

**2021**  
**CLASS VIII (Phase-2)**  
**GRAMMAR AND COMPOSITION**

Total marks: 40

Time: 1½ hours

**General instructions:**

- i) *Approximately 08 minutes is allotted to read the question paper and revise the answers*
- ii) *The question paper consists of 10 questions. All questions are compulsory.*
- iii) *Internal choice has been provided in some questions.*
- iv) *Marks allocated to every question are indicated against it.*

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

**SECTION-A (GRAMMAR)**

**1. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives given:** **5x1=5**

- a. A \_\_\_\_\_ indicates the shortest pause between words.  
i. full stop or period      ii. comma      iii. semicolon      iv. colon
- b. Mosquitoes \_\_\_\_\_ malaria.  
i. carry      ii. carries      iii. carried      iv. carrying
- c. I \_\_\_\_\_ Chess when I was a child.  
i. play      ii. played      iii. playing      iv. plays
- d. If you run fast, you \_\_\_\_\_ catch the train.  
i. will      ii. would      iii. shall      iv. be
- e. To find something which is already there \_\_\_\_\_.  
i. Invent      ii. Discover      iii. Memorial      iv. Memorable

**2. Rewrite the sentences as directed:** **5x1=5**

- a. parts of rajasthan are hot dry and sandy (*Punctuate the given sentence*)
- b. You have grown very weak. (*State whether the sentence is Present Perfect Tense or Simple Present Tense*)
- c. By the time we reached the station, the train had left. (*State whether the sentence is Past Perfect Tense or Past Perfect Continuous Tense*)
- d. They will be spending their summer in Goa. (*State whether the sentence is Future Continuous Form of the verb or Future Perfect Continuous Tense*)
- e. The car \_\_\_\_\_ due to the bad roads. (*Insert the correct Phrasal Verb*)

**3. Fill in the blanks using the Simple Present Tense or the Present Continuous Tense of the verbs given in the brackets:** **2x1=2**

- a. It is still \_\_\_\_\_ (rain) outside.
- b. Look! Someone \_\_\_\_\_ (knock) at the door.

**4. Fill in the blanks using the correct Past Tense form ( i.e. Past Simple, Past Perfect or the Past Perfect Continuous ) of the verbs given in the brackets:** **2x1=2**

- a. The Doctor \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) before I came.
- b. We \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) the match for half an hour before you came.

- 5. Fill in the blanks with the Future Perfect Continuous Tense of the verb given in the brackets:** **2x1=2**
- a. The labourers \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) idle for a week.
- b. We \_\_\_\_\_ (wait) for you for four hours when the clock strikes twelve.
- 6. Use the correct option given in the bracket to fill in the blank:** **2x1=2**
- a. Does her expenditure \_\_\_\_\_ (exceed/accede) her income?
- b. She is \_\_\_\_\_ ( zealous/jealous) of my reputation.
- 7. Insert the correct idiomatic expression:** **2x1=2**
- a. We had \_\_\_\_\_ of the city from the Qutab Minar.(a bird's eye view/ birds of a feather)
- b. When all were quiet, I \_\_\_\_\_ by talking on the kidnapping case. (broke the ice/break the news)

**SECTION- B (COMPOSITION)**

- 8.** You have lost your 1 litre water bottle. Write a notice for the school notice board so readers can identify and return it to you. Include details such as colour and manufacturer's name and also promise a treat to the finder. **5**
- 9.** Write a message in about 50 words informing your mother that you are going to your friend's house to do a group project work and will be late. **5**
- Or**
- Winter vacation is fast approaching. You plan to visit your Grandparents during the vacation. Write an email to your grandparents at khoslas@hotmail telling them about how excited you are about spending a week with them. State how you would like to spend time with them.
- 10.** Write a letter to your friend congratulating him on his success in the Examination. **10**

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