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SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT-I (2016-17)  
CLASS VII  
SUBJECT-ENGLISH

Time – 2 ½ hrs

Full marks: 80

General instructions

1. This paper consists of four sections:-  
Section A: Reading            20 marks  
Section B: Writing            20 marks  
Section C: Grammar        15 marks  
Section D: Literature        25 marks
2. Attempt all the questions.
3. Do not write anything on the question paper.
4. All the answers must be correctly numbered as in the question paper and written in the answer sheet provided.

**SECTION-A (Reading) - 20 Marks**

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

**HAPPY MAN IS HE WHO LIVES LIFE OF LOVE**

1. We seek happiness; yet often find to be elusive. Searching for happiness is like looking for glasses while you are wearing them. No wonder you cannot find happiness because it is not outside but INSIDE you.
2. Every infant lives in a natural state of happiness. They are in awe of the world and experience joy with each discovery and accomplishment. However, as they grow, they are subjected to an endless barrage of criticism from those around them. As a result, their psyche becomes filled with negative thoughts that prevent them from experiencing happiness.
3. Happiness does not depend on gaining possessions but on **RELEASING** the negativity that clogs our mind. When this is done, we will be free to re-experience our natural state of happiness. It is not what we have, but what we are; not what we possess, but what we enjoy.

4. How do you get rid of the garbage in your mind? Take vitamins for the mind. That is, read good books. The psychology and self-help sections of your nearest library and bookstore have many excellent titles to choose from.
5. Some people believe that they will be happy when they graduate; when they get a job; when they get promoted; when they retire and so on. Happiness, to them, is always an elusive goal that is expected to arrive sometime in the future. But happiness is not contingent on things or events; it is not a destination but a stage of being. It is not meant to be experienced in the future but at this very moment, NOW. Our past is dead and our future is unborn. The only time we live is now. So, the place to be happy is here; the time to be happy is now and the way to be happy is to make others happy.
6. We must learn to surrender to the flow of events, to accept what cannot be changed. Did someone cut you off on the highway? Someone always will. But why get upset? Anger just festers in your system and like an acid, eats away at your happiness.
7. Happiness to man is what purring is to a cat. It is the feeling of contentment. It is the joy of being alive. Fish cannot see the water they live in. But if we remain aware, we can experience the ocean of joy we live in. It is in the chirp of the cricket, the rustle of autumn leaves, the wind on our face, the fragrance of dew, the glitter of a dragon flies wing, the warmth of a spring day. It is also the taste of our favourite meal, the sound of laughter, smiling faces, triumphant music and a fiery sunset. Be aware. Look, listen, taste, feel and smell. There are lots to enjoy and be happy about. A wise man once said "I asked God for all things, so I might enjoy life but God give me life, so I might enjoy all things."
8. Like all forms of life, our purpose is to express our creativity and to blossom. When we align our action with this purpose, we will experience happiness.
9. "We find greatest joy," R. J. Baughan wrote, "not in getting but in expressing what we are. Man do not really live for honours or for pay; their gladness is not the taking and holding, but in doing, the striving, the building, the living. It is a higher joy to teach than to be taught. It is good to get justice but better to do it; fun to have things but more to make them. The happy man is he who lives the life of love not for the honours it may bring, but for the life itself".

1.1 Answer the questions based on your reading of the passage. (1x8=8 marks)

- (a) Why cannot we get happiness outside?
- (b) Who lives in a natural state of happiness?
- (c) What prevents us from experiencing happiness?
- (d) How can we be happy?
- (e) How can we get rid of the garbage of our mind?
- (f) What is the purpose of our life?
- (g) How is anger and enemy to one's wellbeing?
- (h) Who is a happy man?

1.2 Find words from the passage which means the same as- (2)

- (a) Attainment (Para-2)
- (b) Gratification (para-7)

2. Read the poem carefully and answer the questions that follow choosing the correct options. (1x5=5)

If I Were in Charge of the World

If I were in charge of the world  
 I'd cancel oatmeal,  
 Monday mornings,  
 Allergy shots, and also Sara Steinberg.  
 If I were in charge of the world  
 There'd be brighter nights lights,  
 Healthier hamsters, and  
 Basketball baskets forty eight inches lower.  
 If I were in charge of the world  
 You wouldn't have lonely,  
 You wouldn't have clean,  
 You wouldn't have bedtimes,  
 Or "Don't punch your sister."  
 You wouldn't have sisters.  
 If I were in charge of the world  
 A chocolate sundae with whipped cream and nuts would be a vegetable  
 All 007 movies would be G.  
 And a person who sometimes forgot to brush,  
 Would still be allowed to be  
 In charge of the world.

--- Judith Virost

- (a) If put in charge of the world, the poet would:
- (e) Allow oatmeal
  - (ii) cancel Monday mornings

- (iii) cancel television
- (iv) allow morning walks
- (b) As in charge of the world, she would-
- (i) allow adults to be happy
- (ii) allow old people to stroll outside
- (iii) keep children happy
- (iv) keep other women happy
- (c) When she would run the world, she would-
- (i) let everyone be dirty
- (ii) fix bedtime
- (iii) tell bedtime stories
- (iv) punch her sister
- (d) The poem favours:
- (i) girls
- (ii) men
- (iii) women
- (iv) boys
- (e) One more evidence that the poem favours only one of the above in the previous question is:
- (i) they love vegetables
- (ii) they love 007 movies
- (iii) they brush their teeth
- (iv) they always flush

3. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow by choosing the correct option. (5 Marks)

Easter is a Christian festival. On this day people celebrate the resurrection of Jesus who is also called Christ (and it is not his surname; it means messiah). It marks the end of a season called Lent which begins with Ash Wednesday. Lent is a time to be patient, or sorry for bad things in the past. This penitence starts on Ash Wednesday and lasts forty days (the Sundays of Lent are not counted). The Sunday before Easter is Palm Sunday. According to the Bible, Jesus told people that he was the son of God and they needed to believe in him to be saved. But some of them didn't believe him, and the others felt that his ideas were dangerous. The Thursday after Palm Sunday, Jesus and his disciples ate the Last Supper. Jesus declared that one of them would betray him and that was his disciple Judas who let the soldiers to Jesus. He was brought before the Roman governor, Pontius Pilate. Christ was mocked and beaten there and crucified the next day. The day of the crucifixion is now observed as Good Friday. After Jesus was crucified, he was buried and the grave was sealed by the Romans. On Sunday his followers went to his tomb to mourn him. They found that the tombstone had been rolled away and the grave was empty. Later when he appeared to them, they remembered that he had told them he would rise from the dead. This resurrection is celebrated on Easter which proves that he was the son of God. According to the bible, through his crucifixion and resurrection, Christ provided the way for the world's salvation.

- (a) Easter is a Christian festival. It is celebrated to mark
- (i) Resurrection of Jesus
- (ii) a season called Lent
- (iii) Ash Wednesday
- (iv) forty days
- (b) Jesus told people that
- (i) he had many ideas

- (ii) he was a dangerous man
- (iii) he was the son of the God
- (iv) his ideas were dangerous

(c) Jesus went to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. There

- (i) many people welcomed him and laid palm frond at his feet
- (ii) his disciples cooked food for the Last supper.
- (iii) Jesus told one of them to betray him
- (iv) Judas had him arrested

(d) He was brought before Pontius Pilate, who

- (i) mocked and beat him
- (ii) had him crucified the same day
- (iii) fixed Good Friday
- (iv) was the Roman governor

(e) After Jesus died, he was buried

- (i) in a grave belonging to Romans .
- (ii) on Sunday
- (iii) where his disciples came to mourn him.
- (iv) in an unknown place

#### SECTION – B (WRITING) – 20 Marks

4. The Social Science Club of your school has decided to take the students of class VII to visit the National Museum for the project to be submitted in the school on 'Preserving the ancient India'. Write a notice in the answer sheet given to you informing the students about the visit within 50 words. (4 Marks)

5. Where the world is advancing rapidly the other side of it is still behind certain adversities, with the help of given hints below prepare a speech to be delivered in the morning assembly focusing on what should be the attitude of the modern youth towards the child labour. Write it within 120-150 words. (8 Marks)

Hints:-

Weak, semi-clad children working in roadside dhabas- nickel-plating factories- small girls working in brick kilns-in fields-sore scene to eyes-they should have been in schools-poverty, large families-childhood snatched away-legal side ignored by mafia-bonded labour- children need to be liberated from this inhuman labour.

6. Modern concept of success, earning easy and more money, has made the life of the old people pitiable. Old people need proper care, attention and above all love from their children. Write a letter to the editor of 'The Times of India' highlighting the importance of old people in our society and family. You can write the letter using the ideas from the unit 'Relationships' from your 'English Reader Book' (120-150 words) (8 Marks)



**SECTION - C (GRAMMAR) - 15 Marks**

7. Fill in the blanks with suitable modals choosing the correct options. (1x3=3 Marks)  
 Scientists say that they (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (can/shall/will) build a 'super brain'. They (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (would/must/could) use the world's most powerful computer, the super computer for this work. This computer will simulate the human brain. This discovery (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (will/shall/must) help fight brain diseases that strike old people. The scientists hope that they will be able to complete their work within 12 years.

8. Fill in the blanks choosing the correct options. (1x3=3Marks)  
 Once there was a king who wished that all his subjects should be happy. He used to go in disguise before it was dark. The king did this because (a) \_\_\_\_\_ who were very poor in his kingdom. If he did not get a loaf of bread (b) \_\_\_\_\_. In this way the king was the only ruler in those times (c) \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) (i) he wants to know the persons  
 (ii) he wanted to know the persons  
 (iii) he wanted to know the persons  
 (iv) he would want to know the persons  
 (b) (i) he will give him grain

- (ii) he will give him grain
  - (iii) he would give him grain
  - (iv) he would gives him grain
  - (c) (i) who the public likes
  - (ii) whom the public liked
  - (iii) whose the public liked
  - (iv) which the public likes
9. Rearrange the following words to form meaningful sentences. One has been done as an example. (1x3=3 Marks)
- e.g. hardly/koalas are/ever/drink/animals that/water  
*Koalas are animals that hardly ever drink water.*
- (a) water supply/they get/they eat/from/all their/the leaves
  - (b) inhabited/tree leaves/so/by koalas/in areas/of/is high/demand
  - (c) can eat/everyday/each/one/one and a half kilograms/adult koala/up to/of leaves

10. The following passage has not been edited. Find out the error and write the correct word along with the incorrect word. One has been done as an example. (1/2x6=3 Marks)

	Incorrect	correct
Parents and teachers overwhelmingly want to bringing	e.g bringing	bring
Back the cane in schools in Britain complained	(a) _____	_____
That the classrooms has turned	(b) _____	_____
Unruly. The vast majority of them is	(c) _____	_____
Also pinned for back-to-basics discipline	(d) _____	_____
Measures include detention, expulsion and forcing	(e) _____	_____
Badly behaved children to writing lines.	(f) _____	_____

11. Read the passage given below. There is a word missing, a slash '/' has been inserted where the word is missing. Write the missing words on your answer sheet. The first one has been done for you. (1/2x6=3 Marks)

Apple is/company that created	e.g. <u>the</u>
/i-Pod. Its audio-video compression	(a) _____
Technique is based on another standard	(b) _____
Called MPEG-4. As a result,/main difference	(c) _____
Between MP3 players and i-Pods are /format	(d) _____
In which / audio files are stored and compresses.	(e) _____
The i-Pod is now like the name of Xerox. People use Xerox	(f) _____
As /synonym for photocopying without realizing	
That it is / brand name.	

**SECTION - D (LITERATURE) - 25 Marks**

12. Read the extract carefully and answer the following questions choosing the correct options. (4 marks)

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"A world I dream where black or white,  
Whatever race you be,  
Will share the bounties of the earth,  
And every man is free."

- (a) The poet wishes of the world where—
- (i) everybody is in control
  - (ii) everyman is free
  - (iii) everyman is dependent
  - (iv) none of these
- (b) Whom does the poet want to share the bounties of earth?
- (i) only the blacks
  - (ii) only the whites
  - (iii) both blacks and the whites
  - (iv) only the rich people
- (c) What is the rhyme scheme of the above lines?
- (i) aabb      (ii) abcb      (iii) abcd      (iv) abab
- (d) What does 'bounties' mean in the above lines?
- (i) the artificial beauty created by the man
  - (ii) the sufferings of the man
  - (iii) the generous gifts offered to us by the land on which we live.
  - (iv) all of the above.

13. Read the following extract carefully answers the questions choosing the correct options.

(4 marks)

"Can running water be drunk from gold?  
Can a silver dish the forest hold?  
A rocking twig is the finest chair,  
And the softest paths lie through the air"

- (a) Who is the speaker of the above lines?
- (i) the child
  - (ii) the bird
  - (iii) the neighbour
  - (iv) none of the these



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- (b) According to the bird which is the finest chair?  
(i) the artificial swing (ii) the rocking twig  
(iii) the hanging leaves (iv) the ivy wall
- (c) Where does the bird want to drink the water from?  
(i) a golden cup  
(ii) the running water of streams  
(iii) a silver cup  
(iv) running water tap
- (d) Which path seems softest to her?  
(i) the path of soft carpets  
(ii) the path of flowers  
(iii) the path through the air  
(iv) the path of grass

14. Answer the following questions briefly in about (30-40 words). (Any four) (2x4=8 Marks)

- (a) What did Tutu do to relieve herself from the chase and what was its consequences?  
(Monkey trouble)
- (b) How did burgomaster react to the soldier's presence in the village?  
(Stone soup of Bohemia)
- (c) Why did Swami feel himself to be cut off from humanity? (A hero)
- (d) What effect did the conversation between father and mother put on Manuja?  
(Fight Manjula Fight)
- (e) What kind of world does the poet dream to have? (I dream a world)

15. Answer the following questions. (2+2=4 Marks)

- (a) 'Avoiding danger is no safer in the long run than outright exposure.' Justify the statement with reference to 'swami' from the chapter 'A Hero' in not more than 30-40 words.
- (b) 'Misfortune always come in by a door that has been left open for them'. Comment on this statement with reference to Manjula. What values can be inculcated from her for facing the obstacles in attaining her interest in painting. (30-40 words)

16. Imagine yourself as 'Swami'. Write a letter to your friend sharing your feelings/experiences that you underwent in the office room. (80-100 words) (5 Marks)

OR

Imagine yourself as Aunt Ruby. Write a page in your diary expressing your feelings about 'Tutu's presence in the house from the day grandfather brought him home. (80-100 words)

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