

Time : 2 hrs.

## II PERIODIC TEST- 2022-23

CLASS - X (CBSE)

M.M.: 50

### SUBJECT- ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

#### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:-

- i. The Question Paper contains three sections:  
Section A- Reading  
Section B- Writing and Grammar  
Section C- Literature and Supplementary
- ii. Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.

#### READING SKILLS

Q.1 Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow: (Any Six)

The most dangerous thing that impacts the life of children are Drugs. More than 90 percent of street children in Delhi are addicted to drugs, according to information from Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. According to the ministry, 46,410 cases of substance abuse by street children had been reported in the national capital. Of these, most of them were found to be addicted to tobacco, followed by alcohol, inhalants and cannabis. Other drug substances included heroin, opium, pharmaceutical opioids and sedatives. The then Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment Vijay Sampla shared this data with the Lok Sabha. The statistics was based on a recent study by the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS).



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| Tobaco         | 21,770 |
| Alcohol        | 9,450  |
| Inhalants      | 7,910  |
| Cannabis       | 5,600  |
| Heroin         | 840    |
| Opium          | 420    |
| Pharmaceutical | 210    |
| Opioids        |        |
| Sedatives      | 210    |

According to a study done by the NGO 'Save the Children' in 2011, there were 50,923 children who lived on streets in Delhi. Going by that population, the percentage of drug-addicted children in Delhi is 91.14 percent. According to National Crime Records Bureau, 53 and 34 unnatural accidental deaths were reported due to drug overdose by children below 18 years during 2015 and 2016 respectively. In 2015, most number of such deaths were reported from Punjab (13), followed by Maharashtra (12) and Gujarat (8). In 2016, Uttar Pradesh (10) recorded maximum number of drug abuse-related deaths among children, followed by Madhya Pradesh (6) and Punjab (5).

Sampla informed Parliament that the ministry is implementing a scheme titled 'Central Sector Scheme of Assistance for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drug) Abuse' to curb the issue. The scheme provides financial assistance to eligible NGOs, Panchayati Raj institutions and urban local bodies, who in turn provide composite/ integrated services for the rehabilitation of addicts. On 11 August 2016, the ministry had issued an advisory to all states and UTs asking them to take steps for prevention of substance abuse among children.

Choose the correct option for the given questions:

- A. Which cities had maximum number of deaths due to drugs in 2015? [6]
1. Punjab and Haryana
  2. Delhi and Madhya Pradesh
  3. Punjab and Madhya Pradesh
  4. None of above
- B. How many children lived on the streets of Delhi?
1. More than 50,000
  2. Less than 50,000
  3. Upto 50,000
  4. None of the above

- C. According to the ministry, the maximum number of cases reported were of-
- |              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| 1. tobacco   | 2. alcohol  |
| 3. inhalants | 4. cannabis |
- D. The statistics given in the above passage has been taken from?
- All India Institute of Medical Sciences
  - Max Superspeciality Hospital
  - Sarfdarjung Hospital
  - None of the above
- E. What was number of cases of addiction to Heroin?
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| 1. 210 | 2. 840                       |
| 3. 420 | 4. In sufficient information |
- F. What is the name of NGO which has done the research on the cases?
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|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Save the Mankind | 2. Save the Children              |
| 3. Save Animals     | 4. Relief- a step towards success |
- G. What is the antonym of the word 'addiction'?
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|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. indifference | 2. obsession     |
| 3. like         | 4. none of these |

Q.2 Read the passage given below and answer the question : (Any 6) [6]

The Bhagwat Gita helps seeker strive for self- realization in different ways. It recommends three paths to achieve the supreme goal: Jnana Yoga- the way of Knowledge; Karma Yoga- the way of action; and Bhakti Yoga- the way of devotion. One can attain perfection by choosing any of these path, according to one's nature, interests, temperament and disposition.

The idea of one God is also professed here. Shri Krishna says, "By whatsoever way men seek me, even so, do I accept them (the same way)." This implies that the entire world is a family. Freedom of action is derived from the law of Karma, subject to the fruit received according to deeds performed.

Krishna gives great consolation to sinners the most and assures their transformation to leading a pious life with absolute devotion to the supreme.

Krishna says in Gita, "If the sinner worships me with exclusive devotion, such a person becomes righteous and gets peace. My devotee does not suffer any degeneration and degradation."

The Gita gives confidence by releasing the guilt feelings of sinners and helps to make their future life better with strong desire and determination for sole devotion to God, followed by leading a righteous life. This will pave the way for salvation. Krishna says, "He who while leaving the body, thinks of me alone even at the time of death, attains me, there is no doubt in it. Start walking on the righteous path now to avoid the pitfalls of the results of Karma."

- Define the word 'Karma'.
- How can one attain perfection?
- What is the main goal of the author to talk about here?
- How, according to Bhagwat Gita can a sinner attain salvation?
- What do you understand by the word 'salvation'?
- Find the word similar to 'breakdown' from the passage.
- Find the opposite of 'disloyalty' from the passage

#### Writing and Grammar

Q.3 Attempt any one: (100-120 words) [5]

You are the physical Education Instructor at St. Jesus and Mary school, Patna. You had placed an order for sports good with Student Sports Enterprises. When the items arrived, you found that some of them were defective. Write a letter to the Manager, Student sports Enterprises, asking him to replace the defective items. (100-120)

OR

You live in a crowded society in Noida, Uttar Pradesh, unauthorized parking of vehicles in your society area is causing a lot of inconvenience to the residents. Write a letter to the secretary of the society complaining against this practice. You are Akash/Akansha of Noida, Sector- 4, Shalimar Building.

- Q.4 Edit the following passage by supplying the correct word for the incorrect one in each line: (Any Three) [3]

|   | Incorrect | Correct |
|---|-----------|---------|
| A wish is the strong desire.  | a. _____  | _____   |
| Only a desire of wish can push you forward to act and accomplish our goals. | b. _____  | _____   |
| To get motivated, you need for identify what you want.                      | c. _____  | _____   |
|   | d. _____  | _____   |

- Q.5 Read the following conversation and then report what was said by completing the following passage: (Any three) [3]

Tanmay : How did you spend your vacation?

Astha : I visited Kashmir with my parents.

Tanmay : Wow, what a lovely place it is!

Astha : yes, indeed it is. You must visit once.

Tanmay asked Astha (a) \_\_\_\_\_. Astha replied that (b) \_\_\_\_\_.

Tanmay (c) \_\_\_\_\_. To this Astha said that it was indeed a nice place and (d) \_\_\_\_\_.

- Q.6 Read the paragraph given below. Fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate world/ phrases from the given options. [2]

Children may quarrel all the time, drawing the elders into the fray. The neighbour's son may pick a flower or a fruit from your garden and (a) \_\_\_\_\_ argument (b) \_\_\_\_\_ erupt. Again, he may throw his ball (c) \_\_\_\_\_ your window pane, damaging it. These are not unnatural so far as the younger ones are concerned, but it is for the elder to (d) \_\_\_\_\_ them with equanimity.

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| a. i. a    | ii. the      | iii. an      | iv. one    |
| b. i. must | ii. ought to | iii. may     | iv. should |
| c. i. to   | ii. from     | iii. against | iv. at     |
| d. i. see  | ii. watch    | iii. view    | iv. look   |

**Literature and Supplementary**

- Q.7. Reference to context: [3]

'Paper has more patience than people'. I thought of this saying on one of those days when I was feeling a little depressed and was sitting at home with my chin in my hands, bored and listless, wondering whether to stay in or go out.

1. To whom does 'I' refer in the extract?

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| a. Anne Frank   | b. Mr. Van Daan |
| c. Margot Frank | d. M. Keesing   |

2. 'Paper has more patience than people: Why did the writer say that?

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|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. Paper does not offend            | b. Paper is more mature and serious |
| c. One can rely on paper to confide | d. Paper can be hidden easily       |

3. What does the word 'listless' used in the extract mean?

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|----------------|---------------|
| a. uncountable | b. many       |
| c. lethargic   | d. numberless |

Q.8 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

"The report," he murmured.

1. Who is the speaker?
  - a. Ausable
  - b. Fowler
  - c. Max
  - d. None
2. What was the report about?
  - a. New missiles
  - b. New population policy
  - c. New war policy
  - d. Old war policy
3. Whom is the speaker talking to?
  - a. Ausable
  - b. Fowler
  - c. The Management
  - d. None

Q.9 Very short answer type. (Any Two) (30-40 words)

1. Why does the tiger express his rage quietly?
2. Humour is the best medicine for every ailment in life' How is it used in the poem 'How to Tell Wild Animals'?
3. What do you understand by 'Apartheid'?

Q.10 Short answer type. (30-40 words) (Any One)

1. How did the invisible man first become visible?
2. What was Horace Danby's hobby? How did he manage to fulfil it?

Q.11 Answer Any one of the following. (100-120 words)

1. Do you agree that Anne Frank was far more intelligent, mature and witty than her age? Give a reasoned answer.
2. It is often said that you learn more from losing than you do from winning. You learn a lot from a loss as it really gets your attention and motivates. Describe it with reference to 'The Ball Poem'.

Q.12 Answer Any one of the following. (100-120 words)

1. "Horace Danby was good and respectable but not completely honest." Is this an apt description of Horace? If yes, write reasons to support your answer.
2. "Scientific discoveries have made life easier but insecure." Explain with reference to the story 'Footprints Without Feet'.

Literature and Supplementary

Q.7 Reference to context:  
 Taper has more patience than people. I thought of this saying on one of those days when I was feeling a little depressed and was sitting at home with my chin in my hands bored and listless, wondering whether to stay in or go out.  
 To whom does T refer in the extract?

- a. Taper
- b. Margot Frank
- c. Anne Frank
- d. Anne's father