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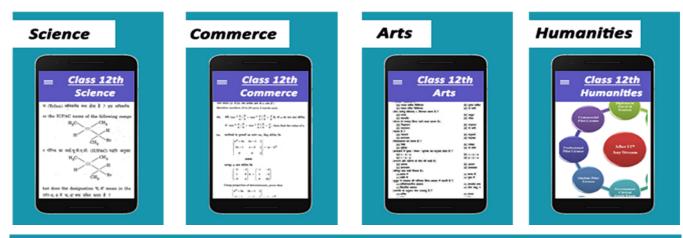
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MARKING SCHEME SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER (2017-18)

ENGLISH (CORE)

GRADE XII

Time allowed: 3 Hrs

Maximum Marks: 100

	SECTION-A (READING (Marks:30)	
1.	 1.1 On the basis of your understanding of the above passage, answer each of the questions given below by choosing the most appropriate option: The king was blind and required Kaha's blood for his eyes. The bird took pity on the old man and wanted to help him. The fisherman fumbled when asked about Kaha. Kaha saved the fisherman from the King's wrath. 	1x4=4
	 1.2 Answer the following questions briefly : a. He was conflicted between the king's reward and his gratitude towards the bird. b. The fisherman invited Kaha to his house for a feast in order to thank her for everything. c. To have a large amount of money. d. He was worried about his supply of fish as the bird would be killed. e. Greedy, a traitor / betrayer /deceiver f. The bird flew away along with the fisherman clinging on to her leg. 	1x6=6
	 1.3 Pick out the words/phrases from the passage which are opposite in meaning to the following: alight Grabbed/catch 	1x2 =2
2.	 2.1 On the basis of your understanding of the passage, complete the statements given below by choosing the most appropriate option: a) i. foresight b) ii. the youth that will take us to the third millennium/Fourth type of youth 	1x2=2 1x6=6

	a. Energy		
	b. Learn, earn, burn and enjoy.		
	c. Are intelligent skilful and hardworking but lack insight and foresight. Being self indulgent do not follow any moral code of conduct. Are confined to present joys and do not think deeper. (any one merit and one demerit)		
	d. May take the form of political opposition: giving verbal expression to its resentment		
	e. Exploiting mother Earth and Nature to their extent of destruction and consequently his own.		
	f. By evolving a new way of life and releasing a new principle of global consciousness through a fundamental research in the science		
	of life.	1x2 =2	
	2.3 Find words from the passage which mean the same as the following:		
	i. privileged ii. Cosmos		
3.		1-	
5.	(a) NOTE MAKING Distribution of Marks	k	
	Title: Colour Therapy/Colours Transform Life/ Any other		
	suitable title		
	NOTES:		
	1. Age old thereapy		
	1.1 Found in 1.1.1 Egypt		
	1.1.2 China		
	1.1.3 India		
	1.2 light of vary'ng wvelngth & energy		
	2. colour relate to energy of chakras		
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	2.2 orange – sacral		
	2.3 yellow – solar plexus		
	2.4 Green – heart		
	2.5 Blue – throat		
	2.6 Indigo – brow		
	2.7 Violet – crown		
	3. Holistic benefits		
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	3.2 Spirit'1 3.3 Emotion'1		

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		(Any other relevant points accepted)		
		Key to Abbreviations		
		Vary'ng - varying		
		Wvingth – wavelength		
		& - and		
		Phy'l – physical		
		Spirit'l spiritual		
		Emotion'l - emotional		
		1 mark		
		Abbreviations / Symbols (with /without key) – any four:		
		1 mark		
		Content (minimum 3 headings and sub-headings, with proper		
		indentation and notes):		
		3 marks		
		If a student has attempted only summary or only notes, due credit should be given.		
		1 mark allotted for the title be given if a student has written the title		
		either in (a) or (b).		
		Content must be divided into heading and sub headings.		
		Any title, main points and sub points may be accepted if they are		
		indicative of the candidate's understanding of the given passage, and		
		the notes include the main points, with suitable and recognizable		
		abbreviations. Complete sentences not to be accepted as notes. (In such cases $\frac{1}{2}$ –1		
		mark may be deducted from marks awarded to content)		
		Numbering of points may be indicated in different ways, as long as a		
		consistent pattern is followed.		
		(b) Summary : It should include all the important point covered in		
		the notes.		
		SECTION : B		
		(WRITING SKILLS) (Marks:30)		
	4.	ADVERTISEMENT	4	
		Format: 1 mark		
		Content :2 marks		
		Expression : grammatical accuracy, spellings: 1 mark		
		VEHICLES		
		Suggested value points :		
		• Model No., Year of manufacturing, colour, milege		
		• Accessories (new seat cover, new mats, stereo etc.)		
		• Single-hand driven, good condition, non-accidental, invite for test drive		
		 Papers and Insurance details, pollution under control 		
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		Expected price		
		Reason for selling		
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	• Contact address, e-mail address, telephone number (Due credit should be given for the economy of words used) OR		
	INVITATION		
	Format: 1 mark		
	Content :2 marks		
	Expression : grammatical accuracy, spellings: 1 mark		
	Suggested value points :		
	Acknowledge the invitation		
	• Express thanks in first person		
	• Confirm date and time		
	Convey your best wishes		
	• In the complimentary close write :Yours sincerely followed		
	by name in block letters		
	(both forms accepted - card or letter)		
5.	[Note: -No marks are to be awarded if only the format is given.	6	
	Credit should be given to the candidate's creativity in	-	
	presentation of ideas. Use of both the traditional and the new		
	format is permitted. However, mixing up of the two is NOT		
	acceptable.]		
	Format :1 mark		
	(1. sender's address, 2. date, 3. receiver's address, 4. subject heading,		
	5.salutation, 6. complimentary close.)		
	Content :3 marks		
	Expression :2 marks		
	(Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spellings [1]		
	Coherence and relevance of ideas and style [1])		
	Suggested value points:		
	(LETTER OF COMPLAINT)		
	 all important facts about purchase including the 		
	date, reference number and place where you made the		
	purchase		
	• information about the product such as brand, model number,		
	etc. and whether it is still in guarantee period explain the		
	nature of complaint		
	• state exactly the desirous action to solve the problem and		
	how long you are willing to wait to get it resolved.		
	• Language should be polite but assertive in requesting the		
	complaint to be addressed		
	OR		
	Suggested value points:		
	(LETTER OF ENQUIRY)		
	• Eligibility		
	• Duration of the course		
	• Fee structure		
	• Procedure for applying/selection		

	Class size	
	 Job opportunities/placement 	
	Last date of applying	
	ARTICLE	10
•	Format :1 mark	
	Heading and Writer's Name	
	Content: 4 marks	
	Expression :5 marks	
	Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spellings [2 ¹ / ₂]	
	Coherence and relevance of ideas and style $[2\frac{1}{2}]$	
	Suggested value points:	
	Introduction	
	mention briefly the status of the issue	
	Topic analysis	
	 discuss why Indian education fails to develop employability ability 	
	skills among youth.	
	• describe how this deficit affects Indian economy, industry,	
	business and people	
	Conclusion	
	• suggest what can be done to develop these skills among the	
	young people who are going to be the mainstay of the	
	workforce of the future	
	REPORT OR	
	Format :1 mark	
	Headline and Reporter's Name	
	Content: 4 marks	
	Expression :5 marks	
	Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spellings [2 ¹ / ₂]	
	Coherence and relevance of ideas and style [2 ¹ / ₂]	
	Suggested value points:	
	A Report should answer the questions :	
	• what - name of event and occasion	
	• where	
	• when -date and time	
	Chief Guest	
	• how - inaugural function	
	- other activities held	
	- prize distribution	
	- Chief Guest's message	
	- vote of thanks	
	A comment on the quality of programme	
	- A comment on the quanty of programme	
	SPEECH	10
	Format (opening address and conclusion): 1 mark	
	Content :4 marks	
	Expression: 5 marks	
	Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spellings [2 ¹ / ₂]	
	Coherence and relevance of ideas and style [2 ¹ / ₂]	

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	Suggested value points:		
	• What is yoga?		
	Present status		
	Celebration of International Yoga Day		
	• What is the need to practise ?		
	• When and how to practise		
	 Various yoga postures 		
	Benefits of Yoga		
	Conclusion		
	OR		
	DEBATE		· ·
	Suggested Value Point		
	ForChildren working/out stationed/abroad		
	Change in social structure		
	Old age homes safer than dependence on paid domestic helpers		
	Old age homes better than lonely homes		
	 Provision of immediate medical assistance in old age homes 		
	No more a social stigma		
	Harmonious distance better than stressful closeness		
	AGAINST		
	• Old age home-not a part of Indian culture		
	 Shirking away from responsibility 		
	Paid services lack the tender care		
	• Old age homes prove to be torturous & children become		
	indifferent		
	 Parents are every child's moral responsibility 		
	Format :1 mark		
	- topic introduction, addressing the audience, mention for /against the		
	motion		
	Content: 4 marks		
	- use hints, addressing the issue, current situation, reasons in favour		
	or against, possible suggestions		
	Expression :5 marks		
	Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [21/2]		
	Coherence and relevance of ideas and style [21/2]		
	SECTION: C		
	(LITERATURE: TEXT BOOKS and LONG READING TEXT)		
0	(Marks : 40)		
8.	[This question has been designed to test the students' understanding of the text and their ability to intermed evaluate		
	understanding of the text and their ability to interpret, evaluate and respond to the questions based on the given stanze. In other		
	and respond to the questions based on the given stanza. In other words, it attempts to test their reading comprehension ONLY.]		
	Value points:		
	1. Over ambitious/eccentric people involved in waging wars to gain	1	
	1. O for amoridous, eccentric people involved in waging wars to gain	-	l

	dominance.]
	2. War against environment	1	
	3. None may survive to celebrate victory	1	
	4. Metaphor – clean clothes / their brothers	1	
	OR		
	1. Because Aunt Jennifer's fingers are Trainbling. Aunt Jennifer is		
	afraid of her husband/ Aunt Jennifer is under a state of mental	1	
	suppression.	_	
1	2.Fingers fluttering - Alliteration	1	
	3. The wedding ring	1	
	4.Because of uncle's dominating/ terrifying nature	1	
9.	Short answer type questions (Answer any Four)	3x4=12	
	Questions are to be answered in 30-40 words.		
	Distribution of marks:		
	Content: 2 marks	-	
	Expression: 1 mark		
	(deduct ¹ / ₂ mark for two or more grammatical/spelling mistakes)		
	a.		
	• They wanted to express their repentance for their casual		
	approach to their own schooling		
	• They wanted to thank M. Hamel for his 40 years of dedicated		
	service		
	 They wanted to show respect to their country which was no 		
	longer theirs		
	(any two)		
	b.		
	• Felt weak and trembling as he walked back home		
	• Shook and cried as he lay on the bed		
	• Couldn't eat that night		
	• Haunting fear gripped him for days		
	• Slightest exertion tired him		
	• Knees felt wobbly		
	• Felt sick in the stomach		
	• suffered from hydrophobia for years		
	(any four)		
	c.		
	• To distract her mind from unhappy thoughts of her mother's		
	old age.		
	 To look at the freshness of life. 		
	- TO TOOK at the meshiless of me.		
	d.		
	 Stephen Spender wants the people in power to rescue slum 		
	dwellers from poverty and oppression .		
1	 He wants that children should be given opportunities to 		
	• He wants that children should be given opportunities to explore the world with its gifts and bounties.		
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	 He wants the children to acquire proper education and create their own history. (any two) 		
	 The astrologer had predicted that the hundredth tiger would be the cause of Maharaja's death . The Maharaja challenged the astrologer that what if he killed the hundredth tiger also. At this the astrologer promised to cut his hair, burn all his books and leave the profession. 		
	 f. Derry is bitter about life and people. Has no faith in the goodness of people. So when he says that he likes the sound of raindrops on roof Mr Lamb comments that some humanness is still left. Life has not distorted his vision totally. 		
10.	[These questions have been set to test the students' understanding of the text and their ability to interpret, evaluate and respond to the issues raised therein. Hence no particular answer can be accepted as the only correct answer. All presentations may be accepted as equally correct provided they have been duly supported by the facts drawn from the text. The important thing is that the student should be able to justify is or her viewpoint.] Distribution of marks: Content: 3 marks Expression: 3 marks Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spellings [1½]	6	
	 Coherence and relevance of ideas and style [1½] Value points: The peddler had been living a despicable life of poverty, despair and frustration he repaid the crofter's hospitality by stealing his earnings he repaid the ironmaster's invitation to the manor house by giving a piece of his mind when the latter talked of taking the matter to the sheriff. the meeting with the ironmaster's daughter was a turning 		
3	 the incerning with the nonlineater's dataginer was a tailing point in his life. the kindness , the concern and the understanding that she showed him touched the core of his heart and transformed his way of thinking. the ironmaster's daughter understood that he needed security and succor she convinced her father to allow him to stay on in their house to share the Christmas cheer. 		

	stored his dignity and self worth	
	eated him like a captain of the army though she was	
	that he was a common tramp.	
	the girl treated him like a Captain, he spontaneously red like a real Captain.	
	t a rattrap as a Christmas gift for her and enclosed a	
	of thanks and confession in it.	
• leavin	g behind the stolen money to be restored to the owner, leemed himself from his dishonest ways	• •
	lerged as an altogether transformed person	
	lews of students on kindness to be given credit)	
	OR	•
Sohpie's rea	l world	
• Sophi	e the protagonist- a teenager belongs to the poor socio omic background	
	besn't own a decent house.	
	rother Geoff is an apprentice mechanic	
	ther worked hard for a living	
• her me	other had a crooked back due to the house-hold burden	
• both h	her parents as well as her brother lacked sophistication	
• she is	earmarked for working in a biscuit factory	
Sohpie's fan		
-	e lives in a world of her own	
	ants to start a boutique	
	ants to earn money by becoming a manager, an actress en a fashion designer	
	of Geoff's life' which are unknown to her hold a special	
	ation for her	
	ntasizes and goes to places in her imagination	
	fond of hero worship and fantasizing	
	ero is an Irish player Danny Casey	
	of meeting him and taking his autograph	
• is so n	nuch obsessed with meeting him	
• starts	believing her imaginations as real	
	rosses the border of normalcy when she tells her family	
	he actually met him and that he wants to take her on a	
date		
	ly believes her	
	he actually goes to the place and literally waits for him	
to app		
	disappointed	
• she str	ill believes that she had met him. (any 3 value pts.)	
(views of the	students to be given credit)	
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11.	[These questions have been set to test the students' 6 understanding of the text and their ability to interpret, evaluate	
	and respond to the issues raised therein. Hence no particular	
	answer can be accepted as the only correct answer. All	
	presentations may be accepted as equally correct provided they	
	have been duly supported by the facts drawn from the text. The	
	important thing is that the student should be able to justify is or	
	her viewpoint.]	
	Distribution of marks:	
	Content: 3 marks	
	Expression: 3 marks	
	Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spellings [1 ¹ / ₂]	
	Coherence and relevance of ideas and style [1 ¹ / ₂]	
	Value Points:	
	• General had promised Dr. Sadao that he would get the soldier	
	quietly killed through his private assassins	
	• but he forgot to get rid of him	
	Dr. Sadao could do nothing	
	• he wanted to get rid of the wounded soldier	
	• as the servants had left the house, news could spread	
	 so he devised his own plan to get the soldier off to the nearby island 	
	 he managed food, clothes, water, torch and his boat for the soldier 	
	• he guided and instructed him	
	• The white soldier took leave of him and followed his	
	instructions and managed to escape safely.	
	• Thus all this proves that it was the only way to get out of the	
	dilemma/problem	
	OR	
	Prison authorities made many blunders.	
	• They allowed the German tutor who was Evan's	
	accomplice to take his classes	
	• Everyone assumed that he was a teacher from the	
	technical college	
	• The invigilator's identify was also not verified	
	• On the Examination day, Jackson's not getting Evans' 'bobble-hat' removed was a blunder	
	• If Stephens had not shifted from the cell, the escape would not have been possible	
	• Jackson should have searched McLeery thoroughly and examined the rubber ring closely	
	• The prison staff blindly believed that the injured was the invigilator, though it was Evans playing a trick on	
	them.	
	When Evans was arrested, the Governor was	
	complacent and sent him in a prison van, leaving	
	Evans in the hands of his own accomplices.	

12.	Distribution of marker	6
.2.	Distribution of marks: Content : 3 marks	6
	Expression :3 marks	
	Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [1 ¹ / ₂]	
	Coherence and relevance of ideas and style [1 ¹ / ₂]	
	(deduct ¹ / ₂ a mark for two or more grammatical/spelling	
	mistakes)	
	Value points:	
	 Both interested in mysterious, strange and idiosyncratic 	
	aspects of science	
	Both are ambitious	
	 Have contrasting Personality 	
	Kemp could not believe anything unusual like supernatural or	
	idea like invisibility	
	• Kemp had fair vision to be achieved by his discovery while Griffin wanted to create a reign of terror	
	• He did his research in an open way unlike Griffin who always kept his plans to himself	
	• He proved to be the benefactor of mankind by getting Griffin arrested while the latter even killed Wicksteed and harmed a	
	few others	
	(any three points)	
	OR	
	• the protagonist of the novel	
	• simple, honest, and kind-hearted linen-weaver	
	• has mysterious looking enormous eyes, slightly bent back	
	• is wrongly accused of killing a town deacon and robbing the	
	deacon's money.	
	• Having been hurt and betrayed by his faith in his religion,	
	Silas leaves his hometown and settles in Raveloe.	
	• For fifteen years, he lives as a solitary miser.	
	• he is feared by the townspeople, as he has a reputation of being connected with the devil.	
	• Has knowledge of various medicinal herbs	
	• is isolated from the rest of the village living at the edge of	
	• is isolated from the rest of the village, living at the edge of	

	OR	
	• Mr. Marvel had no choice. On one hand he was scared of Griffin and on the other was tempted to the supposed benefits that he would be getting on being with the stranger with the infinite powers of invisibility.	
	• Mr. Marvel was a socially outcast and of awkward temperament which suited Griffin's purpose	
	 mistakes) Value points: Having escaped from Mr. Bobby Jaffers and having no hope from villagers Griffin wanted someone who could help him in procuring his belongings that he had left behind 	
	Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [1½] Coherence and relevance of ideas and style [1½] (deduct ½ a mark for two or more grammatical/spelling	
.3.	Distribution of marks: Content: 3 marks Expression :3 marks	6
	(any three valid points)	
	• With Eppie in his life, Silas is able to unite his old faith with his new one, and believe that there is goodness and justice in this world.	
	• At the end, the villagers agree that he brought a blessing to his life when he took Eppie in as his child.	
	 his faith and trust are restored by his adopted daughter, Eppie 	
	front of his fireplace.Eppie brings him more happiness and joy than he ever received from the gold.	
	when his money is stolen, the villagers feel sorry for him.what changes his life is the child Eppie that he finds sitting in	
	 the money he earns from weaving fills him with happiness and satisfaction 	
	• Keeps himself busy working at his loom	

Was a bar maid addicted to opium		
Godfrey marries her but later repents		
Molly even bears him a girl child		
Molly knew Godfrey would never accept her as his wife publically		
she decides to reveal the truth about her relationship with Godfrey in front of the public at the dance party held at the Red House		
but she dies in the cold night		
her baby comes to the cottage of Silas Marner		
Silas Marner accepts her as a blessing from God and leads a meaningful life		
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