

**2021**  
**CLASS – IX (Phase-1)**  
**ENGLISH**

Total marks : 40

Time : 1½ hours

**General instructions:**

- i) *Approximately 7 minutes is allotted to read the question paper and revise the answers.*
- ii) *All questions are compulsory.*
- iii) *The question paper consists of 9 questions, divided into Units I, II, III and IV.*
- iv) *Internal option is given in some questions.*
- v) *Marks allocated to every question are indicated against it.*

**N.B :** *Check to ensure that all pages of the question paper is complete as indicated on the top left side.*

**UNIT – I (Literature)**

**Answer the following questions:**

1. How were the strange men playing nine –pins? (Rip Van Winkle) **3**  
**Or**  
What were some of the impressive personality traits of Dr. T. Ao?
2. **Answer either 2(i) or 2 (ii)** **5**
- (i) a. Read the lines and answer the questions that follow:
- I'd like to see the world for once  
All standing hand in hand  
And swords and guns and uniforms  
Banned throughout the land.*
- (i) How does the poet want to see the world? (1)
  - (ii) What does 'standing hand in hand' suggest? (1)
  - (iii) What should be banned and why? (2)
  - (iv) What do swords, guns and uniforms suggest? (1)
- Or**
- b. What was the strangest dream that the poet had in the poem 'Peace'? (5)
- (ii) Give the summary of the poem 'Lord Ullin's Daughter'. (5)
3. Bishop: *But - but I don't understand; this gentleman is my very good friend.*
- (i) Who is the speaker talking to? **1**
  - (ii) Why does the Bishop say this? **2**
4. Why had the Bishop not returned although it was quite late at night? **3**  
**Or**  
How was the convict treated in the prison?

### UNIT – II (Reading)

5. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

Mental health means keeping our mind healthy. A good mental health means having a positive sense of how we feel, think and act which improves one's ability to handle stress, make the right choices, relate to others and work productively in life. Throughout a lifetime, an individual can experience mental health problems at any point of life. Multiple factors determine mental health problems such as trauma or abuse, physical and sexual violence, stress related to schools, parental pressure, bullying at school, substance and social media addiction, parental divorce etc. Individuals suffering from mental health problems show various symptoms such as little or no energy, loss of interest, isolating themselves and many more.

Every year, 10<sup>th</sup> October is observed as World Mental Health Day to promote the importance of mental well-being. People with mental health problems can get better by providing proper mental health aid. Mental health promotion, prevention and interventions are crucial needs in addressing the adolescent's mental well-being. It requires a multi-level approach at different platforms beginning from family, institution and society as a whole.

- i) Answer the following questions:
- a. What is meant by mental health? 1
  - b. Name the factors that determine mental health problems. 2
  - c. When is the World Mental Health Day observed and why? 2
- ii) Complete the following by filling in the blanks: 3x1=3
- a. People with mental health problems can get better by providing proper \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. One symptom of mental health problem is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. Addressing an adolescent's mental well-being begins from \_\_\_\_\_.

### UNIT – III (Writing)

6. The students of class IX will be taken on a trip to a factory on 15<sup>th</sup> December. As the class teacher, draft a notice informing the students that they have to submit an amount of Rs. 500/- for the trip which includes transport and snacks.

**Or** 4

Write an e-mail to your friend, Jenny who lives in Mumbai, telling her about an interesting book which you have recently read.

7. You are Lanu. Write a letter to your friend describing your experience at a newly opened restaurant in your town.

**Or** 7

You are Peter. Write an article in about 150-200 words on 'The Advantages and Disadvantages of Online Classes' to be published in your annual school magazine.

**UNIT – IV (Grammar)**

8. Rewrite the given sentences as directed in the brackets: **4x1=4**
- (a) He walked \_\_\_\_\_ the Post Office.(Fill in the blank with a suitable preposition)
  - (b) They were making a plan secretly. (Underline the Adverb )
  - (c) \_\_\_\_\_ apple a day keeps the doctor away. ( Fill in the blank with a suitable article)
  - (d) The players and the coach \_\_\_\_\_ (put/puts) in a lot of hard work.( Fill in the blank with the correct form of verb given in the bracket)
9. Rewrite the following sentences using the correct tense of the verbs given in the brackets: **3x1=3**
- (a) When they \_\_\_\_\_ (enter) the room, the music started.
  - (b) Rain \_\_\_\_\_ (fall) from the clouds.
  - (c) They \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Delhi now.

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