

**PART 1
ENGLISH**

HSE (1)

**Time :2hrs.30mts.
Score :80**

General Instructions to Candidates

- ❖ There is a ‘Cool off time’ of 15mmts. In addition to the writing time of 2hrs.&30mts.
- ❖ You are not allowed to write your answer or to discuss anything with others during the ‘cool off time’
- ❖ Use the ‘cool off time’ to get familiar with the questions and answers.
- ❖ Read questions carefully before answering.
- ❖ All questions are compulsory.

1. Think that Sir Mohan Lal in *Karma* comes across the following notice at the railway station.

KEEP THE RAILWAY PLATFORM CLEAN

Write two other notices he is likely to see there. (2)

2. Rachel Carson, the author of *A Fable for Tomorrow* was much disturbed by the environmental changes she saw in the imaginary town in America. Think that she makes a diary entry on the night of her visit to the town. Write the likely diary entry for her in about 70 words.

You may begin like this:

It was a day of terrible shock for me..... (7)

3. Imagine that you are a journalist. You want to interview Ruskin Bond after his return from the Mandakini river valley. Write four questions which you would like to ask him and the responses you are likely to get from him. (8)

4. Imagine that Albert Schweitzer writes a letter to his friend discussing on how he examines the illiterate patients in Lamberene.

Draft a letter for Schweitzer in about 80 words. (6)

5. The following itinerary outlines your class tour to Munnar.

1st day : 7am departure from school-school bus-lunch at Kothamangalam-5pm Munnar-shopping-stay at KTDC rest house.

2nd day : 9am Rajamalai-trekking-lunch at Hotel Meridian-2pm Indo-Swiss Project, Mattupetty-4.15 pm boating in Mattupetty Reservoir-6pm return to school

Write a travelogue with the help of this itinerary in about 120 words. Include the details of the trip and your impressions, feelings and observations. (8)

6. The drama club of your school is to dramatize *Karma* in the school auditorium. Write a notice giving details like venue, date, time etc. of the performance. (6)

7. Some words given in the box below can be used to describe Albert Schweitzer.

* Idealist	* Practical	* Sentimental
* Service minded	* Artistic	* Religious
* Aristocratic	* Systematic	

(6)

8. Read the following news headline.

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How do you comment on this?

Write your opinion using the following expressions.

I don't feel..... , I think , I don't think , In my view etc. (4)

9. "Why send you to school you will only end up married and working in the kitchen. He was right, wasn't he? This is where she was today _ in the kitchen". This is how Susheela's story ends. Write an article in your School Magazine suggesting remedies for the problems that women face in not more than 100 words. (6)

10. The rabbit told E. V. Lucas that there was a kind of Trade Union among animals. Imagine that the Irish cow of the author speaks in a meeting organized by animals. Prepare the speech to be delivered on the occasion. (7)

11. Bernard Shaw said " All autobiographies are lies." Do you agree with the statement? Write four sentences either agreeing or disagreeing with the statement. (4)

12. The blind Belgian tourist and the narrator were waiting to see the dance programme. They heard an announcement of the dance show to be performed by six Thai girls. Prepare the script of the announcement in about 40 words.
You may begin like this, 'Good evening, Ladies and gentlemen..... (5)

13. You met a blind man just outside your school campus. You were anxious to know about his experience as a blind man. So you entered into a conversation with him. Write a dialogue of six exchanges. (6)

14. Imagine that you are Milton, a 18 year old boy and owner of a large business establishment. Unfortunately Milton's parents have been missing, since he was a baby. Write a story of how Milton makes his search of his missing parents using modern technology.
(Hints: Take ideas from Asimov's *True Love*) (5)