

**DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL, JAMMU**

**CT -1 (SAMPLE PAPER)**

**SESSION (2024-25)**

**Class : IX**

**Subject : English**

**General Instructions :**

The paper is divided into three sections:

Section A : Reading

Section B : Writing & Grammar

Section C : Literature Textbooks

**Time : 1 hour**

**M. Marks: 25**

5Marks

10 Marks

10 Marks

**SECTION –A (READING)**

**(5 Marks)**

**I. Read the passage given below.**

**(5Marks)**

1. Hobbies help us grow as a person. The best way to have a new hobby is to try something new. All of us are unique, and this is the reason why our hobbies and interests are different. Once we find an activity we are passionate about, we can explore that activity more. When you get hooked, you will realize that your hobby has become an integral part of your life. Having a hobby that we enjoy, brings us joy and refreshes us. Hobbies help us to manage our leisure and unplanned time more productively. It also affords you the opportunity to learn new skills in your work. But these are not the only benefits of having a hobby.
2. It feels great to be skilled and good at something, doesn't it ? And this is what that makes you confident. It can take some time to develop your hobby so that you may be able to tell that you are skilled. But, the journey of experiencing your hobby is very rewarding in itself. With the exposure to different types of activities these days, it doesn't matter which activity you choose. Whether you are pursuing a craft, sports, puzzles, or skill development, your hobby should be a diversion and a passion. Simultaneously, if your hobby gives you a sense of purpose, then you will be more confident about challenging yourself in your hobby and help you prepare for learning new things at work.
3. Hobbies give you an opportunity to enhance your life. Hobbies allow you to de-stress yourself while remaining mentally productive. Having hobbies promotes better health and may lower the risk of having high blood pressure. Enjoying a few hours of your hobby a week can also reduce the risk of depression and dementia. Hobbies refocus your mind on to something that you enjoy doing. Hobbies that include physical activities create chemical changes in your body that help to reduce stress.
4. Even if it doesn't involve physical activities, you can still reap the benefits of having a hobby. Getting a short break from work and doing something you are passionate about can rejuvenate your mind and help prepare you to handle challenges in the future in a better way.
5. Hobbies may provide an opportunity for you to socialize with people and that can be an additional benefit for your overall well-being. You can connect with people who enjoy doing the same things that you do. You can meet new people, discuss your hobby and get connected to a bigger circle that may even help you turn your hobby into your profession. The internet provides numerous groups and forums to connect with people that enjoy doing the same things that you want to do.
6. Some hobbies require creativity and if you develop creativity through your hobby, it can be beneficial. Creativity can help you experience new things at school and work. The skill of being creative is essential in today's world.

**Based on your understanding of the passage, answer the questions given below.**

**i. When a person gets hooked on a hobby, he realises that:**

- (a) it has become an integral part of our life.
- (b) it has much more benefits than we realised.
- (c) it is much more enjoyable to have a hobby.
- (d) it is quite essential for us to learn some skills through our hobbies

**ii. No matter which sort of hobby you are pursuing, be it a craft, sports, puzzles, or skill development, your hobby should be:**

- (a) useful for you in the long run.
- (b) a skill that improves your present circumstances.
- (c) a diversion and a passion.
- (d) followed through till the end.

**iii. List any two benefits of having a hobby.**

**iv. What is essential in today's world?**

**v. Hobby provides you with an opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_ .**

**SECTION B - GRAMMAR & WRITING**

**(10 marks)**

**(1x5=5)**

**Q3. Attempt the following questions.**

**i. Select the correct option to fill in the blank for the given line.**

*He \_\_\_\_\_ rather die than begging .*

- (a) could          (b) should          (c) would          (d) can

**ii Select the option that identifies the error and supplies the correction for the following line:**

*There is plenty of sugar in the house. You will not buy more.*

S.no.	Error	Correction
(a)	is	are
(b)	the	a
(c)	will not	need not
(d)	there	their

**iii. Complete the given sentence, by filling in the blank with the correct option:**

*Gandhi ji \_\_\_\_\_ (use ) the spin everyday .*

- a .used                      b. has used                      c .use                      d .using

**iv. Identify the error in the given sentence and supply the correction.**

*The child can swim when he was five years old .*

Use the given format for your response.

Error	Correction
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**v Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option, to complete the sentence**

*Run fast lest you \_\_\_\_\_ miss the train .*

- (a) shall                      (b) will                      (c) may                      (d) should

**Q3. Write a descriptive paragraph on A Visit to a Historical Monumnet/A Visit to the Red Fort in about 100-150 words based on the following cues: (5 Marks)**

Inputs: P.M. hoists flag – addresses nation from Red Fort – its'location – trench around – only, one gate for public – Meena Bazar – Diwan-e-aam, Diwan-e-khas, Hamams, Rang Mahal other parts – reflect Mughal art, culture etc.

**SECTION C- LITERATURE**

**(10 marks)**

**IV. Reference to the Context**

**3 Marks**

*They turned the pages, which were yellow and crinkly, and it was awfully funny to read words that stood still instead of moving the way they were supposed to on a screen, you know. And when they turned back to the page before, it had the same words on it that it had when they read it the first time.*

**(i) The words on the pages were \_\_\_\_\_**

- (a) dancing                      (b) moving                      (c) rotating                      (d) still

**(ii) The pages were yellow and crinkly because**

- (a) the book was yellow in colour                      (b) yellow colour had fallen on it  
 (c) the book was quite old  
 (d) there were yellow pictures on it

**(iii) What is meant by 'crinkly' in the given extract?**

**V. Answer ANY ONE of the following in about 40-50 words each.**

**(2x1=2)**

- 1) What had once happened to Tommy's teacher?
- 2) How did the child enjoy in the lap of nature?

**VI. Answer the following in about 100-120 words.**

**(5 marks)**

Why do you think the lost child could not be quietened with those very things which had lured him once?