



**INDIAN SCHOOL SOHAR**  
**FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT III: 2015 -2016**

**Std.: IX**  
**Date: 15.11.2015**

**Set II**  
**ENGLISH**

**Marks: 20**  
**Time: 40 mins**

**SECTION A: READING**

**(5 Marks)**

**1. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it:**

If you place a rock under a microscope and observe it carefully, you note that it never changes. But, if you put a piece of coral under that same microscope, you'll detect that it is growing and changing. The coral is alive, the rock is dead. The only evidence of life is growth! This is also true in the psychological world, if you are growing, you are alive. If you are not growing, then you might as well be dead.

You can be motivated out of desire to grow rather than a need to repair your deficiencies. If you recognize that you can always grow, improve; become more and greater, that is enough. When you decide to be immobilized or to experience hurtful emotions, you've made a non-growth decision. Growth motivation means using your life energy for greater happiness, rather than having to improve yourself because you have sinned or because you are in some way incomplete

**Complete the following sentences:**

**(5)**

- a) \_\_\_\_\_ is the truth in the psychological world.
- b) What is growth motivation?
- c) The difference between a rock and a coral prove that \_\_\_\_\_.  
  - i. rock is dead
  - ii. the only evidence of life is growth.
  - iii. coral is alive
  - iv. neither rock nor coral has growth
- d) If you are not growing \_\_\_\_\_.  
  - i. you are working well
  - ii. you are occupied
  - iii. you might as well be dead
  - iv. all of the above
- e) Find the word which means the same as "sentiments". (para 2)

**SECTION B: WRITING & GRAMMAR**

**(8Marks)**

**2. You are Raju / Ranjana of Salwan Public School, New Delhi. You are motivated by the "Clean India Campaign" of the Prime Minister and participated in it in your own way in your colony. Write a **Diary Entry** in 80 words on the subject.**

**(4)**

**3. In the following passage one word has been omitted from each line. Write the omitted word and the word that comes before and the one that comes after it against the correct blank number.**

**(2)**

Man's practice increases hard work.  
If he does not it, his practice  
Suffers. The lawyer is judged the  
Cases he wins.

	Before	Word	After
(a)	_____	_____	_____
(b)	_____	_____	_____
(d)	_____	_____	_____
(e)	_____	_____	_____

**4. Look at the words and phrases given below. Rearrange them to form meaningful sentences:** (2)

- a) pay / the / had to/ poor farmers / high taxes / very
- b) natural disasters / farmers / share of taxes / even / pay / their / in times of / the / had to

**SECTION C: LITERATURE & LONG READING TEXT** (7 marks)

**5. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow.**

“.....And then the justice,  
In fair round belly with good capon lined,  
With eyes severe and beard of formal cut,  
Full of wise saws and modern instances;  
And so he plays his part.”

- (a) Give the meaning of ‘good capon lined’. (1)
- (b) Who is being described in the above lines? What does he look like? (1)

**6. Answer the following in about 20-30 words each.** (3)

- (a) Why was Private Quelch undeterred by the taunt and practical jokes of his fellow privates?
- (b) Why is the last stage of life called ‘second childishness’?

**7. Answer the question in 30 – 40. (Long Reading Text)** (2)

Describe the people of the Flying Island.

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