

CBSE CLASS X
English Language & Literature (184)**QUESTION PAPER***From previous CBSE Board Exam questions***Code: OUQ9TX** **Questions: 13** **Maximum Marks: 46** **Generated: 2026-06-15 13:05****SELECTIONS USED**

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Q1.**[6]**

Answer in 100-120 words.

Based on your understanding of the Play, 'The Proposal', what do you think of relationships?

Prepare a speech draft on relationships based on Natalya's and Anne Frank's characters.

You may begin this way.

Good morning everyone.

Relationships are the bond between two people based on mutual likes, understanding, need or love. I'd like to discuss relationships as portrayed in the two texts

You may end this way

To conclude, I'd like to say that

Thank you,

(Reference : The Proposal & from the Diary of Anne Frank)

Previously asked in: 2024 2/3/1 Q10(b)

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From the Diary of Anne Frank

Q2.**[4]**

Russian society emerges as an important character in the play [The Proposal]. Support your answer giving instances.

Previously asked in: 2022 2/3/1 Q7 (iii)

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Q3.**[3]**

Engaging in discussions and disputes rarely leads to problem resolution. Support the statement with evidence from the text. (The Proposal)

Previously asked in: 2025 2/4/1 Q8 V

♦ The Proposal, Supplementary

Q4.**[2]**

What was the objective of Lomov's visit to Chubukov's house? (The Proposal)

Previously asked in: 2022 2/2/1 Q6 (ii)

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Q5.**[3]**

"Oh, what a burden, Lord, to be the father of a grown-up daughter!"

Explain what this line conveys about Chubukov as a father.

(The Proposal)

Previously asked in: 2024 2/4/1 Q8 (iv)

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Q6.**[2]**

Write a brief character sketch of Lomov. (The Proposal)

Previously asked in: 2022 2/1/1 Q6 (iv)

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Q7.**[4]**

Natalya and her father Chubukov 'turn around' when Lomov puts his proposal in the open. As a reader briefly describe what you think of Natalya and Chubukov from the play "The Proposal".

Previously asked in: 2022 2/4/1 Q7 (ii)

♦ The Proposal, Supplementary

Q8.**[3]**

How did Chubukov react when Lomov asked for the hand of his daughter in marriage ?

Previously asked in: 2023 2/6/1 Q8 (d)

♦ The Proposal, Supplementary

Q9.**[3]**

How does Natalya provoke Lomov into a quarrel?

Previously asked in: 2023 2/2/1 Q9 (c)

♦ The Proposal, Supplementary

Q10.**[3]**

What was Chubukov's reaction when he discovered the actual purpose behind Lomov's visit ? (The Proposal)

Previously asked in: 2026 2/3/1 Q8 (iv)

♦ The Proposal, Supplementary

Q11.**[3]**

What was Chubukov's reaction when he heard about Lomov's proposal for his daughter's hand? (The Proposal)

Previously asked in: 2026 2/5/1 Q8 (v)

♦ The Proposal, Supplementary

Q12.

[5]

Lomov : Hear me out, I implore you ! The peasants of your father's grandfather, as I have already had the honour of explaining to you, used to bake bricks for my aunt's grandmother. Now my aunt's grandmother, wishing to make them a present.

Natalya : I can't make head or tail of all this about aunts and grandfathers and grandmothers. The Meadows are ours, that's all.

Lomov : Mine

Natalya : Ours ! You can go proving it for two days on end.

Read the given extract and answer the questions.

(i) What is Lomov pleading for ? [1]

- (A) to be heard
- (B) bricks for his aunt's grandmother
- (C) documents of the Meadows
- (D) for two days time to prove himself

(ii) What effect does the following sentence have on Natalya ? Why ? 'The peasants of your father's grandfather used to bake bricks for my aunt's grandmother.' [2]

(iii) Fill in the blank with the correct word from the bracket : The use of the phrase 'can't make head or tail' adds to a sense of _____ (confusion/realization) to the extract. [1]

(iv) What is Lomov trying to prove ? [1]

Previously asked in: 2025 2/5/1 Q6(b)

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Q13.

[5]

Lomov : But you can see from the documents, honoured Natalya Stepanovna. Oxen Meadows, its true were once the subject of dispute, but now everybody knows they are mine. There's nothing to argue about. You see my aunts grandmother gave the free use of these Meadows in perpetuity to the peasants of your father's grandfather, in return for which they were to make bricks for her. The peasants belonging to your father's grandfather had the free use of Meadows for forty years, and had got into the habit of regarding them as their own, when it happened that.....

Natalya : No, it isn't at all like that ! Both grandfather and great grandfather reckoned that their land extended to Burnt Marsh - which means Oxen Meadows were ours. I don't see what there is to argue about, its simply silly.

Read the extract given below and attempt the questions that follow :

- (i) The subject of dispute was regarding [1]
- (a) free use of Meadows.
 - (b) making of bricks.
 - (c) peasants using Meadows.
 - (d) ownership of Meadows.
- (ii) Find the word from the extract which means 'continuance' : [1]
- (a) dispute
 - (b) perpetuity
 - (c) belonging
 - (d) reckoned
- (iii) Lomov's aunt's grandmother gave Oxen Meadows to Natalya's father's grandfather in lieu of [1]
- (iv) According to Natalya why did Oxen Meadows belong to them ? [1]
- (v) Fill in the blank with ONE WORD only : The peasants had free use of Meadows for years. [1]

Previously asked in: 2023 2/4/1 Q6(B)

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