

Harindanga High School (H.S.)

1st Unit Test - 2026

Subject - English

Time : 1 h. 30 m.

Class - IX

F.M. : 40

Name Sec Roll No.

Reading Comprehension (Seen)

1. Read the poem carefully and answer the following questions :-

I love the fitful gust that shakes
The casement all day,
And from the mossy elm-tree takes
The faded leaves away,
Twirling them by the window pane
With thousand others down the lane.

I love to see the shaking twig
Dance till the shut of eve
The sparrow on the cottage rig,
Whose chirp would make believe
That spring was just now flirting by
In summer's lap with flowers to lie.

I love to see the cottage smoke
Curl upwards through the naked trees,
The pigeons nestled round the cote
On dull November days like these;
The cock upon the dung-hill crowing,
The mill sails on the heath a-going.

A. Tick (✓) the correct answer from the given alternatives :-

1x4=4

(i) The bird that chirps is -

(a) swallow (b) sparrow (c) parrot (d) peacock

(ii) In the poem, the poet has depicted the picture of -

(a) countryside (b) sea beach (c) urban area (d) forest

(iii) The word 'twirling' means -

(a) running (b) spinning (c) falling (d) drowning

[T.O.]

(ii) What made the visitors hopeless?

Ans:-

(iii) When do the migratory birds come to the lake at Alipore Zoo? Where do they come from?

Ans:-

Grammar and Vocabulary

3. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles and preposition :-

1x3=3

(i) I concentrated _____ securing a seat _____
myself in the train. I got a window seat overlooking _____ platform.

Do as directed :-

[5]

1x4=4

The president distributed the prizes. [Rewrite the sentence replacing the underlined word with a suitable phrasal verb]

Ans :- _____

(ii) The factory emits dark smoke. [Rewrite the sentence replacing the underlined word with a suitable phrasal verb]

Ans :- _____

(iii) It is easier to say than to do. [Turn into positive degree]

Ans :- _____

(iv) Very few metals are so costly as gold. [Turn into superlative degree.]

Ans :- _____

5. Find out words from the unseen passage (Question No.-2) which mean the following :- 1½x2=3

(i) Substitute : _____

(ii) Slushy : _____

Writing Skill

6. Write a letter to your friend expressing your excitement on account of India's victory over New Zealand in the final of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup, 2026. 10

Ans :-