

**CBSE Board**  
**Class IX English Communicative**  
**Sample Paper – 1 Solution**  
**SA 2**

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**SECTION A**  
**Reading**

**Q1.**

**I.**

1. led to dumping of non-biodegradable waste in large quantities.
2. harsh weather than from military combat..
3. the main source of the Nubra River in Ladakh.

**II.**

- a) launched
- b) until
- c) tributaries
- d) largest

**III.**

1. battle: combat
2. unusual: rare

**Q2.**

1. (a) the qualities a leader should possess
2. (b) has qualities that are different
3. (d) but want peace
4. (c) come to an end
5. (b) courage and conviction

**Q3.**

**I.**

1. (d) can digest 200 times its own weight in protein
2. (c) eating raw papaya
3. (a) one drinks the juice of a raw papaya
4. (d) the juice can be used to make the skin look more attractive
5. (b) the fact that it can be eaten as a salad, cooked, boiled or just drunk

**II.**

- a. shortage: deficiency
- b. swollen: inflamed

**SECTION B**  
**WRITING & GRAMMAR****Q3.****Fresh Water Pollution**

Water that contains less than 1,000 milligrams per litre of dissolved solids is known as freshwater. When the level of oxygen in the water decreases because of human activities, we face the problem of freshwater pollution.

Commercial activities such as industrialisation and tourism have led to an increase in the level of pollutants in the freshwater resources. Freshwater sources become the dumping ground for industrial waste products and other biomedical wastes. Reckless tourist activities also contribute to pollution. While it is obvious that living things need potable water to survive, freshwater pollution also threatens the habitat of a wide variety of flora and fauna.

People may not realise the gravity of the situation unless it affects them in profound ways. Creating awareness through government programmes may be helpful as it may capture the attention of the people. Corporates should also pitch in and try to take up the problem as a social responsibility. Along with the reduction of carbon footprint, freshwater preservation should be promoted. Tourist organisations should also lay some ground rules for reckless tourists. Together, we should battle this problem lest we see a day when living things die for the want of water. Let us take small steps to effect big changes in the future.

**Q4.****An act of kindness**

The signal at Milan Junction took at least five minutes to turn green. It is during this time that Rohan saw a poor boy of his age, dressed in rags, selling toys at the signal.

“Why doesn’t he go to school, daddy?” Rohan asked his father, who was waiting for the signal to turn green.

“May be his parents cannot afford to send him to school, son,” his father replied.

Rohan had been seeing the boy for almost a year. He sold toys in the morning at Milan Junction and in the afternoon at Surendra Nagar near Rohan’s house. His father’s words kept ringing in his mind. He felt really sad for that poor boy and wanted to do something for him.

That evening when he went home, he spent a good deal of time in the store room. In fact, his mother had to call him thrice for dinner.

The next day, while returning home from school, Rohan’s eyes constantly searched for the boy. Probably he might want to buy some toys to make him happy, thought Rohan’s father.

“So what have to decided to buy from that little chap?” asked his father.

Rohan was not interested in replying. He kept looking out on the streets searching for the boy. After some time, he could see the boy coming out into the main street from a lane. Rohan started waving out to him vigorously. It took a while for the boy to realise that Rohan was calling him. As he dragged himself towards Rohan’s car, Rohan noticed that his bare feet were sore because of the heat.

“Yes, sahib, what would you like to buy?” asked the boy.

Rohan quickly jumped onto the back seat of his car and took out a bag. He opened the door and handed over the bag to the boy.

“This is for you. I know you have to work. But it will be nice if you find time and use these too!” Rohan said as he gave the bag to the boy.

When the boy opened the bag, he was grinning from ear to ear. The bag was full of Rohan’s old books, pencils, colours, notebooks, and a pair of sandals. They fit the boy perfectly. And there was also a cap for him. The boy looked at Rohan, overwhelmed and happy.

“Now you can sell your toys without being bothered about the heat!” said Rohan.

Rohan’s father was shocked to see his six-year-old son showing compassion and kindness for a stranger. He was proud of his son. On their way back home, the proud father couldn’t stop grinning thinking about what his son had just done.

**Q5.**

- a) with
- b) for
- c) of
- d) and
- e) if
- a) with

**Q6****Correction**

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| a) Robert Frost was American poet.            | <u>an</u>   |
| b) He is highly regarded his realistic        | <u>for</u>  |
| c) depictions rural life. Frost's father      | <u>of</u>   |
| d) a teacher and later an editor of           | <u>was</u>  |
| e) San Francisco Evening Bulletin.            | <u>the</u>  |
| f) Frost won first his four Pulitzer Prizes   | <u>of</u>   |
| g) 1924. He received over 40 honorary degrees | <u>in</u>   |
| h) universities such as Cambridge and Oxford. | <u>from</u> |

**Q7.**

- a) During elections, we can see supporters of political parties shouting slogans in the streets.
- b) They catch the opportunity of shaking hands with anyone they meet.
- c) Candidates urge them to exercise votes in their favour.

**SECTION D**  
**LITERATURE**

**Q8.**

1. rain drops
2. Goddess of Fertility
3. personification and allusion

**Q9.**

1. By "intelligent reading" the Professor means to do a thorough study and have all knowledge available on a particular subject. For instance, if one is studying about 'the mechanism of a service rifle', one must know every detail-technical definition, the parts of the rifle, its uses and care, muzzle velocity everything by heart.
2. John A. Pescud disapproved of today's best sellers as he believed them all to be very similar. He found these stories to be unrealistic as according to him you never see or hear of any of the incidents that you read about in bestsellers in real life.
3. The poet visited the dentist because she developed cavities and her teeth were decaying. They needed to be drilled, treated and then capped. She could have avoided visiting the dentist had she changed her diet and stopped eating so many sweets that are harmful to the teeth.
4. Jerry Fisher was Mr Bramble's trainer at White Hart. He tried to convince Bill to go back with him to train at the White Hart. He believed that if he didn't fight, the media and the spectators would be unkind to him. Conversely, if he did, Mr. Bramble would not only gain a fortune, but also garner popularity.

**Q10.**

In the monologue *The Seven Ages*, Shakespeare compares life to a stage and divides man's life into seven stages. The first stage is that of a helpless infant 'mulling and puking' all the time, being looked after by the nurse. At the second stage, he is a schoolboy, 'whining' and unwilling to go to school. The third stage is that of a lover, 'sighing like a furnace' and always full of emotions. At the fourth stage, man is a soldier, a striking contrast to his earlier roles. He is out there to do anything to keep his word. The fifth stage of man's life shows him as a mature person who makes responsible decisions and takes care of his family. He becomes wise and experienced, and also advises people. At the sixth stage, man is shown aging and slowing down. His 'big manly voice' turns 'again toward childish treble'. Finally, the last stage of man's life makes him a child again, just like he was in the first stage, devoid of senses and reason.

**Q11.**

In the play *The Bishop's Candlesticks*, the convict goes through several situations that proved to be a turning point in his life. Initially, the convict lived a normal life with his wife in a little cottage. However, he lost his job and his wife fell ill. They were starving and she was dying. As he needed money for food he resorted to stealing but was caught and thrown into prison for ten years. During his time in the prison, his wife died while he was tortured in the prison. These bitter experiences changed him and he became inhuman. One day the convict was lucky enough to escape from the prison when one of the jailers was careless and forgot to chain him up. The convict spent six weeks on the road stealing. When he found the Bishop's house, he experienced the kindness and generosity of the Bishop. However, instead of being grateful to him, he stole the Bishop's silver candlesticks. When the Sergeant arrested the convict with the candlesticks and brought him to the Bishop's house, the Bishop did not accuse him of stealing but said that those sticks were a gift to him. The convict was moved by the kind-heartedness of the Bishop. He repented and had a change of heart. He also asked the Bishop to bless him.

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