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Code : 820162.1-SA₂(M)

Class : VIII
ENGLISH (COURSE-'A')
(Summative Assessment - II)

Please check that this question paper contains 16 questions and 8 printed pages.

Time : 3 Hrs.

Maximum Marks : 80

General Instructions :

1. This paper consists of four sections : A, B, C & D.
2. Attempt all the questions.
3. Don't write anything on the question paper.
4. All the answers must be correctly numbered as shown in the question paper and written in the answer sheet provided to you.
5. Ensure that questions of each section are answered together.
6. Read each question carefully and follow the instructions.
7. Strictly adhere to the word limit given with each question. Marks will be deducted for exceeding the word limit.

SECTION - A (READING)

(20 Marks)

1. **Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :** 10

1. Fashion is a term commonly used to describe a style of clothing worn by a large number of people in a country. The kind of art, music, literature and sports that many people prefer can also be fashions. Thus, a fashion is or reflects a form of behavior accepted by most people in a society.
2. A fashion remains popular for a few months or years and then another fashion takes its place. A product or activity is in fashion or is fashionable during the period of time that many people in society accept it, however, the same product or activity becomes old-fashioned when the majority of people no longer accept it.
3. A clothing style may start as a fashion, but its use becomes a custom if it is handed down from generation to generation.
4. A fashion that quickly comes and goes is called a fad. The majority of people do not accept fads. Some people may become involved in faddish behavior because fads get a lot of publicity.
5. Today, people follow fashions for many reasons. For example, they want others to think that they belong to a special class of society. New fashions may be adopted immediately by well-known people, including athletes, film stars and political figures. Then, other people follow these fashions so that they can also look important. Some people think that fashionable clothes and surroundings raise their status in life.
6. People also follow fashions to make themselves attractive. Standards of beauty change through the years, and people decorate themselves according to the changing standards. Ideas of beauty also change from

