

BHARTIYA SHIKSHA BOARD
Model Paper – Half Yearly
ENGLISH – CLASS 3
SESSION 2026-27

Time: 2 Hours

Max Marks: 50

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- Read all the questions carefully.
 - Please check that this question paper contains **4** printed pages.
 - **10** minutes of extra time has been allotted for the teacher to explain the questions to the students. During this time, students will not start writing the answers.
 - This sheet contains **07** questions. Attempting all the questions is compulsory.
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SECTION A: READING

Q1. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

The Importance of Rivers

Rivers are one of nature's greatest gifts. They provide us with fresh water for drinking, cooking and farming. Many animals and plants live in and around rivers. Farmers use river water to grow crops, and in some places people use rivers for fishing and travelling.

Rivers also help keep the environment healthy. We should never throw waste into rivers. Keeping rivers clean helps people, animals and plants live happily. Saving rivers means protecting our future.

A. Answer the following questions.

(2×3=6)

1. What do rivers provide us?
2. Why should we keep rivers clean?
3. How can we protect rivers?

B. Fill in the blanks.

(1×4=4)

1. Farmers use river water to grow _____.
2. Saving rivers means protecting our _____.
3. Find a word from the passage that means '**to keep safe**'. _____.
4. Find a word from the passage that means '**the natural world around us**'.

SECTION B: WRITING AND GRAMMAR

Q2. You have received a beautiful birthday gift from your aunt. Read the incomplete thank-you note and complete it with the suitable phrases from the Help Box.

(5 Marks)

Yours lovingly	for your lovely gift	very much
colourful storybooks	shared them	read them

Date: _____

Dear Meera Aunt,

Thank you _____ for sending me a set of storybooks on my birthday. I liked the _____ very much. I _____ with my younger sister, and we enjoyed reading them together. We _____ every evening before going to bed. Thank you _____ once again.

I hope to see you soon.

Ananya

Q3. Circle the vowels in the given words.

(0.5×4=2)

1. School
2. Elephant
3. Orange
4. Garden

Q4. Make sentences using the following homophones.

(1×2=2)

- (i) Here-
- (ii) Hear-

Q5. A. Fill in the blanks with a, an, or the.

(1×3=3)

1. She has _____ red umbrella.
2. _____ Sun rises in the east.
3. My father bought _____ orange.

Q6. Choose the correct option.

(1×3=3)

1. I (am/is) your friend.
2. My mother (has/have) a new car.
3. They (was/were) late for school.

Q7. Rewrite the following and use capital letters and correct punctuation wherever required.

(1×3=3)

1. where are you going
2. wow that is a beautiful painting
3. i live in delhi

SECTION C: LITERATURE

Q7. Write the meaning of any two of the given words and use them in sentences of your own.

(1.5×2=3)

1. Amuse
2. Chore
3. Pat

Q8. Choose the correct option.

(1×2=2)

1. What lesson do you get from the story, "The Lion and the Mouse"
 - a. The lion is the only strong animal. All animals are strong in some way.
 - b. The lion cannot be friends with the mouse.
2. Porcupines usually protect themselves by
 - a. Hiding in rose bushes
 - b. Using their sharp needles
 - c. Asking humans for help

Q9. Who said this to whom?

(1×3=3)

1. "Spare me! Spare me! O great king of the jungle!"

_____ to _____

2. "Yes, Mumma, I fed Mithu".

_____ to _____

3. "Appamma, please open my gift first!"

_____ to _____

Q10. Answer any four of the following questions.

(2.5×4=10)

1. What did Smt Saroj and the village doctor warn Skippy about?
2. How did Tara take care of Mithu?
3. Write two acts of kindness that you can perform in your daily life.
4. Look around and write any two beautiful things that you see.
5. What lesson do you learn from "Milk for Shiva"?

Q11. Dictation

(0.5 ×8=4)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____