

**PRACTICE PAPER 1**  
**ANSWER KEY**  
**CLASS: X**  
**ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE**

**SECTION :A (READING)**

- 1.1 a.iii )
- b) iii
- c) iv
- d) iii
- e) had cerebral palsy ,could not control his crooked body, was mentally defective
- f) there were tears on his mother's cheeks , father hoisted him on his shoulder.
- g) written words
- h) he shook; he sweated and strained every muscle. his hands were so tightly clenched that his finger nails bit into the flesh. He set his teeth so hard that he nearly pierced his lower lip
- 2.1 a. Ishwar Chandra lived a humble and purposeful life.
- b. Vidyasagar brought modern outlook into the method of teaching. He included English and Bengali as mediums of learning, besides Sanskrit.
- c. Vidyasagar included English and Bengali as mediums of learning, besides Sanskrit. He, also, introduced courses in European History, Philosophy and Science alongside Vedic scriptures.
- d. Vidyasagar exercised his power to open schools for girls and even outlined a suitable curriculum to educate them. He went from door to door, requesting heads of families to allow their daughters to be enrolled in schools.
- e. Vidyasagar had a very soft heart that sympathised with those in trouble. He was easily moved to tears when he saw someone in pain.
- 2.2 i. (d).all of these
- ii. (b).Sanskrit
- iii. (b).promoter
- iv. (a).happiness or pain

**SECTION - B (WRITING and Grammar)**

**3. Letter/Article Writing**

Letter

Objective: - To use an appropriate style and format to write a formal/an informal letter

**Format - 1 Mark**

- i. sender's address
- ii. date
- iii. receiver's address
- iv. subject/Heading
- v. salutation
- vi. closing

**Content - 4 Marks**

*Expression: 3 Marks (coherence, relevance of ideas (1½ mark)  
(Accuracy, appropriate words and correct spellings (1½ mark)  
(Value points are suggested in the Question paper itself)*

OR

**Article**

**Format - 1 Mark**

*Title – ½ mark & name of the writer – ½ mark*

*Content- 4Marks(any other relevant point besides the hints given)*

*Expression- 3Marks*

*coherence and relevance of ideas and style –1½ mark  
grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spellings – 1½ mark  
(Value points are suggested in the Question paper itself)*

**4. Story Writing :**

**Title & Moral - 1**

**Content - 4**

**Expression -5**

*(coherence, relevance of ideas) (2½ marks)  
(Accuracy, appropriate words and correct spellings) (2½ marks)*

*Suggested value points: (The beginning of the story is given in the question)*

Or

**Title & Moral - 1**

**Content - 4**

**Expression-5**

*(coherence, relevance of ideas) (2½ marks)  
(Accuracy, appropriate words and correct spellings (2½ marks)*

*Suggested value points : ( Hints given in the question )*

**5. Fill in the blanks:**

- a. iii. Is
- b. iii.among
- c. ii.those
- d. i.more

**6. Error      Correction**

- a. A                  the
- b. Or                and
- c. Has                is
- d. Irrigating      irrigate

**7. Jumbled Words:**

- a. In ancient times, a paste of sandal and turmeric was used by women for a blemish free skin .
- b. The purest and the renowned sandal oils come from the sandalwood trees of Mysore
- c. In 1972, Tipu sultan , the then ruler of Mysore recognized the commercial significance of Sandalwood.
- d. The sandal tree was then called the royal tree and Mysore was called the sandal city.

**8.a. iii**

- b. iii
- c. it has become a daily routine and he has lost all interest in them'
- d.stalking

OR

- a. i
- b. iv
- c. False
- d. Listless

**9. Short Answer questions:**

- a. Elders in Goa are nostalgic about good old Portuguese days, about the Portuguese, and their famous loaves of bread. Goa was a Portuguese colony. After independence Goa became part of India. Goa has distinct effect of Portuguese and Anglo Indian culture. Christianity is one of the main religions in Goa. Elders usually fondly remember old days because once people grow old they accumulate rich experiences of their past. It is a normal human psychology that past always looks better than present.
- b. Horace Danby was suffering from hay fever. It affected his nose and throat so that, whenever he came close to flowers, he began to sneeze
- c. When they learned that the Petronski's had finally moved away, Maddie couldn't stop thinking about never being able to say sorry. She couldn't sleep that night as she was thinking too deeply. As a result of deep thinking, she came to a conclusion that she will never let anyone tease someone because they have an unfamiliar and long name. She decided to stand against all the wrongs
- d. Anne considers her father as the most adorable father. She stayed with her grandmother when her parents were away. She loves and respects her deeply. She was deeply attached to the headmistress, Mrs Kuperus. She was moved to tears during her farewell. She didn't go well with 'the old fogey', Mr Keesing, who was annoyed because she talked too much.
- e. Think tank is proud of his intelligence and might. We come to know of these qualities by the fact that he looks at his mirror and asks it "Who is the most fantastically intellectually gifted being in the land?", knowing fully well that the mirror will say, " You,sir." It shows his pride.

10. Anne Frank felt lonely in the world. She had loving parents, an elder sister and a number of friends. But she was not intimate with anyone. She could talk to them about common everyday matters. But she could not express her inner feelings to them. She wanted a patient listener with a sympathetic heart. But she found that people had no patience to listen to her. She could not relieve the feelings of her heart to anyone. Anne wanted to lighten the burden of ideas in her heart. So she decided to maintain a diary. A diary is not a human being. It has a lot more patience than man. One can express one's thoughts freely. The diary does not get bored. It is a true friend. It never rejects the offer of friendship. That is why Anne Frank says that paper has more patience than people.

OR

This is an imaginary story. The story conveys the message that we learn by taking courage and not by sitting idle. A young seagull is fed lovingly by his parents. But when the time comes for him to fly, he feels afraid. His parents try many tricks to teach him to fly. But he is so afraid that he refuses to fly. At last, his mother hits upon a plan. She tempts him with food in her beak. But she only flies near his ledge and does not land there. In order to get food, the hungry seagull comes to the edge of the rock and falls from it. At first, he is terrified but then he opens his wings and starts flying. He is happy to note that he did not fall in the sea. In this way, the young seagull makes the first flight of his life when he takes courage.

**11.**Richard's mother played a huge role in making him a great scientist. She would take him on trips to encourage learning. He was a single child. After his father died, his mother made him the focus of her life. She would buy him all kinds of microscopes, telescopes and other equipment. After dinner, she gave him problems to solve. This helped Richard to learn a lot. She was his only companion for a long time. It was his mother who got him the book 'The Travels of Monarch X'. This book opened the world of science for Richard. She also wrote to Dr Urquhart to guide her son. The scientist helped Richard and guided him. Thus, his mother actually shaped him into an extraordinary scientist.

OR

Griffin was an eccentric scientist who had discovered a rare drug which could make him invisible. Griffin became invisible not for. The welfare of the society but to satisfy his own ego and carry out satanic deeds. He was a brilliant scientist but not a law abiding person. He was a criminal scientist who had no respect for humanity. He stole money from the clergyman's house, set the landlord's house on fire and even killed his father for his own benefit. He was not also a good human being. He was rude to everyone. When everyone asked about his secret, he hit them and escaped becoming invisible. I would like to suggest him to imbibe empathy, kindness, helpfulness, honesty, generosity, social responsibility, etc. These values will make him a better person. He should have used his discovery for the benefit of society and his country.