

Basic Level Examination

Grade 8

2082 (2026)

Compulsory English

All questions are compulsory.

Time: 2 Hours
Full marks: 50

1) Read the poem and do the task.

Changing World

When I was a young man,
I wanted to change the world.
I found it was difficult to change the world.
So I tried to change my nation.

When I found that I couldn't change the nation,
I began to focus on my town.
I couldn't change the town.

And as an older man, I tried to change my family.
Now, as an old man, I realized the only thing
I can change myself.

And suddenly I realized,
That if long ago I had changed myself.

I could have made an impact on my family.
My family and I could have made an impact on our town.
Their impact could have changed the nation
And I could, indeed, have changed the world.

Write 'TRUE' for true and 'FALSE' for the false statements.

5×1 = 5 marks

- A) The speaker changed the world when he was young. F
- B) The speaker wanted to change his family first. F
- C) If the speaker had changed himself earlier, he could have changed the nation. T
- D) When the speaker was old, he tried to change his town. F
- E) The speaker gives the message that if you want to change the world, change yourself first. T

2) Read the text and do the task.

Nepal is the first country to double its tiger population

Nepal started its fourth tiger and prey survey from December of last year under the lead of the Department of National Parks and Wildlife Conservation (DNPWC) and the Department of Forests and Soil Conservation (DoFSC) of the Ministry of Forests and Environment. Periodic assessments of tigers are being conducted at intervals of four years since 2009. The first, second and third nationwide assessments carried out in 2009, 2013, 2018 estimated 121, 198 and 235 tigers respectively.

"The latest tiger population in Nepal is nearly three times compared to figures we had in 2009 – 2010, which is nothing short of historical," remarks Dr. Chiranjibi P. Pokharel, the National Trust for Nature Conservation's tiger expert. "Tigers are apex predators right at the top of the food chain, and their populations are intricately linked to the health of ecosystems and forests, so this is undoubtedly big news for wildlife conservation as a whole."

Only a century ago, some 100,000 tigers were estimated to roam the wide landscapes of Asia. But by 2010, their population in the wild had drastically dropped by 97% to about 3200, mostly due to

severe habitat loss and poaching. As a response, the world's 13 tiger-range countries, including Nepal had pledged to double their tiger population by 2022 (TX2) through endorsing the 2010 St. Petersburg declaration in Russia. Since then all tiger range countries, including Nepal, have taken important steps to achieve TX2.

Since the 2010 declaration to save tigers from the threat of extinction, there have been important initiatives made in Nepal at all levels. During this period, additional habitats for tigers and prey species have been secured, namely with the establishment of Banke National Park and the extension of Parsa National Park.

Choose and copy the correct answer from the given alternatives.

5×1 = 5 marks

- A) In the second tiger and prey survey, how many tigers were found in Nepal?
- i) 198
 - ii) 235
 - iii) 3200
 - iv) 100000

B) What is the main idea of the second paragraph?

- i) the conservation of wildlife
- ii) the population of tigers in Nepal
- iii) the importance of the tiger in the ecosystem
- iv) the news about tiger conservation

C) Which of the following is NOT a threat to the extinction of the tiger?

- i) poaching
- ii) habitat loss
- iii) lack of prey species
- iv) extension of the national parks

D) When was the St. Petersburg declaration made?

- i) 2009
- ii) 2010
- iii) 2013
- iv) 2018

E) Why has Nepal made attempts to save tigers from extinction?

- i) because Nepal has signed St. Petersburg declaration
- ii) because national parks have been established
- iii) because of surveys of the tiger population
- iv) because the tigers are at the top of the food chain

3) Read the text and do the task.

SOS Children's Villages Nepal

We help children in need

We act quickly and actively to bring in our expertise as an international organization in a variety of ways. We support the children, adolescents and their families if they are in need of relief, support and also provide them opportunities.

Family like care

We work to ensure that children grow up in a family. We build families for orphaned, abandoned, and other helpless children. When children cannot stay with their family or have no family, we give them a safe home with their siblings. They can grow up in one of our SOS families.

Education and training

We provide scholarship assistance to Family Strengthening Programme's children families and other vulnerable marginalized children families. We also provide vocational trainings such as carpentry, welding, electronics, computers, etc. from Vocational Training Centre, Pokhara. Where we work

We have been active in Nepal for 47 years with 10 Children's Villages located in Bharatpur, Dhangadhi, Gandaki, Itahari, Jorpati, Kavre, Lumbini, Pokhara, Sanothimi, and Surkhet.

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Answer the following questions.

- 5×1 = 5 marks
- Which phrase from the text indicates that SOS is a 'global institution'?
 - Who are the children who get family like care?
 - Which programme of SOS Children's Villages is supported by scholarship programme?
 - How many SOS Children's Villages are there in Nepal?
 - Why is SOS Children's Village good for needy children?

4) Read the menu and do the tasks.

Hotel Wonderland Bensishahar, Lamjung

Main Course	Price	Starter	Price
Veg. set	Rs. 170	Nepali salad	Rs. 100
Chicken set	Rs. 220	Fruit salad	Rs. 150
Lambton set	Rs. 300	Russian salad	Rs. 200
Local chicken set	Rs. 350	Tropical veg. salad	Rs. 120
Breakfast		Dessert	
Toasted bread	Rs. 80	Ice cream	Rs. 90
Sausage corn with toast	Rs. 120	Carrot cake	Rs. 120
Corflakes with milk	Rs. 100	Bread pudding	Rs. 150
Puri/Bhaji	Rs. 120	Fruit cake	Rs. 100
Plain omelet	Rs. 70	Sweet potato cake	Rs. 110
Masala omelet	Rs. 100		
Cheese omelet	Rs. 120	Drinks	
Wonderland Special snacks		Coke	Rs. 35
Wonderland non veg.	Rs. 250	Fanta	Rs. 35
Wonderland veg.	Rs. 150	Sprite	Rs. 35
		Lassi	Rs. 60

Announcement

- New Year booking opens from 25th December. The first 20 guests to book will get free breakfast!
- 20% discount if you come in a group of more than ten!

Our Services

- Live music from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm on request
- Free Wi-Fi, free parking and conference hall

Come with your family and enjoy free starters with the Main Course!

A) Fill in the gaps with the correct information from the menu. 5×1 = 5 marks

- The hotel is located in
- The most expensive food item in the main course is
- The hotel provides a discount for those who
- The hotel also has if you want to organise meetings.
- You cannot enjoy the service of while having breakfast.

B) Match the words in column 'A' with their meanings in column 'B'. 5×1 = 5 marks

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| Column 'A' | Column 'B' |
| i) snacks | a drink other than water |
| ii) starter | a sweet food eaten at the end of a meal |
| iii) main course | a food eaten as the first part of the meal |
| iv) dessert | a meal eaten in the middle of the day |
| v) beverage | a food eaten between meals |
| | the primary food in a meal |

5) Identify ten punctuation errors in the given paragraph. Rewrite the paragraph by correcting the errors. Underline corrected punctuation marks. 10×0.5 = 5 marks

which cultural dance do you like the most If you ask me I will say it's the lakhe Naach of the newer community in Nepal Performers of the dance wear a Lakhe costume and mask, and perform dances on the streets and city squares during festivals One of my friends from abroad said, Lakhe is the most interesting dance I've ever watched. What a dance they perform

6) Write a story in about 100 words using the given clues. Write a suitable title and moral 5 marks

a good boy disobeys his parents..... gets into bad company..... father gives him some apples..... tells him to lay them aside for a few days..... places a rotten apple among them..... the rotten apple spoils the good ones..... a lesson on bad company

7) Suppose you are going to participate in some children-related activities organised by your community. Write an application in about 150 words to your class teacher requesting for a day's leave to participate in the festival. And also mention that you will complete the assignment after you come back to school. 10 marks

8) Rewrite the given sentences as indicated in the brackets. 5×0.5 = 2.5 marks

- Someone is shouting.....? (Add a question tag)
- She frequently invites him. (Change into a "How often" question.)
- She said to him, "I had been preparing food." (Change into indirect speech.)
- Don't disturb me. I (do) my homework now. (Use the correct form of the verb.)
- Are they buying the book? (Change into passive voice.)

3) Choose and copy the correct answer from the given alternatives. (Rewriting the text is not compulsory.) 5 × 0.5 = 2.5 marks

The gradual rise in the overall temperature of the earth is termed as global warming. It has been 1. (a, an, the) alarming issue. This change 2. (in, on, at) temperature has caused snow in the mountains to melt. On the other hand, the level of seas 3. (is, are, were) increasing and many islands are sinking, eventually. This situation is extremely harmful to human beings as well as the earth. There are many natural 4. (but, and, because) man-made causes of global warming. If we do not try to solve this problem in time, it 5. (will, would, would have) become worse by the day.

- The End -

1 - the
2 - in
3 - is
4 - and
5 - will