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ALIGARH MUSLIM UNIVERSITY, ALIGARH (2020-21)

COMPLETE SYLLABUS – CLASS XII
ENGLISH (CORE)
SECTION A

Remark: Highlighted portion in the following syllabus is to be taught as per the teaching schedule, however it may not be the part of any examination.

READING COMPREHENSION

The section A will have two passages .

A. One unseen passage with a variety of Objective Type Questions, including Multiple Choice questions and Short Answer Questions to test comprehension, interpretation and inference. Vocabulary such as word formation and inference of meaning will also be tested.

The total length of the passages will be between 800 - 900 words. Five Multiple Choice type question and Seven Objective Type Questions (total 12 Marks) shall be asked from this passage. The passage will include one of the following:

- a) Factual passages, e.g., instructions, descriptions, reports.
- b) Descriptive passages involving opinion, e.g., argumentative, persuasive or interpretative text.

Literary passages, e.g., extract from fiction, drama, poetry, essay or biography.

B. The second passage will be of 400-500 words . Note-making and Abstraction will be assessed.

- i. Note making (4 Marks)
- ii. Summary (4 Marks).

SECTION B

WRITING SKILLS

- a. Advertisements and notices, designing or drafting posters, writing formal and informal invitations and replies. One question out of the two Short Answer Questions– 4 Marks
- b. Letters based on verbal / visual input.- One question out of the two Long Answer Questions to be answered in 120-150 words:6 Marks

Letter types include

- Business or official letters (for making enquiries, registering complaints, asking for and giving information, placing orders and sending replies)
- Letters to the editor (giving suggestions or opinion on issues of public interest)
Application for a job

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- c. Two compositions based on visual and/or verbal Input may be descriptive or argumentative in nature such as an article/a **debate/ a speech** or a report- Two Very Long Answer Questions containing internal choice, to be answered in 150-200 words. (10x2=20 Marks)

SECTION C

Literature Textbooks

- I. Eight Objective Type Questions – 4 from one poetry and 4 from one prose extract to test comprehension and appreciation.
- II. Five out of Seven Short Answer Questions based on prose / drama / poetry from both texts (5x2=10 Marks)
- III. One out of two Long Answer Questions to be answered in 120-150 words to test global comprehension and extrapolation beyond the texts. (Flamingo)
- IV. One out of two Long Answer Questions to be answered in 120-150 words to test global comprehension along with analysis and extrapolation. (Vistas)

Prescribed Books

1. **Flamingo:** English Reader published by National Council of Education Research and Training, New Delhi
1. **Vistas:** Supplementary Reader published by National Council of Education Research and Training, New Delhi

Flamingo:

Prose 1. The Last Lesson 2. Lost Spring 3. Deep Water 4. The Rattrap 5. Indigo 6. Poets and Pancakes 7. The Interview 8. Going Places	Poetry: 1. My Mother at Sixty Six 2. An Elementary School Classroom in a Slum 3. Keeping Quiet 4. A Thing of Beauty 5. A Roadside Stand 6. Aunt Jennifer's Tigers
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Vistas:

1. The Third Level
2. **The Tiger King**
3. **Journey to the End of the Earth**
4. The Enemy

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5. Should Wizard Hit Mommy
6. On the Face of It
7. Evans Tries an O-Level
8. **Memories of Childhood**
9. The Cutting of My Long Hair
10. We too are Human Being