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SARALA BIRLA GROUP OF SCHOOLS
A CBSE DAY-CUM-BOYS' RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

MID-APRIL TEST 2026-27

ENGLISH

Class: X

Date: .04.26

Admission no:

Time: 1hr

Max Marks: 25

Roll no:

General Instructions:

1. The Question Paper contains THREE sections-READING, WRITING & GRAMMAR and LITERATURE.
2. Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.

Section – A

Reading

I. Read the passage and answer the questions given below.

7M

The Rise of Artificial Intelligence

1. b) Essential

Explanation: “Integral” means something very important or necessary.

2. b) It helps detect diseases early and accurately.

Explanation: The passage clearly states that AI can detect diseases at an early stage and more accurately.

3. c) By providing personalized learning experiences

Explanation: AI adapts content according to students’ needs, making learning more effective.

4. b) Guidance

Explanation: Just as AI is related to automation, a teacher is associated with guiding students.

5. d) A is false, but R is true.

Explanation:

- Assertion is false because AI does impact employment.
- Reason is true as AI can replace human workers in some sectors.

6. False

Explanation: The passage clearly mentions concerns about data privacy and ethical issues.

7. Answer: It is important to balance AI development with ethical responsibility to ensure that technology is used safely and fairly. Without proper control, AI may misuse personal data or make biased decisions.

Example: AI systems collecting personal data must protect user privacy and not misuse sensitive information.

Section B – Writing (7 Marks)

II. A. Application Writing (3 Marks)

Sample Answer:

Aditi
Class X
ABC Public School
Date: ____

To
The Principal
ABC Public School
City

Subject: Application for Scholarship

Respected Sir/Madam,

I am a student of Class X in your esteemed institution. I have secured 95% marks in my previous examination. However, due to my family's financial difficulties, I am facing challenges in continuing my education.

I humbly request you to grant me a scholarship so that I can continue my studies without any hindrance. I assure you that I will continue to work hard and maintain good academic performance.

I shall be highly grateful for your support.

Yours obediently,
Aditi

II. B. Factual Description (4 Marks)

Sample Answer:

Your School Library

The school library is located on the first floor of the main building and is spacious and well-ventilated. It houses a large collection of books, including textbooks, reference books, storybooks, newspapers, and magazines.

The library has a comfortable seating arrangement with tables and chairs for students to read peacefully. It also provides facilities like computer access and a digital catalog system.

Strict rules are followed in the library. Students must maintain silence and handle books carefully. Borrowing books is allowed for a limited period.

The library plays an important role in developing reading habits and enhancing knowledge among students. It is a valuable resource for academic growth.

III. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Identify the error and write its correction against the correct blank number. 4M

	Error	Correction
Is money the more important	(a) more	most
thing of life ? Money is certainly	(b) of	in
something what is often discussed	(c) what	Which / that
in today's world. Hardly the day	(d) the	a
goes without a discussion on this topic.		

Section C (Literature)

IV. Answer the questions in brief. 4M

Q1. In what ways had the nightingale's life changed after her arrival in the Bingle Bog?

Ans. After arriving in the Bingle Bog, the nightingale's life changed dramatically. She rose to fame as a brilliant singer who had brought relief to the Bingle Bog's animals by taking on the Sumac Tree and outshining the frog's baritone. However, her celebrity did not last long as she accepted to participate in the frog's training plan, which resulted in her not only being tortured but also leading to her sad demise.

Q2. Despite such a tender age, what made the two boys – Nicola and Jacopo work so hard?

Ans. Despite their tender age, the two boys work hard because their sister Lucia was hospitalised for tuberculosis. Their elder sister had taken care of both the brothers after the death of their father. Now, they have to pay for her treatment, food and clothing and so, they work hard to gather all the money.

V. Answer the questions in brief. 3M

Q1. For Mrs. Slater and Mrs. Jordan greed for money is more important than their love for their father. Comment.

Ans. Mrs. Slater and Mrs. Jordan's greed for money was more important than their love for their father, because when Mrs. Slater discovered that her father was lying almost lifeless in his room, she made arrangements to move his bureau and other valuables to her living room before her sister Mrs. Jordan arrived. She did so in order to keep his prized possessions and avoid sharing them with her sister. Mrs. Slater and Mrs. Jordan both spent a lot of money on their mourning gowns but didn't spend much on their father's last rites.

As a result, it has been established that they were exceedingly greedy for their father's wealth and did not love him
