

MODEL QUESTION PAPER

SUBJECT: FUNCTIONAL ENGLISH

**CLASS: 11th
MARKS: 100**

SECTION A

Reading Comprehension

Q1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

Warning came too late or not at all last December. The count of dead and missing numbered 30,000 and millions more have lost homes and livelihoods in the wake of the earthquake generated tsunami that struck more than a dozen countries throughout the Indian Ocean. Many of the communities hit, had virtually no memory of a powerful tsunami or what the warning signs of an approaching one would be the last ocean wide wave from the issue of Krakatau off southern Sumatra, occurred in 1883. Lacking that knowledge and any kind of detection or warning systems in the Indian Ocean coastal areas were defenseless against the waves. With tectonic plates groaning against each other by pulling apart in every ocean floor, the risks of large submarine quakes resulting tsunamis have galvanized scientists and planners to prepare for the next onslaught. Since 1992, 17 major tsunamis have struck, 11 in the Pacific. To forestall another catastrophe, world leaders have announced plans for tsunami detection and warning systems in the Indian Ocean. The existing network of underwater sensors in the Pacific site of 85% of all tsunamis will be increased and expanded into the Atlantic and Caribbean. Environmentalists are pushing for a further line of defence planting more mangrove forests as wave barriers. Early warning systems and more coastal vegetation might have saved many of the 1800 victims drowned or crushed by debris in Khao Lak, Thailand.

Almost two hours passed from the time the quake occurred until the wall of water tore through hotels and huts there. Amid the rubble Kusol Wedtchakul, prayed for his missing sister, believed swept away by the unstoppable water.

Question:

(A) Do as directed:

(i) The word “forestall” here means:

a) predict b) prevent c)warn d)anticipate

(ii) Do you think people still remember the earthquake generated tsunami? (Yes/No)

(iii) Scientists and planners were prepared for the next tsunami. (True/False)

(iv) Fill in the blank/s:

1800 victims drowned or crushed by debris in Khao Lak, Thailand might have been saved by.....

(v) How many major Tsunamis struck since 1992

A. 15 B. 20. C 19 D. 17

1x5=5 Marks

ii. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

Life is full of surprises and sorrows. Disability, the experience of any condition that makes it more difficult for a person to do certain activities or have equitable access within a given society, has been a topic of discussion in the contemporary world. The general perception about disability in the society is that of stigma which generates stereotypes that disabled people can't do anything in their lives. Its also perceived that they cannot live independent lives. The truth is they can live independent lives. Malini Chib, the famous author, completely wheel bound, suffers from cerebral palsy, works in a publishing house and imparts training to professionals.

Disabilities may be cognitive, developmental, intellectual, learning, mental, physical, sensory or a combination of multiple factors. Disabilities can be present at birth or can be acquired during a person's lifetime. They can also happen through accidents. The RPWD, Act 2016 defines 21 disabilities with a benchmark of 40%. In order to empower people with disabilities, the government has devised many schemes which such people can avail. Moreover, to empower them, the educational institutions like JKBOSE provides CWSN (Children With Special Needs) and people with disabilities exemptions in examinations such as scribe, relaxation in pass percentage and a choice to opt for alternative courses, etc. The people with disabilities need support from the society to become independent to a great extent. However, assistive technology has made their lives easier by removing the barriers. To empower CWSN, the society needs to eliminate physical, environmental and above all attitudinal barriers.

1. The RPWD act covers

- A. 21 disabilities with a bench mark of 50%
- B. 21 disabilities with a bench mark of 40%
- C. 20 disabilities with a benchmark of 40 %
- D. 40 disabilities with a bench mark of 21%

2. How many kinds of disabilities are there?

- A. 5
- B. 6
- C. 7
- D. More than 8

3. The JKBOSE empowers CWSN by providing_____

4. What do you understand by a stereotype?

5. Disabled people can live a meaningful and independent life. Yes/ No

1X5= 5 Marks

SECTION B

(LITERATURE)

Q 2. Attempt any five questions from the following.

- i) Why has the planet Mars been a subject of many Science fiction stories?
- ii) What made Dr Kalam write his autobiography?
- iii) How does Alzheimer affect people?
- iv) Why is food such as broccoli, avocados good for brain?
- v) Landslides also generate tsunami. Explain.
- vi) Why did Mr Braithwaite want his class to set the standard in all things?
- vii) What according to you was Mr Braithwaite trying to do by talking to his class in this way?
- viii) Rakesh was behaving more like a doctor and less like a son. Do you agree? Why or why not?

5x4 = 20Marks

Q 3. A devoted son reflects the ethos of deteriorating family relationships. Elucidate

OR

Elaborate Swami Vivekananda's views on Education.

10Marks

Q 4. Give a character sketch of Mike and Gerda.

OR

Describe the opening scene of the play, "Nobody Here But Us Chickens".

10Marks

Section C
(Language Skills)

Attempt the following writing tasks:

Q 5. You went to your friend's home to return a book which you had borrowed the previous week. He was not there in his room. Write a message informing him that you are returning his book and that you thoroughly enjoyed reading it. You would also like to know if he has more books by the same author.

OR

Write an e-mail to the Circulation Manager of 'The Indian Express' a daily newspaper complaining about the last two issues which have not reached you. **1x5 = 5 Marks**

Q 6 You are the School Picnic Coordinator. Draft a notice giving details of Class XI and XII picnic to be organized by you.

OR

You are Raqif Khan, an activist at "Traffic Week Campaign" led by your school. Design a poster encouraging people to save petrol, giving suggestions. **1x7 = 7 Marks**

Q 7. Prepare a telephonic conversation on the situation:

Zubair wants an air-booking from Srinagar to Delhi, he calls up a travel agent to enquire about the fare structure and book a ticket for himself.

OR

Arun and Ajay are two friends. They are meeting after 5 years. Arun has come to visit a doctor and can't talk long. Complete the conversation. **1x6 = 6 Marks**

Q 8. Write an article on the menace of polythene.

OR

Write a report on the Annual Day recently celebrated in your school for the school magazine.

1x10 = 10 Marks

Q 9. Write a speech on “Cleanliness”.

OR

Write a speech on “Discipline”.

1x10 = 10 Marks

Mrs and Mr Shaiq have invited Mrs and Mr Maqbool to dinner at their residence. They are expecting them any minute.

- a) The curtains are drawn.
- b) Soft music is on.
- c) Mrs Shaiq has prepared special soup and Mrs. Maqbool’s favourite dessert.
- d) Mrs. and Mr Shaiq are dressed in bright coloured casuals.
- e) There is a basket full of apples in the corner table.

Q 10 . The above are the preparations made by Mrs and Mr. Shaiq. Describe the activity.

OR

Describe the recent activity which was undertaken in your home on the 15th birthday of your younger brother.

1x5 = 5 Marks

Q 11. Read the passage given below and then complete the notes. Also give a suitable title to the passage.

The Great Pyramid of Giza is the oldest, yet the only surviving of the Seven Ancient Wonders and the most famous pyramid in the world. It is presumed to have served as the tomb of the 4th dynasty Egyptian Pharaoh, Khufu(also known under his Greek name Cheops),after whom it is often called “Khufu’s pyramid”. It is the oldest and largest of the three great pyramids in the Giza necropolis on the outskirts of modern Cairo in Egypt. It took 100,000 men twenty years to complete building it. The great Pyramid is built entirely of limestone, and close to 22 million blocks of limestone, each weighing approximately two tons, were used .It was originally 146m high and the side of its square base was 250m long.

The ancient Egyptians built their tombs on the west side of the Nile River and their temples on the east. This practice corresponded to the rise and setting of the sun which represented the cycle of life itself. The east signified rebirth and the west signified death. With the tombs on the west or left bank, the spirits of the dead would be ready to journey in the cycle of life. The Egyptians believed strongly in the afterlife and made complete preparation for this journey.

Great Pyramid built

1).....

2).....

3).....

Egyptian belief in after life.

1).....

2).....

3).....

1x7 = 7 Marks