

INDIAN SCHOOL SOHAR
FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT -4
ENGLISH

Set-1

Class: VII
Date: 23/01/14

Time – 45min.
Marks-25

SECTION A: READING

Q1. Read the given passage and answer the questions.

(1x5=5marks)

Trees are of importance not only to man but also to the birds and animals. The branches of trees give shelter to millions of birds and forests give shelter to numerous wild animals. We value trees not only for their usefulness but also for their beauty. They have a way to refreshing the eye and also refreshing the mind. Perhaps that is why the 'rishies' of olden days were drawn to the forests, and they and their peoples chose to going forest homes in company of Nature. In modern times when Rabindranath Tagore started a school, he too chose a place full of trees and called it Shanti Niketan or the home of peace.

Once upon a time large areas of India were covered with forests covered with numerous kinds of trees. As the population grew, trees began to be cut down for man's use. That is how the wonderful forest described in our ancient poems came to be destroyed, and a great part of our forest wealth was lost. Now we are trying to replace this loss and our government wants trees to be planted all over the country. A new festival called 'Van Mahotsava' has been started for this purpose. Since trees are our country's wealth we must consider it our sacred duty to protect them. We should plant new trees wherever we can and look after them well.

Answer the following questions in brief:

- a. How are trees important for birds and animals?
- b. Why did the rishies in olden days make forests their homes?
- c. How can we replace the loss of forests?
- d. What is meant by 'Shanti Nikentan'? who started it?
- e. Mention the reason that became the cause for the destruction of the wonderful forests.

SECTION -B (WRITING)

Q2. Complete the dialogues by filling in the gaps in any suitable way.

(1x7=7marks)

Tom: I am really excited about the trip to Simla.

Ben: I have been to Simla and I _____ . (like/once again) (1½)

Tom: Did you travel by train or by cat?

Ben: I _____ .

Tom: This time, we'll try going by train.

Ben: I _____ (think, enjoy)

Tom: Have you packed some woolen clothes?

Ben: _____ .

Tom: Ok I will _____ (railway station) (1½)

SECTION C: GRAMMAR

Q3. Complete the sentences using right fixed pairs. (½x2=1mark)

- (a) The old people hate the _____ of the city. (high and low/hustle and bustle)
(b) We learn computer by _____ (odd and ends/trial and error)

Q4. Combine the sentences using *because* with the past perfect form of the verb.

- a) Rita lost her book. She could not prepare for her exam. (2x1=2 marks)
b) Riya fell ill. She ate in a bad restaurant.

Q5. Use *As* or *since* and complete the sentences (1X2=2 marks)

- a) The shops were closed _____. (holiday)
b) It was raining _____ (/morning)

SECTION D: LITERATURE

Q6. Read the given extract and answer the questions (2x1=2 Marks)

Suncon, the Celestial Geologist,
Smiled over his captain's shoulder.

'You were right.' Said Starglyn.
'They must have been a very aggressive people.
What was your main source of information?'

'The great meteorite' which broke
From Earth in 2048 A.D.
We took it to station Z

- a) Who was Suncon?
b) Name the poem and the poet.

Q7. Give the meaning of the following words and frame sentences of your own.

- a) Pious- b) throbbing (2x1=2marks)

Q8. Answer the following question. (2x2=4marks)

- a) Who was Pinto? How do you know?
b) Why was Hannah afraid to perform at music halls? How did her worst fears come true?'
