

**Bhavan's Tripura Vidyamandir**  
1<sup>st</sup> Terminal Examination : (2024 –2025)

**Class:-7**

Time: - 3 hours

**Subject: English**

Total: - 80 Marks

Name of the student:

Roll:

Sec:

**Reading Section**

**A) Read the following passage carefully and answer the following questions:- (1X5=5)**

Reading is a fundamental skill that plays a vital role in our lives. It's not just about deciphering words on a page but about the doors it opens, the knowledge it imparts, and the worlds it allows us to explore. Reading is an essential tool for learning, expanding our horizons, and fostering imagination.

When we read, we acquire knowledge. Whether it's reading textbooks, newspapers, or online articles, we gain information that helps us understand the world. Books, in particular, are a treasure trove of knowledge. They contain the wisdom of generations, the discoveries of great minds, and the stories of diverse cultures. Reading books can educate us on history, science, literature, and countless other subjects. It's like having a mentor, guiding us through the complexities of life.

Reading also broadens our horizons. It exposes us to different viewpoints, perspectives, and experiences. When we read about characters from various backgrounds or explore far-off lands through the pages of a novel, we step into their shoes and see the world from a different angle. This broadening of perspective fosters empathy and understanding, making us more tolerant and open-minded individuals.

Furthermore, reading fuels our imagination. Whether it's a fantasy novel, a science fiction story, or a compelling mystery, books transport us to other worlds and challenge us to envision the unimaginable. Our minds become the canvas, and words paint the pictures. It's a magical experience that ignites creativity and inspiration.

Moreover, reading is a skill that transcends academic boundaries. It's not just about scoring well on tests; it's about developing critical thinking, analytical skills, and the ability to communicate effectively. A person who reads regularly is likely to have a broader vocabulary, better writing skills, and an improved ability to express their thoughts and ideas.

In our modern digital age, reading has taken on new forms. E-books and audiobooks have made it more accessible and convenient. With just a few clicks or taps, we can access a vast library of literature. However, there's something timeless and intimate about holding a physical book, flipping its pages, and smelling the scent of paper and ink.

In conclusion, reading is not just a hobby; it's a cornerstone of education, personal growth, and cultural enrichment. It empowers us with knowledge, broadens our perspectives, ignites our imagination, and equips us with essential skills. Whether we're reading for pleasure, information, or self-improvement, reading is a journey that enriches our lives and shapes us into more informed, empathetic, and creative individuals.

**\* Answer the following multiple choice questions:-**

**1) What are some of the benefits of reading mentioned in the passage?**

A) Physical exercise.

B) Acquiring knowledge.

C) Developing cooking skills.

D) Enhancing video game proficiency.

**2) How does reading broaden our horizons and foster empathy?**

- A) By encouraging isolation.
- B) By making us less tolerant.
- C) By promoting narrow-mindedness.
- D) By exposing us to different viewpoints and experiences.

**3) What role does reading play in developing critical thinking and communication skills?**

- A) It has no impact on critical thinking or communication skills.
- B) It broadens horizons but does not impact skills.
- C) It expands vocabulary, improves writing skills, and enhances communication abilities.
- D) It only helps with imagination but not critical thinking or communication.

**4) What are the advantages of reading physical books compared to digital formats?**

- A) Physical books offer a timeless and intimate experience.
- B) Digital formats are more environmentally friendly.
- C) Physical books are more expensive.
- D) Digital formats are easier to access.

**5) How does reading enrich our lives and shape us as individuals, according to the passage?**

- A) Reading has no impact on personal growth.
- B) Reading empowers us with knowledge, broadens our perspectives, and equips us with essential skills, making us more informed, empathetic, and creative individuals.
- C) Reading makes us less informed and less creative.
- D) Reading only fosters creativity but not empathy.

**B) Read the following passage carefully and answer the following question:- (1X5=5)**

Back in her cottage, Lily examined the locket more closely. It was made of silver with a hint of gold, and its surface was adorned with delicate engravings of leaves and flowers. On the front, there was an image of a crescent moon, and on the back, an engraving read, "To the one who seeks the truth." The locket was sealed tightly, and Lily couldn't open it no matter how hard she tried. Determined to solve the mystery, Lily embarked on a quest to find someone who could open the locket. She asked the village blacksmith, the wise old woman who lived on the hill, and even the town's mayor, but none of them could unlock its secrets. Feeling a bit discouraged, Lily spent her days reading about ancient relics and searching for clues in the library. One day, while immersed in an old book about mystical lockets, Lily came across a passage that mentioned the existence of a "key of the heart." It said that this key could open the most stubborn of locks, but it was hidden within each person, waiting to be discovered. This newfound knowledge gave Lily a renewed sense of hope and determination. The next morning, Lily decided to visit the village's recluse, an elderly woman rumored to have deep knowledge of the heart. The recluse lived in a remote cottage surrounded by a lush garden. Lily knocked on the door and explained her quest. The old woman listened attentively and finally agreed to help. She told Lily that the key to opening the locket was hidden within her heart and that she needed to meditate on her truest desires and intentions.

**Answer the following questions:-**

- 1) What did Lily Discover in the hidden clearing in the woods?
- 2) What was inscribed on the back of the mysterious locket ?
- 3) Who did Lily seek help from in opening the locket?
- 4) What did Lily learn from the village's recluse words about the mystical locket?
- 5) What message was inside the locket after it opened up?

**Writing Section**  
(choose any one of the option)

(5 marks)

C) Write an article on the topic “ save water, save life”.(in 120 words.)

Or,

Write an article on the topic “ patriotism”.(in 120 words)

(5 marks)

D) You are Naitik/Nilima, School captain of Holy Child School, Indore. Write a notice to inform the students about a debate competition to be held on 15th October, 2024.( word limit- 50 words)

Or,

The school has decided to hold a fete in the school playground. The Principal has asked you to write, as the Headboy/Headgirl of the school, a notice about this fete, inviting the students and the teachers to participate in it. The notice should include all necessary details.( word limit- 50 words)

**Grammar Section (Marks=25)**

E) Choose the correct option:-

(1X5=5)

1. She \_\_\_\_\_ the noble.  
A) Has finished  
B) Has been finishing
2. He \_\_\_\_\_ dinner .Let's have it.  
A) Has cooked  
B) Has been cooking
3. Mr Roy \_\_\_\_\_ grammar since 2005.  
A) Has taught  
B) Has been teaching
4. They \_\_\_\_\_ samples from all patients.  
A) Have collected  
B) Has been collecting
5. She \_\_\_\_\_ the email to the teacher.  
A) Has Sent  
B) Has been sending

F) Fill in the blanks with the correct past tense form of the verbs in the bracket:-

(1X5=5)

1. It \_\_\_\_\_(be) fantastic.
2. Kaira and Samaira \_\_\_\_\_(not ,help) me.
3. Where \_\_\_\_\_(you ,spend) your last holiday?
4. I \_\_\_\_\_(do) my homework yesterday.
5. We \_\_\_\_\_(see) a beautiful rainbow after the rain.

G) Fill in the blanks with the simple future or the future continuous form of the verb given in the bracket:-

(1X5=5)

1. They \_\_\_\_\_(charge) for the repairs.
2. Do you think it \_\_\_\_\_(snow)tomorrow?
3. Next year I \_\_\_\_\_ (study) Maths at University.
4. The train \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) at platform 2.
5. The jeans \_\_\_\_\_ (stretch) after sometime.

H) Identify the non - finite verb:-

(1X5=5)

1. Hunting is prohibited.
2. I saw him running.
3. This is an interesting book.
4. The sleeping cow causes a traffic jam.
5. I love camping in the Woods.

**I) Change the sentences into the passive voice:-**

**(1X5=5)**

1. Who cleaned the garden?
2. Shut the door.
3. They caught him.
4. I will paint the gate.
5. He sings a song.

**Literature Section (Marks=35)**

**J) Answer the following inside questions :-**

**(1X15=15)**

1. Who is the poet of the poem "the twins"?
2. When was Oscar Wilde born and when did he pass away from the story "The Canterville Ghost"?
3. When did Rabindranath Tagore receive the Nobel Prize mention the year ,from the poem "Where The Mind Is Without Fear"?
4. What was the name of the group of young men from Ghopur , Assam dedicating lives to the nation?
5. What is the meaning of the word **Arquebus** from the story "The Canterville Ghost"?
6. When was Robert Louis Balfour Stevenson born and when did he pass away from the poem "The Vagabond"?
7. What was the age of Anil and Somi?
8. Mention the name of the poet from the poem "somebody's mother"?
9. In which year Rabindranath Tagore found the Ashram of Shantiniketan?
10. What was the name of the kabuliwala and from which country/place did he belong?
11. What is the meaning of the word **content** from the poem "somebody's mother"?
12. What are the Supernatural powers mentioned in the story "four boys on a Glacier"?
13. Mention the date in which the Bahini group decided to host the national flag at the local police station? (**mention date, month, year**)
14. What is the meaning of the word **dead habit** from the poem "Where The Mind Is Without Fear"?
15. What was the twin's bedroom named as, in the story "The Canterville Ghost"?

**K) Answer the following broad questions:-**

**(2X7=14)**

1. How does the vagabond eat his bread?
2. What did Somi promise Bisnu? Why was he so pleased?
3. Why did the young boy feel happy and well content?
4. Why was Rahmun arrested?
5. According to the poet, how should knowledge be?
6. What was the only thing that consoled him in this whole affair?
7. What did they come to know the next day?

**L) Answer the following reference to the context:-**

**(3X2=6)**

**A) " The women was old and ragged and grey,  
And bent with the chill of a winter's day;  
The streets where white with a recent snow,  
And the women's feet will aged and slow".**

**(I) What was the physical appearance of the women?**

**(II) What kind of day was it?**

**(III) What does the word 'ragged' mean here?**

**B) "But sometimes I have seen the lidini.**

**You have to be careful of her."**

**(I) Who is lidini?**

**(II) Who does 'you' refer to hear?**

**(III) Why did the speaker want the listeners to be careful of lidini?**