

SEVEN STAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL BANI
CLASS -- 10TH [Monday -Test]
SUBJECT - ENGLISH Marks : 40

1. Read the given extract and answer the questions:

(5)

A. The house-the only one in the entire valley-sat on the crest of a low hill. From this height one could see the river and the field of ripe corn dotted with the flowers that always promised a good harvest. The only thing the earth needed was a good downpour or at least a shower. Throughout the morning Lencho -who knew his fields intimately- had done nothing but see the sky towards the north-east.

1. The field of corn dotted with the flowers means that good harvest (1)

ii. Lencho wished for a downpour or shower. Pick the option that correctly lists the correct match for kinds of rain. (1)

1. heavy rain ~~✗~~

2. thunderstorm ~~✗~~

3. Drizzle

4. torrential rain

5. downpour

6 p. light rain that falls in very fine drops ✓

4 q. very heavy tropical rain ~~✗~~

3 r. rain is coming down quite strongly and you get ~~✗~~
wet very quickly

s. really heavy rain that comes very suddenly

t. is a violent, short-lived weather disturbance

associated with lightning thunder and strong, gusty winds.

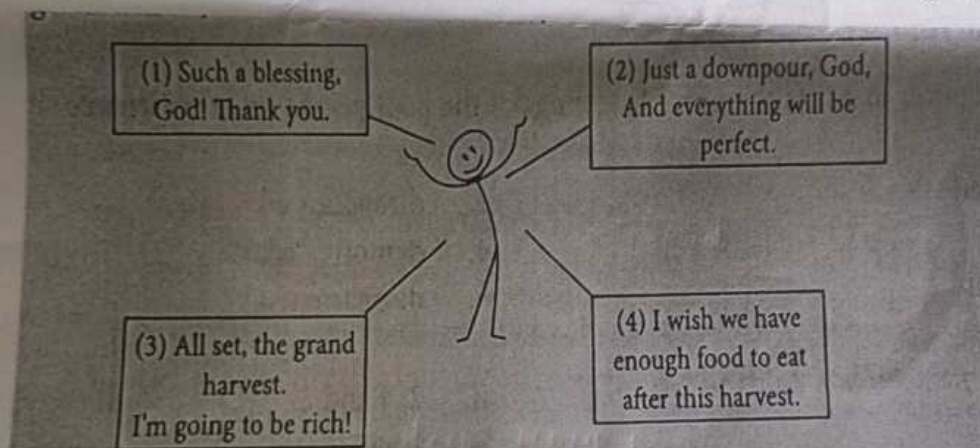
A. (1)-q, (2)-s, (3)-t, (4)-p, (5)-r

B. (1)-s, (2)-p, (3)-r, (4)-t, (5)-q

C. (1)-1, (2)-r, (3)-s, (4)-q, (5)-p

D. (1)-r, (2)-1, (3)-p, (4)-q, (5)-s

iii. Based on the given extract, what is Lencho NOT likely to think while looking at his field? (1)



A. Option (1)

B. Option (2)

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D. Option (4)

iv. Why was Lencho looking at the sky towards the north-east? Answer in about 40 words. (2)

2. Read the given extract and answer the questions:

(5)

A. The way a crow

Shook down on me

The dust of snow

From a hemlock tree

Has given my heart

A change of mood

And saved some part

Of a day I had rued.

i. Choose the option that lists the possible feelings of the poet prior to the experience shared in the poem.

1. reassured 2. Disappointed 3. curious (1)
4. Demotivated 5. thankful 6. Disheartened

7. impulsive
A. 1, 3 and 7 ~~B. 2, 4 and 6~~
C. 5 and 7 D. 1 and 3

ii. Synecdoche is a poetic device that uses a part to represent the whole. E.g. That's a great set of wheels! (Set of wheels has been used for car.

Pick an example of synecdoche from the poem.

- ~~A. Has given my heart/A change of mood~~
B. The way a crow/Shook down on me
C. The dust of snow/From a hemlock tree
D. And saved some part/Of a day I had rued

iii. Choose the option showing the reason NOT corresponding with "... a crow /Shook down on me / The dust of snow" (1)

- A. The crow's landing on the branch of the tree.
B. The shivering of the crow, due to the cold.
C. The readjustment of position of the crow on the branch.
~~D. The cawing of the crow hidden in the foliage.~~

iv. What does the presence of the hemlock tree signify in the poem? Justify your answer in about 40 words. (2)

3. Read the given extracts and answer the questions (5)

He should be lurking in shadow,
Sliding through long grass
Near the water hole
Where plump deer pass.

i. Which fact DOES NOT connect with the significance of the water hole for the tiger? (1)

- ~~A. Many tigers chase prey into the water and hold the victim's head under water until it drowns.~~
B. Prey feeds in the water on water-lilies, and often wanders into the middle of the water hole, where it is vulnerable and easy for the tiger to kill.
C. Prey that has quenched its thirst ensures consumption of hydrated meat for the tiger.

~~D. Chasing the panicked prey from shallow to deep water where the tiger grabs it.~~

ii. Pick the option that DOES NOT use 'lurking' correctly to fill in the blank. (1)

- A. The thug was..... in the alley late evening, for unsuspecting passers-by.
~~B. The hyena was..... in its den after a good meal.~~

- C. The detective cautioned her team about the dangers likely to impact the case.
D. The prejudices beneath the surface create misunderstandings.

iii. 'shadow' here, refers to the shadow of *long grass bushes, and trees* (1)

iv. What do the first two lines of the poem signify? Answer in about 40 words. (2)

4. Read the given extract and answer the questions given below : (5)

"We, who were outlaws not so long ago, have today been given the rare privilege to be host to the nations if the world on our own soil. We thank all of our distinguished international guests for having come to take possession with the people of our country of what is, after all, a common victory for justice, for peace, for human dignity."

i) It is a victory for 'human dignity'. Pick the option that lists the correct answer for what 'human dignity' would include.

1.

- A. (i) equality (ii) liberty (iii) indecency
B. (i) liberty (ii) indecency (iii) self-respect
C. (i) immorality (ii) self-respect (iii) equality

9. (i) equality (ii) liberty (iii) self-respect

ii. Why does the speaker say that it is a 'rare privilege'?

He says this as they have.....

A. been deprived of this honour

B. seldom been given this honour

C. experienced it for the first time

D. been chosen over other countries, for this honour

iii. Pick the option that showcases the usage of 'host' as in the extract.

A. He was praised for his hospitality as the host of the party.

B. She was able to host the event without any hindrance.

C. She met the host and apologised for her friend's misbehaviour.

D. He is the best host that one can ever come across.

iv. Why are the guests at the ceremony being called distinguished? Answer in about 40 words. (2)

5. Complete ANY TEN of twelve of the following tasks, as directed. [10 marks]

i. Fill in the blank by using the correct form of the word in the bracket, for the given portion of a letter:

Dear Sir This is to inform you that i have introduced (introduce) a new method for taking daily polls.

ii. Identify the error in the given sentence, and provide its correction.

The Interviewer asked the candidate from what district he came.

Use the given format for your response.

Error	correction
<u>what</u>	<u>which</u>

iii. Nilesh and Pari had a conversation about the inauguration of Pari's Dance Academy. Report Nilesh's question.

Is your best friend helping you in this venture?

Nilesh asked Pari if her best friend was helping her in that venture

iv. Read the dialogue between Shehnaz and her mentor, Sahib, regarding her summer internship programme.

Shehnaz: Why did you choose to participate in this internship programme?

Sahib: Ah! I am convinced this programme has the potential to enhance my abilities.

Select the correct option to complete the reporting of the above dialogue. Shehnaz asked Sahib _____ in that internship programme. Sahib sighed and exclaimed that she was convinced that programme had the potential to enhance her abilities.

A. why to choose to participate

B. to choose participation

C. about her choice to participate

D. with her choice in participating

v. Fill the blank by choosing the correct option, to complete the concluding line of an issued circular by an Organisation, to its Managers.

A copy of the plan is enclosed and this (that/ then/ this) may be communicated to all Team Leaders for compliance.

vi. Identify the error and supply correction for the given sentence from a commercial company's current marketing strategy.

The company aimed at increasing authority in areas frequently visited by the clients.

Use the given format for your response.

Error	correction
<u>aimed</u>	<u>aims</u>

- vii. Select the option that identifies the error and supplies the correction for the closing line, from an analytical report.
In conclusion, this study explores the association among short-sleep pattern and overweight youngsters.

A. explores -explore
☒ C. among -between

B. and -or
D. In -for

- viii Complete the given narrative, by filling the blank with the correct option.

The experience of nursing an injured bird left me _____ grateful for knowing the importance of being kind and compassionate to all creatures.

☒ A. feeling
C. felt

B. having felt
D. feels

- ix. Report the dialogue between a vendor and his customer, by completing the sentence:

Vendor: It is nice to see you, Sir!

Customer: Yes, indeed! Unlike last month, I have been away for quite some time this month.

The vendor greeted his customer respectfully and mentioned that he was pleased to see him. The customer answered in the affirmative and explained that unlike the previous month, he had been away for quite sometime that month.

- x. Fill the blank by choosing the correct option to complete the live feed on a school news channel.

Congratulations Change Makers!

The regional competition awards have been announced and our school music club _____ the first prize.

A. had been won

B. will win

C. was winning

☒ D. has won

- xi. Complete the line from a self-awareness song, by filling the blank with the correct option.

The river runs through your veins

The trees and mountains _____ your name

The moon and stars watch over

You're guiding your way back home

To dream the night away.

A. will call B. ☒ call C. had called D. Calls

Q. 6 Read the following passage and answer the following questions : [10]

Who is to Tell Who is an Animal !

1. The recent death of a pregnant elephant in Kerala after being fed an explosive – stuffed pineapple proved to be yet another example of how humans have a lot to learn from animals. It brought forth convincingly how widely humans can act and how humanly animals can behave . Despite being in intense pain , the elephant travelled for about 20 days without food , and without harming anyone , before breathing her last in the velliya river . In her death , she conveyed a strong lesson about how even the worst kind of violence can be answered through non – violence and austerity .
2. There are myriad such examples of animals outwitting humans by their wisdom . The natural defense mechanisms of animals are also better evolved compared to humans , as they have

to face the most uncongenial of the circumstances for survival . The science of cognitive ethology let us learn about the fascinating world of animals mind . For example, it reveals how jellyfish uses its creativity to navigate swamps ; how bees use their intelligence in flying the shortest distance between flowers, and how birds use their smartness in feigning injury to deceive predators . Birds are even known to share information with other birds , recognize human faces and avoid those humans who chase them . Crows, like Einstein's among birds, do many brainy tasks , including the well – known trick of raising the water level by dropping pebbles into it!

3. Animals have great therapeutic value , too . Horse therapy is a recognized form of treatment for diseases like autism and mood and movement disorder . In France , a horse named 'peyo' is known to be an excellent such ' therapist' . It is allowed to visit hospitals with its owner . It communicates with the ailing and makes them feel better . Feline purring vibrations have also been found useful in treating several human disease . Babies who live with pets during their first six months have better immunity against allergies and asthma .
4. there are several amazing incidents of how household pets have rescued their owners in various ways, such as alerting them to house fires or even sniffing out cancer . In 2005 , a 12 year – old kenyan girl was rescued by lions from kidnappers . Lion experts said it was possible that the lions were dissuaded by her crying , which resembles the sound of a lion cub . Mark twain observed , ' if you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous , he will not bite you . This is the principal difference between a dog and man.'
5. In the traditions of Bharat , animals have always been treated as companions with whom we share the earth and from whom we can learn a lot to evolve better. This is evident from many of the yoga asanas that are derived from animal poses . Many birds and animals , as vehicle of gods and goddesses , symbolize power , grace , beauty , dignity and wisdom . Symbols of 17 out of 24 Jain tirthankaras are animals or birds .
6. Spiritualist anthony d williams has rightly observed , 'we have more to learn from animals than animals have to learn from us .'

Answer the following question :

1.what brutal crime was committed with a pregnant elephant in Kerala

- 1.she was fed an explosive fireworks
- 2.she was fed an fruit stuffed wit poison
- 3.she was fed an explosive stuffed pine apple
- 4she was fed an apple stuffed with some explosive substance

2.For how many days did the elephant travel in spite of being in terrible pain?

- a) for about 35 days
- b) for about 20 days
- c)for about 25 days
- d)for about 30 days

3.Where did the elephant breathe her last?

- a) In the Narmada river
- b) In the Velliya river
- c)in the Byasa river
- d) in the Yamuna river

4.Choose the option that correctly states the moral quality of the pregnant elephant in the passage.

- i)Cowardness
- ii) Wilderness
- iii)Calmness
- iv) austerity
- v)cleverness
- vi)laziness
- a) I and iii
- b) ii and v
- c)iii and iv
- d) I and v

5.The science of cognitive ethology apprise us about

- ✓ a) interesting world of animal mind
c) atrocities done on animals by humans

- b) miseries of animals
d) all of these three

6. Birds share information with other birds about -----

- a) places of grains or food
c) whether conditions

- ✓ b) recognize those humans who chase them
d) availability of water

7. have strong natural defense mechanism.

- a) animals

- b) birds

- c) humans

- ✓ d) both a and b

8. To whom the author compared with Einstein ironically.

- a) is it horses

- b) household pets

- ✓ c) crows

- d) all animals and birds

9. Choose the option the best captures the main theme of the passage from the given quotes.

I "I object to violence because when it appears to do good, the good is only temporary, the evil it does is permanent." -- Gandhi	II "Animals are born who they are, accept it, and that is that. They live greater peace than people do." -- Gregory Maguire	III "A man is but a product of his thoughts. What he thinks, he becomes." -- Mahatma Gandhi	IV "Use violence only in self-defence." -- Nelson Mandela
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- a) I

- ✓ b) II

- c) III

- D) IV

10. BABIES WHO LIVES WITH PET

A) DEVELOP INFECTION EASILY

✓ B) HAVE PROBLEMS RELATED TO IMMUNITY

C) have STRONG immunity

D) suffer from rabies problem