

DAV PUBLIC SCHOOLS, BHUBANESWAR
SYLLABUS 2020-21
SUBJECT:-ENGLISH COURSE -‘A’
STD-VIII

• **Prescribed Text Books :**

1. MY ENGLISH READER-VIII (DAV CMC)
2. ENGLISH LITERATURE-VIII (DAV CMC)
3. ENGLISH PRACTICE BOOK-VIII (DAV CMC)
4. DIALOGUE-VIII (ORIENT BLACK SWAN)

EXAMINATION SPECIFICATION

The entire session has been divided into two parts, the details of which are tabulated below.

DIVISION OF SYLLABUS	Half Yearly and Annual Marks	PA-I & II Marks
Sections		
Reading	20	10
Writing	20	12
Grammar	15	8
Literature	25	10
Total	80	40

INTERNAL ASSESSMENT (PA-I & II)

Sl. No	Assessment	Marks
1.	Class Assignment / Home Assignment	5
2.	Periodic Tests	10
3.	Subject Enrichment Activity Term-I -Group Discussion (Changing Times) Term-II Dramatization (A Bad Dream)	5
	Total	20

Difficulty level for all examinations:

Sl. No.	Objective	Percentage of Marks
1	Easy	35 %
2	Average	46 %
3	Difficult	19 %
	Total	100

N.B-PA I is part of Half Yearly and PA2 is part of Annual Examination .

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		PA- I (20th July to 25th July) Time :1hr&30 mins	Half Yearly Examination (19 Sept-28 Sept 2020) Time : 3 Hours	PA-II (1st Dec to 7th Dec 2020) Time: 1 hr&30mins	ANNUAL As per DAV schedule Time : 3 Hours
Sl No	Chapter	Marks(40 Marks)	Marks(80 Marks)	Marks(40 Marks)	Marks(80 Marks)
			LITERATURE		Whole Syllabus
1	THREE QUESTIONS	✓	✓		✓
2	GRANNY'S TREE CLIMBING	✓	✓		✓
3	THE FUN THEY HAD	✓	✓		✓
4	FATHER'S HELP		✓		✓
5	MY MOTHER		✓		✓
6	THE LUNCHEON		✓		✓
7	THE CHILDREN'S SONG			✓	✓
8	THE CASE OF THE SHARP- EYED JEWELLER			✓	✓
9	COUPLETS			✓	✓
10	THE UNDESERVED REWARD			✓	✓
11	BANGLE SELLERS				✓
12	A BAD DREAM				✓
			MY ENGLISH READER		
1	CHANGING TIMES	✓	✓		✓
2	COMPASSIONATE SOULS		✓		✓
3	ENTERPRISE		✓		✓
4	NATURE			✓	✓
5	SPORTS			✓	✓
6	TOLERANCE				✓
1			GRAMMAR		
2	TENSE	✓	✓		✓
3	NARRATION CHANGE	✓	✓		✓
4	MODALS		✓		✓
5	SUBJECT-VERB AGREEMENT		✓		✓
7	CLAUSE AND COMPLEX SENTENCES			✓	✓
8	LINKERS			✓	✓
9	ACTIVEPASSIVE VOICE			✓	✓
10	NON-FINITES				✓

11	PUNCTUATION		✓		
			WRITING(SHORT) 50 words		
1	NOTICE	✓	✓		✓
2	MESSAGE			✓	✓
3	DIALOGUE COMPLETION		✓		✓
4	E-MAIL	✓	✓		✓
5	BIO-SKETCH			✓	✓
					✓
			WRITING(LONG) 100 to 150words		
1	SPEECH	✓	✓		✓
2	ARTICLE			✓	✓
3	LETTER TO EDITOR			✓	✓
4	INFORMAL LETTER	✓	✓		✓
5	DIARY ENTRY		✓		✓
6	DESCRIPTION WRITING(PLACE, EVENT)				✓
			READING		
1	UNSEEN PASSAGES Literary or factual passage(extract from a short story or novel or article or essay of 250 to 300 words with 2 word attacks. Q.1 In TERM-I&II Full marks-10		✓		✓
2	Literary passage(A poem an extract from a poem of 10 to 15 lines OR 100 words) (GAP FILLING Without MCQ) Q.2 in PTI,PTII, TERM I & TERM2 Full marks-5	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	a. Factual /Reflective/discur sive PASSAGE of 200 words (comprehension type questions without MCQ)		✓		✓

	Q.3 in TERM I & TERM II Full marks-5				
4.	a. factual passage (extract from a short a story or a novel or an article or essay of 200 words with 1 word attack) Q.1 in PTI & PT II Full marks-5	✓		✓	

Important Note: 1. Value Based Question will be asked both in Periodic Assessments ,Half yearly and Annual examinations.

2.HOTs questions will be set in all the examinations.

Subject Enrichment:

Learning by doing Experimental Activity /listening

- Dramatization
- Group Discussions

Rubrics for Subject Enrichment Activities

Term-1

Group Discussions

- Content - 1 mark
- Clarity of arguments - 1 mark
- Body language - 1 mark
- Leadership skill -1 mark
- Group co-ordination - 1 mark

Term 2

Dramatization

- Relevance to given topic -1 mark
- Originality - 1 mark
- Dialogue delivery - 1 mark
- Use of props - 1 mark
- Impact on audience - 1 mark

SECTION WISE MARK DISTRIBUTION FOR PERIODIC ASSESSMENT –I & II (40 marks)

SECTION-A(Reading) 10 Mark

Q.1. Literature passage: an extract from a short story or novel ,article or essay.

OR

Factual passage: instructions, descriptions reports.

(It should consist of 200 words having 4 comprehension questions (one mark each) and 1 mark must be for word-attack skills such as word formation and inferring meaning.) (No MCQ) (5 marks)

Q.2. A poem will consists of gap filling (5 no's) to test comprehension.(No MCQ)(5 marks)
(No MCQ)

SECTION-B(Writing) 12 Marks

Q.3. Short composition of not more than 50 words .(No choice) **4 marks**

PT-1-Notice/E-mail

PT-2- Message/ Bio-sketch

Q.4. long composition of 100-150 words: (No Choice) **8 marks**

PT1-Speech/ Informal letter

PT2-Formal letter(letter to Editor)/Article

SECTION-C(Grammar) 8 Marks

Q.5 to Q. 7: A variety of 3 short questions for(3+3+2 marks). Text types will include gap filling, cloze (gap filling exercises with blanks at regular intervals), sentences completion, reordering word groups in sentences, editing, omission and sentence transformation.

SECTION-D (Literature) 10 Marks

Q.8. Extract based on poetry followed by RTC questions.(No Mcq)(**1x4=4 marks**)

Q. 9 to 11.Three short answer questions (30-40 words) of which one question will be value based. **(2x3=6marks)**

Note-There should not be any optional questions in PAI OR PAII.

SECTION WISE MARK DISTRIBUTION FOR HALF YEARLY & ANNUAL (80 marks)

SECTION-A(Reading) 20 Marks

Three unseen passages with a variety of comprehension questions and word attack skills such as word formation, inferring meanings etc.

Types of passages:

- i. Literary passage : an extract from a short story, novel ,article or essay .(250-300 words)
Or
Factual passage: instructions, description, reports
- ii. A poem (10-15 lines). (100 words)
- iii. Factual / Reflective / Discursive passage (not less than 200 words):
Instructions, description, reports involving opinion, argumentative, persuasive or interpretative text.

The total length of these two passages will be between 450 and 600 words.

Q.1. Passage-I will consist of comprehension questions in the conventional way. 2 marks out of 10 must be for word-attack skills such as word formation and inferring meaning.

10 marks

Q.2. A poem consists of gap filling to test comprehension. **(1x5=5 marks)**

Q.3. Passage -III will consist of 5 comprehension questions **(1x5= 5 marks)**.

SECTION-B(Writing) 20 Marks

Q.4. Short composition of not more than 50 words **4 marks**

Notice/ e-mail/ dialogue completion(Not Dialogue Writing)(**HALF YEARLY**)

E-mail / Bio- Sketch/message **(ANNUAL)**

Q.5. & 6.long composition **(8+8= 16 marks)**

(Speech/Diary entry/ Informal letter(**HALF YEARLY**))

Article/ Formal letter/Describing places and events (**ANNUAL**)

NOTE:(Q.5)One composition will be based on the thematic content of the MY ENGLISH READER (100-150 words).

(Q.6) The other composition will be based on a verbal/ visual stimulus such as a diagram, picture, cartoon (100-150 words)

SECTION-C(Grammar) 15 Marks

Q.7 to 11: A variety of 5 short questions for 3 marks each. Text types will include gap filling, cloze (gap filling exercises with blanks at regular intervals), sentences completion, reordering word groups in sentences, editing, omission and sentence transformation, guided composition **(5 x 3= 15 marks)**

Note- Three questions out of five should carry half marks .foe example (6x1/2=3)

(Types of grammar questions will be as per the sample questions supplied by the DAV CAE.)

SECTION-D (Literature) 25 Marks

Q.12. Extract based on poetry followed by RTC questions. **4 marks**

Q. 13. Extract based on play/poetry followed by RTC questions. **4 marks**

Q.14. 6 short answer questions (30-40 words) of which 1 question will be value- based.

12 marks

Q.15. An extended question (with internal choice) to test global comprehension or deeper understanding of the prescribed texts like diary entry or informal letter (80 to 90 words)

5 marks

Signature of the Supervisor

Signature of the Principal