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**CLASS-X QUARTERLY EXAMINATION,
JULY - 2026**

कक्षा - X त्रैमासिक परीक्षा, जुलाई - 2026

**ENGLISH
(COMPULSORY)**

कुल प्रश्न : $70 + 20 + 8 = 98$

कुल मुद्रित पृष्ठ : 28

Total Questions : $70 + 20 + 8 = 98$

Total Printed Pages : 28

(समय : 3 घंटे 15 मिनट)

(पूर्णांक : 80)

[Time : 3 Hours 15 Minutes]

[Full Marks : 80]

Instructions to the candidate :

1. *Read the instructions carefully before answering the questions.*
2. *Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*
3. *Figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.*
4. *An extra time of 15 minutes has been allotted for the candidates to read the questions carefully.*
5. *This question booklet is divided into two sections — Section-A and Section-B.*

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SECTION - B**(Short Answer Type Questions)**

Question Nos. 1 to 20 are Short Answer Type. Answer any 10 questions. Each question carries 2 marks :

$$10 \times 2 = 20$$

1. How does the writer, Hutchinson, classify himself as a thinker ?
2. What is the writer's opinion on travelling fast ?
3. Why does the narrator ask Ms. Greene to save paper and aluminium cans ?
4. What happens when the narrator addresses Ms. Greene as 'Mrs. Greene' ?
5. How would Gillu inform that he was hungry ?
6. What did the narrator do with the wounded squirrel ?

7. Why does the poet believe that God made the country ?
8. Where do you find health and virtue ?
9. What are the features of a happy life ?
10. Who is a blessed man ?
11. How do the germs of disease grow ?
12. How does a polythene bag pollute our environment ?
13. Who was Halku ? What was his position in the society ?
14. Who was Jabra ? Was he faithful and obedient to his master ?
15. What is allergy ?
16. What are allergens ?

17. What are the disadvantages of slow thinkers in the modern world ?
18. Did the narrator enjoy talking about ecology ?
19. Who started calling the tiny baby squirrel as 'Gillu' ?
20. What can make our life sweet ?

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Question Nos. **21** to **28** are Long Answer Type. Answer any 4 questions. Each question carries 5 marks :

$$4 \times 5 = 20$$

21. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

Helen Keller was a popular teacher and famous author. She became deaf and blind when she was only nineteen months old. Her teacher Anne Sullivan taught her to

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read. She did so by spelling out words on Helen's palm. Anne also taught Helen to read books with the help of Braille. She went on to obtain a graduate degree. Her writings have inspired people to overcome their difficulties. People who are unable to use one or more of their senses are called 'differently-abled'.

Questions :

- a) What happened to Helen when she was nineteen months old ?
- b) How did the teacher teach her to read and understand what was being said ?
- c) Who was Helen's teacher ?
- d) What has inspired people around the world ?
- e) Who are called 'differently-abled' ?

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22. Read the poem carefully and answer the questions that

follow :

Freedom is the right to do

Anything that pleases you,

As long as you keep in sight

The others also have a right.

Have you the right to kill a cat ?

Oh no ! It's wrong, just consider that

The cat has the right to live like you

A right to eating and drinking too !

So remember that it's certainly wrong

To deprive a nightingale its song

To cheat the poor people, as rich men do

To rob the innocent, as robbers do.

Questions :

- a) What does 'freedom' mean ?

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- b) How are the rights of a cat similar to ours ?
 - c) What are the similarities between rich men and robbers ?
 - d) Make sentence with : Freedom.
 - e) Make sentence with : Innocent.
23. Write a paragraph on any one of the following :
- a) Democracy
 - b) Your favourite IPL team.
24. Write a letter to your friend describing the annual function of your school.
25. Write an application to your Headmaster requesting him to arrange extra classes for English.
26. Write a notice as the Secretary of the Debate Society inviting entries for an inter-class debate competition.

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27. Write a speech in about 100 words on 'Importance of casting your vote'.

28. Write a message to your mother informing her that you are going to see a friend who has fallen ill.

SECTION – B (Short Answer)

1. How does the writer, Hutchinson, classify himself as a thinker?

Answer: Hutchinson classifies himself as a **slow thinker** who thinks carefully before making decisions.

2. What is the writer's opinion on travelling fast?

Answer: The writer believes that travelling fast makes people miss the beauty and joy of nature.

3. Why does the narrator ask Ms. Greene to save paper and aluminium cans?

Answer: Because they can be **recycled**, which helps protect the environment.

4. What happens when the narrator addresses Ms. Greene as 'Mrs. Greene'?

Answer: Ms. Greene becomes upset and immediately corrects the narrator by saying she is **Ms. Greene**, not Mrs. Greene.

5. How would Gillu inform that he was hungry?

Answer: Gillu would come near the narrator, chirp softly and climb onto her shoulder or plate to show that he was hungry.

6. What did the narrator do with the wounded squirrel?

Answer: The narrator rescued the wounded squirrel, treated its injuries and lovingly cared for it.

7. Why does the poet believe that God made the country?

Answer: Because the country is full of natural beauty, peace and purity created by God.

8. Where do you find health and virtue?

Answer: Health and virtue are found in the **country (nature)**.

9. What are the features of a happy life?

Answer: Good health, peace of mind, contentment and honesty are the features of a happy life.

10. Who is a blessed man?

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11. How do the germs of disease grow?

Answer: Germs grow rapidly in dirty and unhygienic surroundings.

12. How does a polythene bag pollute our environment?

Answer: It is non-biodegradable, blocks drains, pollutes soil and water, and harms animals.

13. Who was Halku? What was his position in the society?

Answer: Halku was a poor farmer. He belonged to the lower and oppressed section of society.

14. Who was Jabra? Was he faithful and obedient to his master?

Answer: Jabra was Halku's dog. Yes, he was very faithful and obedient.

15. What is allergy?

Answer: Allergy is an abnormal reaction of the body to certain substances.

16. What are allergens?

Answer: Allergens are substances like dust, pollen, smoke or certain foods that cause allergies.

17. What are the disadvantages of slow thinkers in the modern world?

Answer: Slow thinkers often cannot keep pace with the fast-moving modern world and may miss opportunities.

18. Did the narrator enjoy talking about ecology?

Answer: No. The narrator found the discussion on ecology rather boring.

19. Who started calling the tiny baby squirrel as 'Gillu'?

Answer: The narrator (Mahadevi Verma) named the tiny squirrel **Gillu**.

20. What can make our life sweet?

Answer: Love, kindness and good behaviour can make our life sweet.

Long Answer

21. Passage

- (a) Helen became **deaf and blind** when she was nineteen months old.
 - (b) Anne Sullivan taught Helen by **spelling words on her palm** and later through **Braille**.
 - (c) Helen's teacher was **Anne Sullivan**.
 - (d) Helen Keller's **writings** inspired people around the world.
 - (e) People who cannot use one or more of their senses are called **differently-abled**.
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22. Poem

- (a) Freedom means the right to do anything that pleases us **without harming the rights of others**.
 - (b) A cat has the same right as humans to **live, eat and drink**.
 - (c) Both rich men and robbers **deprive innocent people of their rights**.
 - (d) **Sentence with "Freedom":**
Freedom is the birthright of every citizen.
 - (e) **Sentence with "Innocent":**
The innocent child was playing in the garden.
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23. Paragraph (Democracy)

Democracy

Democracy is the government of the people, by the people and for the people. In a democracy, every citizen has the right to vote and choose the government. It ensures equality, justice and freedom. People can express their opinions freely. India is the largest democracy in the world. Democracy helps in the development of the nation and protects the rights of every citizen. Therefore, democracy is the best form of government.

24. Letter

Patna

3 July 2026

Dear Friend,

I hope you are fine. Last week our school celebrated its annual function with great enthusiasm. The programme started with the welcome speech and prayer. Many students presented songs, dances and dramas. The Principal gave prizes to the winners of different competitions. The Chief Guest appreciated the students. The function ended with the National Anthem. I enjoyed it very much.

Yours lovingly,

ABC

25. Application

To

The Headmaster,

XYZ High School.

Subject: Request for Extra English Classes.

Sir,

I am a student of Class X. Our English syllabus is not yet completed, and many students find the subject difficult. Therefore, I request you to arrange extra classes for English so that we can prepare well for the examination.

Thanking you.

Yours obediently,

ABC

Class X

26. Notice

XYZ High School

NOTICE

Date: 03 July 2026

All students are informed that an **Inter-Class Debate Competition** will be held on **15 July 2026** in the school auditorium. Interested students should submit their names to the undersigned by **10 July 2026**.

Secretary

Debate Society

27. Speech (Importance of Casting Vote)

Respected Principal, teachers and dear friends,

Good morning to all. Today I would like to speak on the importance of casting our vote. Voting is our fundamental right and duty. A single vote can change the future of our country. By voting, we choose honest and capable leaders. We should never sell our vote or remain absent on election day. Every citizen must vote responsibly for the progress of the nation.

Thank you.

28. Message

Message

Date: 03 July 2026

Time: 10:30 AM

Dear Mother,

I am going to visit my friend who has fallen ill. I will return home by evening. Please do not worry.