

Specification Grid of class -9

First/Second Terminal Examination: - 2081

Subject: - Compulsory English

Time: - 2 hrs.

F.M.: - 50

1. **Seen text:** - One seen reading text from the textbook with two types of comprehension questions. $5+5= 10$ (The text's length should be approximately 200 words)
2. **Unseen Text:** - One unseen reading text not given in the textbook with three types of comprehension questions. $5+5+5= 15$ (The text's length should be approximately 350 words)
3. **Guided writing:** - paragraph, recipe, description of chart/table/diagram. 6 marks (number of words: approximately 200 words)
4. **Free writing:** - personal letter, official letter, email, condolence, sympathy. 8 marks (Number of words: approximately 250 words)
5. **Grammar type**
 1. ***Reproduction/Transformation***- $6 \times 1 = 6$
 - a. Tense b. Question Tag c. Voice d. Reported speech e. interrogation f. negation
 2. ***Multiple choice type***: - $10 \times 5 = 5$
 - a. Article b. preposition c. tense d. question tag e. voice f. reported speech g. connectives h. conditional i. concord j. causative verbs. K. relative clause (Multiple choice item should contain four alternative choices)

Note: - i. For first Terminal Examination, unit 1 up to unit 6 should be complete.

ii. For Second Terminal examination, unit 1 up to unit 10 should be complete.

1. Read the following passage and do the activities given below. 10

The Poon Hill Yoga Trek provides a wonderful opportunity to witness the beauty of the Annapurna Range and the hidden treasures of Nepali culture. This programme will help you integrate the principles of Yoga into your daily life with magnificent views of snow-capped Himalayas and glaciers. The main benefit of joining this programme is that it supports and encourages a deep personal transformation process. This adventure journey passes through many tourist hotspots and icy waterfalls which are very pleasant sights.

Introducing Hatha Yoga and meditation alongside a trekking experience allows ample benefits for physical and mental health. The combination of Yoga and the Poon Hill Trek creates a more fulfilling physical exercise while strengthening and opening the mind for greater relaxation and awareness, all within the attractive natural environment.

This programme is open for all experience levels and is a unique chance for those interested in the strengthening of the body, mind and soul. This may be the short Yoga holiday you have always wished for providing an opportunity for you to explore Nepali lifestyle and the secrets to happiness of the Nepali people.

Main Highlights

Visitors will be astonished by adorable landscapes and the enchanting environment. Gazing at stunning views of the Himalayas and savouring delicious Nepali meals is really incredible. They will be attracted by different Nepali cultures, the diverse flora and fauna, numerous perennial rivers and suspension bridges, and spectacular sunrise and sunset views over high Himalayas will certainly encourage everyone to self-transform with Yoga and meditation.

- A. Rewrite the following sentences indicating 'T' for true statements and 'F' for false ones. 5

- The trekking package includes only the sight-seeing of snow-capped Himalayas.
- The trekking package provides the opportunity to know about Nepali lifestyle.
- They offer the delicious food as well.
- Hatha Yoga and meditation alongside a trekking experience allows ample benefits for physical and mental health.
- Poon hill trek creates a more physical exercise.

- B. Answer the following questions 5

- What can one mainly observe in the Poon Hill Trek?
- Why is this trekking package so benefitted to the visitors.
- Where will be the beginning point of the journey?
- Mention any four highlighted features of the trekking package.
- Do you think that the travel plan is attractive? why?

2. Read the following text and do the activities given below. 15

. Read the following text and do the tasks that follow. 15

Curiosity alone is not enough for one to become a scientist. One also needs love of nature, enthusiasm, and passion of hard work. And power of imagination. one's parents must also be able to understand one's interest in science, and they must be stimulating and helpful they should make their children feel that they are the chosen children and at the same time, they should always encourage them to do better.

Science flourishes in an atmosphere of complete freedom and financial independence. Therefore, most of the high scientific achievements took place in either the ancient time or the Victorian age, the modern scientists like the author himself work on tenure basis or on grants. Therefore, sometimes, the visionaries are punished and sycophants are rewarded. As a result, most of them apply for funds to support less risky projects. Though the modern science has been immensely successful, due to the obsession with gadgetry of technology, a lot of research these days tends to be methodology and gadget driven rather than problem driven, so, present day scientific researches, unlike in the Victorian era have been extremely boring enterprises because of the lack of adventures. The early explorer and scientists like Alfred Russel Wallace, Charles Darwin, and Michael Faraday might have been much excited after their new finding. Today's generation of scientists lacks this excitement. Technology is, in fact, as helpful in the development of science as the idea. But a scientist's individual ability to perceive a new idea is also equally important. Unfortunately, the fields of scientific research is now dominated by the people who lack curiosity and innovative idea. They take research as a nine to five job. If you want to be a real scientist first, you should have the opportunity to do the free research in your interested field, and, second, you should work on your curiosity through your scientific research in your interested field, and, second, you should work on your curiosity through your scientific research. This helps you in becoming famous, at the same time, you can get a lot of fun and can influence others. Through your scientific research.

- A. Match the followings

- a. Sycophants - i. encouraging, exciting
 - b. Obsession - ii. novel, unusual
 - c. Innovative- iii. boring, dull
 - d. Stimulating- iv. huge attraction
 - e. influence - v. forward-looking, creation, oriented
 - vi. yes man, toadies
 - vii. the power to affect, manipulate
- B. Choose the best options 5
- a. The parents.....their children to do creative works. (oppress/discourage/encourage/ leave)
 - b. Most of scientific achievements took place in (Victorian age/Elizabethan age/ modern age/ post-modern age)
 - c. The early researches were muchto their findings. (boring/exciting/ happy/sad)
 - d.enthusiasm power of imagination, love of nature are essential to become scientific.....x..... (help/love/passion/ curiosity)
 - e. Most of the modern scientific research is dominated by lack of curiosity and they take it as a job. (full time/nine-to -live/ten-to-five, part time)
- C. Answer the following questions 5
- a. Where does science prosper?
 - b. Why is the modern scientific research being boring?
 - c. How can a person be a real scientist?
 - d. Mention any two scientists whose name have been mentioned in the text?
 - e. What is the most of the modern research driven by? The most of the modern research is driven by gadgets.
3. This is Aayush, 14 years, from Biratnagar. He likes to sit on the sofa for hours every day, watching TV and eating a lot of snacks. Write a couple of paragraphs about him. you may use the guiding questions given below. A. what is the problem with Aayush? B. what should he stop doing to be healthy? C.What should he start doing? D. What advice would you give him to maintain a healthy life? 6
4. Write a letter to the head teacher of your school on behalf of your class requesting him/ her to organize an inter-house volleyball tournament in your school. Make requests for managing all required sporting goods for the tournament. 8
5. **Rewrite the following sentences as indicated in brackets: 6**
- a. Come back early in the morning,? (Supply the correct tag)
 - b. He studies hard. (Into negative)
 - c. She has been studying English for 10 years. (Into 'How long' question)
 - d. Listen! Someone is crying (cry). (Put the verb in the bracket in correct tense)
 - e, Kalpana said to him, "I never drink tea." (Into indirect speech)
 - F. No one could solve the problem. (Into passive voice)

6. Choose the correct word from the brackets to complete the text below. 5

One day a man..... (drove, was driving, will be driving) at 80 kilometers per..... (a, an, the, no article) hour when he..... (passed, was passed, pass) by a 3-legged chicken. He accelerated and passed the chicken. Three minutes. later the chicken passed him again as he was driving (on, at, by) 100 kph. The man tried to catch the chicken but it ran down a side road. The man followed it into a farmyard (and, but, because) couldn't find it anywhere. The man saw the woman and told her the story. The woman said that..... (we like, they liked, we do like) chicken legs so they bred 3-legged chickens. "What do they taste like? It tastes like local chicken..... (isn't it, doesn't it, wasn't it)" asked the man. "I don't know", replied the woman, "We haven't caught one yet. All of them..... (run, runs, is running) so fast. I will get one..... (catch, to catch, caught) if a superman (comes, came, had come) to help me."

The End

Specification Grid

Third /Annual examination 2081

Subject: - Compulsory English

Time: - 2 hrs.

F.M.: - 50

1. Seen text	5 marks
2. Seen text	5+5=10 marks
3. Unseen text	5+5=10 marks
4. Unseen text	5+5+5=15 marks
5. Guided writing (paragraphs / description of chart/ set of instructions/recipe/notice/advertisement/ Rules and regulations	5
6. Guided writing: - news story/skeleton story/condolence/invitation letter/biography/thank you letter	5
7. Free writing I: - presenting views/leave application /job application/ dialogue	6
8. Free writing II:- personal letter/ official letter/ complaint letter/ essay/ email/ review/	8
9. <i>Reproduction/Transformation-</i> (grammar) a. Tense b. Question Tag c. Voice d. Reported speech e. interrogation f. negation	6x1=6
10. <i>Multiple choice type:</i> - (Grammar) a. Article b. preposition c. tense d. question tag e. voice f. reported speech g. connectives h. conditional i. concord j. causative verbs. K. relative clause (Multiple choice item should contain four alternative choices)	10x5=5

Note: - i. For Third Terminal Examination, unit 1 up to unit 14 should be complete.

ii. For Annual Terminal examination, unit 1 up to unit 18 (all units) should be complete.

Subject: - Compulsory English Time: - 3:00 hrs. F.M.75

1. Read the following poem and do the activities given below.

Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening

Whose woods these are I think I know

His house is in the village though;

He will not see me stopping here

To watch his woods fill up with snow.

My little horse must think it queer

To stop without a farmhouse near

Between the woods and frozen lake

The darkest evening of the year.

He gives his harness bells a shake

To ask if there is some mistake.

The only other sound's the sweep

Of easy wind and downy flake.

The woods are lovely, dark and deep,

But I have promises to keep,

And miles to go before I sleep,

And miles to go before I sleep.

-Robert Frost

C. Fill in the gaps with appropriate words to complete the summary of the poem. 5

The poet compares human life with a..... The speaker of the poem is a..... He has to reach hisbefore taking a rest. However, he is distracted by the momentary pleasure in the form of..... His companion, the horse, reminds him of hisin life.

2. Read the following passage and do the activities given below. 10

The first time I went to a disco I was very young and shy. However, I decided to go. Do you remember the Star Disco in Thamel? It was a lovely place..... always full of beautiful girls. Of course, most of them are grandmothers now! When I went to the disco, I was much too shy to ask anyone for a dance. So I sat down and thought I'd watch for a while. You know, see how the other **lads** did it. There was a lovely girl in a blue dress. A man walked up to her and said, "Excuse me. May I have the **pleasure** of the next dance?" She looked up at him and said "Eh? What did you say?" So he said, "I wonder if you would be kind enough to dance with me?.....er....if you don't mind?" "No, thank you very much." A few minutes later, this other **chap** arrived. He gave her this big smile and said, "Would you be so kind as to have the next dance with me?" "**Pardon?**" she said. "Would you mind having the next dance with me?" he said, a bit nervously this time, "No thanks."

Then, this third **fellow** came over. He was very good-looking, you know, black teeth, white hair- sorry, I mean white teeth, black hair! He said, ever so politely, "Can I...I mean...could I... no, might I have the next dance with you?" "Sorry", she said, "My feet are **aching**."

By now, I was **terrified**. I mean, she'd said 'no' to all of them! Then this fourth character thought he'd try. "Would you like to dance?" She looked straight at him. "No." Well, I decided to go home. I was wearing old jacket and trousers, and nobody would say that I was good-looking! Just as I was walking past her, she smiled. "Er... dance?" I asked. "Thank you very much," she replied. And that was that!

It's our twentieth wedding anniversary next week.

A. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives given and complete the sentences. 5

a. The storyteller is probably...

i. a comedian ii. a musician iii. an actor

b. When he arrived at the disco, he first.....

i. saw his grandmother ii. saw some guys dancing iii. saw a beautiful girl

c. Now his age may be about...

i. 20 years ii. 30 years iii. 40 years

d. The lovely girl....

i. didn't dance at all ii. became nervous iii. danced at last

e. The story can be best described as...

i. humorous ii. serious iii. sad

B. Answer the following questions 5

- what is the name of disco? And where is it?
- Describe the character of narrator in two words.
- How many boys tried for a dance with that girl except the narrator?
- Find two words from the story which are similar in meaning to the word 'man'?
- was the narrator good-looking?

1. 3. Read the following text and do the tasks: 10

Vacancy announcement

Applications are invited from qualified, experienced, dynamic, smart, result-oriented, and well-motivated Nepalese citizens for the following positions:

i. Commis (Indian cuisine) ii. commis (Bakery) iii. Waitress/waiter iv. Bell Boy v. Houseman

(preference will be given to those who are trained and experienced in related jobs). Interested candidates should apply with detailed Bio-data, a recent PP-size photograph along with two references and copies of relevant documents, and a proper daytime telephone contact no to the following address by 12th January 2024. Please mention the post applied the envelope

Note: - those candidates who applied previously need not apply.

(Only shortlisted candidates will be called for an interview

Godavari Village Resort

Human Resource Department

G.P.O. Box. 12446 Kathmandu

A. Answer the following questions 5

- What type of persons are required for the posts?
- What things should be included with the application?
- What is the post required?
- who will be contacted for the interview?
- Where can the application be sent to?

B. Write similar in meaning 5

a. petitions b. absorbed c. partiality d. contenders e. file

1. 4. Read the passage and do the activities that given below. 15

“Yogmaya had a two-pronged agenda, not just one,” explained Manamaya. “Her first target was the cultural and religious oppression of the time. Her second object was our ruler, the Prime Minister, who along with his generals allowed corruption and inequality to prevail. Our master, Shakti Yogmaya, showed us how these two evils are tangled, and she feared neither.” Yogamaya launched a brilliant and a daring political campaign from her base in the hills of East Nepal. It took place during the 1930s, and ended in 1940 with her death, along with sixty-eight of her followers who one by one followed her into the thundering current of the Arun River. After leading a campaign for reform and justice, Yogmaya finally confronted the ruler with an ultimatum: “If you do not grant us justice, we will die,” she declared. Juddha Shamsheer responded by sending his army to round up the protesters. The tragedy that resulted remains a stain on the government. The Nepalese authorities covered up the episode and banned all mention of her. Her campaign was thoroughly expunged from the nation’s historical record and almost lost to its political consciousness. But the powerful verses composed by Yogmaya, the hazurbani, survived.

A. Match the following words with their meanings.

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|---------------|----------------------------------|
| a. pronged | i. planned actions |
| b. oppression | ii. forked, branched |
| c. corruption | III. cruel domination |
| d. campaign | iv. dishonesty for personal gain |
| e. reform | v. start |
| | vi. improvement |

B. Answer these questions

- What was Yogamaya's first agenda?
- Why did Yogamaya oppose the Prime minister?
- When and how did Yogmaya die?
- Why did yogamaya and her followers kill themselves?
- Why did Juddha Shamsheer send his army?

C. Write 'T' for true statements and 'F' for false statements. 5

- a. Juddha Shamsheer responded by sending his army to round up the protesters.
- b. Yogmaya had a two-pronged agenda.
- c. Master was shakti Yogmaya.
- d. Yogmaya wrote powerful verse.
- e. The prime-minister was Juddha Shamsheer.

5. Write a couple of paragraphs about the advantages and disadvantages of studying in a foreign country in about 100 words. 5

Clues: - abroad study.....advantages anddisadvantages..... quality education plenty of materials to read.....job opportunities.....but disadvantages..... miss family and friends expensive.....more assignmentsetc.

6. Write a set of rules and regulations to be followed in a public bus in about 100 words. 5

Clues: - wait until..... careful while entering and existing.....leave front seats for elders.....no eating and alcoholic drinkno explosive materials.....

7.A veteran actress, Subhadra Adhikari, who passed away in 2019 A.D. Write a message of condolence to her family on behalf of your school. It will be published in a local newspaper. Use the clues given in the box below. 6

Subhadra Adhikari (1946 – 2019) passed away at her residence, Kathmandu, due to respiratory problems famous and well-known senior actress..... contributed a lot to the Nepali film industry Basanti, Basudev, Muna Madan, Chino among superhits heartfelt condolences.

8. Write an essay on " **Our Culture, Our Pride**" in 300 words .8

9. Rewrite the following sentences as indicated in brackets: 6

- a. Ram comes back early in the morning,? (Supply the correct tag)
- b. He studies hard. (Into yes/no question)
- c. She has been studying English for 10 years. (Into 'How long' question)
- d. Listen! Someone (cry). (Put the verb in the bracket in correct tense)
- e. Kalpana said to him, "Are you ready to go?" (Into indirect speech)
- f. No one could solve the problem. (Into passive voice)

Q.No.10. Choose the correct word from the brackets to complete the text below. 5

Having eaten some delicious food in..... (a, an, the, none) Indian restaurant, Dorje discovered that his wallet (stole, had stolen, was stolen). He could easily sense the problem he was going to have. Just then a businessman got a call (for, at, on) his cell phone. He hanged up, grinning from ear to ear and ordered a round of drinks and food for everybody in the bar..... (although, to, because), he announced, his wife had just produced a baby boy. Dorje became relaxed and congratulated the businessman. Luckily, he got his bill (to pay, paid, pay). Congratulations showered him from all around and many exclamations of "WOW!" (was, are, were) heard. Two weeks later the businessman..... (has returned, returned, had returned) to the bar. One of the waiters asked, "Your son is all right, (isn't he, aren't you, wasn't you)?" the businessman replied that (my son is okay, my son was okay, his son was okay). The waiter requested the man, "if you (will celebrate, celebrate, celebrated) your son's birthday, please order birthday cake from here." The businessman smiled and said "Sure!"

The End