

**Model Questions
(Reading and Writing)**

Time: 2.15 hours

Full Marks: 75

Pass marks: 24

1. Read the following poem and do the activities that follow.

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Breathes there the man, with soul so dead,
Who never to himself hath said,
 “This is my own, my native land!”
 Whose heart hath never within him buried?
 As home his foot steps he hath turn’d.
 From wandering on a foreign strand!
If such there breathe, go mark him well;
For him no minstrel raptures swell,
High though his title, proud his name,
Boundless his wealth as wish can claim,
Despite those titles, power and pelf,
 The wretch concentrated all in self,
 Living, shall forfeit fair renown
 And doubly dying shall go down,
 To the vile dust from where he sprung,
 Unwept, unhonour’d and unsung.

-Sir Walter Scott

A. Find words from the poem that are opposite in meaning to the following words 5x4=20

(i) alive (ii) always (iii) humble (iv) good

B. Answer the following questions.

1 x3=3

- i) Who does the poet want to mark well?
- ii) What is far better than heaven?
- iii) Who has composed this poem?

2. Read the following passage and do the activities that follow.

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Seconds before Neha entered into her bedroom when, suddenly, she heard an outcry from below. “It’s all over,” she thought as she stiffened and sank down on the stairs. It was then that the baby-boy had slid through the hole, hit the second-floor window shade and landed heavily on Vikram’s chest. His strong arms closed tightly around Kanhaiya. Vikram lost his balance and fell back.

Looking out through her bedroom window grille, sobbing Neha, noticed that the crowd had dispersed-even Kanhiya was not there. She rushed down and a man on the ground floor told her that her son was safe and had been taken to a nearby clinic.

Kanhaiya who grabbed and clung her was being treated for minor bruises when she approached him. Standing by him was a young stranger who was the savior of her beloved son. “I have no words to express my gratefulness to you,” she kept on telling

the stranger. "I was only doing what I had to do," said Vikram, "but I wish nobody'd leave small children near windows."

A. Complete the following sentences by choosing the correct answer. $1 \times 3 = 3$

- i) When Neha was about to enter into the bedroom, she -----.
(a) heard a loud noise (b) didn't hear anything (c) could feel silence
- ii) Vikram lost his balance when the baby boy.....
(a) pushed him away (b) landed on him (c) embraced him
- iii) The word 'approached' in the above text means-----.
(a) left (b) came near (c) applied

B. Rewrite the following sentences in the correct order. $0.5 \times 4 = 2$

- i) A man told her that Kanhaiya was safe and had been taken to the clinic.
- ii) She didn't see her son or the crowd below.
- iii) Neha got into her bedroom and looked through the window.
- iv) She rushed downstairs.

C. Answer the following questions. $1 \times 5 = 5$

- i) How did the baby boy fall down?
- ii) What happened to Neha when she heard an outcry?
- iii) Why did Vikram fall back?
- iv) What did the baby do when his mother reached near him?
- v) Why was Neha grateful to Vikram?

3. Read the following text and do the activities given below. 10

Burma, now known as Myanmar was a free country. But in 1962 the army took control of the country. Ever since then, Myanmar has had a harsh military government. However many people have struggled to bring freedom back to Myanmar. For her part in the struggle Aung San Suu Kyi was given the Nobel Peace Prize in 1991. In 1988 Aung San Suu Kyi became the leader of the National League for Democracy, a party that opposes Myanmar's military government. She made speeches against the government and organized protests. In July 1989, Suu Kyi was sentenced to house arrest. Although she remained under house arrest until 1995 she continued her struggle for freedom. Protests in Myanmar and around the world forced the military government to have an election but the military government ignored the results.

Aung San Suu Kyi was given the Nobel Peace Prize because of her peaceful struggle and her bravery. Soldiers have threatened to shoot her, and many of her followers have been sent to jail or killed. However Suu Kyi has never stopped speaking against the government. She has also argued against violence. Instead of fighting with the government, her protests have always been peaceful. Today, Suu Kyi's struggle goes on, and her support around the world continues to grow.

A. Find words/phrases from the passage that are similar in meanings to the following words. $0.5 \times 4 = 2$

- a. dominated b. goes up against c. objections d. bloodshed

B. State whether the following statements are *true* or *false*. 0.5 x 4 = 2

- i) Myanmar is another name of Burma.
- ii) Aung San Suu Kyi was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1962.
- iii) The military government accepted the results of an election.
- iv) Suu Kyi's struggle to free Burma from the military government is on.

C. Answer the following questions. 2 x 3 = 6

- i) Why was Aung San Suu Kyi awarded the Nobel Peace Prize?
- ii) What made the military government hold an election?
- iii) How is Suu Kyi struggling for Burma's freedom?

4. Read the advertisement and answer the following questions: **15**

Career Opportunity

A well-established Finance company requires dynamic, energetic and managerial skilled personnel for Birgunj and Hetauda office. Interested person may apply showing expected salary and benefits with latest curriculum vitae. Copies of certificates of academic qualification, copy of citizenship certificate and experience letter with recent passport size photo in closed enveloped should be submitted to the address given below by 8th April, 2008.

Post Box No.: 805 Makwanpur, Nepal

Requirements for Managerial level:

Qualification: Preferably MBA or Master's Degree in Management/Business/ Finance/Economics from a reputed university.

Experience: At least 3 years experience as Officer/ Junior Officer in bank and finance company's credit and marketing field. Good command in computer operation is must.

Age: Not exceeding 35 years on the closing date.

Salary and Benefits: Negotiable.

A. Choose the right answer form the given alternatives: 1x3 = 3

- a. The word 'personnel' means (staff, officer, employer)
- b. To expect is to (give, want, hope)
- c. The word 'reputed' is similar in meaning to the word (known, famous, prestigious)

B. Complete the following sentences supplying appropriate word/phrases from the text:

1x4 = 4

- a. The employer is.....
- b. Candidates should submit their applications on or before
- c. Besides the academic qualifications skill is also must.
- d. The candidate should not be over years.

C. Answer the following questions:

2x4=8

- a. What things should be submitted along with the application?
- b. What is the required qualification for a candidate?
- c. How much salary is the company offering?
- d. What type of experience should the candidate have?

5. Complete the following dialogue with the appropriate sentences in the box given below: 6

Receptionist :

Tourist : Good evening.

Receptionist : Yes, madam. What type of room do you want?

Tourist : I want one single in the ground floor.

Receptionist : I am sorry, madam

Tourist : What about on the first floor?

Receptionist : Yes, madam.....

Tourist : What facilities do you provide here?

Receptionist :

Tourist : Well, I want to book a room for a week.

Receptionist :

- a. There is no single room lying vacant at the moment on the ground floor.
- b. Of course! Here is a brochure giving all information about the hotel.
- c. Good evening. Can I help you, madam?
- d. O.K. Thank you, madam.
- e. Have you any room vacant?
- f. We have one on the first floor.
- g. Do I have to pay only in advance?
- h. Could I book one of the rooms for you in advance, madam?

6. Construct a readable story with the help of outlines given in the box below: 6

A poor village boy walking door to door for job-finds a wallet containing a large amount of money- an identity card of the owner in the wallet-the boy returns the wallet to the owner-the owner pleased-praised his honesty-gives him a good job

7. Write an essay on 'A School Excursion', in about 200 words. Use the following clues. 12

The purpose of the excursion....preparation for it...the members of the party....the journey.....arrival at the destination...how the day was spent there.....pleasure derived from the trip....conclusion.

8. Rewrite the following sentences choosing the best alternative given in the brackets.

0.5x12=6

One morning..... (in/on/at) early April, I..... (woke/wake/awake) up to see my friend Sherlock Holmes standing by my bedside. I blinked at him in surprise. "....., Watson (I was sorry to wake you up/ I am sorry to wake you up/ I have been sorry to wake you up) he said, "..... (but/ because/ and) we have a client waiting in the sitting room. She is a young lady. It seems she (has/ have/ had) something very urgent to communicate. You would be interested in hearing what she has to say,? (wouldn't you/ won't you/ didn't you)? "

"Of course I would, my dear fellow," I said. I dressed quickly and left for the sitting room.

..... (A/ An/ The) client was a young lady dressed in black. She looked pale and frightened. "You must not be afraid," said Holmes soothingly. Things..... (will be put/ is put/ are put) right by us, I assure you. Please tell us everything about your problem, madam," said Holmes. "If you..... (don't tell/ didn't tell/hadn't told) us your problem clearly, it will be difficult for us to solve your case".

Mr. Holmes..... (had/ got/ gets) her tell everything and she did the same.

- Rabina foundone rupee coin on the way. (a, an, the)
- These students are obedient.....their teachers. (at, to, for)
- I am a student,.....? (aren't I , am I , don't I)
- The policerecently caught the criminals. (has, have, had)
- Prem doesn't like it but Rina.....(like, likes, liked)
- 'Does it have any sense?' The statement of this question is '.....'(It have some sense. It has any sense, It has some sense)
- Bandanaher key. She still can't enter the house. (lost, has lost, loses)
- My father asked us.....(what he wants, what did he want, what we wanted)
- Someone has stolen my pen. My pen(is stolen, has been stolen, has stolen)
-his intelligence, he failed the exam. (in spite of, because of, although)
- Unless you invite her, she.....come. (would, wouldn't, won't)
- The peoplethe leaders keep their words. (has, get, make)

9. Choose the correct word from the brackets to complete the passage below:

0.5x10= 5

**Model Questions
(Listening Test)**

Full Marks: 10

Pass marks: 4

1. Listen to the tape and write T for true and F for false statements. (1x5=5)

- Two people are talking on Wednesday.
- The dialogue takes place at school.
- The quiz contest starts at 1:30.

- d. The notice was given on Friday.
 - e. Rupa is going to take part in the contest.
- 2. Listen to the tape again and tick the best answer. (1x5=5)**
- a. The people talking are.....
 - i) teacher and student ii) friends iii) teachers
 - b. Ali was absent on.....
 - i) Wednesday ii) Thursday iii) Friday
 - c. Ali was suffering from..... last Wednesday.
 - i) cold ii) cough iii) fever
 - d. Ali hopes to take part in the contest.....
 - i) this afternoon ii) next time iii) a year after
 - e. The bell rang at
 - i) 10: 15 ii) 10: 30 iii) 10:00

Alternative Question

For students with speech and hearing difficulties only.

1. Suppose your friend hates going to school and reading books and also doesn't know the importance of education in our daily life. Now write a paragraph convincing her/him why s/he needs to go to school. **10**

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**Model Questions
(Speaking Test)**

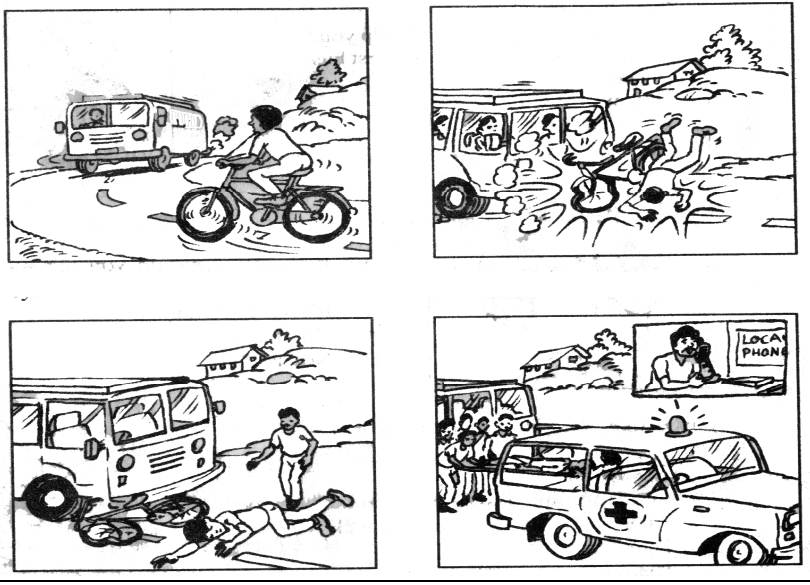
Full Marks: 15

Pass marks: 6

1. Interview (1x3= 3)
Ask at least **three** general questions, like,

- a. *What's your name?*
- b. *Where are you from?*
- c. *How have you fared your exam?*
- d. *How much mark do you expect to get in English?*
- e. *What's your favourite subject?*
- f.
- g.

2. Suppose this is the operation calendar of your school. Describe the events in the complete sentences. (1x4=4)
- Baishakh 2 - Parents day – one act play
 Ashadh 29 - Bhanu Jayanti – poetry competition
 Bhadra 29 - Children's day – dance and song competition
 Ashwin 25 - Sports day - Inter-house basketball and football match
3. Look at these pictures and describe in past tense. (8)



Alternative Questions

1. For students with speech and hearing difficulties only.
 Read the following passage and do the activities that follow.

A young man once went into the town and brought himself a pair of trousers. When he got home, he went upstairs to his bedroom and put them on. He found that they were about two inches too long.

He went downstairs, where his mother and his two sisters were washing up the tea things in the kitchen. "These new trousers are too long," he said. "They need shortening by about two inches. Would one of you mind doing this for me?" His mother and sisters were busy and none of them said anything.

But as soon as his mother had finished washing up, she went quietly upstairs to her son's bedroom and shortened the trousers by two inches. She came downstairs without saying anything to her daughters.

Later on, after supper, the elder sister remembered her brother's trousers. She was a kind-hearted girl, so she went quietly upstairs without saying to anyone, and shortened the trousers by two inches.

The younger sister went to the cinema, but when she came in she, too, remembered what her brother had said. So she ran upstairs with her scissors, needle and thread, and took two inches off the legs of the new trousers.

You can imagine the look on the young man's face when he put the trousers on the next morning.

- A. Write "T" for true and "F" for false statements. 2
- a. When the young man got home, he put on the trousers.
 - b. His mother and sisters were having tea in the kitchen.
 - c. The mother shortened the trousers by two inches.
 - d. The trousers became shorter by six inches.
- B. Rewrite the following sentences putting them in the correct order. 5
- a. Later each of his sisters also took two inches off the trousers legs.
 - b. They were two inches long to him.
 - c. A young man bought a pair of trousers.
 - d. His mother did as she was told to.
 - e. He asked his mother and sisters to shorten them by two inches.
- C. Answer the following questions. 8
- a. What did the man find when he got home and put the trousers on?
 - b. What did his mother and sisters say when he asked them to shorten the trousers?
 - c. What did the young man's mother do when she had finished washing up the tea things?
 - d. What did the sisters do to the trousers?

2. **For students with visual difficulties only.**

- A. Interview (1x3= 3)
Ask at least **three** general questions, like,

- a. *What's your name?*
- b. *Where are you from?*
- c. *How have you fared your exam?*
- d. *How much mark do you expect to get in English?*
- e. *What's your favourite subject?*
- f.

- B. Tell two things that a visitor is allowed to do and two things that s/he is not allowed to do in the hospital. (1x4=4)
- C. Give a short speech on the topic "My country" (8)

Marking Scheme
(Reading and Writing)

Time: 2.15 hours

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Pass marks: 24

This marking scheme is just a guideline. Accept any other correct answers other than given in this scheme.

Possible Answers

1) **A) Carries 2 marks. Award 0.5 mark for each correct answer.**

- i) dead ii) never iii) proud iv) vile

B) Carries 3 marks. Award 1 mark for each correct answer.

- a) an unpatriotic person/a person who has no love for his country.
b) our motherland/native land
c) Sir Walter Scott

2) **A) Carries 3 marks. Award 1 mark for each correct answer.**

- a) heard a loud noise
b) landed on him
c) came near

B) Carries 2 marks. Award 0.5 mark for each correct order. The correct order is:

- i. Neha got into her bedroom and looked through the window.
ii. She didn't see her son or the crowd below.
iii. She rushed downstairs.
iv. A man told her that Kanhaiya was safe and had been taken to the clinic.

C) Carries 5 marks. Award 1 mark for each correct answer.

- i. The baby-boy had slid through the hole, hit the second-floor window shade and landed heavily on Vikram's chest.
ii. She stiffened and sank down on the stairs.
iii. The boy landed heavily on Vikram's chest. He lost his balance and fell back.
iv. He clutched and clung her
v. Because he saved his beloved son

3) **A) Carries 2 marks. Award 0.5 mark for each correct answer.**

- a) took control of b) opposes c) protests d) violence

B) Carries 2 marks. Award 0.5 mark for each correct answer.

- a) True b) False c) False d) True

C) Carries 6 marks. Award 2 marks for each correct answer.

Hints:

- a) For her peaceful struggle to bring freedom back to Myanmar and her bravery.
b) Protests in the country and around the world forced the military government to hold an election.
c) She is speaking against the government. Instead of fighting with it she is protesting peacefully.

4) **A) Carries 3 marks. Award 1 mark for each correct answer.**

- a) staff b) hope c) known

B) Carries 4 marks. Award 1 mark for each appropriate answer.

- a. a well-established Finance company
- b. 8th April, 2008.
- c. Computing
- d. 35

C) Carries 8 marks. Award 2 marks for each correct answer.

- a. Latest curriculum vitae, copies of certificates of academic qualification, a copy of citizenship certificate, an experience letter and a recent passport size photo.
- b. The candidate must have an MBA or Master's Degree in Management, Business, Finance, and Economics from a reputed university.
- c. The candidates are asked to mention the expected salary in the application but it will be fixed only after negotiation.
- d. The candidate should have at least 3 years of experience as Officer/ Junior Officer in bank and finance company's credit and marketing field. S/He must have a good knowledge of operating computer..

5) Carries 6 marks. Award 1 mark for each correctly filled up sentence.

Receptionist : **Good evening. Can I help you, madam?**
 Tourist : Good evening. **Have you any room vacant?**
 Receptionist : Yes, madam. What type of room do you want?
 Tourist : I want one single in the ground floor.
 Receptionist : I am sorry, madam. **There is no single room lying vacant at the moment on the ground floor.**
 Tourist : What about on the first floor?
 Receptionist : Yes, madam. **We have one on the first floor.**
 Tourist : What facilities do you provide here?
 Receptionist : **Of course! Here is a brochure giving all information about the hotel.**
 Tourist : Well, I want to book a room for a week.
 Receptionist : **O.K. Thank you, madam.**

6) Carries 6 marks. Award marks considering the following:

- a) Title and moral 1 mark
- b) Correctness of Language 2 marks
- b) Organisation and coherence of ideas 3 marks

6 marks

7) Carries 12 marks. Award marks on the basis of the following.

- a) Subject matter 2 marks
- b) Correctness of Language 3 marks

- c) Style or Originality 3 marks
 d) Organisation and coherence of ideas 4 marks
 12 marks

8) Carries 6 marks. Award 0.5 marks for each correct answer.

- i) a ii) to iii) aren't I? iv) have v) likes vi) It has some sense
 vii) has lost viii) what we wanted ix) has been stolen x) in spite of
 xi) won't xii) make.

9) Carries 5 marks. Award 0.5 marks for each correct answer.

One morning in early April, I woke up to see my friend Sherlock Holmes standing by my bedside. I blinked at him in surprise. "I am sorry to wake you up, Watson," he said, "but we have a client waiting in the sitting room. She is a young lady. It seems she has something very urgent to communicate. You would be interested in hearing what she has to say, wouldn't you?"
 Of course I would, my dear fellow," I said. I dressed quickly and left for the sitting room.

The client was a young lady dressed in black. She looked pale and frightened. "You must not be afraid," said Holmes soothingly. Things will be put right by us, I assure you. Please tell us everything about your problem, madam," said Holmes. "If you don't tell us your problem clearly, it will be difficult for us to solve your case". Mr. Holmes had her tell everything and she did the same.

Listening Text

Rupa	: Hello! Ali, it's Friday today, isn't it?
Ali	: Yes, Rupa, you are right. Are we going to have a quiz contest today?
Rupa	: Of course .The programme starts at half past one.
Ali	: When was the notice given, Rupa?
Rupa	: It was given the day before yesterday. Why are you asking me about it? Were you absent on that day?
Ali	: Yes, Rupa last Wednesday I could not come to school because of nasty cold.
Rupa	: I mean you are not taking part in today's contest, are you?
Ali	: Sorry, I am not well prepared today. But I hope I'll take part next time.
Rupa	: Oh! It's already 10'clock the bell has gone. Let's go to the assembly hall.
Ali	: Yes, Let's go.

Marking Guidelines

Listening Test

1. Carries 5 marks. Award 1 mark for each correct answer.

- a) F b) T c) T d) F e) F

2. Carries 5 marks. Award 1 mark for each correct answer.

- a) Friends b) Wednesday c) cold d) next time e) 10:00

For alternative question, award marks on the basis of the following:

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| a) Subject matter | 2 marks |
| b) Correctness of Language | 2 marks |
| c) Style or Originality | 3 marks |
| d) Organisation and coherence of ideas | 3 marks |

10 marks

Marking guidelines (Speaking Test)

1. Carries 3 marks. Award 1 mark for each answer.
2. Carries 4 marks. Award 1 mark for each answer.

Possible answers:

- *Baishakh 2 is the parents' day, so there will be a one act play.*
- *Ashadh 29 is the Bhanu Jayanti so a poetry competition will be organized.*
- *On the Children's day i.e. on Bhadra 29, dance and song competition will be held.*
- *Inter-house basketball and football match will be held on the Sports day which is on Ashwin 25.*

3. Carries 8 marks. Award 2 marks for describing each picture correctly.

Alternative Questions

1. Carries 15 marks. Award marks as follows:

A. Give 0.5 mark for each correct answer.

- a) T b) F c) T d) F

B. Give 1 mark for each correct order. The correct order is:

- a. A young man bought a pair of trousers.
- b. They were two inches long to him.
- c. He asked his mother and sisters to shorten them by two inches.
- d. His mother did as she was told to.
- e. Later each of his sisters also took two inches off the trousers legs.

C. Give 2 marks for each correct answer.

Possible answers:

- a. He found that they were two inches long.

- b. They didn't say anything.
- c. She shortened the trousers by two inches.
- d. Each of them shortened the trousers by two inches.

2. *A. Carries 3 marks. Award 1 mark for each correct answer.*
B. Carries 4 marks. Accept any correct answers. Award 1 mark for each correct answer.
C. Carries 8 marks. Award marks on the basis of following.

Correctness of language	2 marks
Clarity & fluency	3 marks
Subject matter	<u>3 marks</u>
	8 marks
