

Model Question*
Class IX : English : Term I (Half yearly): 2021-22 : Marks 40

Section A : Reading

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

a) If you thought that overweight was a problem among humans alone, then think again. A recent study carried out in UK on the state of obesity among pets revealed startling facts. According to this report, there are almost 45% pets in the country that are overweight.

b) According to the findings, what causes this overweight problem is the feeding of leftovers. In fact this custom is regarded as the biggest factor causing overweight, according to 200 vets and 1000 pet owners. The report found that nearly 45% of the dogs were overweight while the obesity rate among cats was slightly lower at 40%. Almost one in three rabbits and guinea pigs fell into the obese category, while 15% of caged birds were also found to be too fat. Of their owners, what the report revealed was that two out of every three owners believed their pets were the correct weight. Around three out of four vets believe that pet obesity is on the rise.

c) When contacted by the researchers, vets came forward with the opinion that the root cause of pet weight gain was the owners of these animals and birds who were not following feeding guidelines. Along with feeding them with leftovers, these pets were not given adequate exercise. This problem was most marked among dog owners. Besides lethargy and eating problem, these overweight pets suffer from a myriad of health issues according to Zara Boland, founder Vet Voice. These animals run the risk of osteoarthritis, cardiovascular disease and diabetes. There is nothing 'cuddly' about an obese pet, she adds.

d) Obese animals have the same symptoms as obese humans. Their obesity causes them discomfort, and illness and can result in both emotional distress and financial pressures for owner, and has been proven to reduce actual life length. These vets say that they are committed to continue pushing the pet health message until overweight pets are no longer an increasing and widespread concern. To keep their pets in the best of health these vets advised their owners to exercise their dog for thirty minutes twice daily for adult dogs, and forty minutes for cats.

A. Complete the following statements by choosing the correct options from the given ones : (1×5)

- i) There are almost pets in the United Kingdom that are overweight.
(a) 50% (b) 45% (c) 40% (d) 15%
- ii) The biggest factor causing overweight among pets is
(a) feeding many times (b) feeding leftovers (c) feeding too much pedigree (d) feeding nothing
- iii) 2 out of 3 owners believed their pets were
(a) correct weight (b) overweight (c) less weight (d) medium weight
- iv) Obese animals have symptoms as obese humans.
(a) not the same (b) the same (c) different (d) few
- v) The vets advised the dog owners to exercise their pets for twice daily.
(a) 15 minutes (b) 20 minutes (c) 25 minutes (d) 30 minutes

B. Answer the following very short answer type questions : (1×5)

- i) Who is the founder of Vet Voice?
- ii) What causes overweight problem among pets?
- iii) What according to the vets is the cause of pet weight gain?
- iv) Name the diseases that the overweight pets run the risk of being attacked by?
- v) What problems are faced by obese animals?

Section B : Writing and Grammar

2. Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct options from the given ones : (1×5)

- a) The of an article should be catchy, thought-provoking and descriptive.
(i) concluding sentence (ii) question statement (iii) title (iv) conclusion
- b) Pride and Prejudice a well-known novel.
(i) is (ii) was (iii) are (iv) were
- c) They to Kailashahar yesterday.
(i) go (ii) are going (iii) went (iv) gone
- d) you lend me your pen, Sir ?
(i) can (ii) could (iii) who (iv) which
- e) Neither of them present in the meeting.
(i) is (ii) are (iii) can (iv) could

Section C : Literature

3. Answer the following very short answer type questions : (1×15)

- a) What did Margie write in her diary?
b) How old are Margie and Tommy?
c) What subjects did Margie and Tommy learn?
d) What is the name of Evelyn Glennie's mother?
e) When was Ustad Bismillah Khan born?
f) In which year was Ustad Bismillah Khan awarded the Bharat Ratna Award?
g) Where does the traveller find himself in the poem, "The Road Not Taken"?
h) What problem does the traveller face in the poem, "The Road Not Taken"?
i) What does the wind do to the weak fires?
j) Whose friendship is good according to the poet of the poem, "Wind"?
k) What fell upon the child as he entered the grove?
l) What did the child's mouth water for?
m) From whom did the grandfather buy Toto?
n) What did the grandfather believe?
o) What did the grandmother do when the grandfather brought home some new bird or animal?

4. Answer the following questions in not more than 40 words each : (2×5)

- a) What had once happened to Tommy's teacher?
b) Why did Aurangzeb ban the playing of the pungi?
c) What should we do to make friends with the wind?
d) What are the things the child sees on his way to the fair?
e) How does Toto take a bath?

- Model Question for Term II is identical.