



ICSE 2026 EXAMINATION

ENGLISH LANGUAGE (ENGLISH PAPER – 1)

SPECIMEN QUESTIONS

1. LETTER WRITING

2. NOTICE AND EMAIL WRITING

SUGGESTED FORMATS FOR LETTER WRITING AND

NOTICE & EMAIL

This document contains the recommended formats to be followed for the **ICSE English Language Paper I**: Any one format may be followed, all are acceptable.

1. Informal/Friendly Letter
2. Formal Letter
3. (i) Notice
(ii) Email

Question 2

(i) INFORMAL/FRIENDLY LETTER

You have been selected as School Captain. Write a letter to your parents who live abroad telling them how you felt when you heard the news, why you think you have been selected and what your plans are for the coming year.

Format 1

26, Sunny Apartments,
Shanti Nagar,
Raipur – 492 601.

16th September 2025.

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This year I plan to organise a better Teachers' Day Programme. I also want to help those schoolmates who are either struggling with academics or getting bullied by the senior students. I would like to set up a cell to help these children.

The Investiture will be held on the 30th of September. I do hope you will be able to attend this important function. Looking forward to seeing you there.

With love,
Yours affectionately,
Riya

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(ii) FORMAL LETTER

The garbage in your locality has not been cleared for several days. Write a letter to the Municipal Commissioner of your town/city complaining about the problem and offering suggestions for improvement.

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Purba Putiary,
Bansdroni,
Kolkata – 700 104.

16th September 2025

The Municipal Commissioner,
Kolkata Municipal Corporation,
Thakurpukur,
Kolkata – 700 126.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you on a matter of serious concern. I am a resident of ward 63, E Block, Bansdroni. The garbage vats in our locality have not been cleared for several days.

The entire area is dirty and infested with flies, mosquitoes, rats and other pests. As a result people in our neighbourhood often suffer from serious illnesses. The stench of rotting garbage is also unbearable.

I would like to suggest that the garbage be cleared on a regular basis. The area should be sprayed and sanitised thoroughly.

I look forward to your cooperation in this matter.

Thanking you,
Yours faithfully,
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(i) NOTICE

Your school is conducting an Inter House Poetry Writing Festival. Write a notice for the school notice board informing students about the event.

(ii) EMAIL

Write an email to an eminent poet inviting him/her to inaugurate the event.

Format 1

(i)

Words Worth!

Annual Inter House Poetry Writing Festival

on 30th September 2025

from 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon

at Millennium Auditorium, Bright Academy

Pupils from Classes IX to XII who wish to participate must register their names with the Vice Principal on or before 18th September 2025.

(ii) joygoswami@gmail.com

Annual Inter House Poetry Writing Festival

Dear Sir,

Our school is hosting an Inter House Poetry Writing Festival to celebrate our Golden Jubilee. We would be honoured if you would be our Chief Guest for the occasion and inaugurate the festival.

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We look forward to your presence with us. A line in confirmation would be much appreciated.

Thanking you,

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