

2014

ENGLISH

( Elective )

Paper : 5.2

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

1. Write an essay on any one of the following topics : 20
  - (a) Role of education in the economic development of a country
  - (b) Student organisations and politics
  - (c) The girl child in India
  - (d) Physical fitness
2. Write the substance of the poem given below : 10

*Neutral Tones*

We stood by a pond that winter day  
And the sun was white, as though  
  chidden of God,  
And a few leaves lay on the starving sod;  
—They had fallen from an ash, and were gray.



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4. Expand the idea contained in any *one* of the following : 10
- (a) Where there is a will, there is a way.
  - (b) An idle brain is the devil's workshop.
  - (c) Prevention is better than cure.
  - (d) A friend in need is a friend indeed.
5. Write a report on the good work of an NGO with the help of the given outline : 10
- (a) Name of the organisation, the date of its inception and its objectives
  - (b) Providing home/a place to stay for street children in the city
  - (c) The number of children provided for and their education facilities
  - (d) The response from the government and media
  - (e) The children's opinion about their stay and experience
6. Write a letter (in about 250 words) to your Principal requesting him to consider financial aid for a poor student of your class. 10

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Or

Write a letter to your friend describing two extreme weather conditions of your area.

7. Write a dialogue (of 20 exchanges) to indicate the exchange between two persons in any *one* of the following situations : 10
- (a) Two friends discussing price rise of essential commodities and measures to be taken by the government
  - (b) Discussion between the Chief Minister and a common citizen on border issues of the State
  - (c) A popular actor and a fan talking about a recent film

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