



INDIAN SCHOOL SOHAR
PERIODIC ASSESSMENT 1 (2019-20)
ENGLISH

SET 1

CLASS: VIII
DATE: 13/5/2019

MAX. MARKS: 15
DURATION: 45 MINS

General Instructions:

This Paper consists of three sections

Section A - Reading (3 Marks)

Section B - Writing (5 Marks)

Section C - Literature (7 Marks)

All Sections are compulsory.

Separate instructions are given for each section and questions wherever necessary. Read the instructions carefully and follow them

SECTION A: READING

(3 Marks)

I. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

The natural life span of a domesticated horse is about 25–30 years, 10 years down from what it is in the wild. You can tell a horse's age from the number of teeth he has. They get all their teeth by the age of 5, after which those teeth just get longer. Horses have close to 360 degree all round vision. The only place they cannot see is directly behind or right in front of themselves, which is why it's dangerous to stand behind a horse. If they feel something behind them, they may kick first and ask questions later! It also means that they cannot see a jump once they are about four feet from it, and have to rely on memory as to its height and shape! Each of the horse's two eyes work independently wherever a horse's ear points is where the horse is looking. A horse is able to sleep standing up as he is able to lock his leg muscles so that he doesn't fall while sleeping. Nor do all horses in the same field ever lie down at once; one animal always stands "on lookout" duty.

1.1 Answer the question briefly:

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- a) Why is it dangerous to stand behind a horse?
- b) What is special about the sleeping habits of horses?

1.2 Find the word from the passage which means the same as the following:

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- a) hazardous

SECTION B: WRITING

(5 Marks)

II. You are Suresh/Swati, head boy/head girl of the St. Mary's Convent School, Bangalore. Your school is going to organize an Inter School Singing Competition. Write a notice in about 50 words for the school notice board inviting students to participate in it. Include relevant information like date, time, venue, target group and prize etc.

SECTION C: LITERATURE

(7 Marks)

III. Give the meaning of the following words and frame meaningful sentences of your own: 3

a) forbid

b) inarticulate

IV. Answer the following questions in about 20 - 30 words:

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a) Where were Kitty and the author going? What all did they pass by on their way?

b) What is the logic of Geography that the poet explains in the second stanza of the poem?



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1.1 Complete the following sentence: (1)

a) Horses have close to _____ vision

1.2 Answer the question briefly:

a) What prevents a horse from falling while asleep? (1)

3. Find the word from the passage which means the same as the following: (1)

a) Separately

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SECTION C: LITERATURE (7 Marks)

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a) accumulate

b) Inarticulate

IV. Answer the following questions in about 20 - 30 words: (4)

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b) Where were Kitty and the author going? What all did they pass by on their way?
