

**GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH
DIRECTORATE OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, ITANAGAR
ARUNACHAL PRADESH STATE BOARD EXAMINATION
SESSION 2022-2023
SUBJECT: ENGLISH
CLASS: VIII**

ENGLISH

TIME: 3 HOURS

**MAXIMUM MARKS: 100
MINIMUM MARKS: 33**

General Instructions:

This set of question paper is divided into four sections-

SECTION A – READING SECTION

SECTION B – WRITING SECTION

SECTION C – GRAMMAR

SECTION D – LITERATURE

SECTION- A (READING) 10 MARKS

Q 1 Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions:-

Next to water, tea is the most commonly consumed beverage in the world. This is good news because tea offers important health benefits. Its benefits were first discovered by the Chinese Emperor Shen Nung who declared that it gave one- vigour of body, contentment of mind and determination of purpose. Today there is ample proof that tea in its many forms possesses a number of health benefits, from supporting the immune system to reducing the risk of cancer, to helping prevent tooth decay.

What makes tea such a healthy drink? The star compounds are called catechins. Those are antioxidants, that help prevent cell damage by harmful molecules, called free radicals. Tea can be black, green and red and is derived from a warm-weather evergreen tree known as *Camelia Sinensis*. The more processing tea leaves undergo, the darker they become. Green tea is the least processed tea. It is simply steamed quickly and offers the maximum healing powers because it isn't fermented. It also helps prevent tooth decay and aids weight loss.

- (a) Which is the second most commonly consumed beverage in the world? (1)
- (b) What are the health benefits of tea? (2)
- (c) Who first discovered the benefits of tea? (1)
- (d) Which is the least processed tea? (1)
- (e) Tea is derived from an evergreen tree called _____ (1)
- (f) Why do green tea leaves offer maximum healing powers? (2)
- (g) Tea turns out to be a healthy drink due to the presence of _____ (1)
- (h) The word in the second para which means the same as 'helps' is _____ (1)

SECTION-B (WRITING)

- Q 2. You are Yamung/Takar. Write a letter to your friend who stays in another state and invite him / her to visit Arunachal Pradesh, narrating its unique beauty which he/she shouldn't miss. (5)

Or

Write an application to your School Head for issue of a Transfer Certificate as your father/guardian has been transferred to another place.

- Q 3. Write a 'Notice' for your school notice board about an upcoming Drawing Competition to be held in the school. The notice should be from Head girl/Head boy of the school. (5)
- Q 4. Write a paragraph on any one of the following topics in about 80-90 words. (4)
- Merits and Demerits of Internet
 - Work is Worship
 - Mobile Game Addiction
- Q.5. Write an essay of about 200-250 words on any one of the topics:- (6)
- If I were the Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh.
 - Arunachal of My Dreams.
 - The Problem of Pollution.

SECTION-C (GRAMMAR)

- Q.6. Rewrite the sentences into indirect speech:- (2x3=6)
- Tada said to Tatung, "You have played well."
 - The teacher said to the students, "Have you done your homework?"
 - Yami said to Rilum, "Please come to my Birthday party tonight."
- Q.7. Change the Voice (Passive/Active). (2x3=6)
- Hari killed a snake.
 - Who told you?
 - My father built this house
- Q 8. Change the tense as instructed.- (1 x3=3)
- Ryan is smart. (change to Simple Past Tense)
 - Will he be able to complete the work? (Change to Simple present tense)
 - The price of things keeps rising. (Change to future continuous tense)

(1 x 4=4)

Q.9 Use appropriate article (a, an, the)

- a) I haven't been to _____ cinema for ages.
- b) I saw _____ accident this morning.
- c) Moon goes round _____ Earth every 27 days.
- d) Man is _____ social animal.

Q.10. Fill in the Blanks with correct form of the adjective given in brackets.

(1x 4=4)

- a) Mina is the _____ girls in the class. (lazy)
- b) Lead is the _____ metal. (heavy)
- c) Niti thinks he is _____ than his brother. (clever)
- d) Prevention is _____ than cure. (Good)

Q.11 Choose the right alternative and fill in the blanks.

(1x4=4)

- a) Each car must be parked in _____ (his, its, my) own place.
- b) I kept _____ (much, many, some) money in my purse.
- c) It _____ (have, has, had) been raining since morning.
- d) You _____ (would, could, should) drive carefully.

Q.12. Write the synonyms of: - (Any three)

(1x3=3)

- a) Attempt (b) Reply (c) Amaze (d) Mistake (e) Idle

SECTION-D (LITERATURE)

(HONEY DEW)

Q.13: Read the given extract and answer the questions that follow:

(1x5=5)

I love to rise in a summer morn,
When the birds sing on every tree,
The distant huntsman winds his horn,
And the skylark sings with me.
O! what sweet company

- a) Name the poem and the poet?
- b) Who sings with the child?
- c) What is the sweet company of the child?
- d) How does the child feel about rising in a summer morn?
- e) Which bird is mentioned in the paragraph?