

SAMAGRA SHIKSHA – KERALA

SECOND TERMINAL EVALUATION
CHRISTMAS EXAM 2018–19

ENGLISH

CLASS VII

Year: 2018–19

Question Paper

- 15 minutes is given as cool off time.
- Read the questions carefully during this time.
- Activity 1 is compulsory.
- Attempt any four from Activity II to Activity VII.

Activity I - Reading Comprehension

Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :-

Tenali Raman, the clever minister lived in the court of Great King Krishna Deva Raya. One day a merchant came there. He bowed before the king and said, "Your Majesty, I know that you have wise ministers. I would like to test their wit."

The King agreed. The merchant gave three dolls. He said, "These three dolls look similar but they are different in many ways. If your ministers can find out the differences, I will bow to their wisdom." Tenali Raman came forward and closely examined the dolls. He ordered the soldiers to bring three strings. Tenali Raman said, "Your Majesty, these dolls are different because one is good, one medium and one bad." Then the merchant said "You have to prove it." Tenali Raman said, "Ok, sure, I will prove it." He took the first doll and put a string in the doll's ear. The string came out from the doll's mouth. He did the same with the second doll and the string came out of the doll's ear. In the third doll the string went to heart and did not come out. Then Tenali continued, "the first doll represents people who spread their knowledge, so they are good. The second doll represents people who don't understand what they are taught, so its medium. The third doll symbolises people who have knowledge but keep it all themselves. They are bad." The Merchant was happy on hearing this. He said "You are the wisest minister."

1. The merchant visited the court.
 - a. to test the wisdom of the king.
 - b. to test the wisdom of the courtiers.
 - c. to test the wisdom of Tenali Raman.
 - d. to test the wisdom of the ministers.
2. Tenali Raman ordered to bring...
 - a. the soldiers before him.
 - b. the merchant before him.
 - c. strings.
 - d. dolls.

3. Which line from the passage tells you spreading knowledge is good.
- these dolls are different because one is good.
 - People who don't understand what they taught, so its medium.
 - people who have knowledge keep it themselves.
 - people who spread their knowledge so they are good.
4. "I would like to test their wit". The word 'wit' means.
- humour
 - comedy
 - intelligence
 - temper
5. The merchant said "I will bow to their wisdom", if ...
- the king finds out the differences
 - Tenali Raman finds out the differences
 - the ministers find out the differences
 - the soldiers find out the differences.

Activity II - Character Sketch

The story 'The Wooden Cup' tells the relationship between a grandfather and a grandson. In this story, the grandson Robertino loved his grandfather very much and he changed the attitude of his parents towards grandpa.

Prepare the character sketch of Robertino.

Activity III - Diary

After reading Maria's letter again and again Polya realised her mistake. She understood the importance of being literate. She felt sorry about suspecting poor Ivan.

He is really loving and she apologised for her mistake. She wrote in her diary.

write the diary entry.

Activity IV - Greeting Card

Robertino's family decided to celebrate grandpa's 70th birthday. He prepared a beautiful birthday greeting card for his grandpa.

Prepare the greeting card.

Activity V - Profile

Ruskin Bond

Born : May 19, 1934

Place of birth : Kasauli, Punjab, British India

Parents	: Edith Clarke, Aubrey Alexander Bond
Famous	: Novelist, Poet
Books	: A Flight of Pegions, The Blue Umbrella, Our trees still grow in Dehra
Awards	: John Clewellyn Rhys prize - 1957
	Sahitya Academy Award - 1992
	Padma Shri - 1999
	Padma Bhushan - 2014
	Life Time Achievement Award - 2017

Prepare the profile of Ruskin Bond

Activity VI - Advertisement

Robertino's family decided to celebrate grandpa's 70th birthday. Robertino was very happy. He decided to give a precious gift to his grandpa. But he had no money. He had only an electric violin with him, which he used to play during their evenings. He decided to sell it.

Prepare an advertisement.

(Hints: Year of purchase 2016, worth Rs.15,000/-, well tuned and maintained well, with a leather bag and a bow)

Activity VII - Editing

Read the following conversation between Emperor Akbar and Tansen. There are a few errors in it. Edit them.

- Akbar : I think you are the most wonderful voice in the world.
- Tansen : But I don't. There is someone that sings better than me.
- Akbar : Really? I must have him in my court. Can you arrange it.
- Tansen : I'm afraid, he not will come.
- Akbar : If he doesn't come I go to him myself. Will you take me to him?