CBSE BOARD EXAMINATION

BOARD EXAMINATION (2025-26)

GRADE: X TIME: 3 Hrs. MARKS: 100 (80 MARKS THEORY + 20 MARKS INTERNAL

ASSESSMENT)

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SUBJECT: ENGLISH (Language & Literature)

THEORY PAPER: 80 MARKS

SECTION – A (Reading Skills) – 20 Marks

- Factual Reading Passage 10 Marks
- Discursive Reading Passage 10 Marks
- Questions: MCQs, Short Answers, Objective Type

SECTION – B (Writing Skills & Grammar) – 20 Marks

- Grammar 10 Marks (Gap Filling, Editing, Sentence Transformation)
- Writing Skills 10 Marks (Letter Writing, Article/Story Writing)

SECTION – C (Literature) – 40 Marks

- First Flight (Prose) 20 Marks
- First Flight (Poetry) 10 Marks
- Footprints without Feet (Supplementary) 10 Marks

• Questions: MCQs, Short & Long Answer Questions

INTERNAL ASSESSMENT: 20 MARKS

- Periodic Assessment 10 Marks
- Subject Enrichment Activities 5 Marks
- Portfolio 5 Marks

SUBJECT: HINDI A / HINDI B

THEORY PAPER: 80 MARKS

SECTION – A (Reading Comprehension) – 20 Marks

- Gadya Gyan (Prose Comprehension) 10 Marks
- Padya Gyan (Poetry Comprehension) 10 Marks

SECTION – B (Writing Skills & Grammar) – 20 Marks

- Vyakaran (Grammar) 10 Marks
- Rachana (Writing Skills) 10 Marks
- Letter, Essay, Story Writing

SECTION – C (Literature) – 40 Marks

- Sparsh (Prose & Poetry) 20 Marks
- Sanchayan (Supplementary) 20 Marks

INTERNAL ASSESSMENT: 20 MARKS

• Periodic Assessment – 10 Marks

- Subject Enrichment Activities 5 Marks
- Portfolio 5 Marks

SUBJECT: MATHEMATICS

THEORY PAPER: 80 MARKS

SECTION - A (Objective Questions) - 20 Marks

- Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) 20 Questions × 1 Mark
- Topics: All Chapters

SECTION – B (Short Answer Questions-I) – 16 Marks

- 8 Questions × 2 Marks Each
- No Internal Choice

SECTION – C (Short Answer Questions-II) – 24 Marks

- 6 Questions × 4 Marks Each
- Internal Choice in 2 Questions

SECTION – D (Long Answer Questions) – 20 Marks

- 4 Questions × 5 Marks Each
- Internal Choice in All Questions

CHAPTER-WISE WEIGHTAGE:

Chapter	Marks	Weightage
Real Numbers	4-6	7%
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Chapter	Marks	Weightage 7%		
Polynomials	4-6			
Linear Equations in Two Variables	8-10	12%		
Quadratic Equations	8-10	12%		
Arithmetic Progressions	6-8	10%		
Triangles	10-12	15%		
Coordinate Geometry	6-8	10%		
Introduction to Trigonometry	6-8	10%		
Applications of Trigonometry	4-6	7%		
Circles	6-8	10%		
Areas Related to Circles	8-10	12%		
Surface Areas and Volumes	8-10	12%		
Statistics	6-8	10%		
Probability	4-6	7%		
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INTERNAL ASSESSMENT: 20 MARKS

Periodic Assessment – 10 Marks

• Mathematics Activities/Projects – 10 Marks

SUBJECT: SCIENCE

THEORY PAPER: 80 MARKS

SECTION – A (Objective Questions) – 24 Marks

• Multiple Choice Questions – 20 Questions × 1 Mark = 20 Marks

Assertion-Reasoning Questions – 2 Questions × 2 Marks = 4 Marks

SECTION - B (Short Answer Questions) - 24 Marks

- 6 Questions × 4 Marks Each
- Internal Choice in 2 Questions

SECTION - C (Long Answer Questions) - 25 Marks

- 5 Questions × 5 Marks Each
- Internal Choice in All Questions

SECTION – D (Case Study Based Questions) – 7 Marks

- 3 Case Studies with 4 Sub-questions Each
- Students attempt any 7 sub-questions

SUBJECT-WISE WEIGHTAGE:

Subject	Marks	Chapters	
Physics	25	Light, Electricity, Magnetic Effects of Current, Sources of Energy	
Chemistry	25	Acids & Bases, Metals & Non-metals, Carbon Compounds, Life Processes	
Biology	30	Life Processes, Control & Coordination, Reproduction, Heredity, Natural Resource Management	
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INTERNAL ASSESSMENT: 20 MARKS

- Periodic Assessment 10 Marks
- Practical Work 5 Marks
- Portfolio 5 Marks

SUBJECT: SOCIAL SCIENCE

THEORY PAPER: 80 MARKS

SECTION - A (Objective Questions) - 24 Marks

- Multiple Choice Questions 24 Questions × 1 Mark
- Based on all four subjects

SECTION – B (Short Answer Questions) – 32 Marks

- 8 Questions × 4 Marks Each
- Internal Choice in 4 Questions

SECTION – C (Long Answer Questions) – 20 Marks

- 4 Questions × 5 Marks Each
- Internal Choice in All Questions

SECTION – D (Map Work) – 4 Marks

- 2 Geography Maps × 2 Marks Each
- Location-based questions

SUBJECT-WISE WEIGHTAGE:

Subject	Marks	Weightage
History (India and Contemporary World-II)	20	25%
Geography (Contemporary India-II)	20	25%
Political Science (Democratic Politics-II)	20	25%
Economics (Understanding Economic Development)	20	25%
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CHAPTER-WISE DISTRIBUTION:

HISTORY (20 Marks)

- The Rise of Nationalism in Europe 4-5 Marks
- Nationalism in India 5-6 Marks
- The Making of Global World 4-5 Marks
- The Age of Industrialisation 4-5 Marks
- Print Culture and Modern World 2-3 Marks

GEOGRAPHY (20 Marks)

- Resources and Development 4-5 Marks
- Forest and Wildlife 3-4 Marks
- Water Resources 3-4 Marks
- Agriculture 4-5 Marks
- Minerals and Energy 3-4 Marks
- Manufacturing Industries 3-4 Marks
- Lifelines of National Economy 2-3 Marks

POLITICAL SCIENCE (20 Marks)

- Power Sharing 4-5 Marks
- Federalism 4-5 Marks
- Democracy and Diversity 3-4 Marks
- Gender, Religion and Caste 4-5 Marks
- Popular Struggles and Movements 2-3 Marks
- Political Parties 3-4 Marks

• Outcomes of Democracy – 2-3 Marks

ECONOMICS (20 Marks)

- Development 3-4 Marks
- Sectors of Indian Economy 5-6 Marks
- Money and Credit 4-5 Marks
- Globalisation and Indian Economy 4-5 Marks
- Consumer Rights 3-4 Marks

INTERNAL ASSESSMENT: 20 MARKS

- Periodic Assessment 10 Marks
- Subject Enrichment Activities 5 Marks
- Portfolio 5 Marks

SUBJECT: SANSKRIT

THEORY PAPER: 80 MARKS

SECTION – A (Reading Comprehension) – 15 Marks

• Unseen Passage with Questions

SECTION – B (Writing Skills) – 10 Marks

• Letter Writing, Story Writing in Sanskrit

SECTION – C (Applied Grammar) – 15 Marks

• Sandhi, Dhatu Roop, Shabd Roop, Pratyaya

SECTION – D (Literature) – 40 Marks

- Shemushi (Prose) 20 Marks
- Abhyasvan Bhav (Poetry) 20 Marks

INTERNAL ASSESSMENT: 20 MARKS

- Periodic Assessment 10 Marks
- Subject Enrichment Activities 10 Marks

GENERAL INFORMATION

EXAMINATION DETAILS:

- Total Marks per Subject: 100 (Theory: 80 + Internal: 20)
- Time Duration: 3 Hours per paper
- Question Paper Format: 40% MCQs, 40% short/long answer, 20% competency-based
- Pass Marks: 33% in each subject and overall
- **Best of Five Rule**: Best 5 subjects for calculating percentage

QUESTION PAPER STRUCTURE:

According to the most recent CBSE 10th exam pattern, 20% of the questions will be multiple-choice questions (MCQs), 30% will be short- or long-answer questions, and 50% of the questions will be competency-based (MCQs, source-based, case study-based, etc.)

INTERNAL ASSESSMENT COMPONENTS (20 Marks):

- 1. Periodic Assessment (10 Marks)
 - Unit Tests/Monthly Tests

• Half-yearly Examination

2. Subject Enrichment Activities (5 Marks)

- Project Work
- Practical Activities
- Field Visits

3. Portfolio (5 Marks)

- Classwork Assessment
- Homework Assessment
- Subject-specific Activities

COMPETENCY-BASED QUESTIONS:

- Case Study Based: Real-life scenarios with analytical questions
- Source-Based: Maps, charts, images, data interpretation
- Assertion-Reasoning: Logical reasoning and cause-effect relationships
- Multiple Choice: Conceptual understanding and application

PREPARATION STRATEGY

Subject-wise Focus Areas:

ENGLISH:

- Focus on Reading Comprehension skills
- Practice Grammar topics (Gap filling, Error correction)
- Literary texts: Character analysis, theme understanding
- Writing skills: Formal/Informal letters, Articles

HINDI:

- Comprehension passages practice
- Grammar: Samas, Kaal, Vachya
- Literature: Character sketches, moral values
- Creative writing skills

MATHEMATICS:

- **High Priority**: Triangles, Coordinate Geometry, Statistics
- Daily practice of numerical problems
- Formula memorization and application
- Previous year question papers

SCIENCE:

- Physics: Numerical problems practice
- Chemistry: Chemical equations and reactions
- **Biology**: Diagrams and life processes
- Case study analysis

SOCIAL SCIENCE:

- Map work practice (Geography)
- Timeline preparation (History)
- Current affairs (Political Science)
- Data interpretation (Economics)

TIME MANAGEMENT:

• Mathematics & Science: 90 minutes each

• English & Hindi: 75 minutes each

• Social Science: 90 minutes

• Last 30 minutes: Review and final checking

OUCCESS TIPS

- 1. **NCERT Focus**: CBSE made a deletion of about 30% part of the full syllabus Focus on reduced syllabus
- 2. Practice Papers: Solve Sample Papers and Previous Year Questions
- 3. **Time Management**: Practice completing papers within time limit
- 4. **Internal Assessment**: Maintain good performance throughout the year
- 5. Revision Strategy: Multiple revisions of important concepts
- 6. Health Management: Maintain proper sleep and nutrition

III BOARD EXAM SCHEDULE (Tentative)

• Exam Period: February - March 2026

• Result Declaration: May 2026

• Compartment Exam: July 2026

IMPORTANT NOTES:

• All theory papers are of 3 hours duration

- Theory paper that will be for 80 marks, and the internal assessment component carries 20 marks
- Students must attempt all questions as per instructions
- Use of calculators is not permitted (except for certain subjects where specified)

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