

THE WEST BENGAL COUNCIL OF RABINDRA OPEN SCHOOLING

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পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রবীন্দ্র মুক্তবিদ্যালয় সংসদ
উচ্চমাধ্যমিক পরীক্ষা, ২০২৫

ইংরাজী

English

সময় : ৩ ঘণ্টা ১৫ মিনিট

Time : 3 Hours 15 Minutes

পূর্ণমান : ৮০

Full Marks : 80

পরীক্ষার্থীদের প্রতি সাধারণ নির্দেশ
(General Instructions for the Examinees)

সকল পরীক্ষার্থীকে নিজের নাম, ক্রমিক নম্বর ও নিবন্ধন নম্বর উত্তরপত্রে লিখতে হবে।
Candidates should write their Name, Roll No. and Registration No.
in their respective answer scripts.

পরীক্ষার সময়ের প্রথম ১৫ মিনিট প্রশ্ন পড়ার জন্য।
প্রশ্নের উত্তর যথাযথ হওয়া দরকার।

First 15 Minutes are allotted for reading the question paper.
Answers should be in brief and to the point.

প্রতিটি উত্তরের প্রশ্নসংখ্যা খাতায় সঠিকভাবে লিখতে হবে।
Write correct question no. against each answer.

পরিমিত ও যথাযথ উত্তরের জন্য বিশেষ মূল্য দেওয়া হবে।
বানান ভুল, অপরিচ্ছন্নতা এবং অপরিষ্কার হস্তাক্ষরের ক্ষেত্রে নম্বর কাটা যাবে।
প্রাস্তিক সংখ্যাগুলি প্রতিটি প্রশ্নের পূর্ণমান নির্দেশ করছে।

Special credit will be given for answers which are brief and to the point.
Marks will be deducted for spelling mistakes, untidiness and bad handwriting.
In the right side, the marks of questions are given.

Group–A

1. Complete the following sentences by choosing the correct answer from the alternatives provided:

1×4=4

(i) ArthaShastra was written by

(a) Babar

(b) Kautilya

(c) Ctesias

(d) the Derbices

(ii) Hugh the Miller was

(a) poor

(b) needy

(c) true

(d) rich

(iii) The name of the bull terrier was

(a) Fluffy

(b) Tommy

(c) Rex

(d) Argus

(iv) Rahamat would go back to his home country in the month of

(a) March-April

(b) April-May

(c) January-February

(d) May-June

2. Answer *any two* of the following questions in not more than 30 words:

3×2=6

(i) Who is Mini? Whom does she refer to as 'Dad'?

(ii) Who was Briggs Beall? What did he keep on a table at the head of the bed?

(iii) With what did Hans never trouble his head?

3. Answer *any one* of the following questions in not more than 100 words:

5×1=5

(i) How is the importance of the elephant's drivers narrated in 'War Elephants'?

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(ii) Describe the morning on which Mini was to get married.

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(iii) Why did Margie hate school? Why did she think the old kind of school must have been fun?

2+3=5

4. Complete the following sentences by choosing the correct answer from the alternatives given:

1×4=4

(i) “good Capon lin’d” means

(a) riches

(b) filled with big, fat, male Chicken

(c) round belly

(d) some gown

(ii) In ‘Sonnet no. 27’, the poet’s limbs are tired because of

(a) running

(b) travelling

(c) fishing

(d) fighting

(iii) The Owl is ready to sail to

(a) catch prey

(b) the village

(c) the Stars

(d) find the duck

(iv) The owner of the woods lived in

(a) the city

(b) the woods

(c) the village

(d) a farm house

5. Answer *any two* of the following questions in not more than 30 words:

3×2=6

(i) How are the woods described?

(ii) What are the ‘narrow domestic walls’?

(iii) What hangs like a Jewel? Where does it hang?

6. Answer *any one* of the following questions in not more than 100 words:

5×1=5

(i) Why does the Poet feel that his countrymen should not feel any kind of fear in the poem ‘Where the Mind is Without Fear’?

(ii) Narrate after the speaker in ‘Sonnet no. 27’ how he gets no rest by day or by night.

(iii) How does the poet convey the coming of evening through her minute description of nature in ‘Twilight Calm’?

7. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives provided. (Any three):

1×3=3

(i) What role does the Singer play in the Sergeant's decision?

- (a) The singer is the escaped prisoner in disguise.
- (b) The singer is a fellow police officer in disguise.
- (c) The singer helps the sergeant capture the prisoner.
- (d) The singer convinces the sergeant to leave his post.

(ii) The Police man put up the notice on

- (a) the notice board.
- (b) the flight of steps.
- (c) the barrel.
- (d) on the box.

(iii) The main theme of 'The Rising of the Moon' is

- (a) loyalty and betrayal.
- (b) love and sacrifice.
- (c) justice and revenge.
- (d) courage and fear.

(iv) "I'll go distacted mad" said by—

- (a) the rich farmer's daughter.
- (b) the highland soldier.
- (c) the mother of the daughter.
- (d) the sergeant.

8. Answer *any two* of the following questions is not more than 30 words:

2×2=4

(i) What is the reward for capturing the revolutionary in the 'Rising of the Moon'?

(ii) Why does the sergeant hide the ring and the hat of the Man?

(iii) Why does not the sergeant want that the two policemen should stay with him?

9. Answer *any one* of the following questions is not more than 80-100 words:

3×1=3

(i) What happens at the end of the play?

(ii) How is the main conflict portrayed in the play?

(iii) "It's a hard thing to be poor"- Who says this to whom? Why does he say so?

10. Read the following passage and answer the questions:

Bhopal : A national wrestler, Ravi Kumar Barod, died of cardiac arrest after fighting back to back mud wrestling bouts in Bhind on Wednesday.

Barod, 26, was crowned M.P. Kesri seven times in his short career and had bagged bronze in the National Games in Ranchi in 2011. His heart lay in the traditional dangles and he was a big crowd favourite everywhere he went.

He was the star attraction at the ongoing state-level mud dangal in Lahar area of Bhind. He fought two gruelling back to back bouts where the competitors made him fight hard. The fight one lasted 40 minutes and the second over 30 minutes, say organisers. Modern wrestling bouts last around eight minutes - three rounds of two minutes each with two one minute breaks. Sources say Barod looked exhausted and was advised to take a break, but he insisted on going for the third match right away. But he suddenly started vomiting and collapsed in the ring. Organisers took him to a local hospital, where doctors referred him to Gwalior, over 100 km away. He was declared dead on arrival at Gwalior Hospital.

“He kept insisting that he wanted to fight. He was very keen about the event. We have lost an excellent wrestler,” said one of the organisers. Barod’s death left everyone shell shocked. About 30 wrestlers are participating in the championship. He hailed from Harsola village near Indore and began participating in senior level events when he was still a kid. He was declared Hindustan heavy weight champion twice in his career.

(A) Tick (✓) the right answer from the alternatives given (Any three):

1×3=3

(i) Ravi Kumar was a

(a) Boxer

(b) Footballer

(c) Wrestler

(d) Cricketer

(ii) The age of Ravi Kumar was

(a) 25

(b) 27

(c) 26

(d) 28

(iii) Ravi Kumar died on

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| (a) Monday | (b) Wednesday |
| (c) Friday | (d) Tuesday |

(iv) In the National Games, Ravi Kumar won

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| (a) bronze medal | (b) gold medal |
| (c) silver medal | (d) silver medal |

(B) Write 'T' for true and 'F' for false statements for the following sentences (Any Three) $1 \times 3 = 3$

- (i) Ravi Kumar was an international wrestler for India.
- (ii) Ravi Kumar was fighting two tough back to back bouts on Wednesday.
- (iii) The death of Ravi Kumar Barod was very shocking for all.
- (iv) Ravi Kumar died of Cerebral attack.

11. Do as directed:

$2 \times 4 = 8$

- (i) He said, "Good bye friends!" (Change the mode of narration)
- (ii) The teacher said to the boys, "Do not make a noise." (Change the mode of narration)
- (iii) He will get a job. This is certain. (Join into a simple sentence)
- (iv) Dr. Roy, who is a good physician, treated my brother. (Split the sentence)

12. Given below are the meaning of words which you will find in the passage in Question No.10.

Find out the words (Any two) and write them.

$2 \times 2 = 4$

- (i) Of the heart
- (ii) A Contest
- (iii) Proclaimed
- (iv) Tired / Fatigued

13. Write note on any one of the following topics.(within 120 words) 5×1=5

- (i) Restoration Period
- (ii) The Victorian Era

14. (A) Write a letter to your friend telling him/her about a short trip you made recently with your parents. Use the following points: 5

Points: Place — Selection of place — Mode of transport — Duration of stay — Members accompanying — Sightseeing.

Or,

(B) Write a letter to the Chairman of your Municipality describing the inconvenience caused by the accumulation of garbage in your locality.

15. Write a short paragraph on any one of the following topics: 6

(A) A Sunset Scene

[Hints: The Sun merging with the horizon — Sky grows purple — Calm and quiet — Birds returning to nests — Cattle homeward — Mosques, temples, churches serene]

Or,

(B) Your Favourite Season

[Hints: Introduction — Name of the Season — Span — Nature's look — Festivals — conclusion]

16. Write a substance of the following passage: 6

A good book always teaches us something—in fact, many things directly or indirectly, if the mind is willing to learn. Books are the best company; they also give us the best society. They help us in establishing contact with many great men. We hear that such men said and did, through books; we even see them as if they were alive. As we read, we share the great thoughts of great minds; we hope and grieve with these men. We come to know what nobleness is. Books work as agents and help us in being better than we are. Even in books on common men and women the power of literature is strongly felt. Such works help us in understanding life. Books should be regarded as friends and guides.
