



Class 9 – Secondary Language – Syllabus INDIAN

LANGUAGES

There will be one paper of three duration carrying 80 marks and Internal Assessment of 20 marks.

The paper will be divided into two sections, Section A and Section B.

Section A: Language 40 marks

Section B: Prescribed Texts 40 marks

Candidates will be required to attempt **all** questions from Section A. They must attempt **four** questions from Section B from **ONLY two** of the prescribed textbooks.

SECTION A: LANGUAGE - 40 Marks

Five questions will be set, all of which will be compulsory

1. Composition

Candidates will be required to write one composition, in the language, which may include short explanations, directions, descriptions or narratives

2. Letter

Candidates will be required to write a letter from a choice of two subjects

3. Comprehension



An unseen passage of about 250 words will be given in the language

4. Grammar

This will consist of tests in the use of language vocabulary, syntax and idioms, synthesis in sentence construction, formation of sentences in the language correctly embodying given words or forms

SECTION B: LITERATURE(PRESCRIBED TEXTS) - 40 Marks

The question paper will consist of structured and short answer questions. Candidates will be required to answer four questions from **ONLY two** of the prescribed text books. All questions will be set in the language and candidates will be required to answer in the language. The questions set will be designed to test the candidates' understanding of the subject matter of the prescribed books.

The Class X – ICSE examination paper will be set on the entire syllabus prescribed for the subject. The Class IX internal examination is to be conducted on the portion of this syllabus that is covered during the academic year. The Council has not prescribed bifurcation of the syllabus prescribed for this subject.



INTERNAL ASSESSMENT

Language and Literature:

Class IX: Two or three assignments of reasonable length/duration of which two should be written assignments – one from the language and one from the literature component of the syllabus.

Class X: Two or three assignments of reasonable length/duration of which two should be written assignments – one from the language and one from the literature component of the syllabus.

SUGGESTED ASSIGNMENTS

Language:

Class IX: Creative Writing: Students are to write short compositions (approximately 300 to 400 words each), the stimuli being:

- (i) a piece of recorded music;
- (ii) a recorded series of sounds;
- (iii) a picture/photograph;
- (iv) an opening sentence or phrase;
- (v) a newspaper/magazine clipping or report;

One piece of factual writing which should be informative or argumentative; one piece of expressive writing which is descriptive and imaginative; preparation of film/book review.

Aural: Listening to a conversation/talk/reading of a short passage and then writing down the relevant or main points in the specified number of words and answering the given questions.



Class X: Oral: Prepared speech/declamation; impromptu speech/debate/discussion; report/interview; elocution; role-play / general conversation on selected topics.

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. Literature (Prescribed Texts):

Classes IX and X

Assignments should be based on the prescribed textbooks on the following lines:

- (i) Character/thematic analysis.
- (ii) Socio-economic, cultural, historical relevance / background.
- (iii) Summary / paraphrase.



EVALUATION

The assignments/ project work are to be evaluated by the subject teacher and by an External Examiner. (The External Examiner may be a teacher nominated by the Head of the school, who could

be from the faculty, **but not teaching the subject in the section/class**. For example, a teacher of the language of Class VIII may be deputed to be an External Examiner for Class X projects in the language.)

The Internal Examiner and the External Examiner will assess the assignments independently.

Award of marks (20 Marks)

Subject Teacher (Internal Examiner)	10 marks
External Examiner	10 marks

The total marks obtained out of 20 are to be sent to the Council by the Head of the school.

The Head of the school will be responsible for the online entry of marks on the Council's CAREERS portal by the due date.