



# Board of Secondary Education, Rajasthan, Ajmer

Syllabus Session 2025-2026

## English Literature — Subject Code – 20

### Class -12

The Examination Scheme for the subject is as follows :

Paper	Time (Hrs.)	Marks for the Paper	Sessional	Total Marks
One	3.15	80	20	100

**One Paper**

**Time : 3.15 Hours**

**80 Marks**

Area of Learning	Marks
Reading	16
Writing	10
Literary Terms	08
Text Book : Kaleidoscope	34
Fiction : A Tiger for Malgudi	12

#### 1. Reading 16

(a) One literary or discursive unseen passage of about 400-500 words followed by 3 multiple choice questions, one fill in the blanks type question and 4 very short answer type questions including 1 VST on opposite word. 8

(b) An unseen poem of about 15 lines followed by 3 multiple choice questions, one fill in the blanks type question and 4 very short answer type questions including 1 VST on opposite word. 8

#### 2. Writing 10

(a) An Essay on argumentative/discursive/reflective or descriptive topic (approx. 150 words) (One out of any two) 5

(b) Composition — Article, Report, Speech (approx. 150 words) (One out of any two) 5

#### 3. Literary Terms 08

Metaphysical Poetry, Impressionism, Stream of Conscious-ness, Interior Monologue, Anglo-Indian Literature, Indo-Anglian Literature, Romanticism, Modernism  
(Four Short Answer Type Questions)

(Word limit : approx. 30 words)  $2 \times 4 = 8$

#### 4. Text books for Detailed Study—

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##### (A) Kaleidoscope

###### (i) Short Stories :

(a) A passage for comprehension from any one chapter of the Short Stories with 3 multiple choice questions, 1 fill in the blanks type question and 2 very short answer type questions testing comprehension, interpretation and drawing inferences. 6

(b) One out of two Essay Type Questions  
(Word limit : approx. 80 words)  $1 \times 4 = 4$

(c) One Short Answer Type Question  
(Word limit : approx. 30 words)  $1 \times 2 = 2$

###### (ii) Poetry :

(a) One out of two extracts from the prescribed poems with 3 multiple choice questions, 1 fill in the blanks type question and 2 very short answer type questions for comprehension, interpretation and drawing inferences in poem. 6

(b) One out of two Essay Type Questions  
(Word limit : approx. 80 words)  $1 \times 4 = 4$

(c) One Short Answer Type Question  
(Word limit : approx. 30 words)  $1 \times 2 = 2$

###### (iii) Non-Fiction :

(a) One out of two Long Answer Type Questions  
(Word limit : approx. 60 words)  $1 \times 3 = 3$

(b) One Short Answer Type Question  
(Word limit : approx. 30 words)  $1 \times 2 = 2$

###### (iv) Drama :

(a) One out of two Long Answer Type Questions  
(Word limit : approx. 60 words)  $1 \times 3 = 3$

(b) One Short Answer Type Question  
(Word limit : approx. 30 words)  $1 \times 2 = 2$

##### (B) Fiction : A Tiger for Malgudi

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(a) One out of two Essay Type Questions  
(Word limit : approx. 80 words)  $1 \times 4 = 4$

(b) One Short Answer Type Question  
(Word limit : approx. 30 words)  $1 \times 2 = 2$

(c) Six multiple choice questions to test evaluation and appreciation of characters, events, episodes and interpersonal relationships.  $1 \times 6 = 6$

#### Books Prescribed :

1. **Kaleidoscope**—NCERT's Book Published under copyright
2. **A Tiger for Malgudi**—Published by Rajasthan Textbook Board, Jaipur