

Bifurcation of Syllabus of Class- X for the session 2026-27 decided in the meeting held at STS School AMU, Aligarh, on 24.03.2026.

SUBJECT: ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

BOOKS IN USE:

1. First Flight (Textbook in English for Class X) NCERT
2. Footprints Without Feet (Supplementary Reader in English for Class X) NCERT
3. Words and Expressions - 2 (Workbook in English for Class X) NCERT

FIRST PERIODIC TEST

MM: 20

Book	Section	No. & Name of the Chapter	Marks
First Flight	Prose	1. A Letter to God 2. Nelson Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom	10
	Poetry	• Dust of Snow • Fire and Ice	
Footprints without Feet	Prose	1. A Triumph of Surgery 2. The Thief's Story	
	Grammar	• Modals	02
	Writing	• Email • Notice Writing	03
Words and Expression 2 Unit 1 and 2	Reading Skills	• Unseen Passages a. Prose b. Poetry	05

Marking Pattern for Pen Paper Test

Section	Types of Questions and their Weightage	Marks
A (Reading Skills)	I. MCQ/VSA (5 x 1)	05
B (Writing Skills with Grammar)	• Modals (MCQs/Fill in the Blanks) (4 x ½ = 02)	02
	• Email/Notice (1 x 3)	03
C (Literature)	1. Stanza from Poem(MCQ/VSA) (3x1 = 03) 2. Textbook (VSA) (5x1= 05) 3. Supplementary Reader (2x1 = 02)	10

Note: First Periodic Test -Assignment based.

SECOND PERIODIC TEST

Book	Section	No. & Name of the Chapter	Marks
First Flight	Prose	3. Two Stories About Flying a. His First Flight b. Black Aeroplane 4. From the Diary of Anne Frank	10
	Poetry	- A Tiger in the Zoo - How to Tell Wild Animals - The Ball Poem	
Footprints without Feet	Prose	3. The Midnight Visitor 4. A Question of Trust	02
	Grammar	Tenses	
	Writing	Report Writing	03
Words and Expression 2 Unit 3 and 4	Reading Skills	Unseen Passages a. Prose b. Poetry	05

Marking Pattern for Pen Paper Test

Section	Types of Questions and their Weightage	Marks
A (Reading Skills)	II. MCQ/VSA (5 x 1)	05
B (Writing Skills with Grammar)	- Tenses (MCQs/Fill in the Blanks) (4 x ½ = 02) - Report Writing (3 marks)	05
C (Literature)	4. Stanza from Poem (MCQ/VSA) (3x1= 03) 5. Textbook (VSA) (5x1= 05) 6. Supplementary Reader (2x1 = 02)	10

THIRD PERIODIC TEST

MM: 20

Book	Section	No. & Name of the Chapter	Marks
First Flight	Prose	5. Glimpses of India a. A Baker from Goa b. Coorg c. Tea from Assam 6. Mijbil the Otter 7. Madam Rides the Bus	10
	Poetry	• Amanda • The Trees	
Footprints without Feet	Prose	5. Footprints without Feet 6. The Making of a Scientist 7. The Necklace	
	Grammar	• Subject-Verb Agreement • Determiners	02
	Writing	• Analytical Paragraph (Map/Chart/Graph/Cues)	03
Words and Expression 2 Units 7, 8 and 9	Reading Skills	• Unseen Passages a. Prose b. Poetry	05

Marking Pattern for Pen Paper Test

Section	Types of Questions and their Weightage	Marks
A (Reading Skills)	III. MCQ/VSA (5 x 1)	05
B (Writing Skills with Grammar)	• Subject-Verb Agreement & Determiners (MCQs/Fill in the Blanks) (4 x ½ = 02)	02
	• Analytical Paragraph (3 marks)	03
C (Literature)	7. Stanza from Poem(MCQ/VSA) (3x1=03) 8. Textbook (VSA) (5x1=05) 9. Supplementary Reader (2x1=02)	10

ANNUAL EXAMINATION

Book	Section	No. & Name of the Chapter
First Flight	Prose	8. The Sermon at Benares 9. The Proposal
	Poetry	• The Tale of Custard the Dragon • For Anne Gregory • Fog
Footprints without Feet	Prose	8. Bholi 9. The Book that Saved the Earth
	Grammar	• Reported Speech ○ Commands and Requests ○ Statements ○ Questions
	Writing	• Formal Letter
Words and Expression 2 Unit 10 and 11	Reading Skills	• Unseen Passages a. Prose b. Poetry

NOTE:

- For the Grammar and Literature Section: The entire syllabus (PT-1,2,3 & Annual) will be included in the Final/Annual/Board Examination.
- For Writing Section: Only *Formal Letter* and *Analytical Paragraph* will be included. (For Visually Challenged Students, instead of *Analytical Paragraph*, *Paragraph Writing* will be included.)

MARKING PATTERN FOR PRE-BOARD/ BOARD EXAMINATION

Section	Types of Questions and their Weightage	Marks
A (Reading Skills)	I. Discursive Passage (400-450 words)	10
	II. Case-based Passage with visual input, data, chart, etc. of 200-250 words	10
B (Grammar & Writing)	I. <u>GRAMMAR</u> - Gap filling - Editing - Transformation (10 out of 12 questions to be attempted)	10
	II. <u>WRITING</u> Formal Letter (100-120 words) (1 out of 2 questions to be attempted)	05
	- Analytical Paragraph (100-120 words) - Paragraph Writing (For Visually Challenged Students Only)	05
C (Literature)	1. Reference to the Context	10
	1.1. One extract out of two from drama/prose	05
	1.2. One extract out of two from poetry	05
	2. Short and Very Long Answer Type	30
	2.1. 4 out of 5 short answer type questions (40-50 words) (First Flight) 4x3	12
	2.2. 2 out of 3 short answer type questions (40-50 words) (Footprints without Feet) 2x3	06
	2.3. 01 out of 02 long answer type questions (First Flight) (100-120 words)	06
	2.4. 01 out of 02 long answer type questions (Footprints without Feet) (100-120 words)	06

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