

**CBSE Class 10 English**  
**Communicative Sample Paper - 07**

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**TIME – 3 HOURS M.M- 80**

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

- i. The question paper is divided into three sections :  
SECTION A: Reading 20 MARKS  
SECTION B: Writing and Grammar 30 MARKS  
SECTION C: Literature 30 MARKS
  - ii. All questions are compulsory.
  - iii. You may attempt any section at a time.
  - iv. All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.
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**SECTION A READING**

1. **Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:**

**Demonetisation and after**

1. The long, anxious, and frustrating wait by people outside banks and ATMs across the country over the last five days is an inevitable consequence of the decision to demonetise notes of Rs.500 and Rs.1, 000. When 86 per cent of the value of notes in circulation turns suddenly invalid, as it did with Prime Minister Modi's 'surgical strike' last week, a certain degree of disruption and pain is unavoidable. But the question is whether this chaos could have been anticipated and managed better than it has been. The prime purpose of demonitisation process is to curb black money in any forms. It will definitely help in keeping a check on terror-related funding and terrorist activities
2. Replacement of the demonetised notes is a time-consuming exercise that requires planning of the highest order and careful implementation. The experience of the last few days shows that preparation was lacking and the transition could have been handled much better. ATMs are running out of cash quickly while banks are dispensing more of the Rs.2,000 notes than those of lower denominations. What use is a high-value note if there is not enough smaller currency to make an exchange? Of course, it was never an

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easy task for the Reserve Bank of India and the Centre to strike the right balance between secrecy and storing adequate quantity of notes for quick distribution. All the same, there are at least a couple of issues that could have been addressed differently.

3. Firstly, The new Rs.500 notes that hit the market on Monday could have been released immediately after the announcement last week. Putting out new Rs.500 notes along the Rs.2, 000 notes would have placed much less strain on those of the Rs.100 denomination, which are anyway in short supply. Second, it appears that officials woke up a little late to the issue of recalibrating ATMs. At least a day, if not more, was lost as banks realised the ATMs would not be able to dispense the new notes. The communication with the public, who were in a state of panic, could have been better, too.
4. Thankfully, the Centre has woken up to ease the pressure on the system by increasing withdrawal limits, allowing for petroleum outlets and hospitals to accept the old series of notes until November 24 and pushing more cash through post offices. The worst-affected are people in rural areas and villages where cash is king and the income level of the villagers is quite low and they are still facing language barrier issue. The decision to relax cash-holding limits for banking correspondents, the crucial link between banks and villages, to Rs.50,000 and allowing them to replenish multiple times a day should help in faster distribution. This ought to have been done much earlier. The cash crunch of the last few days is certain to have an adverse impact on consumption spending, especially in the rural areas, with the resultant effect on the economy in the third quarter.

- Taken from 'The Hindu (Dated November 15th 2016)

**1. Attempt any eight of the following questions on the basis of the passage you have read. (1M x 8 = 8M)**

- i. Which, according to the author, of the following is the true reasons behind Modi's 'surgical strike' on black money?
- ii. Why do you think that the replacement of the demonetised notes is a time-consuming exercise?
- iii. What will be the impact of cash crunch?
- iv. Why rural areas and villagers were worst affected?
- v. What is an inevitable consequence of the decision to demonetize notes of Rs 500 and Rs 1,000?
- vi. What problems did ATMs had in the process of demonetization?
- vii. Which among the following is similar in meaning to the word 'anxious' as used in

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the passage?

a. Edgy b. Afraid c. Fretting d. Worried

viii. Which among the following is similar in meaning to the word 'chaos' as used in the passage?

a. Uncertainty b. Disorder c. Jumble d. Indecision

ix. Till 24th November 2016 where were the usage of old series notes were allowed?

2. **Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:**

CEO and MD of ICICI Bank, Chanda Kochhar's daughter Aarti Kochhar is on the threshold of her career, and like any other mother she wants to prepare her daughter for the many challenges and obstacles that life might throw at her. So she wrote an inspirational and insightful letter, that features in Sudha Menon's new book Legacy: Letters From Eminent Parents To Their Daughters and which carries messages that all parents should impart to their children at this crucial juncture of their lives.

Some excerpts from the inspiring letter are shared below:

1. **Lessons learnt at young age stay life-long**

"Our parents treated all three of us – two sisters and a brother – equally. When it came to education, or our future plans, there was no discrimination between us based on our gender. Your grandparents always had the same message for the three of us – that it was important to focus on what gave us satisfaction and to work towards it with utmost dedication. That early initiation enabled us to develop into confident individuals capable of taking decisions independently." This has also helped me when I started my own journey of self discovery.

2. **Life's challenges can be intimidating but believing in yourself is important**

"I was only a young girl of 13 when my father passed away from a sudden heart attack, leaving us unprepared to take on life without him. We had been protected from life's challenges so far. But without warning, all that changed overnight. And my mother, who had been a homemaker till then, faced the responsibility of raising three children all on her own. It was then that we realized how strong she was and how determined to do her duty in the best possible manner. Slowly, she discovered a flair for designing and textiles, found herself a job with a small firm, and quickly made herself indispensable to them. She worked hard till she saw all of us through college and we became independent. I never knew that my mother had such a wealth of self-assurance and belief within her.

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### 3. Relationships are the best investments

“Remember that relationships are important and have to be nurtured and cherished. Also keep in mind that a relationship is a two way street, so be ready to give a relationship just as you would expect the other person to be giving to you.” Building relationships, both in our personal lives and professional arena, is the best investment that we can make as humans. Relationships give our lives stability and fulfillment.

### 4. Choose your partner wisely

“My career would not have progressed the way it did were it not for your father who never once complained about the time I spent away from home. Your father and I nurtured our relationship despite the fact that we were both busy with our own careers, and I am confident you will do the same with your partner, when the time comes.”

It is extremely important for each one of us to choose our life-partners wisely. And for a woman it is crucial, almost imperative to choose a partner who will walk the journey with her holding her hands and treating her as an equal.

### 5. We are the masters of our own destiny

“I believe in fate but I also believe that hard work and diligence plays a very important role in our lives. In a larger sense, we all write our own destiny. Take destiny in your own hands, dream of what you want to achieve, and write it in your own way. As you go ahead in life, I want you to climb the path to success one step at a time. Aim for the sky, but move slowly, enjoying every step along the way. It is all those little steps that make the journey complete. Remember, “Don’t let skeptics distract you from your path”

a. **On the basis of your reading of the passage, fill in any four of the following in 30-40 words each. (2M x 4 = 8M)**

- i. What helped the writer in her journey of self discovery?
- ii. Why does the writer in her journey feel that her mother had a wealth of self assurance and belief within her?
- iii. What is Chanda Kochhar’s advise regarding Relationship?
- iv. As per Chanda Kochhar what is crucial for a woman?
- v. How destiny plays important role in our life?

b. **On the basis of your reading of the passage, fill in any two of the following**

**blanks with appropriate words/phrases. (1M x 2 = 2M)**

- i. The author progressed in her career because of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ii. Relationships give \_\_\_\_\_.
  - iii. Fate is important but also \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. Attempt any two of the following find out the word which mean the same as under. (1M x 2 = 2M)**
- i. firmness (Para 3)
  - ii. diligence (Para 1)
  - iii. fate (Para 5)

### **SECTION B WRITING ANG GRAMMAR**

- 3.
- a. You are Garv/ Garvita , Surat .You have come across information on Government portal related to scholarship in the field of “Environmental Studies”.Write an application to the Head of Scholarship Committee for the scholarship to enable you to join college. (8M)
- OR**
- b. Write a letter to a leading book store requesting the manager to send you few books; which you require immediately. You may send him a demand draft of certain amount as advance, promising him to pay the due in cash on delivery.
4. **Write a short story, in about 200-250 words, with any one set of the cues given in the boxes below. Give a suitable title to the story. (10M)**

"It was night in the middle of the June. It was terribly Hot. There was no electricity. After the day's work, I.....

**OR**

A man of 90 years old short very well preserved has come to the old people home today. His 70 year old wife has recently died. After waiting several hours in the retirement home lobby. He gently smiles as he is told that his room is ready.....

5. **Fill in any four of the following blanks choosing the most appropriate option from the ones given below. Write the answers in your answer –sheet against the correct blank numbers. (4M)**

- A. A.Stress may actually be the eating trigger that (a)..... the most trouble.
- B. Many of us have high levels of chronic stress, whether (b)..... from workload, relationship troubles or long to-do lists.
- C. Our bodies respond to this stress the way our ancestors’ bodies did, triggering “fight or flight” chemicals in the brain that (c) ..... to calorie accumulation and fat storage.
- D. But the difference is that we have plenty of food at our disposal; they didn’t. So, we end up d)..... upgrading the size of our storage unit.
- E. Stress is unavoidable in life, it is important to find ways to decrease and e) ..... stressfull incidents and decrease your negative reactions to stress
  - (a) (i) caused (ii) will cause (iii) causes (iv) causing
  - (b) (i) it’s (ii) for (iii) it (iv) that
  - (c) (i) leading (ii) lead (iii) leads (iv) led
  - (d) (i) continuous (ii) continually (iii) continue (iv) continuing
  - (e) (i) prevent (ii) preventing (iii) have prevent (iv) prevents

6. **In the following passage one word has been omitted in each line .Write the missing word, in any four sentences of the given paragraph, along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after it in the space provided. (4M)**

|  | Before | Missing Word | After |
|--|--------|--------------|-------|
| Steven Paul Jobs was American information technology entrepreneur  | A..... | .....        | ..... |
| and inventor. He was co-founder, chairman and CEO of Apple Inc.,   | B..... | .....        | ..... |
| the CEO and investor Pixar Animation Studios and                   | C..... | .....        | ..... |
| a Member of the Walt Disney Company board directors. Jobs is       | D..... | .....        | ..... |
| widely acknowledged as the pioneer of the microcomputer revolution |        |              |       |
| of 1970’s and 1980’s along Apple co-founder Steve Wozniak.         | E..... | .....        | ..... |

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7. **Rearrange any four of the following word clusters to make meaningful sentence. (4M)**

- i. to /the popularity/ every corner/ junk food/ has led/ of/ eating joints/ around / of/ the opening
- ii. tend to/ worry about/ most of us/ we take/ the risks/ in life
- iii. help/ India to/ will/ the demonetization/ corruption-free/ become/ policy
- iv. a lightning /speed/ economically/ India is/ growing at
- v. anticipating a/ the railway authorities/ foogy winter/ thirty trains/ have/ decided/ to cancel.

### SECTION C LITERATURE

8. **Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answer in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. (4M)**

a. **At a press conference, Mrs. Shultz said, “The doctors were doing all they could, but in our hearts we knew we needed a miracle.”(1M x 4)**

- i. Who made the above remark?
- ii. Discuss the context of the remark?
- iii. What miracle did they need?
- iv. Did the miracle happen? How?

**OR**

b. ‘Nothing beside remains. Round the decay  
of that colossal wreck, boundless and bare

**The lone and level sands stretch far away.’ (1M x 4)**

- i. What does the poet mean when he says that ‘Nothing beside remains’?
- ii. What does the poet mean by ‘colossal wreck’?
- iii. What literary device does the poet use in the last line?
- iv. Explain the significance of the last line.

9. **Answer any four of the following Questions in 30- 40 words each. (2x4=8)**

- i. ‘Hallock’s ‘ghosts’ were ‘live propositions’. How could he pen down ghost-special stories?
- ii. Who was Loona Bimberton? What daring feat had she achieved that led to Mrs. Packletide disliking her?
- iii. “The sailors are fickle-minded.” Justify this statement with reference to the poem ‘The

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Rime of the Ancient Mariner Part II'

- iv. "We do many things, Sir," Nicola answered seriously. What different jobs did the "Two gentlemen of Verona" do?
  - v. Give two examples of supernatural elements as seen by Calpurnia in her dream from the play "Julius Caesar".
10. **Attempt any one out of the two following long answer type questions in 100- 120 words. (8M)**
- a. 'No work is small or petty'. How has Satyajit Ray exemplified in his story "Patol Babu" ?
- OR**
- b. 'Materialism makes for rocky relationships'. Do you agree with the statement? Explain with reference to the play 'The Dear Departed'.

### **The Diary of a Young Girl**

11. **(A) Answer the following question based on prescribed novel text for extended reading in about 200-250 words. (10M)**
- a. Why did Anne give the title 'Ode to My Fountain Pen' to 11 November, 1943?
- OR**
- b. Write a pen-portrait of Otto Frank.
- OR**

### **The Story of My Life**

11. **(B) Answer the following question based on prescribed novel text for extended reading in about 200-250 words. (10M)**
- a. Describe Helen Keller's visit to Niagara in 1893 and her visit to the World's Fair with Dr. Alexander Graham Bell.
- OR**
- b. Draw a character sketch of Anne Mansfield Sullivan highlighting her monumental efforts and patience to teach a deaf and dumb girl to speak and write.
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- iii. The cash crunch of the last few days is certain to have an adverse impact on consumption spending, especially in the rural areas, with the resultant effect on the economy in the third quarter.
- iv. The worst-affected are people in rural areas and villages because cash is king and the income level of the villagers is quite low and they are still facing language barrier issue.
- v. The long, anxious, and frustrating wait by people outside banks and ATMs across the country over the last five days is an inevitable consequence of the decision to demonetise notes of Rs.500 and Rs.1,000.
- vi. The ATMs were not able to dispense the new notes.
- vii. d. Worried
- viii. b. Disorder
- ix. Petroleum outlets and hospitals were allowed to accept the old series of notes until November 24.

2.

a.

- i. Chanda Kochhar's parents treated all his children equal. When it came to education, or future plans, there was no discrimination based on gender. Their message to all of them was that it was important to focus on what gave us satisfaction and to work towards it with utmost dedication. This initiation helped her to develop into confident individuals, capable of taking decisions independently which later helped in her own journey of self discovery.
- ii. Chanda Kochhar's mother was just a home maker but when the tragedy struck

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after her father's death the responsibility of raising three children came all on her mother. Her mother got the job and stuck to it till she has provided good education and made them independent. This made writer believe that her mother had a wealth of self assurance and belief within her

iii.

- a. Relationships are important and have to be nurtured and cherished
- b. Relationship is a two way street.
- c. Building relationships, both in our personal lives and professional arena, is the best investment that we can make as humans.
- d. Relationships give our lives stability and fulfillment.

iv. For a woman it is crucial, almost imperative to choose a partner who will walk the journey with her holding her hands and treating her as an equal.

v.

- a. We all write our own destiny.
- b. We take destiny in our own hands, dream of what we want to achieve, and write it in our own way.

b.

- i. support of her husband.
- ii. stability and fulfillment.
- iii. Hard work and diligence also plays a very important role in our lives.

c.

- i. stability
- ii. dedication
- iii. destiny

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- a. Name of Applicant  
Address of Applicant  
City, State, Zip Code  
DATE

Name of Head of Scholarship Committee

Name of Scholarship or Institution

Address of Institution

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City, State, Zip Code

Subject: Application for [NAME of SCHOLARSHIP] cover letter

Respected Sir/Madam,

I am submitting this application for the [NAME of SCHOLARSHIP] to further my education in environmental studies. I have studied for two years in [Name of University] and require financial assistance to complete my degree in Environmental Science. I have worked part-time in a recycling center for the past two years and wish to work in the field of environmental sustainability. However, I need a degree to advance in this field.

I spent the last two years of high school volunteering in a waste management facility in the city and have gained a lot of experience in the field. I won an award for creative management for recycling plastic water bottles. My goal is to work to have an impact on many environmental issues such as solar power, wind power as well as waste management.

If I am fortunate enough to receive this scholarship, I will finish my degree to qualify for a job in a company that promotes sustainability in their business ethic. My father died five years ago and I was able to pay for my first two years at university with the insurance money, but my mother is no longer able to support my university tuition. I know that you will receive numerous applications for this scholarship. I am hoping that you will consider my application and allow me to fulfill my dream. I have enclosed a recommendation letter from my university councilor along with the application form and my transcripts. I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

Signature of Applicant

Printed Name of Applicant

List of Enclosures

**OR**

b. House No-XX

XXX Road,

Xxx (city)

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Date:

To,  
The Manager,  
XXX Bookstore,  
XXX Market

Dear sir,

Subject: An Order for books.

I am a CBSE student of class 10 and would like to place an order for few important books. I need these books immediately whose names are been mentioned below with their author's name.

Book Name- Author

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

I, therefore, request you to kindly send me these books as soon as possible as my unit test is knocking on the door. I have attached a Demand Draft with this letter and promise to pay the balance amount on delivery of the books.

Demand Draft Details:

DD NO-56282 Date: DD/MM/YY

Drawn on State Bank of India -Surat

I hope you will take my order of the books and will act for necessary arrangement. I shall be highly obliged.

Thanking you ,

Yours faithfully

XXX XX

4.

**A DREADFUL ADVENTURE**

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It was night in the middle of the June. It was terribly hot. There was no electricity. After the day's work, I was on my way home. I was completely tired as I had been working extra hours than daily hours. I was quite exhausted.

While I was on my way back home on the road, I found a small piece of paper which was partially covered with blood stains. I noticed that there was something wrong. I immediately rushed home and tried to have a look at the paper to know what actually it is.

Then I found an address on that paper which is completely visible. Due to god's grace only the address part is not stained. Then I immediately reached the place written in the paper. There, I found a haunted house which looked quite haunted and old. It seemed as if it had been closed since past few years.

I peeped into the house through the window. I found that it was a hiding place for some of the most wanted thieves. I also noticed an innocent girl who has been kidnapped there. She was wounded very badly. Then I decided to help her at any cost.

Immediately I contacted the police station and few police men arrived. They carefully surrounded the house and later they took control of the thieves. They thanked me for helping them. The little innocent girl was also very thankful. I was very happy at that moment as I was able to help an innocent girl and was able to fulfill my moral duty.

**OR**

### **A WISE OLD MAN**

A man of 90 years old short very well preserved has come to the old people home today. His 70 year old wife has recently died. After waiting several hours in the retirement home lobby. He gently smiles as he is told that his room is ready.....

As he slowly walks to the elevator, using his cane, I describe his small room to him, including the sheet hung at the window which serves as a curtain. "I like it very much", he says, with the enthusiasm of an 8 year old boy who has just been given a new puppy. I asked him the reason of his happiness despite being abandoned by his son, the reply made me awestruck. He said, "Happiness is something I choose in advance. Whether or not I like the room does not depend on the furniture, or the decor – rather it depends on how I decide to see it. It is already decided in my mind that I like my room. It is a decision I take every morning when I wake up. "Every day is a gift, and as long as I can open my eyes, I will focus on the new day, and all the happy memories that I have built up during

my life. “Old age is like a bank account. You withdraw in later life what you have deposited along the way. So, my advice to you is to deposit all the happiness you can in your bank account of memories. Thank you for your part in filling my account with happy memories, which I am still continuing to fill. An old man of 90 inspired a boy of age 19. I’ll follow his optimistic attitude throughout my life.

5.

- A. (iii) causes
- B. (i) it’s
- C. (ii) lead
- D. (ii) continually
- E. (i) prevent

6.

| Before      | Missing Word | After      |
|-------------|--------------|------------|
| A. was      | An           | American   |
| B. was      | The          | Co-founder |
| C. investor | Of           | Pixar      |
| D. board    | Of           | Directrs   |
| E. along    | with         | Apple      |

7.

- i. The popularity of junk food has led to the opening of eating joints around every corner.
- ii. Most of us tend to worry about the risk we take in life.
- iii. The demonetization policy will help India to become corruption-free.
- iv. India is economically growing at a lightning speed.
- v. Anticipating a foogy winter the railway authorities have decided to cancel thirty trains.

8.

- a.
  - i. Mrs. Shultz, Sebastian’s mother, made the above remark.
  - ii. Sebastian had gone into a coma and he was not recovering.
  - iii. They needed a miracle which could bring Sebastian out of comma.

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iv. Yes, the miracle did happen. When Sebastian met with an accident, his head had banged against the laptop screen and his memory had gotten saved in it. Since, then he had been lying in comma till Michael bought his laptop from a computer fair and played the same games which Sebastian might have been playing when the accident took place. Sebastian was helped by Michael in winning the game and coming back to life.

**OR**

b.

- i. The poet implies that nothing else has survived except for the broken statue.
- ii. The poet means the huge statue of Ozymandias.
- iii. The poet uses the device of alliteration (sands stretch).
- iv. The ravages of time had wiped every trace of the mighty kingdom of the mightiest of all rulers. Now only vast expanse of desert land was there.

9.

- i. John Hallock was a ghost story writer for Jenkins. He was not a specialist in ghost stories but suddenly every time an idea would come mysteriously to his mind and he would write a story. Helen told him that 'The Writer's Inspiration Bureau' used to help writers who were without ideas and had a soft mind on what to write.
- ii. Loona Bimberton was Mrs. Packletide's arch rival. She had performed a daring feat by flying eleven miles in an aeroplane by an Algerian elevator. Mrs. Packletide became so jealous of her since then that she started planning to outdo her in one or the other way.
- iii. First, they blamed him. Then, they praised him. They thought that the killing of the albatross brought them great woe. When the sun rose they felt he had done the right thing. They did not judge the killing of albatross by any standard of reasoning but by the change in the weather.
- iv. By this statement Nicola meant that apart from selling strawberries, they earned their living by doing various little jobs like newspaper selling, shining shoes, showing tourists the town as guides and this added to their confidence.
- v. (Write any 2 )
  - a. A lioness lays a litter in a city street.
  - b. Graves opened, the dead walked and there were fierce battles fought in the skies.

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- c. Many worriers' were fighting on the clouds and many people were wounded and the blood was dripping on the capitol.
  - d. The horses were crying and the worrior's were crying in pain due to their wounds.
  - e. The ghosts were wandering and crying(making noise) on the streets.

10.

- a. A job is done with immense satisfaction, irrespective of the magnitude of the job . This satisfaction cannot be expressed as money . "No work is small or petty" is beautifully depicted in "Patol Babu". Patol Babu did his role with his utmost concentration and love because when Patol Babu gets the opportunity to play the role of a absent minded pedestrian, he remembers his mentor's words, "Remember one thing Patol; however small a part you are offered, never consider it beneath your dignity to accept it. As an artist your aim should be to make the most of your opportunity, and squeeze the last drop of meaning out of your lines. A play involves the work of many and it is the combined effort of many that makes a success of the play".

And he gets inspired by these words and does his part with great dedication. He justifies his part and gets satisfied. He doesn't even take money for his part because he cannot value his satisfaction for just some amount.

**OR**

- b. Rightly said , 'Materialism makes for rocky relationships' in every aspects of life. True relationships are selfless, devoted and affectionate this creates an intimacy in the relationships, which makes the relationship yet more stronger, binding people together, especially in the family . but a small spark of 'Materialism" can ruin this intimacy. This fact is beautifully portrayed in the drama "The Dear Departed". The play 'The Dear Departed' presents an interesting situation that has tragically become common place in the world of today. The two sisters are least concerned about their father. Amelia doesn't even wait to confirm his death. She timidly starts grabbing his things. Even her sister Elizabeth and Ben were alike who also wished to have his gold watch and preferred drinking tea and wear mourning dress rather than watching their dead father. After knowing the reality yet their spat reveals Abel about the truth. When he talks of altering his will, they tried to emotionally draw him up by sniffing back tears. Finally their "possessiveness' makes him leave his family and depart.

11. (A)

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a. Anne's fountain pen was one of her most prized possession which she valued highly. It had a thick nib and had led a long and interesting fountain pen life. The fountain pen packed, in cotton, arrived all the way from Aachen in a red leather case. She liked it the moment she received it as she felt herself the proud owner of a fountain pen. To her good luck, she was allowed to take the pen to school and even her teachers let her use it in the class. She was provided a new case for the pen at the age of twelve. She liked the pen so much that she took it with her even to the annexe. The pen had raced through countless diaries and compositions. But one day, when she swept the floor after rubbing beans she accidentally threw it in the stove and found the remains in the morning. At first she was very sad but later she was happy that at least it was cremated just as she would be one day.

**OR**

b. A. Anne's father. Otto was a practical and kind man. He was bom on May 12,1889, into a wealthy Frankfurt family. He was a loving and caring father whom everyone respected. He worked in a Dutch company until the family was forced into hiding in 1942. The moment he received a call-up notice, he started making preparation for a secret hiding after discussing it with a few people. He always planned well before jumping into a situation. Shifting to the secret annexer is a good example of his plan. He took a quick action and promptly followed it. Before leaving, he even left a note for his landlord to take good care of their cat, Moortje, which they were leaving behind. Like any other father, he loved his daughters too much and wanted to give them good education. He sent Margot to a public school and Anne to a montessori school in 1934. He somehow managed to get books for his daughters as he wanted them to read and have good knowledge of the world around them. When they were in hiding Otto was the only member of the family who survived the war and lived until 1980.

**OR**

11. (B)

a. The chief events of the year 1893 were Helen Keller's visits to Niagara and the World's Fair. She went to Niagara in March, 1893. It was a unique experience for her. It was difficult to describe her emotions when she stood on the point which overhangs the American Falls. She felt air vibrate and the earth tremble.

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It might seem strange to many people that a blind and deaf girl should be impressed by the wonders and beauties of Niagara. What could that beauty and music mean to her? How could a blind and deaf girl see the waves rolling up the beach or hear their roar? To Helen Keller visiting Niagara was an uplifting experience.

During the summer of 1893, Helen Keller visited the World's Fair with Miss Sullivan and Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. She recalled those days when her childish fancies became beautiful realities. She saw many wonders from different parts of the world. All the marvels of invention, industry and the activities of human life actually passed under her finger tips. There she could feel the glories of India with its 'Shivas and elephant gods'. There was the land of the Pyramids with long processions of camels. The President of the World's Fair gave her the permission to touch the exhibits. Everything fascinated her, especially the French bronzes. Dr. Bell went everywhere with them. He in his own delightful way described to Helen the objects of greatest interest. All these experiences added a great many new words in Helen's vocabulary. It matured her to appreciate 'the real and the earnest in the workaday world.'

**OR**

b.

- Miss Anne Mansfield Sullivan had the greatest influence on the life, character and achievements of Helen Keller.
- She gave a new direction, meaning and purpose to Helen's dark life. Miss Sullivan inherited all those traits and characteristics that go in making a perfect teacher.
- She was a picture of tireless patience and unending devotion. It was her constant encouragement, help and guidance that made Helen Keller first deaf and blind in the world to earn a bachelor degree.
- It was Graham Bell who advised the parents of Helen Keller to contact the Perkins Institute for the Blind.
- The director, Mr. Anagnos asked a former student Miss Anne Sullivan to become Keller's instructor. Miss Sullivan was herself a visually impaired 20 years old lady. It was the beginning of a 49-year-long relationship.

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- The relationship evolved into Miss Sullivan becoming Helen's governess and then eventual companion. Anne Sullivan arrived at Keller's house in March 1887.
  - She immediately began to teach Helen to communicate by spelling words into her hand, beginning with "d-o-l-l" for the doll.
  - It was Miss Sullivan who unfolded and developed Helen's skills and possibilities.
  - It was Sullivan's genius as a teacher, her sympathy and loving tact which made learning so beautiful and interesting for Keller. She felt that her being was inseparable from her student.
  - All that was best in Helen Keller had been awakened by the loving touch of Miss Sullivan.
  - Anne Sullivan stayed as a companion to Helen Keller long after she taught her. Anne Sullivan married John Macy in 1905. She remained a constant companion to Keller till she died in 1936.