INLAND CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION
EXAMINATION YEAR 2021
LIST OF PRESCRIBED TEXTBOOKS
CLASS X

1. ENGLISH (01)

PAPER 1. (Language)
No specific book is being recommended for background reading.

PAPER 2. (Literature in English)

DRAMA: The Merchant of Venice: unabridged play by (Shakespeare’s A.W. Verity) Only upto Act 4 to be studied.

TREASURE TROVE: A collection of ICSE Poems & Short Stories [Evergreen Publications (India) Ltd. New Delhi].

POETRY: (All poems to be studied)
1. The Heart of the Tree - Henry Cuyler Bunner
2. The Cold Within - James Patrick Kinney
3. The Bangle Sellers - Sarojini Naidu
4. After Blenheim - Robert Southey
5. Television - Roald Dahl
6. Daffodils - William Wordsworth
7. The Patriot - Robert Browning
8. Nine Gold Medals - David Roth

PROSE (Short Stories): (All short stories to be studied)
1. Chief Seattle’s Speech
2. Old Man at the Bridge - Ernest Miller Hemingway
3. A Horse and Two Goats - R.K. Narayan
4. Hearts and Hands - O. Henry
5. A Face in the Dark - Ruskin Bond
6. An Angel in Disguise - T.S. Arthur
7. The Little Match Girl - Hans Christian Andersen
8. My Greatest Olympic Prize - Jesse Owens

2. BENGALI (03):

(Only two of the following books are to be offered)

Sonkolita: A collection of ICSE Short Stories & Poems (Power Publishers, Kolkata)

(i) Short Stories: (All short stories to be studied)
1. Laloo - Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay
2. Bama - Bibhutibhushan Banadypadhyay
3. Canvassar - Banaphul
4. Asohojogee - Manik Bandyopadhyay
5. Neel Manusher Kahini - Sunil Gangypadhyay
6. Gandhota Baro Sandehojanak - Shirshendu Mukhopadhyay
7. Lokti - Humayun Ahmed(X)

(ii) Poems: (All poems to be studied)
1. Bangabhumir prati - Madhusudan Dutta
2. Kuli-Mojur - Najrul Islam
3. Siri - Sukanta Bhattacharya(X)
4. Phul Futuk Na Futuk - Subhash Mukhopadhay(X)
5. Amalkanti - Narendranath Chakraborty (IX)
6. Babu Bolen - Shankha Ghosh

(iii) Novel: Chander Pahar - Bibhutibhushan Bandyopadhyay

(iv) Drama: Jumbo - Mohit Chattopadhyay
3. HINDI (05):

Recommended for background work:

Saras Hindi Vyakaran (Evergreen Publications, New Delhi)

(Only two of the following books are to be offered)

Sahitya Sagar: A collection of ICSE Short Stories & Poems (Evergreen Publications, New Delhi)

(i) Short Stories: (All short stories to be studied)
   1. Baat Athanni Ki - Sudarshan
   2. Maha Yagya Ka Puruskar - Yashpal
   3. Netaji Ka Chasma - Swayam Prakash
   4. Bade Ghar Ki Beti - Premchand
   6. Do Kalakar – Mannu Bhandari

(ii) Poems: (All poems to be studied)
   1. Sakhi - Kabir Das
   2. Swarg Bana Sakte Hai – Ramdhari Singh Dinkar
   3. Wah Janmabhumi Meri – Sohanlal Dwivedi
   4. Megh Aaye - Sarveshwar Dayal Saxena
   5. Sur Ke Pad - Surdas
   6. Vinay Ke Pad - Tulisidas
   7. Chalna Hamara Kam Hai - Shivmangal Singh ‘Suman’

(iii) Novel: Naya Raasta - Sushma Agarwal

(iv) Ekanki Sanchay: A collection of ICSE One Act Plays (Evergreen Publications, New Delhi)
   1. Sanskar Aur Bhavna - Vishi Prabhakar
   2. Bahu Ki Vida - Vinod Rastogi
   3. Matri Bhoomi Ka Man - Hari Krishna “Premi”
   4. Sukhi Dali - Upendra Nath “Ashka”
   5. Deepdan - Ram Kumar Verma