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RECOMMENDED REFERENCE BOOKS FOR CLASS X

English 10  
Punjab Textbook Board, Lahore

1. New English Grammar and Composition  
Punjab Textbook Board, Lahore

2. High School English Grammar and Composition  
Written By: PC Wren and H Martin  
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Q. 1 Insert the correct option i.e. A/B/C/D in the empty box provided opposite each part.

i. Lok-Melas are arranged to develop a sense of:
   A. Selfishness
   B. Brotherhood
   C. Disharmony
   D. Chaos

ii. Computer only solves problems that are:
   A. Exceptional
   B. Complicated
   C. Programmed
   D. Simple

iii. On what does our cottage industry mainly depend?
   A. Folk Lore
   B. Climate
   C. Inherited Skills
   D. Government Patronage
iv. In the poem “My Mother” the poetess says that she can never cease to be:

A. Kind and affectionate  
B. Loving and admiring  
C. Helpful and affectionate  
D. Respectful and affectionate

v. In the poem “A Little Word” the phrase “a budding flower” refers to:

A. a child  
B. a new flower  
C. a new idea  
D. the youth

vi. Which of the following is not a sentence?

A. Tall trees provide shade.  
B. Many plants grow in a forest.  
C. Threatened by insect pests.  
D. Oak is a valuable hardwood.

vii. Which of the following is not a concrete noun?

A. Inventor  
B. City  
C. Calendar  
D. Progress
viii. “The woman found herself a book of folk tales.” Which type of pronoun the underlined word is?
   A. Indefinite pronoun
   B. Relative pronoun
   C. Reflective pronoun
   D. Emphatic or intensive pronoun

ix. “The stadium had an electronic scoreboard.” The underlined word is a/an:
   A. Linking verb
   B. Helping verb
   C. Complement
   D. Action verb

x. “We have watched the latest movie.” Which tense is it?
   A. Present indefinite
   B. past continuous
   C. Present perfect
   D. Future perfect

xi. “The soaring plane flew at the height of 120 feet.” The underlined word is a/an:
   A. Participle used as adjective
   B. Gerund
   C. Participle used as verb
   D. Abstract noun

xii. “Mountain climbers certainly place in danger their lives.” Which of the following words can replace the underlined portion?
   A. Spoil
   B. Glorify
   C. Risk
   D. Lose
xiii. “He always ridicules my ideas.” What does the underlined word mean?

A. Makes fun  
B. Appreciates  
C. Criticizes  
D. Draws upon

xiv. “A satisfied worker usually works with great zeal.” Which of the following words convey opposite meaning to the underlined word?

A. Enthusiasm  
B. Lack of interest  
C. Happiness  
D. Boredom

xv. Choose the correct spelling:

A. Deligence  
B. Daligence  
C. Diligence  
D. Delligence
Q. 2 Answer any FIVE of the following questions in about 30 to 40 words each. Each part carries 3 marks. (5×3=15)

i. What teaching methodology did the Holy Prophet (SAW) use to teach the Muslims?

ii. How do you think different social festivals that we celebrate enrich our lives?

iii. The Charter of Madina is a social and legal document of great importance. Discuss briefly.

iv. What steps should a government take to overcome the menace of drugs?

v. “It is better to be late than never.” Elaborate with reference to the lesson “Traffic Education”.

vi. How can we avoid “pomp and show” in our wedding ceremonies?

vii. How did the Quaid use to spell bound his audience with his speech?

Q. 3 A. Paraphrase any ONE of the following stanzas: (3)

i. Not gold but only men can make
    A people great and strong
    Men who, for truth and honour’s sake,
    Stand fast and suffer long.
ii. This man is free from servile bonds
Of hope to rise or fear to fall:
Lord of himself, though not of lands,
And having nothing, yet hath all.

B. Read the following stanza carefully and answer the questions given at the end:

Awake! Arise! The athlete’s arm
Loses its strength by too much rest;
The fallow land, the untilled farm,
Produces only weeds at best.

QUESTIONS:
i. Why does the poet emphasize on getting up early?
ii. What is the concept that the poet has tried to communicate in the last two lines of the stanza?
iii. Explain the meaning of “fallow” and “untilled”.

Q.4 Read the following passage and answer the questions given at the end:

Like fine food, good writing is something we approach with relish and enjoy from the first taste to the last. And good writers like good chefs, don’t suddenly appear full-blown. “That writer does the most, who gives the reader the most information, and takes from him the least time”, says Charles C. Carlton. The purpose of writing is to communicate a thought, an idea, a sentiment or a fact. The more concrete and concise these elements in a writing, the more precise and the more rewarding they are to the reader. The manner in which you communicate information is enormously important. It is rightly said, “The manner of our speaking is full as important as the matter”. It must come to us in palatable form to command our attention, and to hold it. “Brevity is the soul of wit.” Nevertheless, this maxim warrants remembering that we demand the least time from our readers. But brevity too, requires a skillful hand.

QUESTIONS:
i. How is a good writer comparable to a good chef? (1)
ii. What should be the best quality of writing? (2)
iii. Write the meanings of the underlined words. (2)
iv. Summarize the passage in your own words and suggest a suitable title. (5)
Q.5  a. Change the narration of any **FOUR** of the following sentences:  
   i. He said, “May God help me do my duty.”
   ii. He said, “If I were you, I would never accept this proposal.”
   iii. She said, “Will you stop interfering in my work?”
   iv. The man says, “The poor are the most seriously affected by the price hike.”
   v. She said to them, “Let us not deceive ourselves.”

   b. Use any **FOUR** of the following phrasal verbs in sentences:  
   i. act for  
   ii. take after  
   iii. look up  
   iv. hang out  
   v. bear out

Q.6  Write a letter to the editor of a children magazine on the importance of studying regularly.  

   (OR)

   Write an application to the principal of your school, requesting him to arrange an excursion trip for your class.

Note: *Examiner may select two letters, two applications or choice may be given between the above.*

Q.7  Write an essay on any **ONE** of the following topics: (150-200 words)

   i. My Childhood Wishes
   ii. How has Mobile Phones Changed our Lifestyle?

Note: *Descriptive, narrative and expository types of essays are included.*

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