

English Sample Paper**Class 7****Max Marks:50****A – Reading**

- Read the following passages and answer the questions that follow.
- Education over the years has undergone a radical change. From the Gurukulam to the modern day schools with digital classes, one can find many methods of teaching being incorporated in the schools. Children too have started using these means of learning extensively and it is not a surprise to see any child being very tech savvy. So, does one think that technology has improved their learning or has stunted the education system? Something to ponder for all of us, because there are pros and cons for using technology in education. Here are some:
 - While technology has brought information to one's finger tips, it has also made people lazy to remember information. Everyone seems to be relying more on technology than on their own memory.
 - There is so much information available that children do not know which is important and which is not, resulting in them making a few wrong choices.
- English – the language which is most commonly spoken in many places around the globe has become a common medium for communication between people. It has gained importance as one of the languages one needs to know to be able to communicate with the world. All said and done, it is also not the native language for scores of people around the world. It therefore becomes a second language which people learn, practise and master over the years.

Making this journey of learning easy are our teachers in schools and learning institutes. Here are some tips for you to learn the language easily.

- Start simple – English is not a language to get scared of. It's just like any other language and is easy to learn. Once you get comfortable with it, it's one of the easiest languages you would have learnt. Therefore, start simple with words, phrases and sentences that one would use on a daily basis. For example: Hello, how are you?; Hello, I am doing fine, thank you. These help you build confidence about yourself and you can slowly move over to other phrases and words.
- Read the daily newspaper aloud – Yes, reading the newspaper aloud will not only give you enough information on the happenings around you, but also will help you

pronounce the words better. Pronunciation is very important while conversing in the language.

Questions:

- How has the education system changed over the years? If so, how? Write in your own words.
 - What are the methods by which you can improve your communication?
 - What are the drawbacks of incorporating technology into education?
 - Can you think of some tips for non-English native speakers to build their vocabulary?
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- Read the poem carefully and answer the questions that follow.

"Nature" is what we see—
The Hill—the Afternoon—
Squirrel—Eclipse— the Bumble bee—
Nay—Nature is Heaven—
Nature is what we hear—
The Bobolink—the Sea—
Thunder—the Cricket—
Nay—Nature is Harmony—
Nature is what we know—
Yet have no art to say—
So impotent Our Wisdom is
To her Simplicity.

This poem is written by Emily Dickinson

Questions:

- What are the describing words in the poem?
- What is the poet talking about in the poem?
- Note the rhyming words.

- Read the following telephonic conversation. Write a short description on what is being spoken about in about 4-5 sentences.

Riya: Hi, this is Riya. May I please speak with Rahul?

Rahul's mom: Hi Riya, Rahul is not here. He has gone for a cricket tournament. What is the matter?

Riya: Nothing aunty, I just wanted to invite you all for my brother's wedding. Called to check if Rahul is at home, so that I can come over to give the invite.

Rahul's mom: That's fine dear. I will ask Rahul to give you a call once he's back. You can come home then.

Riya: Sure aunty. Will do so. Thanks.

- Give a title to the story given below and write the story in your own words.

There was once a little orphan girl who was very warm hearted. People in the village took care to see that the little girl never ran short of anything. They even sent her to school with the money that everyone pooled in. Time passed and the little girl went to college, where she was given a scholarship for her marks in the exams. This girl no longer needed money from the villagers to help her study. Years passed and she completed studying, became a doctor....

- Write a short essay in about 150-200 words about "how can we save water?"

C – Grammar

- Read the passage given below. Every sentence in the passage has an incorrect word. Write down the incorrect word and the right word too.
 - Appa went to the godown to buy vegetables as he does every Saturday.
 - He strolled around to take a good look at the variety convenient.
 - He picked a few and then moved down to fruits.
 - Apples and strawberry were rotten, which he bought.
- Arrange the following to make meaningful sentences.

- first/ polar/ operational / isro/launch/ is/ the/ satellite/ launch vehicle /vehicle/ of
 - horses/ the/ run/ male/ can/ can/ roar/ like/ ostriches/ ostriches/ and/ lions/ faster/ than
 - and/ even/ awe/ kind/ of/ there's/ a/ certain/ mystery/ creepiness/ sometimes/ of/a
 - of/ of/ dictators/ well-known/ hitler/ one/ is/ all/ times
 - exams/ is/ the/to/ CBSE/ easiest/ crack.
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- Change the following to active voice.
 - Lots of houses were destroyed in the Tsunami.
 - The computer is used by Nisha.
 - Telephone was invented by Graham Bell.
 - The bag was packed by his mom.

 - Change the following to direct speech
 - David said that he was writing a letter to his mom.
 - Shiela was boasting of attending a party the previous night.
 - Angela said she bought a pen.
 - John said that he was going to the church.