



राज्य शिक्षा शोध एवं प्रशिक्षण परिषद् महेन्द्र, पटना

अर्द्धवार्षिक मूल्यांकन - 2026

प्रश्न -पत्र

कक्षा- VIII

समय - 2 घंटे

विषय - अंग्रेजी

पूर्णांक - 50

निर्देश

- इस प्रश्न-पत्र में कुल 6 प्रश्न हैं | प्रत्येक प्रश्न का उत्तर देना अनिवार्य है |
- प्रत्येक प्रश्न के सामने उनके लिए निर्धारित अंक एवं निर्देश अंकित हैं |

1. Match the words in Column 'A' with their similar meaning in Column 'B'.

5×1=5

Column "A"

Column "B"

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|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| (i) tremor | (a) humble |
| (ii) meek | (b) very personal and private |
| (iii) carry on | (c) now and then |
| (iv) off and on | (d) a slight shake |
| (v) intimate | (e) continue |

2. Fill in the blanks below using 'had to' / 'have to' / 'has to'.

5×1=5

- I cut my hair every month.
- we go for swimming lessons last year.
- She tell the principal the truth.
- They take the baby to the doctor.
- I repair my cycle yesterday.

3. Change the following sentences into passive voice.

5×2=10

- He wrote a story.
- Boys were drawing pictures.
- My brother helps me.
- Mother is teaching the child.
- They have completed the work.

4. Answer the following questions in about 20 words.

5×2=10

- (i) Why did Tilly's family come to Thailand ?
- (ii) At what height of the jet , the earth looked round ?
- (iii) The cricket says, "oh ! what will become of me ?" When does he say it and why ?
- (iv) Why did Bepin babu hesitate to visit Mr. Mukerji ?
- (v) Who was Ram Mohan Roy ?

5. Answer the following questions in about 30 to 40 words.

2×5=10

- (i) Who was Chunilal ? What did he want from Bipin Babu ?

or

Why do Jim and Hans think that games or sports are good ways of resolving conflicts ? Do you agree ?

- (ii) Why is adventure, which is risky,also pleasurable ?

or

What were the warning signs that both Tilly and her mother saw ?

6. Answer the following question in about 50 to 60 words.

1×10=10

In what ways did the British officers exploit Indians ?

or

Write about your village/city/town where you live.

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Complete Solutions

1. Match the words

Column A	Answer	Column B
(i) tremor	(d) a slight shake	
(ii) meek	(a) humble	
(iii) carry on	(e) continue	
(iv) off and on	(c) now and then	
(v) intimate	(b) very personal and private	

2. Fill in the blanks

- (i) I **have to** cut my hair every month.
- (ii) We **had to** go for swimming lessons last year.
- (iii) She **has to** tell the principal the truth.
- (iv) They **have to** take the baby to the doctor.
- (v) I **had to** repair my cycle yesterday.

3. Change into Passive Voice

- (i) He wrote a story.

A story was written by him.

- (ii) Boys were drawing pictures.

Pictures were being drawn by the boys.

- (iii) My brother helps me.

I am helped by my brother.

- (iv) Mother is teaching the child.

The child is being taught by Mother.

- (v) They have completed the work.

The work has been completed by them.

4. Answer in about 20 words

(i) Why did Tilly's family come to Thailand?

Tilly's family came to Thailand from South-East England to **celebrate Christmas at a beach resort**.  BYJU'S +1

(ii) At what height of the jet, the earth looked round?

When the jet rose **six miles high**, the poet could see that the earth was round and had more sea than land.  BYJU'S

(iii) The cricket says, "Oh! What will become of me?" When does he say it and why?

The cricket says these words in **winter**, when he has no food because he had not stored food during summer.  Brainly

(iv) Why did Bepin Babu hesitate to visit Mr. Mukerji?

Bepin Babu feared Mr. Mukerji's sarcasm and thought he might consider him mad. So, he decided to **phone him instead**.  Shaalaa.com

(v) Who was Ram Mohan Roy?

Raja Ram Mohan Roy was a learned social reformer from Bengal who wanted to reform society and remove harmful social practices.  BYJU'S

5. Answer in about 30–40 words

(i) Who was Chunilal? What did he want from Bepin Babu?

Chunilal was an **old schoolmate of Bepin Babu**. He had fallen on hard times and repeatedly visited Bepin Babu because he wanted his help in **getting a job**.  Shaalaa.com

OR

Why do Jim and Hans think that games or sports are good ways of resolving conflicts? Do you agree?

Jim and Hans had experienced the horrors of war. They felt that sports could settle conflicts without killing people. Games do not leave children orphaned or wives widowed. **Yes, I agree with their idea.**  BYJU'S

(ii) **Why is adventure, which is risky, also pleasurable?**

Adventure is risky because it involves difficulties and dangers. However, overcoming these difficulties gives a person **joy, confidence, satisfaction and a feeling of victory**. Therefore, adventure becomes pleasurable and fulfilling.  vedantu.com

OR

What were the warning signs that both Tilly and her mother saw?

Tilly's mother saw that the **water was swelling and coming closer while the beach was becoming smaller**. Tilly saw the sea rising, foaming, bubbling and forming whirlpools.

6. Answer in about 50–60 words

In what ways did the British officers exploit Indians?

The British exploited Indians in many ways. They imposed **heavy taxes on farmers**, which forced many to leave their fields. They removed import duties on British goods, damaging Indian industries. They also passed laws allowing Indians to be jailed without trial. British officers received high salaries and made fortunes through private business.  BYJU'S +1

OR

Write about your village/city/town where you live.

My Town

I live in a beautiful town. It has schools, colleges, markets, hospitals and many other facilities. The people of my town are friendly and helpful. There are roads, parks and places of worship. The surroundings are peaceful and pleasant. I love my town because it is my home and I have many sweet memories associated with it.