



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

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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.

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- (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.

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- (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 inter-personal 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