

Board of Secondary Education Rajasthan, Ajmer

Syllabus for the Examination - 2025

Class - XII

Subject : ENGLISH Literature (Optional) (20)

The Examination Scheme for the subject is as follows :

Paper	Time (Hrs.)	Marks for the Paper	Sessional	Total Marks
One	3.15	80	20	100

Time : 3.15 Hours

Marks : 80

Area of Learning	Marks
Reading	16
Writing	16
Literary Terms	06
Text Book : Kaleidoscope	32
Fiction : A Tiger for Malgudi	10

1. Reading 16

(an unseen passage and poem)

- (a) One literary or discursive passage of about 400-500 words followed by short questions 08

- (b) A poem of about 15 lines followed by short questions to test interpretation and literary appreciation 08

2. Writing 16

- (a) An Essay on argumentative/discursive/reflective or descriptive topic (150-200 words) 08
(Students should be taught all kinds of essays. Any one can be asked)

- (b) A Composition such as an article, report, speech (150-200 words) 08
(Students should be taught all kinds of compositions. Any one can be asked)

3. Literary Terms 06

Metaphysical Poetry, Impressionism, Stream of Consciousness, Interior Monologue, Anglo-Indian Literature, Indo-Anglian Literature (The two out of four terms are to be attempted) 2×3=6

4. Text book for Detailed Study—Kaleidoscope 32

Prose :

- (a) A passage for comprehension from the textbook with three short answer type questions testing comprehension, interpretation and drawing inferences in prose. 2×3=6

- (b) One out of two textual questions to be answered in 100 words testing global comprehension, etc. 06
- (c) One out of two textual questions to be answered in about 60 words testing comprehension, characterisation, interpretation, etc. 04

Poetry :

- (a) One out of two extracts from the prescribed poems with three short answer questions for comprehension, interpretation and drawing inferences in poem. $3 \times 2 = 6$
- (b) One out of two textual questions to be answered in 100 words testing global comprehension, etc. 06
- (c) One out of two textual questions to be answered in about 60 words testing comprehension, characterisation, interpretation, etc. 04

5. Fiction

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- (a) One out of two textual questions to be answered in about 60 words seeking comments, interpretation, etc. 04
- (b) One out of two textual questions in about 100 words to test evaluation and appreciation of characters, events, episodes and interpersonal relationships. 06

Books Prescribed :

1. Kaleidoscope—NCERT's Book Published under copyright
 2. A Tiger for Malgudi—Published by Rajasthan Textbook Board, Jaipur
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