



The Times Secondary School
Dillibazar, Kathmandu
First Terminal Examination – 2076

Grade: XII

Set A

Full Marks: 100

Stream: Management(Morning Shift)

Pass Marks: 40

Subject: Comp. English

Time: 3 hours

Examinees are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable. The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Attempt all the questions.

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions below: 5×3=15

Mahabir Pun of Nepal is among the seven individuals who received the 2007 Ramon Magsaysay Award by the Board of Trustees of the Ramon Magsaysay Award Foundation (RMAF). Pun has won the award for Community Leadership for his 'innovative application of wireless computer technology in Nepal, bringing progress to remote mountain areas by connecting his village to the global village'. Pun, 56, is a resident of the western district of Myagdi.

Pun is the fourth Nepali national to win the coveted award also known by some as the Nobel Prize of Asia. Dr. Sanduk Ruit, head of the Tilganga Eye Center in Nepal had received the Ramon Magsaysay Award in 2006 for "placing Nepal at the forefront of developing safe, effective and economic procedures for cataract surgery, enabling the needlessly blind in even the poorest countries to see again."

Nepal's renowned journalist, Bharat Dutta Koirala, received the award in 2002 for his outstanding contribution to the development of journalism in Nepal. Late Mahesh Chandra Regmi was the first Nepali to receive the award for journalism, literature, and creative communication arts in 1977.

Nangi Village, where Mahabir Pun was born, rests high in the Himalayan foothills of western Nepal. Here, and in surrounding Myagdi District, live the Pun magars, whose men have soldiered for generations across the globe as Gurkhas. Yet, their worldly careers have done little to change their sleepy homeland, so far from the traffic patterns that knit together the rest of the world. Indeed, Nangi is seven hours hard climb from the nearest road. No telephone lines have ever reached it. Despite this, these days the people of Nangi are definitely connected to the world outside. Wireless Internet technology has made this possible. Mahabir Pun made it happen.

Questions:

- a. Why was Mahabir Pun recognized with the Ramon Magsaysay Award?
 - b. What is the contribution of Dr. Sanduk Ruit?
 - c. When and why did Bharat Dutta Koirala receive the award?
 - d. Where does Nangi Village lie?
 - e. What are the Pun Magars famous for?
2. Answer any five of the following: 5×3=15
- a. What is the main idea of the poem 'Grandmother' by Ray Young Bear?
 - b. Discuss the violent love affair between the two servants in *About Love*.
 - c. How is Karnali linked economically with the low land regions to the south? (Hurried Trip to Avoid a Bad Star)
 - d. What is the central idea of the poem "Traveling Though the Dark"?
 - e. The plan was to go to Porthcawl for the outing. Did they ever reach there? Why? (A Story)
 - f. Is death meaningful in the poem '*Full Fathom five Thy Father Lies*'? Give reasons.
3. Answer any one of the following: 10
- a. What leads Moti Nissani to the belief that the world is facing an overpopulation problem?
 - b. Sketch the character of Alyhoin. Do you consider him a successful or a failure person? (About Love)
4. Make sentences what Colin might say using "*If there is one thing...*" keeping the meaning of the original sentence. 5
- a. Someone sings in the bath. It's getting on Colin's nerves.
 - b. Someone is laughing at Colin. It's infuriating him.
 - c. Someone has taken Colin's pen without asking. He is angry.
 - d. It's after midnight, and the people next door are playing loud music. Colin objects to it.
 - e. Someone has just spat in the street. Colin is offended.

5. Join the following sentences using a relative clause. 5
- The baby is catching a ball. She is my daughter.
 - There is some juice in the bottle. The juice is not fresh.
 - The place is called Baluwatar. The prime minister lives there.
 - My daughter lives in America. I send a lot of books to her.
 - I got my phone back. I had left my phone in my sister's house.
6. For each of the situations below: Ask a question with "*How long.....?*" Answer it, using the words in brackets. 5
- They talked on the telephone. (20 minutes)
 - She painted the bathroom ceiling, (six o' clock)
 - We played golf on Sunday, (dusk)
 - He mowed the lawn. (ten minutes)
 - I wrote all my letters. (lunch time)
7. Make remarks with a sentence using (not) used to + ing in each of the following cases. 5
- Mary was surprised when I invited her for lunch.
 - I don't mind washing my own clothes.
 - You can bring only two friends with you.
 - Suman enjoys eating fruits.
 - Children make noise.
8. How would you describe a person who..... 5
- has high opinion about himself.
 - doesn't like going to parties.
 - never loses his temper.
 - expects good things to happen.
 - doesn't boast.....
9. Complete the following remarks using 'look'. 5
- he needs a wash
 - rather aggressive
 - a tramp
 - he's going to start a fight
 - something from outer space

10. Write a police description of a person who was involved in kidnapping a child. 5
11. Write a couple of paragraphs about the advantages of having mobile phone. 5
12. Write an essay on the "Importance of Discipline at School" in about 200 words. 10
13. Write a job application for the post of an Office Assistant lying vacant in your college. State your age, qualification, experience and trainings. 10

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1. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below: $5 \times 3 = 15$

Coronary heart disease is the most common cause of death in the developed countries. With the rise in general living standards, containments of infectious diseases, good hygiene, and better nutrition, less people are dying. However, factors such as stress, obesity, sedentary life style associated with affluence and mechanization have given way to hypertension, diabetes, and coronary heart diseases. The heart is a muscular fist-sized organ which pulsates 60 to 80 times per minute pumping 3600 gallons of blood a day to keep the body alive. For doing this, the heart muscles require enormous amounts of energy. The heart muscles derive energy from oxygen dissolved in the blood, which flows through the coronary arteries. Every day the heart and its circulatory system battle to maintain an uninhibited supply of blood along the arteries. The blockage is mainly due to cholesterol, a fatty substance present in eggs, liver, kidney, and sea foods like prawns and also produced in the body by the liver from saturated fats present in the food. A certain amount of cholesterol is needed to make the cell wall work, to produce steroid hormones and vitamin D.

Proper lifestyle must be adopted to reverse the risk of heart attacks. Eating enough fruits and vegetables, cutting down on alcohol and salt, increasing the intake of fatty acids like olive oil and rapeseed oil, avoiding saturated fats like butter, hard cheese, ghee, etc. can make a huge difference.

Questions:

- Why is the number of people dying in the modern world less?
- What are the different diseases associated with affluence and mechanization?

- Why does human body need cholesterol?
- What measures should we adopt to minimize heart attacks?
- What is the main idea of the passage? Summarize in about 50 words.

2. Answer **any five** of the following: $5 \times 3 = 15$
- How does the speaker remember his grandmother? (Grandmother)
 - Describe the relationship between Thomas (the boy's uncle) and his wife. (A Story)
 - How is Karnali linked economically with the low land regions to the south? (Hurried Trip to Avoid a Bad Star)
 - What does the traveler feel when he touches the dead doe? (Travelling through the Dark)
 - What is the relation between Life and Art? Describe briefly.
 - Why does the poet spit into the face of Time? (Lamentation Of the Old Pensioner)

3. Answer **any one** of the following: 10
- Alyohin is said to rush around like a squirrel, and this judgment is echoed in the final paragraph of the story. What is the significance of this repetition. (About Love)
 - What are the causes, consequences and mitigation measures of over population and deforestation? (Two Long Term Problems)

4. How would you describe people who are? 5
- Reliable?
 - Pessimist?
 - Short – tempered?
 - Sociable?
 - Serious?

5. Talk about the people below in the same way as given in the example: 5
- Example: You see a man lying on the ground in a pool of blood.

He looks as if he is seriously wounded.

- You see a girl standing on the seashore, staring into the water.
- You see someone climbing through a window.
- You see a man lying underneath a car.

- d. You see a woman whose clothes are soaked, and she is sneezing.
e. You see a boy and a girl sitting together in a restaurant.
6. Make sentences what Colin might say using "If there is one thing..." without changing the meaning of the original sentence. 5
- People who smoke in restaurants annoy me.
 - People who are cruel to animals upset me.
 - I hate people who break promises make me angry.
 - I detest people who interrupt when I'm speaking.
 - I loathe people who ring me up early in the morning.
7. Join the following sentences together using a non-defining relative clause. 5
- Finally, Brown (Willis had been sharing an office with him) decided to retire.
 - The old house (the family had lived in it for 300 years) was finally sold.
 - Mary noticed that he was wearing her ring (she had lost it five years before)
 - Nobody liked the eldest son (old Lord Banbury had left all his money to him).
 - He became quite fond of Brixton Prison (he had spent so much of his life there).
8. Continue the remarks below with a sentence using be (not) used to + ing form. 5
- My friend is going to find it hard work working on the construction site.
 - Priya was surprised when she got flowers from her friends.
 - Bhuban won't mind if you stare at him.
 - Bina won't mind if you watch her dancing.
 - My grandmother feels a bit lonely when I am not in the room.
9. For each of the situations below: 5
- Ask a question with 'How long...?'
 - Answer it using the words in brackets.
 - She played the video game. (20 minutes)

- Sarda painted the bathroom ceiling. (six o'clock)
 - We played cricket. (dark)
 - He cleaned the washroom. (ten minutes)
 - I typed all my essays. (lunch time)
10. Write a police description of a person who was involved in kidnapping a child. 5
11. Write a couple of paragraphs about the advantages of games and sports. 5
12. Write a letter to your friend inviting him to your village or town. 10
13. Write an essay on the "Role of English language in the context of present Nepal." 10

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