may be descriptive or argumentative in nature such as an article, a debate, a speech or a report

SECTION C**LITERATURE TEXTBOOKS AND EXTENDED READING TEXT****40 Marks****Flamingo and Vistas**

- **Very Short Answer Questions** - Based on an extract from poetry to test comprehension and appreciation.
- **Short Answer Questions** - Based on prose / drama / poetry from both the texts.

- **Long Answer Question** - Based on texts to test global comprehension and extrapolation beyond the texts to bring out the key messages and values.
- **Long Answer Question** - Based on texts to test global comprehension along with analysis and extrapolation.
- **Long Answer Question** - Based on theme, plot and incidents from the prescribed novels.
- **Long Answer Question** - Based on understanding appreciation, analysis and interpretation of the character sketch.

Prescribed Books

1. **Flamingo: English Reader** published by National Council of Education Research and Training, New Delhi
2. **Vistas: Supplementary Reader** published by National Council of Education Research and Training, New Delhi

Note: Long answer questions based on values can be given in the writing section or in the literature section.

Textbooks

Flamingo

Vistas

Name of the lessons deleted

1. Poets and Pancakes
2. The Interview
3. A Road Side Stand (Poetry)
4. The Third Level
5. Journey to the End of the Earth

3. **Extended Reading Texts: (Either one)**

- i) **The Invisible Man** (unabridged)
- ii) **Silas Marner** (unabridged)

Author

H.G. Wells
George Eliot

| QUESTION PAPER DESIGN 2016-17 CLASS XII | | | | | | | | | | |
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| English CORE XII (Code No. 301) | | | Time-3 hours | | | | | Marks -100 | | |
| Typology | Typology of questions/ learning outcomes | MCQ 1 mark | Very Short Answer Question 1 mark | Short Answer Question 3 marks | Short Answer Question 4 marks | Long Answer- 1 80 - 100 words 5 marks | Long Answer- 2 120- 150 words 6 marks | Very Long Answer 150 - 200 words (HOTS) 10 marks | Total marks | Over all % |
| Reading Skills | Conceptual, understanding, decoding, Analysing, inferring, interpreting, appreciating ,literary conventions and vocabulary, summarising and using appropriate format/s | 6 | 16 | 1 | — | 1 | — | — | 30 | 30 |
| Writing Skills | Reasoning, appropriacy of style and tone, using appropriate format and fluency, inference, analysis, evaluation and creativity. | — | — | — | 1 | — | 1 | 2 | 30 | 30 |
| Literary Text books and Extended reading text/novel | Recalling, reasoning, appreciating literary conventions, inference, analysis, evaluation, creativity with fluency | — | 4 | 4 | — | — | 4 | — | 40 | 40 |
| TOTAL | | 6x1=6 | 20x1=20 | 5x3=15 | 1x4=4 | 1x5=5 | 5x6=30 | 2x10=20 | 100 | 100 |