

**JHARKHAND COUNCIL OF EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING, RANCHI**

**SECOND TERM EXAM**

**2021-2022**

**CLASS XII**

**ELECTIVE ENGLISH**

**MODEL QUESTION PAPER**

**Time: 1 ½ Hrs**

**set 5**

**Marks: 40**

**General Instructions:**

- i. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.
- ii. All the answers must be correctly numbered as in the question paper.
- iii. All parts of a question must be written together.
- iv. Answers of the questions must be in the context of the instructions given therein.

**Section A**

Read carefully the passage given below and answer **any three** from questions 1 to 4.  $2 \times 3 = 6$

The founder of the Sikh religion, Guru Nanak was born to a simple Hindu family on April 15, 1469 in Talwandi in Punjab. His father Mehta Kalian Das was an accountant in the employment of the local Muslim authorities. From an early age Guru Nanak made friends with both Hindu and Muslim children and was very inquisitive about the meaning of life. He was schooled in Hindi, Mathematics and the study of Muslim literature and learned Persian and Arabic. He was an unusually gifted child and often questioned his teachers. At the age of 13 Guru Nanak refused to accept the sacred thread from the Hindu Priest at the ceremony attended by family and friends. At the age of 16 he was married to Sulakhani, daughter of a pious merchant and eventually had two sons Sri Chand and Lakshmi Chand. He took up a job as an accountant in charge of the stores of the Muslim Governor. Guru Nanak would work during the days, but early in the mornings and late at nights, he would meditate and sing hymns.

1. Who was the founder of Sikh religion and where was he born?
2. Who was Guru Nanak's father and what was his occupation?
3. What, at the age of 13 Guru Nanak refused to accept?
4. What did Guru Nanak do in the early mornings and late at nights?

Read the following poem carefully and answer **any two** from 5 to 7.

$2 \times 2 = 4$

If ever I travel to France or Spain,

I mean to go in an aeroplane.

I've read all about it, and now I know

How they swing the propeller, and off you

go!

A run and a bounce, and you're looking

down

From high in the sky on a little toy town;

And the field like a bedspread, green and

brown.

With ribbony roads, all winding through,

So empty and quiet, it hardly seems true.

That anyone's there looking up to see

You racing along, like a big letter T,

Through the clouds and into the light,

Smaller and smaller, and out of sight.

And the aeroplane climbs and dips and

Swings

While loudly and proudly the engine sings,

And the pilot sits in his cockpit there

With the wireless to bring him the news on

the air.

5. How and where does the poet want to travel?
6. How does the ground look from the aeroplane?
7. What does the pilot of the aeroplane do?

### Section B

Answer **any two** of the following questions in not more than 100 words. 5x2=10

8. Besides bringing foreign exchange, tourism promotes nationalism and internationalism. Write an essay on "Importance of Tourism".
9. Write an essay on "Your Favourite Political Leader".
10. As the staff reporter of 'Hindustan Times' (daily newspaper) who witnessed a fire accident in Big Bazaar, Ranchi. Write a report for publication in the paper.

### Section C

Answer any five of the following about 50 words. 3x5=15

11. Mention some of the risks that film-making involves.
12. What is the difference between animate things and inanimate?

13. Why is the act of nature described as 'precise' in the poem 'Time and Time Again'?
14. What was the conflict between the mother and son in the story, 'One Centimetre'?
15. What contributes to the beauty and mystery of the swans' lives?
16. Referring to the poem "Trees", where is the bird sitting? Why is the bird careless?
17. How does the poetess Kamala Das explain her childhood in the poem "Blood"?

### **Section D**

**Note: answer either Group A or Group B**

#### **Group A**

Answer **any one** of the following questions in not more than 100 words. 5x1=5

18. The Financial Expert is the story of the rise and fall of Margayya. Discuss.
19. Attempt a character sketch of Balu.

#### **Group B**

Answer any one of the following questions in not more than 100 words. 5x1=5

20. What are the flaws of Tiger in "A Tiger for Malgudi"?
21. What kind of trainer was the captain?