

INDIAN SCHOOL SOHAR
SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT-1 (2012-13)
ENGLISH

CLASS: VII
DATE: 22/09/2013

MAX.MARKS:60
TIME:2 HRS

SECTION –A
READING (15 Marks)

I.Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow: (8 marks)

Set in the declining but still green Western Ghats in the south-west of Karnataka, Coorg is the heart of India's coffee country, coffee being the world's most heavily traded commodity after crude oil. Coorg boasts a land area four times larger than Hong Kong and seven times the area of Singapore, most of it under tree cover because unlike tea plants, the coffee bush requires shade. India is acknowledged as the producer of the finest mild coffees. With their tropical climate, high altitude, abundant rainfall and fertile soil, Coorg and the neighboring Chickmagalur districts in Karnataka have consistently produced and exported high quality coffee for over 150 years. The coffee output of these two districts accounts for 70 per cent of the total coffee produced in the country. Coorg coffee is valued for its blue colour, clean beans and fine liquoring qualities and hence is in demand in the international markets. In March and April is the coffee blossom time in Coorg. When blossoms transform into berries, the bushes are cropped. The cherry-red fruit is then pulped, the seeds separated, dried and sent for curing. Coorg or Kodagu is the district which is one of the largest producers of pepper, cardamom and honey in the world.

1. Coorg is famous for
(a) tea (b) coffee (c) orange (d) crude oil
2. Coffee bushes require
(a) sunshine (b) dry weather (c) sandy soil (d) shade
3. Coorg coffee is in demand in the international markets because
(a) it is blue in colour (b) it has clean beans
(c) it has fine liquoring qualities (d) all the above
4. The two districts Coorg and Chickmangalur account-----of total coffee produced in India
(a) 70 per cent (b) 60 per cent (c) 50 per cent (d) 40 per cent
5. The word transform means
(a) hold (b) send (c) change (d) praise
6. Chickmangalur is in
(a) Tamil Nadu (b) Karnataka (c) Maharashtra (d) Andhra Pradesh
7. Coffee blossom time in Coorg is
(a) March and April (b) June and July (c) April and May (d) July and August
8. The world's most heavily traded commodity after-----is coffee.
(a) gas (b) crude oil (c) pepper (d) cardamom

II. Read the following poem carefully and answer the questions that follow. (7 marks)

THE ARROW AND THE SONG

I shot an arrow into the air,
It fell to earth, I knew not where:
For so swiftly it flew, the sight
Could not follow it in its flight.

I breathed a song into the air,
It fell to earth, I knew not where:
For who has sight so keen and strong,
That it can follow the flight of song?

Long, long afterward, in an oak
I found the arrow, still unbroken:
And the, song from beginning to end,
I found again in the heart of a friend.

1. The poet shot an arrow and it
(a) killed his friend
(b) fell in an oak tree
(c) broke into pieces
(d) remained in the air
2. "Breathed a song" means
(a) sang a song
(b) heard a song
(c) sighed
(d) breathed out while singing
3. No one has the sight so keen and strong as to
(a) know where the arrow fell
(b) be able to listen to a song
(c) see the flight of song
(d) break an arrow
4. "I found again in the heart of a friend" means
(a) the song had hurt the friend
(b) the arrow had struck a friend's heart
(c) the arrow had been stolen by a friend
(d) the song was still fresh in the friend's mind
5. A word that means the same as "vision" is
(a) flight
(b) sight
(c) unbroken
(d) song
6. The word swiftly means
(a) slowly
(b) eagerly
(c) quickly
(d) badly
7. The opposite of weak in the poem is
(a) good
(b) fat
(c) kind
(d) strong

SECTION – B
WRITING (15 marks)

III. Write a paragraph on the topic **My plans for the winter vacation** .(word limit-100). (8 marks)

IV. You are Sagar/Sagarika, the headboy/headgirl of your school. Write a **notice** to be put up on the school notice board inviting students to participate in the **inter-school English debate Competition** to be organized in your school. The **topic** of the debate is “**Should Cricket become The National Game of India**”. (word limit-50) (7 marks)

SECTION – C
GRAMMAR (15 Marks)

V. 1. Change the following sentences into passive voice. (1 ½ marks)

- i. Saumya teaches Hindi.
- ii) Rohit is watching a movie.
- iii) The postman delivers letters.

2. Fill in the missing letters. (2 marks)

- i) p u _ _ _ le
- ii) di _ _ _ erence
- iii) me _ _ _ age
- iv) po _ _ _ ution

3. Choose the right word from the bracket and fill in the blanks. (3 marks)

- i) My little brother's tooth is so _____ that he'll soon _____ it.
(loose/lose)
- ii) Nobody knows _____ the _____ will be good today.
(weather/whether)
- iii) It's good to be _____ in the library _____ right!
(quite/quiet)

4. Use the suffixes from the bracket and make new words. (2 marks)

- (-or, -er, -ian, -ist)
- i) Invent
- ii) Report.
- iii) Biology.
- iv) History

5. Fill in the blanks with relative pronouns.(who/whose/which/that/whom) (3 marks)

The man _____ lives next door bought a new car yesterday. He bought
It from the show room _____ fame rests on its excellent after-sale service,
and _____ prices are most attractive. His older brother, John, is a

person _____I admire a lot. John is a pilot in the Indian Air Force. Strangely, he does not like the car_____ he has bought. He also does not like the showroom _____his brother bought it from.

6. Insert hyphen in the right place in the following words. (2 marks)

- i) nonsmoker
- ii) underfives
- iii) selfsatisfied
- iv) subzero

7. Complete each sentences with a suitable **to-infinitiv**. (1½ marks)

- i)She wants somebody_____.
- ii)I forgot_____.
- iii)He has refused_____.

SECTION – D
LITERATURE (15 MARKS)

VI. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow. (5 marks)

There lived a sage in days of yore,
And he a handsome pigtail wore;
But wondered much, and sorrowed more,
Because it hung behind him,
He mused upon this curious case,
And swore he'd change the pigtail's place

- 1. Pick out the rhyming words from the stanza.
- 2. Name the poem and the poet.
- 3. The word 'yore' means_____.
- 4. What was hanging behind the poet?
- 5.What did he swear?

VII. Answer the following questions briefly: (6 marks)

- 1. Why did Mr.Pickwick take down notes? Do you think it was a wise thing to do? Why? Why not?
- 2. What happened that spoiled the happiness of the Khasis ?
- 3. Why do you think Helen Keller divides her' three days to see' in the way she does? Which of the three days do you think she would enjoy the most?

VIII. Write the meanings of the following words and make meaningful sentences. (4 marks)

- i) Relish ii) Fern iii) Lopped off iv) Clump
