

**INDIAN SCHOOL SOHAR**  
**FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT -3**  
**ENGLISH**

**Set-1**

**Class: VII**  
**Date: 10/11/13**

**Time – 45min.**  
**Marks-25**

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**SECTION A – READING**

**Q1. Read the given passage and answer the following questions.**

**(1x5=5marks)**

**HIGH ADVENTURE**

When I was twenty years old, I had my first long trip. With an older friend, I visited the south Island of New Zealand. One of our plans was to spend two days at a famous tourist resort. The Hermitage, right in the heart of the giant peaks of the southern Alps. We had a magnificent drive through the mountains and arrived at the Hermitage in the early afternoon.

It was a perfect day and the great peaks around seemed to tower over our heads. I looked on them with a growing feeling of excitement – the great rock walls, the hanging glaciers and the avalanche strewn slopes. And then strangely, stirred by it all I felt restless for action and decided to go for a walk.

I set off towards the Sealy Range, which I could see high up, behind the hotel. I soon realized it was much farther than I had judged, but for some reason I kept going on and soon with astonishing sense of achievement I climbed back down the long slopes to the Hermitage. That evening, as I sat in the lounge, I felt restless and excited. And then the hum of voices suddenly hushed, and I looked up to see two young men coming into the room. They were fit and tanned, they had an unmistakable air of competence about them. I could hear a whisper going around the room. “They’ve just climbed Mount Cook”. And soon they were the centre of an admiring group. It wasn’t until some years later, that I found out that they were Stevenson and Dick, a famous climbing partnership, and they’d just completed the first Grand Traverse of Mount Cook from North to South. I retreated to a corner of the lounge filled with a sense of futility at the dull, mundane nature of my existence. Those chaps, now, were really getting a bit of excitement out of life. I decided then and there to take up mountaineering. Tomorrow I’d climb something.

**1. The narrator had his first long trip to the south Island of New Zealand at the age of**

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| <b>(a) twenty</b>     | <b>(b) twenty-five</b> |
| <b>(c) twenty-two</b> | <b>(d) thirty</b>      |

**2. The great peaks around the narrator filled him with**

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>(a) disappointment</b> | <b>(c) excitement</b> |
| <b>(b) joy</b>            | <b>(d) hope</b>       |

**3. For the narrator it was a great achievement to**

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| <b>(a) meet world-class mountaineers</b> | <b>(b) climb Mount Cook</b> |
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(c) climb the Sealy Range

(d) climb the giant peaks of  
the southern Alps

4. The narrator got inspiration from Stevenson and Dick to

(a) climb Mount Cook

(b) take up mountaineering

(b) do something great

(d) climb Mount Everest

5. The word mundane means

(a) great

(b) wonderful

(b)exciting

(d)ordinary

### SECTION –B (WRITING)

Q2. Write a paragraph on the topic ‘An Incident Which I can Never Forget’. (1x7=7marks)  
(100 words)

### SECTION-C (GRAMMAR)

Q3. Complete the sentences using ‘Simple Past’ or ‘Past Continuous’ with the help  
of the verbs given in the brackets. (1x1=1mark)

a. It \_\_\_\_\_ hard, when he \_\_\_\_\_ out. (rain, go)

Q4. Rewrite the following sentences in the Passive voice. (2x1=2marks)

a.The gardener waters the plants.

b.We are purchasing vegetables.

Q5. Combine the following sentences using so.....that (2x1/2=1marks)

a.She walked very fast. She reached the place before anyone.

b.Her song was very touching. The audience had tears in their eyes.

Q6. Complete the sentences using suitable Relative Clause: (2x1/2=1mark)  
Remember to use who, whose, that or which.

a.This is the pen \_\_\_\_\_ yesterday.( I, lost))

b.He is the boy \_\_\_\_\_ a doctor. (father, is)

### SECTION-D LITERATURE

Q7. Read the given extract and answer the questions. (2x1=2Marks)

A flock of birds were going by  
One stopped on my leg and with a sigh.  
Thanked me for being right there,

**He needed a breather; he thanked me for my care.  
Then he looked at me and at my wings.**

- a) Name the poem and the poet?**
- b) Who did 'he' refer to here?**

**Q8. Give the meaning of the following words and frame sentences of your own.**

**(2x1=2marks)**

- a) Crinkly**
- b) Scornful**

**Q9. Answer the following questions**

**(2x2=4marks)**

- a) What are the advantages and disadvantages of a mechanical school ?**
- b) How did Sherlock Holmes find out that the boy was fond of custard tarts?**

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