



# DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL, GWALIOR

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## MODEL TEST PAPER

### CLASS – VII

### SUBJECT – ENGLISH

Time: 3 hrs.

M.M.: 80

#### General Instructions:

- 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
- All questions are compulsory.
- You may attempt any section at a time.
- All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.

#### Section A – Reading (20 Marks)

**Q1. Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions. [12]**

Think of the shehnai and the first thing you'll probably imagine is a wedding or a similar function. The next would probably be Ustad Bismillah Khan, the shehnai maestro. Emperor Aurangzeb banned the playing of a musical instrument called *pungi* for it had a shrill unpleasant sound. Pungi became the generic name.

A barber of a family of professional musicians, who had access to the royal palace, decided to improve the tonal quality of pungi. He chose a pipe with a natural hollow stem that was longer and broader than pungi. He made seven holes on the body of the pipe. When he played on it, closing and opening some of these holes, soft and melodious sounds were produced. He played it in the royal palace and everyone was impressed.

Since the modified Pungi was first played in the Shah's chamber and was played by nai (barber), the instrument was named, 'Shehnai'.

**1. Choose the correct option. [4x1=4]**

1.1 **Who is called the shehnai maestro?**

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| (a) Aurangzeb            | (b) Shah  |
| (c) Ustad Bismillah Khan | (d) Akbar |

1.2 **Why did Aurangzeb ban the playing of pungi?**

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| (a) it had an unpleasant sound | (b) it had a pleasant sound |
| (c) it was broken by somebody  | (d) Aurangzeb was not happy |

1.3 **Who decided to improve the pungi?**

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|----------------|--------------------------|
| (a) a musician | (b) barber               |
| (c) Aurangzeb  | (d) Ustad Bismillah Khan |

1.4 **Which of the following word from the passage means 'official order to stop something'?**

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| (a) imagine | (b) hollow  |
| (c) banned  | (d) impress |

**2. Answer the following questions. [4x1=4]**

2.1 Who decided to improve the tonal quality of pungi?

- 2.2 Who banned the playing of musical instrument called pungi and why?  
2.3 How did the improved pungi get its name 'Shehnai'?  
2.4 Who had access to the royal palace?

**3. Fill in the blanks.**

[4x1=4]

- 3.1 Shehnai reminds of a \_\_\_\_\_.  
3.2 \_\_\_\_\_ became the generic name.  
3.3 Barbar chose a pipe with a \_\_\_\_\_ hollow stern.  
3.4 \_\_\_\_\_ holes were made on the pipe.

**Q.2 Read the poem carefully and answer the following questions.**

[8]

I want to dance, to leap, to twist,  
To jump and creep, to fall back  
at every gust of wind,  
To flare up every second of my life. (1)

I look red; I want to be yellow,  
I look orange; I want to be green,  
I look blue; I want to be red,  
I look dark; I want to be light. (2)

I am a happy fire,  
Happy because I can do whatever I want.  
Dancing, leaping, twisting, swirling,  
Flaring, creeping and spreading,  
Cracking and roaring as do. (3)

The smell of burning reaches the people around me,  
The smoke drifts up and up till it reaches the heavens,  
And then just fades away,  
And then just fades away,  
And sadly I die, slowly, slowly, slowly. (4)

**1. Answer the following questions in 20-30 words.**

[2x1=2]

- (i) Who is the speaker in the above lines?  
(ii) Why is the speaker happy?

**2. Fill in the blanks choosing the correct answer from the given options.**

[4x1=4]

- (i) I look \_\_\_\_\_, I want to be light. (**dark / dim**)  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_ means to jump in stanza 3. (**leaping / dancing**)  
(iii) The smoke drifts up till it reaches \_\_\_\_\_. (**the heaven/ the sky**)  
(iv) The smell of \_\_\_\_\_ reaches the people around me. (**burning / cooling**)

**3. Find the following from the poem.**

[2x1=2]

- (i) Antonym of '**happily**'.  
(ii) Synonym of '**disappear**'

**Section B (Writing and Grammar) (30 Marks)**

- Q3.** You are Vijay / Neha, the Headboy / Headgirl of Shivalik Public School, Chandigarh. Write a notice in 50 words about an English Debate Competition to be held in the school premises. [4]
- Q4.** Write a letter to your friend inviting him / her for your sister's marriage in 70-80 words. [7]
- Q5.** Write an article in 70-80 words on the topic 'The Value of Sports'. [7]
- Q6. Do as directed –**
- (A) Fill in the blanks choosing the correct option from the words given in the brackets.** [4x ½ =2]
- (i) This pen is \_\_\_\_\_ (mine / my)
- (ii) People in our village \_\_\_\_\_ (are / is) hardworking.
- (iii) \_\_\_\_\_ (How / What) do you start the machine?
- (iv) The lion was killed \_\_\_\_\_ (by / with) the poachers.
- (B) Fill in the blanks with the correct article.** [4x ½ =2]
- (i) I would love to take \_\_\_\_\_ luxury cruise next year.
- (ii) Did you enjoy \_\_\_\_\_ book I recommended to you?
- (iii) Today is \_\_\_\_\_ coldest day of the year.
- (iv) Please hand me \_\_\_\_\_ autobiography.

- Q7. The following passage has not been edited. There is an error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correct word in your answer sheet against the correct blank number.** [8x½=4]

	<u>Incorrect</u>	<u>Correct</u>
I step out of the hostel gate.	(a) _____	_____
Our hostel were not more	(b) _____	_____
than an hundred yards from the	(c) _____	_____
river. The sand was damp with a	(d) _____	_____
morning dew. But as I place	(e) _____	_____
my feet, I felt warmth for	(f) _____	_____
the previous day's sun. There was	(g) _____	_____
many banyan trees and birds which stirred		
and chirped in our nests.	(h) _____	_____

- Q8. Rearrange the following sets of words to form meaningful sentences.** [4x1=4]
- a. dived / the / into / girl / pool / the
- b. friends / books / our / best / are
- c. have / you / any / pen / do / good / ? /
- d. harmless / most / people / to / bats / are

**Section - C (Literature) (30 Marks)**

- Q9. Read the extracts given below and answer the following questions.**

**(A) *On hot afternoons you go to sleep  
And with dizzy heat swoons all the world,***

*Even the crows doze and forget to caw,  
The dog lies in the shade with hanging tongue.*

[4x1=4]

**I Choose the correct option.**

- (i) Find the synonym of 'swoons'  
(a) faint (b) alertness (c) revive
- (ii) Find the antonym of dozy  
(a) sleep lightly (b) awake (c) nap

**II Answer in not more than 20 words.**

- (i) Name the poem and the poet from where the above extract has been taken.  
(ii) Who is the speaker here and to whom he/she is talking to?

**(B) *He put his legs into the jam and he worried the teaspoons and he pretended that the lemons were rats.***

[4x1=4]

**I Choose the correct option.**

- (i) Find the antonyms of 'pretended'  
(a) real (b) fake (c) artificial
- (ii) Jam is the homophone of  
(a) an eatable, to lock and unworkable position  
(b) close, non living thing  
(c) happy, to give

**II Answer in not more than 20 words.**

- (i) Name the lesson and the writer.  
(ii) How did 'he' contribute in packing?

**Q10. Answer any six of the following questions in 30-40 words:**

[6x2=12]

- (i) What was the crisis in the story 'Ada Blackjack'?
- (ii) George and Harris did a number of foolish and funny things while packing. Write any four of the things they did.
- (iii) How did Wangari Maathai wish to spend her prize money?
- (iv) What is the 'Other Summit'? Why is it more difficult to climb?
- (v) 'Our entire class is quaking in its boots'. Explain the statement.
- (vi) 'Sankar was the cleverest of the boys'. Justify.
- (vii) Why did Mulan's glory spread throughout the land?

**Q11. Answer the following questions in 50-60 words.**

[2x3=6]

- (i) Out of the three friends Jerome, George and Harris, who was the worst packer? Explain with examples.
- (ii) Explain the importance of trees in your own words.

**Q12. Answer any one of the following two questions in 70-80 words.**

[4x1=4]

Write a character sketch of Ada Blackjack.

**OR**

Each man carries within himself his own Mountain peak. Explain the given statement.

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