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SECTION-A (READING)

SUBJECT ASSESSMENT

WORKSHEET-1

Passage 1

1. (b) Perfect Health
2. (b) Perfect Health
3. (b) Earth, water, fire, air and space
4. (c) Pitta
5. (c) Toxic

Passage 2

1. He ran to the garden swing.
2. She remembered her (Nell's) pouting expressions.
3. Her school was closed that day.
4. Fan kept herself busy and happy that day by rocking the baby, sweeping the floor and tidying the room.
5. The mother guessed that Fan loved her most because her other two children didn't help her at all.

WORKSHEET-2

Passage 1

1. (c) Cannabis sativa
2. (c) Hashish
3. (c) THC
4. (b) Nerve cells
5. (b) Perception

Passage 2

1. The soldier's behaviour is aggressive. He is cursing, jealous of other's honour and quick to fight.
2. Life is a play and it follows a specific script, none of which should cause anguish or sorrow.
3. Life is a circle that brings us back to the beginning.
4. The poet uses this word two times to soften the effect of the strong images he presents to us in those lines and to tie together his theme of the cycle of life.
5. In his last stage, man gets back his childhood once again. He loses his teeth, eyesight, taste and everything that he had owned in his prime time.

WORKSHEET-3

Passage 1

1. (d) Malaysia
2. (d) Buddhist Pali writings
3. (b) Alexander
4. (c) Domestic Cyclopaedia of Practical Information
5. (a) Marmalades

Passage 2

1. Values can be defined as beliefs or attitudes that you hold close to yourself.
2. The sense of right and wrong values.
3. Our value system is compared to fingerprints.
4. To figure out value system one needs to do a lot of soul-searching.
5. Opposite of separation is Combination.

WORKSHEET-4**Passage 1**

1. (b) Shell pearls
2. (b) They are made out of same material that cultured pearls are
3. (d) Shell bead
4. (a) To produce high quality replica
5. (d) Replica

Passage 2

1. She didn't care for comforts and luxuries of homely life and dedicated herself to the service of mankind.
2. As a nurse, her chief concern was to give maximum comfort to the sick and the wounded. She never cared for her own comforts. She spent her own money on the improvement in the condition of that hospital.
3. She used to hold a lamp in her hand while visiting patients at night. So, she is better known as 'The Lady with the Lamp'.
4. Her parents wanted her to lead a happy, comfortable domestic life. But she wanted to serve mankind without caring for her own comforts.
5. Compassion

WORKSHEET-5**Passage 1**

1. (c) China
2. (b) Papyrus scrolls
3. (b) The British Museum
4. (c) Introduction of postage stamp
5. (d) Affordable

Passage 2

1. It means 'Stick with whatever you have in hand, rather than pursuing something you may never get.'
2. It originated from Latin in 13th century.
3. It teaches us to be contented.
4. It teaches us to abstain from greediness.
5. It means warning.

WORKSHEET-6**Passage 1**

1. (b) To have broken the Olympic record
2. (d) He saw his parents being killed

3. (c) Army
4. (b) His brother Malkhan Singh
5. (b) Hitherto

Passage 2

1. The poem is about patriotism. The poet focuses particularly on the person who is not patriotic and suggests that the one who hates his own country will die without honour.
2. By this expression the poet means that the unpatriotic persons will die physically and also completely be forgotten in future.
3. We can infer that the poet loved his homeland to the core of his heart.
4. Here, the poet speaks of a person who cares only about himself, caring nothing for his country. Such a person is always concerned with himself.
5. The poet says that the unpatriotic person will die physically just as the patriot will die physically, but the unpatriotic person is completely forgotten in future whereas the patriot is remembered by future generations.

WORKSHEET-7

Passage 1

1. (b) Turbulence of partition
2. (b) Denial of everything British
3. (c) Sandip
4. (b) Mother India
5. (d) Embark

Passage 2

1. One should be honest and true.
2. A true man is not affected by false compliments.
3. One should be self-confident and should not believe in false praises.
4. A true man does not believe in stately miles but in welfare at large.
5. One who is free and not a slave.

WORKSHEET-8

Passage 1

1. (c) Tamil Tigers
2. (d) Harvard University
3. (c) Amethi
4. (c) Priyanka Vadra
5. (c) Assassinated

Passage 2

1. The poet wants to hit the root of extreme poverty.
2. It means bearing the joys and sorrows lightly.
3. The poet here prays for the strength to make his love fruitful in service.
4. He prays for the strength not to disown the poor and not to surrender before cruel power.
5. The poet wishes to rise above daily petty trifles and to surrender his strength before gods's love.

WORKSHEET-9

Passage 1

1. (a) Punjab
2. (c) History of Punjab
3. (d) Salsa
4. (c) Lungi
5. (c) Eventually

Passage 2

1. It is a virtue that makes one a true human being.
2. Intention and action.
3. "We cannot do great thing on this earth, we can only do small things with great tone.
4. Compassion develops our sense of gratitude by taking our attention off all the daily trifles.
5. One who feels pain in other's pain.

WORKSHEET-10

Passage 1

1. (a) January 6th
2. (b) Middle Age
3. (a) Carol
4. (a) Yule
5. (a) Prominent

Passage 2

1. How winter comes.
2. The advent of winter is symbolised with the poignant smell of chrysanthemums.
3. It stands for the end of the year.
4. He feels sad in autumn.
5. It means bitter smell.

WORKSHEET-11

Passage 1

1. (b) 24
2. (a) Development of celluloid
3. (b) Walt Disney
4. (d) Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs
5. (d) Foreground

Passage 2

1. These are trees of God. They are found in mountains.
2. Because they do not get enough grass.
3. We find small stone houses beside the tall mountains.
4. 'Pale'. They are ploughing.
5. They have gone to the plains.

WORKSHEET-12

Passage 1

1. (c) Medical activity

2. (c) Sh. Janki Das
3. (a) Swami Jagan Nath
4. (c) National Cyclists Federation of India
5. (c) Affiliation

Passage 2

1. The poem is a sort of riddle.
2. It may be a snake.
3. These lines indicate fright.
4. Nature's people are animals.
5. The speaker is most likely an adult man.

WORKSHEET-13

Passage 1

1. (b) Two
2. (b) Act of Congress in December 1790
3. (b) James Hoban
4. (c) John Adams
5. (d) Cornerstone

Passage 2

1. The Bengal Tiger is described as large and tawny.
2. The Leopard has spotted hides.
3. The Bear makes a good hug.
4. Hyenas come with merry smiles but crocodiles make false cry.
5. It lacks ears.

WORKSHEET-14

Passage 1

1. (d) Mouse
2. (b) Caucus-race
3. (d) Dodo
4. (d) Comfits
5. (d) Attention

Passage 2

1. On Buddha Purnima Buddhists refrain from eating meat. They only eat kheer which they share with the poor.
2. They decorate their houses with Vaisakh Vakats out of bamboo and festoon them.
3. In Sri Lanka, on the occasion of Buddha Purnima all homes are brightly illuminated and even the poorest light at least one oil-lamp.
4. On Buddha Purnima Japanese Buddhists make replicas of shrines with spring flowers and place a small idol of Buddha on them.
5. Buddha attained enlightenment sitting under a Bodhi tree that is why they are given special care.

WORKSHEET-15

Passage 1

1. (c) Depression
2. (d) Two weeks
3. (d) Treatable
4. (a) See a therapist and make changes in lifestyle
5. (b) Apparent

Passage 2

1. It was glided with thin leaves of fine gold.
2. The feet of the Happy Prince is compared to a golden bedroom.
3. He found a large drop of water fell on his body.
4. He was worried to see the misery of his city.
5. Alighted

WORKSHEET-16

Passage 1

1. (b) Love
2. (c) Sorrow
3. (c) Comfort
4. (a) the horror of love lost
5. (b) Suppress

Passage 2

1. The poem is about all the sufferings that exist in human life.
2. The poet describes the sufferings of human beings—young men, mother, wife, labourers, Negroes and the poor.
3. Sights of jealousy, battle, pestilence and tyranny.
4. The poet here means to say that the sufferings/ agonies of the world are endless.
5. He is silent at the end because he finds himself unable to end the sufferings of the world.

WORKSHEET-17

Passage 1

1. (a) Stare
2. (c) In grass
3. (c) Starry
4. (c) Full of care
5. (a) Peek

Passage 2

1. They give students an opportunity to learn various activities like painting, music, etc.
2. Their hobbies and talents are developed to a great extent.
3. It enables young children to expand their imagination.
4. They get opportunity to channelise their energies in positive direction.
5. Aggressive

WORKSHEET-18

Passage 1

1. (a) To pray
2. (d) Mother's touch
3. (c) Mother
4. (b) Mother's
5. (a) Everlasting

Passage 2

1. Because the game of football was not there.
2. She made a lot of friends in the new school but Karan didn't.
3. She suggested to make the best of the things he had.
4. Because he was a short-tempered man.
5. His company closed down.

WORKSHEET-19

Passage 1

1. (b) God
2. (b) Tiger
3. (d) God
4. (b) The creator of lamb and tiger is same
5. (c) Sinews

Passage 2

1. Because it is no more a profitable occupation now.
2. It is known for four to six inch broad reddish maroon borders with traditional designs.
3. Because they want a more profitable business.
4. This stone is available there in abundance.
5. 'Ventures'

WORKSHEET-20

Passage 2

1. (d) Beloved
2. (d) Poems of Yeats
3. (b) Poet
4. (a) Poet loved her through all the sorrows and griefs which robbed her face of the grace
5. (b) Among

Passage 2

1. In north India, the festival of Lohri is celebrated by lighting bonfires around which people gather and toss sesame seeds, peanuts, sweets and puffed rice into the fire.
2. In north India, this festival marks the end of winter and the harvest of the rabi crops.
3. In Assam, the harvest festival is celebrated as Bihu, which is a set of three festivals in a year, coinciding with three different phases of farming.
4. After the harvest, they get together as a community in temporarily erected houses made with thatch and dry plantation leaves and enjoy overnight celebration with singing, dancing, etc.
5. The International Kite Festival is celebrated every year around January 14 at Ahmedabad.

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITY

WORKSHEET-21

- 1.1. (a) 1. I would like to be honest in every aspect of life.
 2. I would learn to enjoy both winning and losing.
 3. I would make my own way and not follow a crowd.
 4. I will have sublime faith in myself.
- (b) 'A dollar earned' means that it has been earned by honest means.

1.2. Noun	Verb	Adjective	Adverb
Courage	encourage	courageous	courageously
Sweetness	sweeten	sweetish	sweetly
Patience	X	patient	patiently
Gentleness	X	gentle	gently
Honour	honour	honourable	honourably

1.3. Words	Synonym	Antonym
Earned	obtained	spent
Selfish	egoistic	selfless
Gentle	kind	cruel
Patience	calmness	impatience

WORKSHEET-22

- 1.1. (a) False (b) True (c) True (d) True (e) False (f) False

1.2. Dos	Don'ts
Respond, even to a stranger Greet the elders and the women first Stand up, offer seat and glass of water or tea Talk politely Add Sir/Ma'am for stranger and uncle and aunty for familiar people	Neglect/Ignore Shout to be heard or interrupt while they're talking Sit untill they sit, surf net or watch T.V. Ask intimate questions Address by names

1.3. Words	Synonym	Antonym
Tolerate	Bear	Give-up
Affection	Love	Hatred
Incentives	Encouragement	Discouragement
Follow	Obey	Flout
Intimate	Close	Distant

WORKSHEET-23

- 1.1. 1. Wood: (forest)—Variety of animals and plants are found in woods.
 2. Trodden: (to walk somewhere)—Few people had trodden this path before.
 3. Bent: (curved)—The trees bent due to heavy rainfall.
 4. Undergrowth: (a mass of bushes and plants)—The stolen money bag was found in undergrowth.
 5. Diverged: (to go indifferent directions)—We went together but after sometime our paths diverged.
- 1.2. (a) moth (b) would (c) fear (d) name (e) bay (f) mess (g) log (h) hood
- 1.3. Across: 1. Road 3. Long 5. Lay 7. Wear 9. Down
 Down: 2. Grassy 4. Wood 6. Trodden 8. leads 10. Yellow

WORKSHEET-24

1.1	Incorrect	Correct
	Approach	Approach
	Knowlege	Knowledge
	Principal	Principle
	Recantly	Recently
	Consciousness	Consciousness
	Herble	Herbal
	Clasical	Classical
	Ayurvadic	Ayurvedic
	Practitionors	Practitioners
	Emphassizes	Emphasizes

- 1.2. 1. Healing : (the process of getting better)—It took long time for the wounds to cure and the healing process was very slow.
 2. Recently : (not long ago)—I had received birthday gift from him recently.
 3. Consciousness : (awareness)—Doctors tried their best but they could not regain her consciousness.
 4. Remedies : (treatments)—My grandmother knows excellent home remedies for sore throats & cold.
 5. Meditation : (the process of thinking deeply)—Through meditation we can get peace.

1.3.	Prefix	Root word	Suffix
		Health	y
		recent	ly
		west	ern
		ill	ness
		herb	al
		tradition	al
		translate	ion
	im	balance	
		concius	ness

UNIT EVALUATION TEST-1

Passage 1

1. (b) To fight poverty
2. (c) IDA and IBRD
3. (a) IBRD
4. (d) IDA
5. (c) Crucial

Passage 2

1. By keeping our mind stress free and tension-proof.
2. Sleep helps the body release stress.
3. Pranayama and meditation focus on the rhythm of breath.
4. It strengthens our nervous system and mind.
5. Undying

UNIT EVALUATION TEST-2

Passage 1

1. He was a bold, troublesome and cruel young man.
2. He married Kaurwaki. She was a commoner, a fisher-woman.
3. When he put down a rebellion in the Punjabi city of Takshila.
4. Once the wounded prince was taken care of by Buddhist monks. It was they who taught him the basic tenets of Buddhism.
5. erupted

Passage 2

1. (c) Body's way of reacting to the particular event
2. (c) Stressors
3. (d) By boosting the energy flow of the human body
4. (b) To react quickly and effectively to handle the pressure of the moment
5. (b) Stamina

SECTION-B (WRITING AND GRAMMAR)

WRITING

WORKSHEET-25

1. Vasant Kunj

Delhi

January 29, 20XX

Editor

The Hindustan Times

K.G. Marg

New Delhi

Sir

Subject: Growing crimes in Delhi

Through the columns of your widely circulated daily, I would like to invite the kind attention of the concerned authorities towards the growing crime in the capital city. It is not only number one among thirty five big cities with the largest number of crime cases but also has the unyielding distinction of having topped the list for five years in a row. The national capital occupies the top slot for almost all violent crimes, including murder, rape, dowry death, molestation, kidnapping and abduction. To top it all it is also famous for crime against women and is the most unsafe city for women working in night shifts with companies in IT, aviation, media and hospitals. No woman dares to step out late at nights. How can they—when rapes, molestation and eve teasing are happening under broad day light. There is a fear that someone may be lurking behind, waiting to pounce and harm them. The recent murder of a female TV journalist who was killed in Vasant Kunj while returning from work has spread a wave of panic among women workers. There is a constant fear in our mind—what if I am the next victim? In such a scenario it won't be an exaggeration to say that Delhi is changing its status from the political capital of India to the crime capital. I urge the concerned authorities to make efforts to make Delhi the safe city for both the residents and tourists. The police officials must do their duty with hundred percent commitment level.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

Komal

(Resident)

2. 15-A Bloom Society, CP

Delhi

May 17, 20XX

The Manager

Language Centre

New Delhi

Sir

Subject: Seeking information of Speaking English course

I am a IX class student and as my summer vacations are nearing I plan to utilize this time to polish my skill set and personality. I am interested in pursuing Speaking English course during the summer vacations. Therefore, I wish to seek information about the Speaking English Course.

So, I would like to obtain a few details like:

- What is the duration of the course?
- The fee structure and the acceptable mode of payment.
- Is there any kind of certificate provided on the completion of the course?
- Is there a job placement cell of the institute?
- Is there any branch of your institute near CP?

I am enclosing a self-addressed and stamped envelope/postcard. I would be glad if you can send me the information sought after.

Thanking you
Yours faithfully
Shivam

WORKSHEET-26

1. ABC Colony
Delhi
June 12, 20XX

Dear Priya

Hope you are in pinkish health. I am also fine here. This is just a quick note to let you know that I'm thinking of you. I happened to meet your mom near the library yesterday. She told me that you are working on a history project 'Medieval Indian History' for Inter-school History Project. It was wonderful news. You have always been good with the projects and when it comes to history projects it is almost impossible to beat you because you have keen interest in history. Also, with the coming of Internet, things have become quite simplified. You can surely find loads of information on Internet with quality pictures, to use for the presentation purposes. I know that the school project relating to medieval Indian history that you're working on right now is proving to be very time consuming and you are probably feeling a little stressed out. Nevertheless, once it's finished, and you've done your usual superb job, think how proud you'll feel to have done so much. So, good luck to you to complete this difficult task. Please, convey my regards to your mom and dad.

Yours friendly
Era

2. ABC Colony
Delhi
June 12, 20XX

Dear Reena

Hope you are in pinkish health. I am also fine here. I am truly excited about our camping trip to the forest and hills of Mussorrie. The forests and hills of Mussorrie are supposed to be beautiful in the spring. I am waiting for June 24, 20XX when we will actually leave our place for the camp. The purpose of my writing this letter to you is that we can decide which all things I'll be carrying with me so that you don't carry them and which all things are a must for you to bring. I am taking all the cooking equipment and utensils as mom will cook all the food there, so you do not need to worry. You just need to carry some plates, spoons, bowls, knife and forks.

Also, carry some Maggie packets. They are really easy to cook and delicious to eat. Please bring along extra insect repellent. My cousin went for camping trip last spring and she had a tough time fighting with the bugs and mosquitoes there. Keep full sleeves clothes and jeans to avoid mosquito bites. Do you think you can borrow a tent from someone? My parents are going to be using theirs' for their own camping trip, so I do not have an extra tent for you. We can also share my tent if you do not mind. I am sure this camping trip would be the life's best trip. I am looking forward to seeing you soon. Please, convey my respects to your mom and dad.

Yours friendly
Pooja

WORKSHEET-27

1. ABC Colony

Delhi
March 13, 20XX
Manager
Computer Centre
New Delhi

Sir

Subject: Complaint about the HP Desk F4288 Printer

I purchased a HP Desk F4288 Printer from you against the cash memo number xxxxxxxx dated February 14, 20XX. The printer worked well with perfect printing. All our customers were satisfied and all was going well. It proved to be an asset for my business. But after a month of its use I am sorry to say that there are various technical problems with the printer. The ink nozzles of the print cartridge get frequently clogged affecting the quality of the print out. The print now is poor, inky and obscure. My clients are quite unhappy with the prints sent out. This has adversely affected my business and its reputation. In the circumstances stated above, you are requested to send out an engineer or replace the printer as soon as possible as it is still in the warranty period. An early action will be appreciated.

Thanking you
Yours faithfully
Nikita

2. 21, Nariman Point

Mumbai
November 30, 20XX
The Manager
Samsung Dealer
Andheri

Sir

Subject: Damage caused during transporting LCD

I ordered a Samsung LCD 7 Series Model number LA40B750U1R. The payment was made by the credit card after the purchase with an agreement that the Samsung LCD will be delivered

by the supplier in one day time. On the arrival of the package and in transporting the LCD to my home, it has got damaged. There is a crack on the back of the LCD and some of the screen pixels are also dead. As the damage occurred during the transit of the product, I am entitled to replacement of the LCD. Hereby, I'm enclosing the photocopy of the cash memo and the warranty card for your further reference. I request you to take prompt action immediately.

Thanking you
Yours faithfully
Ashu Saxena

WORKSHEET-28

1. Shanti Niketan
Delhi
January 12, 20XX
Editor
The Hindustan Times
K.G. Marg
New Delhi

Sir

Subject: No street lights in our colony

Through the columns of your widely circulated daily, I would like to invite the kind attention of the concerned authorities towards the absence of the street lights on the roads and in the colony. Today, where India is at the threshold of becoming the super economy and huge developments are being made on every day basis. Then why its citizens are being deprived of the most basic amenities like street light. Darkness is the bubble for various crimes. Thus our colony with hardly any street-lights functioning has become one of the accidents and incidents prone area. As frequent accidents are being witnessed day after day by the residents of this colony and majority of these accidents are caused by the absence of any street light, as it is so dark to see. Not only accident, this area has become vulnerable to robbery, rapes, chain-snatching, burglary and many more heinous crimes. It's not even possible to step outside after 6 o' clock. The public safety is really in danger. The concerned authorities are requested to look into the matter and take some serious steps in curbing the problem. The street lights should be installed on the main road so that the residents of the colony feel safe.

Thanking you
Yours sincerely
Sanjiv
(Resident)

2. ABC Colony
Delhi
January 12, 20XX
Editor

The Hindustan Times

K.G. Marg

New Delhi

Sir

Subject: Acute water shortage in our locality

Through the columns of your widely circulated daily, I would like to invite the kind attention of the concerned authorities towards the acute water shortage in ABC colony. The residents have complained to the concerned officers but to no avail. This year mercury is shooting up at an unbelievable rate. And to add on the frets of people there is acute water shortage. There is no or limited water supply in this area. All house chores are left unattended due to water shortage. There is not enough water for kitchen work, cleaning and bathing. Even children and men get late for their schools and offices. The concerned authorities are requested to look into the matter and take some serious steps in curbing the problem of the residents of water shortage.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

Jatin

(Resident)

WORKSHEET-29

1. ABC Colony

Delhi

June 12, 20XX

Dear Nikunj

Hope you are in pinkish health. I am also fine here. I just want to tell you how much I missed you at my birthday last week. All my friends had come over to the party that my parents organized and I kept missing your presence. However, I received the lovely birthday gift that you sent. The book 'Insert Name Here' is something that I have been looking for since a few months and I was unable to find a copy anywhere. I have already started to read it and I love it. There could not have been a better gift. The party organised was awesome. I really missed you at the party. There were balloons, candles, and streamers everywhere. We played games like musical chairs, parcel-the-parcel and dumb charades. Mom cooked some really amazing food like rajma chawal, spring rolls and sandwich. Mom baked a chocolate cake. All my friends were there, and I received several gifts. But, let me assure you that none of the gifts was as useful as yours. Thank you so much for the gift. Hope to talk to you soon. Please convey my regards to your mom and dad.

Yours friendly

Rajiv

2. ABC Colony

Delhi

June 12, 20XX

Dear Asha

Hope you are in pinkish health. I am also fine here. This is the first letter I am writing to you after moving to Delhi and I just wanted to tell you a little about the place. It has only been a

few days and I have not been around too much. We have moved to a house in Greater Kailash-1. It is near the market place. I like going to the market here. There are several places to hang out in. I made friends with a couple of neighbourhood children. It's a quiet place where I stay. There is also a big park nearby where I go to ride my bike. Mom and Dad will admit me to a new school next week. I went to see the school last week. It was huge and feature facilities like swimming pool, horse riding, AVR room and playground area. I also took a ride on the metro. It was wonderful. I wish there was such metros in Kolkata. The only thing I did not like about Delhi is that the roads are full of cars and people and there are too many road jams. I will write more about Delhi the next time. I miss you a lot. So please do reply. Please convey my regards to your mom and dad.

Yours friendly
Ritika

WORKSHEET-30

1. Date : March 2, 20XX
From : karanseth@gmail.com
To : siddhimalik@gmail.com

Subject : Experience of camp at Rishikesh with family

Dear Siddhi

Every year my family and I take a camping trip to relax ourselves and feel the closeness and bond with each other. This year we went to Rishikesh, a beautiful place. The crisp earth and beautiful river add to the scenic beauty of the place. I could hear the loud flowing of the river almost making me feel as if it was screeching my name aloud. Setting-up the campsite and cooking food was all the more fun. I and Sneha put up the tent in no time and in the meanwhile mom cooked Maggie and dal rice. Then we went for river rafting and had a great fun. Though, Sneha was terrified a little in the beginning. In the night the place looked gorgeous. I have never seen such clear sky dazzling with millions of twinkling stars.

Yours affectionately
Karan

2. Date : March 2, 20XX
From : disehgal@gmail.com
To : kritika@yahoo.com

Subject : Witnessed a blazing fire—it was horrifying

Dear Kritika

I was returning from my Mathematics tuition class yesterday evening when I saw black smoke blowing upwards some distance from me. I knew that a fire was raging and seeing the smoke I reasoned that it was probably caused by the burning of rubber and diesel oil. I continued walking towards home and I noticed that the smoke was ominous and when I reached the corner of the street I saw the fire. After a while I saw the whole market was on fire. I personally knew those shopkeepers as when we got our house painted I got all the material from these shops. The traffic on the road was halted for hours and firemen tried their best to curb the growing flames.

I was terrified and weaved my way through the thinning traffic towards home.

Yours affectionately
Diksha

WORKSHEET-31

1. Date : March 2, 20XX
From : hsethi@gmail.com
To : purnima@yahoo.com
Subject: A delayed dentist visit finally made

Dear Purnima

All through the night I lay awake with a terrible toothache. Pain-killers provided only temporary relief. This bad tooth should have been pulled out long ago, but I kept on postponing as I dreaded syringes and drilling machines used by the dentists extensively. Lack of sleep made me feel severe headache and filled my eyes with water. Dad took me to the dentist luckily there were others earlier to me. While waiting for my turn I glanced over the magazines and newspaper lying there in the waiting room. I happened to come to a page there was a breath-taking picture of my favourite car Audi. At that moment doctor called me. A woman in white, masked face greeted me and asked what the matter was. I pointed to my bad tooth and she made me sit on a big reclining chair. I closed my eyes and instantly the picture of Audi captured my mind once again. I felt as if I owned this car and enjoying a comfortable ride. And after few minutes I was awakened of this beautiful dream of mine by the dentist who then told me that the tooth has been taken out. I was shocked and amazed. I thanked the dentist though found little difficult to speak as she placed a cotton ball where the tooth had been.

Yours affectionately

Harsh

2. Date : March 2, 20XX
From : jeevan@gmail.com
To : meeta@yahoo.com
Subject: Made the school prefect

Dear Meeta

Yesterday I along with three of my classmates, was summoned to the Principal's office. While we headed unsteadily towards the Principal's office we all tried to figure out what offence we had committed to warrant this 'call-up'. We could not figure out any reason. When we reached there, we saw our principal in a very grave expression. We were horrified. My heart was beating very fast for I was fearing some severe punishment, then principal told us that we were being made prefects and I was going to be discipline prefect. I was shocked as I was neither a brilliant student nor brilliant in extracurricular activities. With this I'm sure a new phase of my life is to start as I realize that this position comes with thousands of responsibilities and expectations. I hope I live up to this responsibility and turn out to be a great prefect.

Yours affectionately
Jeevan

WORKSHEET-32

1. **TERRORISM—A THREAT TO MANKIND**

(by Akanksha / Akshay)

The recent terrorist attack in Mumbai was something first of its kind given the scale of devastation and casualties. As a nation we went through a trauma that perhaps no Indian can ever come out of. It left the entire nation reeling in desolation and deep grief. There was anger amongst people and each and every one joined hand to fight against terror. So many died in vain, but not a single person has taken responsibility for the carnage. We need to mourn the dead, but we also need to ask for the answers. Terrorism is the act of unlawful violence and war. It feeds off the personal suffering by luring governments into actions that abandon hard-earned freedom of modern civilization. Terrorism brings nothing but the disaster, fear and insecurity among people. Terrorism is the display of unfounded enmity and hatred which leads to death, destruction and pain. Terrorism needs to be checked immediately. The world leaders must join towards the elimination of the feelings of hatred. Introducing stringent laws to punish those guilty of acts of terrorism is the need of the hour as this will act as a big deterrent for terrorists not to venture into such acts any more. Rooting out poverty completely within a time frame should be the vision of the policy makers because poverty is the root of terrorism. We all must be vigilant of the things around us to avoid any potential danger.

2. **TRAFFIC CONGESTION**

(by Ashi / Ashu)

In modern life we have to face many problems one of which is traffic congestion becoming more serious day after day. It is said that the increasing number of vehicles, the inadequate infrastructure and the irrational distribution of the development are main reasons for increasing traffic jam.

With an overwhelming increase in the number of vehicles on the roads, the massive traffic jams have become inevitable. The major cause leading to traffic congestion is the high number of vehicle which are caused by the population and the development of economy. The traffic jam means more pollution and wastage of non-renewable fossil fuels. You will be shocked to know that almost petrol and diesel worth Rs. 100 crore is wasted everyday due to traffic jam. The inadequate infrastructure that cannot handle the issue of traffic is also a crucial reason. The public transports such as bus, subway or trains are not available and even if they are available in some cities, they are overcrowded or delayed. Their quality is very bad, this forces people to take up personal transports leading to heavy traffic jams. To solve this problem, the government should encourage people to use public transport or vehicles with small size such as bicycles or introduce tax on private vehicles. Also, carpools must be encouraged to save fuel. Also, the traffic authorities should take stringent steps against the violators of the traffic rules.

WORKSHEET-33

1. **THE TERROR OF EXAMINATION**

(by Disha / Daksh)

Examination is the only criteria to evaluate the performance of a student at present. The efforts of parents, teachers and students are all directed in one direction, to attain more than 85% in the examinations. The examination's role cannot be overlooked. Examinations have a special place of their own. They motivate students to fix up a goal and strive hard to achieve it. Also, they are an important tool to measure the progress of the students in visible terms. They instead of understanding the concepts take up to cramming to bag-in good marks and sail through the difficult times of examinations effortlessly. This is the reason examinations have become a 'terror' that haunt most students as soon as the exam dates come near. Then as the doomsday comes nearer the anxiety and fret of the students multiplies manifold times. The students lose their

appetite, peace, sleep. Many think that burning mid-night oil will help them sail through this rough patch easily. The fear of performing is the only thought that dominates their thinking. The parents should not burden their children. The parents should not expect too much from their children and during the examination days they should stand-by them and offer them mental peace and support. Our educational system needs to be reformed. We must look out for an alternative to make life of the student more fun filled and easy and not be burned under the veil of competition and mad race to score well.

2. **SPORTS—A MUST FOR OVERALL WELL-BEING**

(by Palak / Palav)

Sports are related directly both to the physical and mental well-being. It is a fact that a body which is healthy and fit is sure to give far better results in comparison to an unhealthy body. Since time immemorial sports have been an inevitable part of our existence and civilized society. It is the most effective and tried way to tap the unruly spirits and energy of a child. And, also gives rise to the competitive spirit. Sports give youth the chance to utilize their energy and enthusiasm in the right manner. Even the prestigious sports events like Olympics were started keeping the same factors in consideration. Physical fitness keeps our body in excellent shape. In addition to channelizing the energy, sports aid to attain 'a healthy mind in a healthy body'. The blood circulation increases and helps in blood purification. As all impurities are thrown out of the body, the body is filled with a new flow of energy. It makes the body supple. It teaches a child about teamwork and unselfish play. Playing for team and not for personal accomplishment develops a team spirit in a child. It assists a child in developing the skill for handling disappointments. Sports improve body postures and lend a grace to the body, thus enhancing self-esteem. It boosts a child's morale when he excels on a specific skills he has e.g. if he is very good in fielding and bowling in the sport of cricket, he can work more towards that skill it makes him feel more confident. Parents should make efforts to push their child towards some sports and not let them waste time playing video games or play stations. Schools should organise regular sports event and induce students to participate by giving them some incentives like attractive prizes.

WORKSHEET-34

1. **GROWING VIOLENCE IN CHILDREN**

Honourable Principal, respected Teachers and My Dear Friends.

Today I would like to draw your kind attention towards 'Growing Violence in Children'. Yesterday in the Junior wing of the school I witnessed a terrifying scene. Some children were playing 'Hellsing'. The young boys violently kicked each other. One of them was bleeding profusely. I interfered and settled the things. I asked them what made them so fierce. The innocent reply was—we are playing 'Hellsing'. The reason of such sites becoming common is excessive viewing of movies and televisions. Children watch violent cartoons and movies and television series as they have an easy access to all of these. It is practically impossible to censor them and the kids freely imitate their ideal heroes and their stunts. There have been dozen of incidences where children trying to imitate superheroes have committed blunders. Children set themselves on fire thinking, 'Shaktiman', would come to their rescue or slay their friends because of some little quarrels. If this is not checked now, the reality may worsen in times to come. Excessive television viewing needs to be monitored. As television and cartoons have an adverse impact on the innocent mind of the children. The censor should ban the television series and cartoons which are violent in nature. Children need to be counselled in the school and home about which series and cartoons should be watched and convince them logically.

Thank you

2. **JOINT FAMILY—A GODSEND FOR GROWING CHILDREN**

Honourable Principal, respected Teachers and My Dear Friends,

Today I would like to draw your kind attention towards 'Joint Family—A Godsend for Growing Children'. Do anyone of you have heard from your Granny or mother that they used to live in big houses with a huge family of aunts, uncles, their children, grandma and grandpa? They used to do everything together. It was so much fun. But now urbanisation and nuclear families are gaining popularity. Because of this children of today are missing on the traditional practices of a joint family. A family plays an important role in framing the personality of a child. It is probably the most effective social support unit providing a secure and safe atmosphere for the child. Our values and attitudes are shaped by our families and these are the values that leave a lasting impression on children. Children in the joint family get the opportunity to enjoy and cherish the love and affection of loved ones around. Children who live in a joint family lead a sheltered life surrounded by their elders. They learn the importance of sharing, being patient, and simultaneously, their lives get enriched while living in a joint family. As the child gets to share the things with his cousins he grows into a person who learns to live with people around. This way the child grows to be more sensitive and well-balanced. The security of the child is also ensured. The child is nurtured with the love and affection of the grandparents and not the unruly maid-servants. But, in a joint family the parents should make it sure that they should spend quality time with their children.

Thank you

WORKSHEET-35

1. **YOUTH AND DRUG ABUSE**

Honourable Principal, respected Teachers and My Dear Friends,

Today I would like to draw your kind attention towards 'Youth and Drug Abuse'. There is hardly any section of the society that has remained unaffected by the temptation of the drug. Youth being the most vulnerable are the most affected ones. The reasons for youths taking up to drugs vary from peer pressure to sense of adventure. Also, the pressure created by parents upon their children to bring home bright report cards, shining trophies, medals and top charts in extra-curricular activities but not lending a helping hand when the child needs it the most, which in turn, backfires both the parents and children. The parents feel devastated when they become aware of the fact that their child is a drug addict. The prime reasons to be focused here are lack of affection, time, support, communication. It is the need of the hour to educate and create awareness among youths about the health and hazards of drugs. I agree it is difficult to resist the temptation but surely it is not impossible. You just need to learn to say 'No' to the friends who offer you drugs. You need to say to yourself, 'I AM STRONG', I don't need boosters to help me solve my problem. Parents and teachers need to counsel the children regarding the need and importance to live a healthy and a happy life.

Thank you

2. **IMPORTANCE OF PHYSICAL FITNESS**

Honourable Principal, respected Teachers and My dear friends,

Today I would like to draw your kind attention towards 'Importance of Physical Fitness'. Obesity is eating away the today's generation as they are increasing at an alarming rate. This is because of the inactive lifestyle of the children between the ages of 2 to 14 years. The children prefer to sit and watch shows on the television. They have become couch potatoes now and keep munching chips and aerated drinks. While commuting to the school children prefer to use personal or

public transport and not walk or cycle to school. As a result, the children get no time for physical exercise and get obese. Obesity leads to severe health problems like diabetes and heart diseases. It is really important to take some physical exercise to stay healthy and fit. Physical exercise improves blood circulation and keep our body and mind healthy. We must always remember, 'Healthy mind dwells in a healthy body'.

Thank you

WORKSHEET-36

1. Respected Principal, teachers and dear friends,

the topic for today's debate is "Every student should be required to take a performing arts course". I, Mohan Bhandari of class VIII-A stand before you to speak for the motion. Performing arts is a field of immense scope. One can involve oneself creatively in any activity be it dance, drama, painting, sculpting etc. A person's creative pursuits are exhibited and he/she finds a medium to express oneself. It enhances the self-esteem and gives enough confidence in oneself. One tends to be outspoken, extrovert which enhances one's personality. It opens a plethora of fields for an individual. In my view students should be encouraged to take part in arts courses from the early childhood. This enables them to have skills for such activities. This can lead them to a successful life in future.

2. Respected Principal, teachers and my dear friends,

the topic for today's debate is "Grades should be abolished". I, Kusum Pandey of class VIII-B stand before you to speak against the motion. In my opinion grades should not be abolished because it would lead to competitiveness among the students. Grades has got its advantages. Grades work as a shock-absorber. Because abilities of students cannot be judged by the percentage of marks obtained by an individual. Marks tend to differentiate the students. There is no big difference if a student gets 95% or 96%. Grades on the other hand (91% to 99.9%) in one category—thus making it more acceptable and leads to less competitiveness. The pressure from students is thus relieved. In other words grades are better than percentages. Thus, I am in favour of that grades should not be abolished.

Thank you.

WORKSHEET-37

1. Respected chairperson, members of the jury, teachers and my dear friends,

the topic of today's debate is 'Games should be compulsory for school children'. I, Rachna Gupta stand before you in favour of the motion. I am of the opinion that children should be encouraged to participate in games and sports from the very childhood. Games enables them to be healthy and fit. Games inculcate in them the spirit of brotherhood. They also provide some basic qualities like tolerance, confidence and enhance self-esteem in them. Games and sports keep them physically, mentally and psychologically fit. Their approach towards life becomes positive. I am sure, I have been able to make my point clear.

Thank you.

2. Respected chairperson, members of the jury, teachers and my dear friends,

the topic of today's debate is "Teachers should maintain a distance from their students". I, Gaurav Srivastava of class VIII-A stand before you against the motion. I personally feel that teachers should not maintain a distance from their students. If they maintain a distance the students may feel deprived of the normal support. Instead they should mingle with their students so that a healthy atmosphere is created between them. They should share their views and anxieties of the students. In this way students feel confident to take challenges in future. The age old saying that, 'spare the rod and spoil the child', do not fit in the present circumstances. Fear of

the teachers tend to derail the confidence of the students. Once again I would like to insist that teacher should be as friendly with students as possible. This creates a congenial atmosphere in the classroom and students would respect their teachers even more.

Thank you.

WORKSHEET-38

1.

CHILD ABUSE

(by Himanshi / Rajat)

Statistics throw up information on the extent of child abuse and neglect. They have established beyond doubt that child abuse exists in India and the incidence is much higher than generally perceived, the situation is alarming. The graph shows that the cases of physical, sexual and emotional abuse among children has gone considerably from 1980 to 1993. Against 3.1 lakh children 5.7 lakh were physically abused in 1993. And the rise in sexual abuse was nearly 2.5 lakh cases. For the emotional abuse cases, there was an increase of 0.9 lakh cases. Child abuse is shrouded in secrecy and there is practice of silence around the entire subject. There are certain kinds of traditional practices that are universal in nature, knowingly or unknowingly amount to child abuse. Existing socio-economic conditions also render some children vulnerable and more at risk to abuse, exploitation and neglect. It is about time that we recognize this and take remedial measures. The primary responsibility of protecting children from abuse and neglect lies with the families or the primary caregivers. However, communities and civil society and all other stakeholders are also responsible for the care and protection of children. The overarching responsibility is that of the state and it is the state that has to create a protective environment and provide a safety net for children who fall into vulnerable and exploitative situations. The government and NGO's should take stern steps to curb the social menace of child abuse. Children are the building block of our nation and ensuring their well-being is an important step taken towards their future and for building the sound future of the country.

WORKSHEET-39

1.

TIGER TIGER FADING FAST

(by Rashmi / Rohit)

Man has incessantly rebuked nature in each sphere and is little considerate towards the nature and its other creatures. Tigers' falling number is proof enough for man's disregard for the flora and fauna. Tigers are on the threshold of extinction. According to WWF, Tigers are amongst the ten most endangered species in the world. As per the last count only 1411 tigers are left in India. Our national animal is on the verge of extinction from our own country. The reasons for the extinction of the tigers are varied. Poaching for tiger skins has a long history; the magnificent striped pelt has been in demand for rugs, wall hangings, and fur coats. Though a number of wildlife parks and sanctuaries have been set up by the government even then this magnificent animal is not safe. In many forests there are too few guards. Thus, the safety measures taken for the well-being of the tigers are not up to the mark. The veterinarians are not well qualified and trained to look after the majestic animal. The government must take up the issue very seriously. The security of the tigers should be doubled. Good health facilities and adequate food should be supplied to the tigers to ensure their well-being. The poachers should be dealt with seriousness. Severe punishments should be announced for those involved in illegal hunting and exporting of tiger goods.

Thank you

WORKSHEET-40

1.

BAL BHARTI SCHOOL

NOTICE

August 7, 20XX

INTER -SCHOOL KITE FLYING COMPETITION

This is to inform the students of class IV-XII that the school is organizing an Inter-school Kite Flying Competition in the school playground on August 13, 20XX from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Students interested can register their names to their respective class teachers. Attractive prizes will be given to the winners. For further details contact the undersigned.

Namita

(Secretary of Sports and Games)

2.

VIDYA MANDIR, AGRA

NOTICE

May 7, 20XX

TRIP TO ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS

This is to inform the students of class VII-XII that the school is organizing an adventurous trip to Andaman and Nicobar Islands from May 25, 20XX to June 1, 20XX. Students interested can give their names to the respective class teachers with Rs. 5,000 and parents' consent form.

Abhinav

(President of Adventure Club)

WORKSHEET-41

1.

ABC SCHOOL

NOTICE

February 24, 20XX

Opportunity for budding painters!

The School is organising a painting exhibition on March 1, 20XX in the school auditorium from 10.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. The students of all classes are invited to contribute their paintings for the same. Eminent painter M.F. Hussain is to be the chief guest on this special occasion. Attractive prizes will be awarded to the winners.

Charu

(Secretary of Cultural Society)

2.

M.J.K.P. SCHOOL

NOTICE

February 24, 20XX

Traffic Awareness Camp

The school is organizing a Traffic Awareness Camp in association with Delhi Traffic Police on February 28, 20XX in school playground from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Students of all classes are invited to attend this camp and help solve traffic problems and road rage. For more details, contact the undersigned.

Harshita
(head Girl)

WORKSHEET-42

1.

SPRING DALES SCHOOL

NOTICE

February 7, 20XX

Donate generously

The school has decided to provide relief to the recent earthquake victims. Students are requested to contribute generously in cash or kind. If you want to make donations through cheque, it is to be issued in the name of Red Cross Society. You can make the donations in the school auditorium from February 9, 20XX to February 14, 20XX between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For further details contact the undersigned.

Jigar
(President of Community Outreach Society)

2.

ABC SCHOOL

NOTICE

February 2, 20XX

Attention girls' basketball players

This is to inform you that the school has decided to have a girls' basketball team and the selection process for the same is scheduled on 23rd February 20XX from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the school basketball court. Interested girls of classes VIII-XII can give their names to the undersigned.

Bhoomi
(Sports Captain)

WORKSHEET-43

1.

**HOLY CHILD SCHOOL
NOTICE**

May 2, 20XX

Inter-Class Debate Competition

The school is organising an Inter-class Debate competition on May 11, 20XX in the school auditorium from 11 a.m. The topic of the debate is 'Sex Education Should Be Made Compulsory'. Each speaker is to speak for 3 minutes. The students of class IX and XII are invited to participate. Students interested can give their names to the respective class teachers.

Deepak

(President of English Debate Society)

2.

**A.B.C. SCHOOL
NOTICE**

September 2, 20XX

Wrist Watch Lost

Lost a Fast Track watch with a black strap in the school playground during the recess yesterday. The dial is of red colour and the digits are written in Roman Numerals. It also shows both date and time. Finder is requested to return it to the undersigned. Grand treat in the school canteen is promised.

Shyamli

VIII-A (Student)

WORKSHEET-44

1.

MESSAGE

October 23, 20XX

3.30 p.m.

Dear Father

Mom called to say that there is a workshop for Hindi teachers in her school. We will have to pick her up from school at 6 p.m. and then go to the market straight away for the shopping. She also asked you to call Mr. Sharma to confirm if the bangle is ready.

Shalu

2.

MESSAGE

March 12, 20XX

1.30 p.m.

Dear Rishi

Ms. Parul called from L&T. The interview scheduled for March 15, 20XX is now postponed to March 17, 20XX. So you have to reach Delhi by March 16, 20XX evening. They will send the cab to pick you up at the station. She regrets the inconvenience caused to you.

Pritam

WORKSHEET-45

1. **MESSAGE**
December 2, 20XX 4.30 p.m.
Dear Aarti
In your absence your friend Suman called up. She said that she would pick you up for the movie at 5.30 p.m. today. She also requested you to ask Nidhi if she would join both of you. I'm leaving for my mathematics class.
Divyansh
2. **MESSAGE**
December 2, 20XX 4.30 p.m.
Sir,
The CEO has left a message for you. Three suites have to be booked at a five star hotel for three managers arriving on December 10, 20XX. A luxury car has to be arranged for them and also book return tickets for December 15, 20XX.
Secretary (Asian Paints)

WORKSHEET-46

1. **MESSAGE**
March 12, 20XX 6.30 a.m.
Dear Mom
The Amritsar Express has derailed near Gurgaon station thus, will now board Toofan Express at 7.30 a.m. Extra coaches have been added to accommodate the rush. There is no need to buy a new ticket, the same ticket holds to be valid for this journey.
Suresh
2. **MESSAGE**
April 12, 20XX 12.30 p.m.
Dear Anuj
I had to leave immediately. I just received the news that my sister is getting married this coming weekend. I will be back in 5 days' time. And you also have to come to attend her marriage. Also, please return my library books lying on the study table.
Geet

WORKSHEET-47

1. **MESSAGE**
April 12, 20XX 6.30 a.m.
Dear Mr. Gopal
I am required to go to Mumbai urgently. We need to reschedule your checkup as I am not here on Saturday. I will be back on Monday. Please call me on Tuesday so we can fix up a fresh appointment.
Dr Bharat Gupta

2.

MESSAGE

March 12, 20XX

6.30 a.m.

Dear Vandana

Your friend Neha had called and she said that the party you were to attend at Arun's house this evening has been cancelled. It is sad news. Arun's father suffered a heart attack and had been taken to the hospital. All of them are at the hospital now.

Mom

WORKSHEET-48

1. 2 February, 20XX Wednesday

8:35 p.m.

Today I participated in 'Kindness towards Animals' campaign organised on the campus of the school at 10:00 a.m. in the auditoria. The students were told about the advantages of animals. They were also instructed to treat animals kindly and sympathetically. A number of activities viz. debates, declamation contests, poetry recitation, costume show and display of slogans on play cards were organised to inspire the students. I listened to their views and concluded that people treat animals inhumanly. Now, I have made up my mind to counsel those people who kill animals without rhyme or reason.

Suman Kumar

2. 20 October, 20XX

By Amrit Roy

Delhi Book Fair always fascinates me. Today I visited this book fair. As usual there was a great rush on the ticket counter. There was hustle and bustle everywhere. Suddenly I saw a few youngsters began shouting at the youngsters of another group. Soon there occurred a clash between the two groups. The volunteers of the book fair organising committee tried their best to pacify the aggressive youngsters of both the groups. But all their efforts proved in vain. The youngsters continued fighting. Seeing the situation becoming worse I called the police. It was finally controlled after they (police) arrived. Some were taken into custody but later released after warning not to do such things again.

WORKSHEET-49

1. Yesterday a health check-up camp was organised in our school. The renowned physicians from the Govt. hospital were invited on this occasion. More than 300 students from different classes were examined by these doctors. The basic health check-ups like eye check-up, ENT check-up, height, weight etc. were performed. Some students were referred to special treatments. Free medicines were also distributed by these doctors.
2. Our school started a campaign on the theme 'Each one teach one' during the summer vacation. We were guided by our teachers regarding this. In our colonies we organised such a campaign to teach people who were illiterates. Many persons including children, women and adults participated enthusiastically in it. They were taught to read and write. Lunch was also provided to them by the local MLA. It was a grand success.

WORKSHEET-50

1. ... to the site. They saw that a boy and a girl were desperately trying to save themselves from drowning. Raman and his friend immediately jumped into the water to save them. They pulled them into the boat. The boy was almost faint. The girl could breathe a little. They immediately started the first aid on the boy. After some time the boy regained consciousness. Thank God!

The boy and girl were saved. The father and other villagers thanked Raman and his friends for their bravery.

2. ... He saw that four persons were trying to break the front door. Babloo was shocked and could not react immediately. Then he thought, that being alone, he would not be able to overcome the intruders. He then called Amrit Lal on phone and informed him. Amrit Lal immediately called the police and told the incident. In the meantime Babloo hid himself under the bed. Police rushed to the residence of Amrit Lal and nabbed the robbers red handed. Thus, a catastrophe was averted.

WORKSHEET-51

1. Never Give up

Once a prince was attacked and defeated. The enemy soldiers could not find the prince in the battlefield because he retreated and hid himself in a cave. He got disappointed and disheartened. He thought that there was no hope of happiness in his life. Suddenly he glanced at a spider. It was weaving a web over the opening of the cave. It was working so precisely and meticulously that the prince got inspired. The prince decided to fight a final battle against the enemy. He came out of the cave and started training the young. He trained nearly 2000 youngsters and declared war against the enemy. It is often said that fortune favours the brave. He got his empire back and lived happily.

2. Once there was a slave who was very kind and hardworking but his master treated him very badly. One day the slave ran away from his master. He happened to reach a forest where he encountered a lion. He was terrified to see a lion in front of him. To his utter surprise, he found the lion in trouble. On inspection he found that a thorn was pierced in his paw. He removed the thorn and treated the wound. After some days the slave was caught by the master and was thrown before the lion. The lion came near the frightened slave but started licking his feet. People were surprised to see this sight. The master was elated to know that the lion was treated by the slave in the jungle. The master set the slave free.

Moral: Kindness pays in the long run.

WORKSHEET-52

1. **MUNSHI PREMCHAND**

Munshi Premchand's original name was Dhanpat Rai. He was born on 31 July, 1880 in village Lamhi in Uttar Pradesh. Premchand's mother died when he was seven years old. He was married against his will at the early age of fifteen. He took up school teaching job and earned Rupees 18 a month. Premchand worked as the deputy sub-inspector of schools. He died on 8th October 1936. Premchand has written about 300 stories, a dozen novels and two plays. He used a simple language. Idgah, Godaan and Nirmala are a few of his famous literary works. He was a great social reformer. His writings against corruption, poverty, zamindari, etc., reflect his social reform ideas.

2. **RAJIV GANDHI**

Rajiv Gandhi, former Prime Minister of India, was born on 20th August, 1944 in Mumbai. On 21st May, 1991, Rajiv Gandhi was assassinated at Sriperumbudur in Tamil Nadu by a suicide bomb blast. He married Sonia Gandhi in 1968. His son is Rahul Gandhi and daughter Priyanka Gandhi. He studied at Trinity College, University of Cambridge. He was a member of Delhi Flying Club and there he was trained as a pilot. He was employed as a pilot by Air India. On 31 October 1984, the then Prime Minister, Rajiv Gandhi's mother Indira Gandhi, was assassinated and then he became the Prime Minister of India. He was awarded the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian recognition, posthumously in 1991.

WORKSHEET-53

1. The soil in which crop has to be grown is prepared by ploughing. Ploughing is usually done after the first shower of rain which loosens the soil. After ploughing, the seeds are sown. Irrigation or supply of water is essential after seeds sprout. Water logging may damage the crop. Weeds are unwanted plants which grow among crops. They are removed by pulling them by hands. The nutrients required by the growing crop are provided at regular intervals through supplements of natural source (manure) or chemical compounds (fertilizers). Once the crop is matured, it is cut and gathered. This process is called harvesting. Followed by harvesting, grains are separated from the chaff either by threshing or manually in small scale called winnowing. Grains yielded are stored in granaries or bins for later use.
2. The above table depicts the cropping pattern in Haryana for the period of 2014-2015. The production of food grains show a considerable change. Wheat production has increased from 45 million tonnes in 2014 to 50 million tonnes in 2015. The production of rice and pulses have decreased. While the yield of rice and pulses in 2014 was 55 and 12 million tonnes respectively, the yield of rice and pulses have gone down to 53 and 10 million tonnes respectively in 2015. This decrease could be attributed to the quality or variety of seeds, irrigation facilities, chemical fertilizers, etc.

WORKSHEET-54

1. Friday

April 13, 20XX

Dear Diary,

Mom and Dad have warned me not to spend too much time playing games on the mobile phone. All my friends do! I play only after completing my homework. Even if I do not have much to study, they do not let me play games on the mobile. My parents say that there are good workbooks and many educational apps which will help with my studies. I feel it is boring and monotonous. My friends hardly come out to play and I do not have any other entertainment at home. I understand that my parents warn me because I should not get addicted to it. Still, they should allow me at least for some time every day.

2. Friday

24 November, 20XX

Dear Diary,

My sister is married! She has gone to live with her husband and in-laws. I feel so lonely at home now without her. I love her and miss her too. I have grown up talking, sharing almost everything with her. She is my sweet best friend. She used to help me with my homework, take me out for movies, shopping and on picnics with her friends. I enjoyed so much with my sister that I will surely miss all the fun we had. Though I am happy that she has moved on in her life, I feel sad that I won't be able to meet her every day to share my pranks, stories and chit-chat with her till late night. I miss you, didi!

WORKSHEET-55

1. Neighbour 1: Hello! How are you?

Neighbour 2: Hey! I am okay. But this load shedding has made life miserable.

Neighbour 1: Yes, my son has a test tomorrow. It is very difficult without power.

Neighbour 2: Yes, even my children have exams tomorrow.

(suddenly there was power-cut)

Neighbour 2: Oh! What can we do?

Neighbour 1: Don't you know that there will be a power cut today for 4 hours?

Neighbour 2: What? Four hours! How will my children prepare for their exam?

Neighbour 1: This has become an everyday problem in our locality.

Neighbour 2: We can't do anything but study for the exams with a candle.

Neighbour 1: Yeah! Poor children. Take care my friend.

Neighbour 2: Thank you!

2. Waiter: Welcome, sir. What would you like to have?

Customer: Could I see your menu card please?

Waiter: Sure sir! Here it is.

Customer: What is the popular dish of your restaurant?

Waiter: What do you prefer, veg or non veg?

Customer: Veg, please.

Waiter: Roasted spicy aloo curry with tandoori roti.

Customer: Okay, get me one plate.

Waiter: What beverage would you like to have?

Customer: A mocktail.

Waiter: Sure sir.

Customer: How long will it take?

Waiter: It will take 20 to 25 minutes.

Customer: Please make it quick. Thank you.

WORKSHEET-56

1. For self attempt.

2.

DOWRY—A DREADFUL EVIL

Good morning everybody, Today I stand before you to speak on 'Dowry—A Dreadful Evil'. Every time you pick up a newspaper to read it is sad to come across news like 'Daughter-In-Law tortured for Car' or 'Innocent Bride Burnt for Dowry'. These headlines are enough to send a man to tremors and doubt the existence of the humanity. Marriage is a pious bond of not only two individuals but two families. But this pious and beautiful bond is being adulterated by the dowry-hungry people who have no value for human life. On one side women are deemed to be important as the highest office, the office of President is now managed by a woman. And on the other hand, girls are being burnt or tortured for dowry. Girls are seen as a source of fat income by the boy's parents. This is the reason that the birth of the girl child is not celebrated, as the father is supposed to collect fat sum of money for the girl's marriage to fulfil all the demands of the boy's family. Another reason which accounts for the dowry-seeking practice is that most people are uneducated and same age-old traditions are being followed.

Our daughters will be unsafe as long as these monsters find existence in our society. The dowry seekers should be dealt strictly. More stringent dowry laws need to be implemented. It is the duty of every girl's parent to well equip their daughters with good education, self-respect and the basic knowledge of self-defense. Also, the NGOs should come forward and organise public awareness programmes in the villages and low income group colonies as these are the worst affected areas. For the development of our country, it is important to put an end to this social evil as soon as possible.

Thank you

3.

FOR THE MOTION

Good morning everybody,

Today I stand before you to support the motion, 'Internet has revolutionised our life'. The Internet has indeed revolutionised our life. It has changed the world into a global village. We stay in touch with our friends/relatives in distant countries/place through the Internet. Information Technology has worked wonders for us. Communication has speeded up and become instant. No doubt people have discarded the old-fashioned snail mail and adopted the e-mail for communication. New business opportunities have been created by the Internet in the world of commerce. Banks have adopted e-banking. Many public and private sector institutions are providing new and economically viable facilities through the Internet. Besides being a storehouse of knowledge and information, the Internet provides us entertainment. We can watch a video or listen to MP3s on the Internet. People can stay at home and work via Internet. Thus we can say that Internet has revolutionised our life.

Thank you.

AGAINST THE MOTION

Good morning everybody,

Today I stand before you to oppose the motion, 'Internet has revolutionised our life'. Like other inventions of science, Internet may be misused. The data available on the Internet is objective and can be surfed easily. Young children get addicted to surfing and waste a lot of time doing so. Sometimes they come across undesirable sites which pour out a lot of garbage. Malicious sites pour out data with adult content. They may receive e-mails containing viruses. Hackers and spammers try to steal the password of genuine but innocent net users. They can log in onto their account details. Even the debit cards and credit cards of reputed banks are copied and misused. The data of these cards inserted in slot machines at various outlets may be misused by malicious persons by creating spurious cards. So one should protect one's password carefully.

Thank you.

WORKSHEET-57

1. (a) tree (b) herself (c) paw (d) foot print (e) mews (f) knees (g) Pretending (h) bed (i) stays (j) snores
2. Once an Ant was thirsty, therefore it went to the bank of a river. But the rush of the stream carried it away and it was on the point of being drowned. At the very moment a Dove that was sitting on a tree looked at leaf and let it fall into the stream close to the ant. The ant climbed on it and floated in safely to the bank. Shortly afterwards a bird catcher came and laid his lime-twigs for the Dove. The ant saw this and stung him in the foot. All of a sudden he threw down the twigs and thereupon made the Dove take wing. Thus it is truly said that the grateful heart will always find opportunities to show its gratitude.

WORKSHEET-58

1. (a) Christmas (b) 25th of December (c) Jesus Christ (d) Christmas (e) Church
2. ABC Colony
Delhi
May 12, 20XX
Dear Suraj

Hope you are in pinkish health. I am also fine here. The purpose of my writing this letter to you is that I want to share my thoughts about Christmas. Christmas is the time of the year when we celebrate the birth of Lord Jesus, a time filled with laughter from little children and friends

like you. It has always been a much awaited day as my parents shower me with great gifts. This year I asked for a badminton racket and a shuttle cock. I am very excited and waiting for you to come here so that we can play badminton together. Christmas cannot pass without wishing you a merry Christmas. These holiday season greetings are the most special gift from me to you. May they be a sign to you of how much I value your friendship. I have always taken you to be my friend, philosopher and guide. I feel honoured to be your friend. I wish you nothing but the very best during this Christmas holiday! Please, convey my respects to your mom and dad.

Your friend

Deepesh

3. Date : 02 Jan, 20XX

From : Ayush@gmail.com

To : Ananya@hotmail.com

Subject : Celebration of Christmas festival

Dear Ananya

Last year we celebrated Christmas day with great enthusiasm. We decorated a Christmas tree and it looked very beautiful. All my family members sang prayers in praise of Lord Jesus. Many Guests also came. We sent greeting cards to friends and relatives. Then a feast was organised in our colony. After the feast we danced a lot. Then we all gathered in the Church to pray to God. We prayed for the happy life in the coming year.

Yours friendly

Ayush

WORKSHEET-59

1. (a) (ii) Trees (b) (i) Oxygen (c) (ii) Soil erosion (d) (ii) Carbon dioxide (e) (ii) Ecological

2.

THE DEFORESTATION MENACE

(by Raj/Richa)

The man is totally insensitive towards the Mother Nature and is causing irreparable damage to it by cutting and then not replacing the trees again. Floods, change in climate and rainfall and a sharp rise in temperature would soon be out of control for him. Deforestation is the conversion of forested areas to non-forest land. This removal or destruction of forest cover has resulted in a degraded environment with reduced bio-diversity, causing global warming and reduction in rainfall. Deforestation has also resulted in the Greenhouse effect, causing population shifts and extinctions. Even the rate of soil erosion is high as there are no trees to bind the soil together. Also, as the trees are removed from the steep slopes, the danger of landslides hover the people living nearby. If the situation continues for long the world we will pass on to our generation will be devoid of the bounties of nature. Thus, we must act more reasonably. Afforestation must succeed the deforestation. Global warming should be tackled by reducing the use of air-conditioners and fossil fuels. Recycling of paper should be practised to avoid deforestation.

3.

TREE PLANTATION DAY

Respected teachers and dear friends!

It is good that our school is celebrating the Tree Plantation Day. It is only recently that man has again realised the importance of afforestation and growing more trees. In these days of ever-increasing pollution, trees are the best friends of human beings. I would suggest that the programme of growing of trees should not be restricted to one particular day only, rather it should be extended to a fortnight in the rainy season. Moreover, tree-plantation should not be observed as a mere ritual or a necessary function imposed by the authorities. Let each student adopt a plant and look after it till it grows into a full-fledged tree. The school staff can encourage this

environmental friendly exercise by naming the tree after its guardian angel. The importance of planting more trees lies in the fact that the rate of preservation is quite low. Some of the trees wither away due to lack of proper nourishment and care while some are cut down. Hence our endeavour should be not only to plant more trees every year, but also to preserve them in greater number.

Thank you.

UNIT EVALUATION TEST-1

1.

MESSAGE

June 12, 20XX

4.30 p.m.

Sachin

Saurabh called to inform you that your brother has arrived from Australia and your father wants you to reach home on Friday, as he has fixed his engagement for Saturday. You have to leave after your exam, tomorrow night. Saurabh is sending your train tickets by courier.

Gaurav

RAMDAS—SCHOOL PEON

Our school peon name is Mr. Ramdas. He is around 40. He is tall and thin fellow. He is very good looking and active. He wears khaki uniform. His uniform is always neat and clean. He is educated up to 10th standard. He comes to school very early. He is hardworking and dutiful. He has many duties to perform. He dusts the benches, rings the bell, goes to post office to bring mail. He carries important orders to classes. He speaks softly and politely. He is very punctual and regular. That is why we all like him very much.

3.

AIR FORCE SCHOOL NOTICE

June 22, 20XX

Lecture by Eminent Visual Effect Artist

The Newspaper in Education Scheme of our school hereby informs the students of a lecture by Dinesh Sehgal, an eminent visual effect artist at the school auditorium on 24th June, 20XX at 11 a.m. Students of class XI and XII are cordially invited to attend the lecture and know more about this upcoming career opportunity.

Hitin (Coordinator)

Newspaper in Education Scheme

UNIT EVALUATION TEST-2

1.

THOMAS ALVA EDISON

Thomas Alva Edison was born on February 11, 1847 in Milan, Ohio. Edison's greatest contribution was the first practical electric lighting. He not only invented the first successful electric light bulb, but also set up the first electrical power distribution company. Edison invented the phonograph, and made improvements to the telegraph, telephone and motion picture technology. He also founded the first modern research laboratory. Edison had great faith in progress and industry and valued hard work. He was a responsible man.

2.

MESSAGE

February 15, 20XX

Ankita

In your absence your friend Sneha called up. She said that she would pick you up for the movie at 6.00 p.m. today. She also requested you to ask Bhoomi if she would join both of you. I am leaving for my dance class.

Dhruv

3.

**ABC SCHOOL
NOTICE**

February 7, 20XX

Founders Day Celebrations

The School is organising Founder's Day celebration on February 24, 20XX. Students of class V-IX are invited to participate in the celebrations by participating in various activities like singing, dancing, dramatics, band, sports and ballet. Students interested can give their names to the respective class teachers. For further details contact the undersigned.

Divyum (signature)

President of Cultural Society

WORKSHEET-60

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| 1. (a) A | (b) the | (c) the | (d) a |
| (e) a | (f) the | (g) The | (h) a |
| 2. (a) a | (b) a | (c) the | (d) enough |
| (e) the | (f) an | (g) a | (h) The |
| 3. (a) The | (b) The | (c) The | (d) a |
| (e) the | (f) all | (g) a | (h) the |
| 4. (a) The | (b) an | (c) the | (d) the |
| (e) the | (f) the | (g) a | (h) The |
| 5. (a) All | (b) some | (c) some | (d) Most |
| (e) little | (f) These | (g) much | (h) Some |

WORKSHEET-61

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| 1. (a) an | (b) the | (c) the | (d) a |
| (e) a | (f) X | (g) a | (h) the |
| 2. (a) the | (b) the | (c) the | (d) the |
| (e) the | (f) a | (g) a | (h) an |
| 3. (a) my | (b) my | (c) His | (d) Their |
| (e) Its | (f) our | (g) Her | (h) Our |
| 4. (a) a | (b) the | (c) X | (d) X |
| (e) an | (f) the | (g) the | (h) the |
| 5. (a) a little | (b) much | (c) a few | (d) much |
| (e) much | (f) some | (g) Some | (h) much |

WORKSHEET-62

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| 1. (a) is reading | (b) is making | (c) were doing | (d) was cooking |
| (e) was reading | (f) will be doing | (g) will be preparing | (h) will be reading |
| 2. (a) will be lying | (b) drinking | (c) eating | (d) will be stressing |
| (e) going | (f) knowing | (g) will send | (h) will make |
| 3. (a) have been trying | (b) had studied | (c) struggled | (d) worked |
| (e) decided | (f) stayed | (g) sat | (h) had been having |
| 4. (a) had virtually disappeared | (b) arrived | | (c) is sleeping |
| (d) has been raining | (e) will have visited | (f) are made | |

WORKSHEET-63

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| 1. (a) has had | (b) go went | (c) look looked | (d) is was |
| (e) staring stared | (f) know knew | (g) hurry hurried | (h) bought buy |
| 2. (a) go went | (b) arrive arrived | (c) enter entered | (d) looking looked |
| (e) staring stared | (f) gazes gazed | (g) napping napped | (h) knocking knocked |
| 3. (a) robbes robbed | (b) enter entered | (c) state stated | (d) smile smiled |
| (e) seem seemed | (f) has had | (g) storm stormed | (h) revolving revolved |
| 4. (a) (iv) feeding | (b) (ii) requested | (c) (i) was standing | |
| (d) (i) it is not me that you invite | | | |

WORKSHEET-64

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| 1. (a) could | (b) should | (c) Shall | (d) will |
| (e) Shall | (f) ought to | | |
| 2. (a) might | (b) should | (c) might | (d) should |
| (e) might | (f) won't | (g) will | (h) should |
| 3. (a) would | (b) will | (c) can't | (d) will |
| (e) would | (f) must | (g) will | (h) will not |
| 4. (a) may | (b) Could | (c) can | (d) would |
| (e) should | (f) Would | (g) might | (h) should |

WORKSHEET-65

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| 1. (a) might | (b) Could | (c) mustn't | (d) should |
| (e) couldn't | (f) must have | (g) Would you mind | (h) ought |
| 2. (a) will | (b) I can | (c) ought to | (d) needn't |
| (e) couldn't help | (f) must have gone | (g) can | (h) have |
| 3. (a) must | (b) will | (c) can | (d) should |
| (e) used to | (f) should | (g) will | (h) Could |
| 4. (a) should | (b) should | (c) can't | (d) must |
| (e) can | (f) needn't | (g) will | (h) would |

WORKSHEET-66

1. I. We met a boy carrying a heavy bag.
II. Decorated with lights, the house looked beautiful.
III. Seeing the policeman, the robbers ran away.
IV. Finding the door open, I went inside.
V. The police saw the body floating down the river.
2. I. He did not have even a penny with him to buy a loaf of bread.
II. He went to the market to buy some vegetables.
III. The robber wielded a knife to frighten the poor traveller.
IV. I am not afraid to speak the truth.
V. The officials sold the insolvent's property to pay his creditors.
3. I. Following my advice, you will win.
II. Seizing his friend by the arm, he pushed him away.
III. Seeing the sunshine, I opened the windows.
IV. The weather being fine, we went out.
V. I found my lost purse.
4. I. to go for a movie with my friends
II. to succeed in the examination
III. to participate in drawing competition
IV. to do this difficult task
V. to go for morning walk

WORKSHEET-67

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| 1. (a) (ii) to find | (b) (iii) flowing | (c) (iii) introducing | (d) (ii) to pay |
| 2. (a) to sing | (b) walking | (c) changing | (d) to change |
| (e) to avoid | (f) to be | (g) work | (h) pressing |
| 3. (a) to change | (b) destabilizing | (c) becoming | (d) suffering |
| (e) risking | (f) choosing to eat | | |
| 4. (a) to do | (b) living | (c) to make | (d) think |
| (e) to give | (f) relying | (g) to find | (h) exercising |
| 5. (a) to see | (b) stolen | (c) Having finished | (d) play |
| (e) waiting | (f) to go | | |

WORKSHEET-68

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| 1. (a) on | (b) into | (c) in | (d) out of |
| (e) on | (f) in | (g) beside | (h) against |
| 2. (a) to | (b) in | (c) in | (d) for |
| (e) over | (f) against | (g) to | (h) in |
| 3. (a) from | (b) with | (c) about | (d) of |
| (e) at | (f) on | (g) in | (h) by |
| 4. (a) in | (b) to | (c) at | (d) on |
| (e) across | (f) beside | (g) at | (h) among |

5. (a) of (b) by (c) of (d) to
 (e) due to (f) to (g) at (h) of

WORKSHEET-69

1. (a) on in (b) in on (c) through than (d) with out
 (e) into in (f) for by (g) with by (h) onto into
2. (a) on of (b) after before (c) for of (d) on into
 (e) by of (f) in of (g) on at (h) on at
3. (a) of in (b) of in (c) in to (d) for in
 (e) with by (f) by of (g) of in (h) for to

WORKSHEET-70

1. (a) nevertheless (b) despite (c) however (d) but
 (e) as well as (f) despite (g) although (h) Even though
2. (a) As (b) despite (c) Although (d) so as to
 (e) after (f) because of (g) as a result of (h) when
3. I. We decided to walk in spite of the rain.
 II. I am fond of ice cream as well as chocolates.
 III. Isabel apologised several times but Paul did not speak to her.
 IV. Even though she lived away from her parents, she kept visiting them.
4. I. In spite of bad weather and strong rains we went out.
 II. As the price of petrol has risen twice in the last four months, people are tending to buy diesel cars.
 III. Japanese cars are very well built and reliable whereas Italian cars have lots of breakdowns.
 IV. Even though she was ill, she appeared in the examination.
5. (a) that (b) because (c) and (d) yet
 (e) not only (f) but also (g) but (h) thaning

WORKSHEET-71

1. (a) Although (b) despite (c) whereas (d) whereas
 (e) whereas (f) before
2. (a) and (b) Moreover (c) and (d) When
 (e) that (f) and (g) because (h) However
3. (a) yet (b) so (c) for (d) so
4. (a) Either (b) or (c) as (d) either
 (e) or (f) and
5. (a) but (b) and (c) whereas (d) otherwise
 (e) because (f) that (g) as if (h) while

WORKSHEET-72

1. I. Wait until she gets ready.
 II. I gave her my pen because she needed it.

WORKSHEET-74

1. I. The car should be first washed and then polished.
II. Your science teacher is known to me very well.
III. Coffee was being prepared by her.
IV. Let the window be opened.
V. My homework will have been done by me before 7 o'clock.
VI. Shall I be taught by you?
VII. You are requested to light your lamp.
VIII. Let the police be called in.
2. I. (c) were killed in a stampede near the cave
II. (b) was awarded the Khel Ratna
III. (a) has been banned in all public
IV. (d) decaying condition of the old building, it was
3. I. The book is being read by me.
II. Is it liked by you?
III. Has the money not been stolen by you?
IV. By whom were you called yesterday?
V. He was not helped by her.
VI. His letter had been received by me.
VII. Was an apple being eaten by her?
VIII. Let the poor not be insulted.

WORKSHEET-75

1. I. Jatin was delayed by a client when he was leaving the office.
II. A meeting was being held by the tennis club at 5.30.
III. The doorway was blocked by Sheba, the dog.
IV. Sheba had to be taken to the vet.
V. The dog was treated by the vet while Jatin went home.
VI. Jatin was called by the doctor after treating the dog.
2. (a) (iv) teaspoon of tea leaves is added
(b) (i) has boiled
(c) (iv) of sugar is added
(d) (iv) are then stirred well
(e) (i) is taken down
(f) (i) is filtered in a cup
3. I. He was laughed at by me.
II. This work must be done by her.
III. The poor should be helped by us.
IV. You are requested not to open the door.
V. The letter will be posted by him.
VI. By whom will you be taught now?

- VII. Why was he not helped by you?
VIII. By whom was all the milk drunk?
IX. Let the servant not be called.
X. This puzzle can be solved by me.

WORKSHEET-76

1. (a) he wanted a balloon that he could release into the air
(b) asked him which colour balloon he wanted
(c) asked him which colour balloon would take him up with it
(d) that it was not
(e) what was inside that made it go up
2. (a) had been the previous
(b) that there was an exhibition of rare paintings
(c) he had gone
(d) to know how well he was prepared
(e) explained that he had been
3. I. She said that she had been very tired.
II. She told Ben to be careful.
III. She says that she will get herself a drink.
IV. He wondered why I hadn't phoned him.
V. He said that he could not drive them home.
4. I. Rohit asked Mohit if he was going to school.
II. Bhoomi asked the Principal respectfully if she might go home.
III. Kushagra asked Amit if he liked to sing.
IV. Sita ordered Sneha to come here.
V. The doctor advised the patient not to smoke.

WORKSHEET-77

1. (a) that a woman wanted to see him
(b) what the name of the woman was
(c) apologetically said that he hadn't asked her name
(d) said that he would go and ask her
(e) said that he should let him know soon who she was
2. (a) why we were visiting the country
(b) him that we were
(c) wanted to know how long we intended to stay
(d) where we would be staying during
(e) wished us a pleasant stay
3. I. The lion told the rabbit that he was the king of the jungle and he (the rabbit) must get ready to get killed.
II. The rabbit apologised and said that he had to go somewhere else.
III. The lion asked who was that creature who was more important than him.

- IV. The rabbit answered respectfully that there was another lion who was bigger than him and called himself the king of the jungle.
- V. The lion roared and said that he wanted to kill that fellow.
4. I. He asked me what I was doing.
 II. She asked me why I had done it.
 III. Arpit asked Manoj who had broken the pencil.
 IV. Mother advised me to work carefully.
 V. He suggested that they should go home.

WORKSHEET-78

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| 1. (a) criticism | (b) employee | (c) organization | (d) suspension |
| (e) customer | (f) formally | | |
| 2. (a) mathematicians | (b) length | (c) thickness | (d) reference |
| (e) particularly | (f) dimensional | (g) similarly | (h) perspective |
| 3. (a) extraordinary | (b) distance | (c) disappearance | (d) excitement |
| (e) gracious | (f) skillfully | (g) pleasure | (h) suddenly |
| (i) imprison | (j) awake | | |
| 4. (a) evolution | (b) Numerous | (c) palaeontologists | (d) mysterious |
| (e) locations | (f) continually | (g) steeper | (h) robustness |
| 5. (a) greatly | (b) voter | (c) majority | (d) cooperation |
| (e) peaceful | (f) doubters | (g) non-violence | (h) freedom |

WORKSHEET-79

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|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1. (a) non-living | (b) union | (c) hereditary | (d) information |
| 2. (a) probably | (b) modernised | (c) reflect | (d) certainly |
| 3. (a) undoubtedly | (b) international | (c) indispensable | (d) easily |
| (e) confident | (f) persistent | (g) burning | (h) determination |
| 4. (a) environmental | (b) accelerate | (c) natural | (d) atmosphere |
| (e) Ultimately | (f) radiation | (g) gradually | (h) lower |
| 5. (a) Mexican | (b) colourful | (c) variety | (d) typically |
| (e) traditionally | (f) introduction | (g) earliest | (h) fusion |
| 6. (a) Indian | (b) Industrialisation | (c) capitalist | (d) greedy |
| (e) political | (f) freedom | (g) growth | (h) illness |

WORKSHEET-80

- I. 1. There are three basic colours or the primary colours.
 2. When these colours are mixed with each other, we get the secondary colours.
 3. All these colours together make a colour wheel.
 4. There are different shades and tones of each colour.
- II. 1. Many of our most useful possessions are made from materials.
 2. You probably use at least some of these every day.
 3. Clay is one of the oldest known of all natural materials.
 4. It is an earthy material made from particles of rock.

- III. 1. There is an acute problem of getting fresh and pure water for human use.
- 2. Distribution of water is uneven.
- 3. India has unique feature of supply of water.
- 4. Water is necessary for agricultural and industrial use.
- IV. 1. In the primitive times, human beings lived a very hard life.
- 2. They had to compete with other animals for their survival.
- 3. Gradually, they developed an understanding to adapt themselves with the environment.
- 4. Their mental faculties enabled them to overpower other animals and dominate the surroundings.
- V. 1. In India, the sanitary conditions are very poor.
- 2. Villages, slums and small towns are the worst affected areas.
- 3. Much of man's ill health is due to environmental pollution.
- 4. Impurities in the environment have caused impurities in man's life.

WORKSHEET-81

- I. 1. Galileo was the first to use a refracting telescope to make important astronomical discoveries.
- 2. In 1609, Galileo learned of the invention of the telescope in Holland.
- 3. From the barest description he constructed a superior model.
- 4. Galileo made a series of profound discoveries using his new telescope.
- II. 1. The i Pad is a tablet computer designed and developed by company Apple.
- 2. The i Pad is also a perfect tool for any kind of business.
- 3. It's now the top selling tech gadget of all times.
- 4. It is a gadget between the smart phone and the laptop.
- III. 1. Turmeric is one of nature's most powerful healers of wounds.
- 2. Turmeric does not produce seed.
- 3. Turmeric has been grown in India since ancient times.
- 4. Turmeric was probably cultivated at first as a dye.
- IV. 1. Sometimes the temperature can change in a way that helps us.
- 2. The greenhouse effect makes the earth appropriate for people to live on.
- 3. Without it, the earth would be freezing, or on the other hand it would be burning hot.
- 4. It would be freezing at night because the sun would be down.
- V. 1. Rice is unique among cereal crops in that it is grown standing in water.
- 2. Rice is the staple food of one third of the world's population.
- 3. Most of the rice eaten in the world is sold in the polished white form.
- 4. Rice husks when burned provide silica ash.

WORKSHEET-82

- I. 1. Iron is a mineral essential for life.
- 2. It is present in every living cell.
- 3. Iron is necessary for the production of haemoglobin.
- 4. Iron is necessary for proper metabolism of Vitamin B.
- II. 1. The sun is the largest object in the solar system.
- 2. The light from the sun is very bright.

3. Plants use the sunlight to make oxygen.
 4. The sun is necessary on the earth for life.
- III.
1. Africa is the second largest continent after Asia.
 2. People visit Africa because the landscape is beautiful.
 3. Tourists visit Kruger National Park in South Africa.
 4. The continent of Africa is rich with resources, people and culture.
- IV.
1. The cactus plant grows in very hot and dry places.
 2. Cactus flowers are big and some of them bloom at night.
 3. The cactus needs water to live.
 4. Cacti can absorb water from fog in the air.
- V.
1. They have blue eyes, pink nose and a creamy white fur covered with chocolate coloured stripes.
 2. Wild white tigers are rare species.
 3. White tigers are hunted by poachers in many Asian countries.
 4. The white tiger is a good swimmer but a very poor climber.

WORKSHEET-83

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| 1. (a) comes | (b) are | (c) were | (d) are |
| (e) is | (f) were | | |
| 2. (a) has | (b) have | (c) were | (d) says |
| (e) has | (f) points | | |
| 3. (a) get | (b) raise | (c) cause | (d) is |
| (e) composting | (f) does | | |
| 4. (a) wait | (b) wear | (c) look | (d) see |
| (e) say | (f) make | | |

WORKSHEET-84

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| I. (a) (iv) have | II. (a) (ii) have | III. (a) (ii) originate |
| (b) (iii) are | (b) (i) am | (b) (iii) emanates |
| (c) (iii) are | (c) (iii) is | (c) (iv) starts |
| (d) (i) is | (d) (ii) has | (d) (i) takes |
| (e) (iii) are | (e) (iv) are | (e) (i) visit |
| (f) (iii) is | (f) (iv) are | (f) (iii) changes |

WORKSHEET-85

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| I. 1. Is | II. 1. are | III. 1. is |
| 2. makes | 2. is | 2. has |
| 3. is | 3. are | 3. has |
| 4. is | 4. was | 4. are |

WORKSHEET-86

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| 1. (a) an <u>the</u> | (b) in <u>of</u> | (c) all <u>both</u> | (d) of <u>for</u> |
| (e) should <u>can</u> | (f) by <u>from</u> | (g) a <u>the</u> | (h) or <u>and</u> |
| 2. (a) in <u>on</u> | (b) around <u>about</u> | (c) to <u>toward</u> | (d) with <u>by</u> |
| (e) scatter <u>scattered</u> | (f) reach <u>reaches</u> | (g) to <u>of</u> | (h) call <u>called</u> |
| 3. (a) was <u>is</u> | (b) with <u>by</u> | (c) function <u>functional</u> | (d) know <u>known</u> |
| (e) same <u>such</u> | (f) or <u>and</u> | (g) some <u>all</u> | (h) varies <u>vary</u> |

WORKSHEET-87

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| 1. (a) could <u>can</u> | (b) for <u>of</u> | (c) was <u>is</u> | (d) the <u>a</u> |
| (e) that <u>this</u> | (f) a <u>the</u> | (g) below <u>under</u> | (h) is <u>as</u> |
| 2. (a) was <u>is</u> | (b) were <u>is</u> | (c) into <u>onto</u> | (d) an <u>the</u> |
| (e) in <u>with</u> | (f) for <u>of</u> | (g) a <u>an</u> | (h) as <u>which</u> |
| 3. (a) in <u>on</u> | (b) if <u>of</u> | (c) a <u>the</u> | (d) is <u>are</u> |
| (e) was <u>is</u> | (f) with <u>in</u> | (g) a <u>the</u> | (h) had <u>has</u> |

WORKSHEET-88

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| 1. (a) that | (b) is | (c) the | (d) of |
| (e) is | (f) with | (g) to | (h) when |
| 2. (a) and | (b) that | (c) that | (d) is |
| (e) the | (f) will | (g) are | (h) can |
| 3. (a) a | (b) to | (c) it | (d) of |
| (e) have | (f) because | (g) where | (h) from |
| 4. (a) for | (b) of | (c) that | (d) to |
| (e) from | (f) a | (g) and | (h) in |
| 5. (a) are | (b) that | (c) are | (d) is |
| (e) for | (f) that | (g) to | (h) many |

WORKSHEET-89

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| 1. (a) the | (b) was | (c) across | (d) the |
| (e) and | (f) covering | (g) known | (h) one |
| 2. (a) of | (b) was | (c) with | (d) many |
| (e) in | (f) means | (g) in | (h) was |
| 3. (a) of | (b) being | (c) to | (d) present |
| (e) fought | (f) with | (g) of | (h) to |
| 4. (a) on | (b) that | (c) Though | (d) of |
| (e) his | (f) so | (g) with | (h) and |

WORKSHEET-90

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| 1. (a) at | (b) are | (c) The | (d) the |
| (e) their | (f) of | (g) be | (h) then |
| 2. (a) towards | (b) and | (c) in | (d) or |
| (e) by | (f) the | (g) or | (h) can |

3. (a) a (b) a (c) can (d) for
 (e) will (f) by (g) on (h) an
4. (a) of (b) in (c) up (d) on
 (e) the (f) and (g) in (h) to

WORKSHEET-91

1. I. (c) has lost hundreds of
 II. (d) would seek a ban
 III. (d) closed its embassy
 IV. (d) won the World Miss University
2. I. (b) was personal rivalry
 II. (d) were terminated
 III. (c) killed 28 people
 IV. (d) has been elected

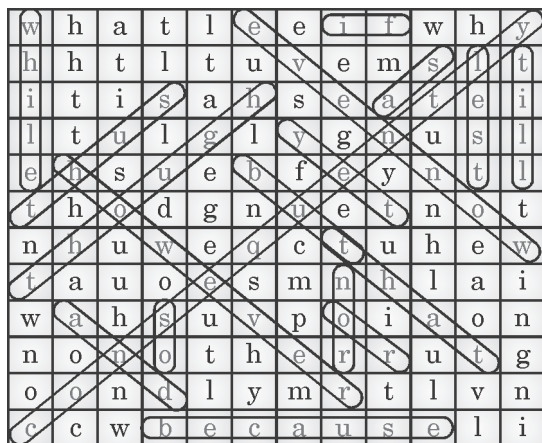
WORKSHEET-92

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| 1. You (Questions) | Your friend (Reply) |
| 1. Where are you going? | 1. I am going to Rajasthan. |
| 2. Why are you going there? | 2. I am going to attend a cousin's marriage. |
| 3. When is the marriage? | 3. The marriage is on 23 rd November. |
| 4. How long will you stay there? | 4. I will be staying there for six to eight days. |
| 5. How many new dresses have you bought for the marriage? | 5. I have just bought two. |
| 6. When will you be back? | 6. I will be back on 2nd December. |
2. Today, Himanshi took ten days leave to go somewhere. I asked her where she was going. She told me that she was going to Rajasthan to attend her cousin's marriage which was on 23rd November. Then I asked her for how long she will be staying there. To this she replied she will be there for 6 to 8 days. Then I enquired how many dresses she had bought for the marriage, to this she sadly said that she had just bought two. Then I asked her when she would be back. She replied that she would be back on 2nd December. Till then I would have to sit alone

WORKSHEET-93

1. (b)
- (i) There are eyelids of the shark in Pic-A but in the Pic-B eyes of shark are without eyelids.
 (ii) In Pic-A beak of bird is long but in Pic-B beak is short.
 (iii) There are two small fish in the water in Pic-A but in Pic-B only one small fish is seen.
 (iv) In Pic-A there are many trees in the background but in Pic-B one tree is missing.
 (v) In Pic-A, shark and boy both have nose but in Pic-B both have no nose.
- (c) For self-attempt.

2. (a)



- (b) (i) but (ii) that (iii) Consequently (iv) and
 (v) Thus (vi) Though (vii) However (viii) Even now

UNIT EVALUATION TEST-1

- (a) (ii) at (b) (iii) on (c) (i) for (d) (i) for (e) (ii) without (f) (i) of (g) (iv) of (h) (ii) from
- (a) took (b) is (c) was (d) travel (e) arrived (f) recalling (g) saw (h) shall bring
- I. Fantastic sales have been generated by the Internet Marketing.
 II. The chicken wings are being seasoned by my aunt for tonight's barbeque.
 III. Hay should be made while the sun shines.
 IV. The mansion has been broken into by burglars several times this year.
1. All vanilla beans are available in all grades all-round the year.
 2. It requires support for growing since it is a climbing vine.
 3. Every care has been taken in printing this dictionary.
 4. Plant growth is dense because of heavy rainfall.
- (a) wonderful (b) southern (c) nearly (d) width (e) coastal (f) largest (g) extremely (h) attraction

UNIT EVALUATION TEST-2

- (a) on (b) when (c) to (d) or
 (e) are (f) are (g) to (h) to
- I. (ii) will start performance from Friday
 II. (ii) rose flower has been discovered
 III. (iii) had to wade through chest deep water
 IV. (iv) will be introduced from September 2010
- (a) a the (b) became become (c) in on (d) so which
 (e) for in (f) if of (g) became become (h) the a

4.
 - I. That she is drunk aggravates the problem.
 - II. I waited for my friend until she came.
 - III. A fox who had never seen a lion before met him.
 - IV. I am as strong as you are.
 - V. I shall come if I am alone.
 - VI. I do not know whether she is guilty.
 - VII. It is certain that she will be late.
 - VIII. Although she was late, she was allowed to attend classes.

Madhav

My journey as a teenage football star started at the age of 12. I was just like most teenagers who developed interest in football by watching others playing it on T.V. I joined the local football team at practising level. And thanks to it I have played many football matches which have helped me grow as a player and learn new attack and defense skills. Last week I played an important match against Monfort School football team to get my school in the Interschool Football championship. Both the teams could not manage a goal in the first half and even the second half went dry as most time passed just trying making efforts to make and save the goal. In the last five minutes I got hold of the ball and making way through the ground I managed to reach the goal of the Monfort school team and to all and mine's surprise it was a goal. There was enthusiasm in all my team members and school teachers. In next two minutes the match came to an end and I was awarded the best player of the match. I feel elated and with it feel sense of responsibility to win the championship and make my school proud.

Yours

Jasbir

5.

USE OF SMS LANGUAGE

(by Kalpi Chawla)

As the world is going mobile, Short Message Service, (SMS) is becoming a rage with people worldwide. What is adding fuel to the fire is, the declining rates offered by the communication companies and the trend continues. Students and young professionals often employ the 'half baked' language to almost all aspects of their lives. SMS lingo has also invaded the usually meticulously examination system, with students of all classes almost subconsciously using short forms in their answer sheets. Paradoxically, foundation of the language that was built over years is now ruined in one go. Childhood lessons are forgotten, spelling tests have virtually lost their importance, since we all believe in compressing forms. Blame it on the speedy lifestyles or rising levels of impatience among youth, the reality is that we have lost to the medium and the language. Various studies suggest that children are the growing users of mobile phones and Internet, hence their exposure to such language makes them learn this faster than their conventional lessons in schools. Thus, the only way to keep them away from the eerie drift is by ostracizing the use of wringed language.

SECTION-C (GRAMMAR)

6. (a) is be (b) on to (c) or and (d) has have
(e) before ago (f) remain remains
7. (a) the (b) is (c) experiencing (d) an
(e) for (f) if (g) in (h) when
8. 1. She is inviting all her friends to birthday party next week.
2. I would like to look at the books on Indian architecture.
3. No sooner did the sun rise than the mist disappeared.
9. (a) (iii) sacrificed (b) (i) permits (c) (ii) to retrace
10. (a) the (b) of (c) most (d) of
(e) nearly (f) from (g) formed (h) of
11. (a) It is one of the advanced ropeways of India.
(b) It is controlled by electronically and mechanically both.
(c) It is used to carry 12 persons in a single time.

PRACTICE PAPER-2

SECTION-A (READING)

- 1.1. (a) mountains that take your breath away.
(b) mammalian.
(c) burrow their way under the rocks and live mostly on berries and small vegetation.
(d) for the snow leopards as the rodent-like animals can't waddle away fast enough into their lairs once the leopard spots them.
- 1.2. (a) It is known for awesome mountains.
(b) It is as big as a groundhog with a coat like a squirrel's.
(c) They live under the rocks and eat berries and small vegetation.
(d) They (mar mots) can't waddle away fast enough into their burrows once the leopard spots them.
- 1.3. (a) fertile (b) die
- 1.4. (a) disinterest (b) cultivated
2. 1. (d) remains of tiny sea plants and animals
2. (c) Enormous pressure and heat and presence of non-porous rock
3. (d) Compounds of hydrogen and carbon
4. (b) Seal
5. (b) Reservoir
6. (a) Sandstone
7. (a) Non-porous rock
8. (a) Millions of years

SECTION-B (WRITING & GRAMMAR)

3.

BOARDING SCHOOL

(by Shruti)

Kids come up with many mixed feelings and pictures in their mind with the name of boarding school. Nowadays boarding schools are synonyms to allow children a safe space. Many families choose boarding schools for their children because of the college preparation. If parents are looking for a school with smaller class sizes and more individual attention, a safer school environment, more challenging academic program to better prepare for college, clear goals for the future, and sense of independence in kids then boarding school can be helpful.

The personal attention that is possible in a class with fewer students is another major benefit of a boarding school education. Teachers get to know their students extremely well. While parents may worry about the supervision their child receives outside of the classroom, the truth is that boarding schools offer a wide range of activities to engage students during free time. From sports to art, music, special interest clubs and volunteer opportunities, students are kept busy from morning to night. Although students who attend boarding school are generally more independent, almost out of necessity, they are rarely unsupervised.

Boarding schools provide a wealth of opportunities for academic learning and personal growth. Students who enter excited about the chance to be part of the close-knit community are those most likely to succeed.

4.

**ARMY PUBLIC SCHOOL
NOTICE**

October 22, 20XX

Say No to Crackers

In view of environmental pollution and ongoing economic recession, students are hereby request to join the campaign to celebrate cracker free Diwali. Instead utilize that money to provide gifts and food for the homeless. So come forward and support this cause.

Rajiv

(President of Environment Society)

5. Date : June 12, 20XX

From : amrita@gmail.com

To : aditi@hotmail.com

Subject : Dad, promoted as manager and parents will be moving to your city

Dear Aditi

Hope you are in pinkish health. I am also fine here. I have the most wonderful news, and I could hardly wait to tell you about it. It turns out that my parents might be moving permanently to your city next year. Yes, dad has been asked to join the branch of his office in Hyderabad and he has been promoted as the manager there. I was so thrilled when I heard about this, that I could barely contain myself. I have asked dad to look out for a home near your colony so that we can meet often. We will then be able to play cricket again, have our sleep over party and enjoy our meals together. Good news is always so much more fun when shared with a friend. I can't wait until the next time we see each other or talk so we can talk about this further. In the meantime, take care of yourself. I'll be thinking of you. Please, convey my respects to your mom and dad.

Your friend

Amrita

SECTION-C (GRAMMAR)

6. (a) (iii) has not prevented (b) (ii) increased (c) (iii) to blame
7. (a) of (b) is (c) help (d) much
(e) is (f) for (g) well (h) like
8. (a) she had bought it
(b) if she could buy one for her
(c) if she wanted
9. (a) for (b) but (c) the (d) as
(e) in (f) in
10. (a) of (b) to (c) an (d) and
(e) the (f) as (g) to (h) that
11. 1. They had been watching television in the hall for two hours.
2. The lake is popular for boating and swimming.
3. Fasting removes poison from the body.

PRACTICE PAPER-3

SECTION-A (READING)

- 1.1. (a) four to five weeks involving interesting and fun-filled activities.
(b) fit as a fiddle by imparting lessons in yoga, cricket, tennis and swimming.
(c) to the fullest.
(d) hyper-active and aggressive children as they help channel their energies fruitfully by drawing out the best in them.
- 1.2. (a) They give students an opportunity to learn various activities like painting, music, etc.
(b) Their hobbies and talents are developed to a great extent.
(c) It enables young children to expand their imagination.
(d) They get opportunity to channelise their energies in positive direction.
- 1.3. (a) discourage (b) uniformity
- 1.4. (a) unskilled (b) calm
2. 1. (d) Decreases the life of the vehicle
2. (b) To remove dirt from oil
3. (c) Antifreeze
4. (b) Tyre
5. (c) Debris
6. (a) 3000 miles
7. (a) Critical
8. (a) Tyres

SECTION-B (WRITING & GRAMMAR)

3.

VIVEKANANDA HIGH SCHOOL, DELHI NOTICE

6 August, 20××

Science Exhibition

I am extremely delighted to inform you that the Science exhibition is to be held on 15 August, 20××. All the students are requested to participate in it whole-heartedly and make it a success. For details, please contact the undersigned.

Praveen Raina

Secretary

Science Club

4. ABC Colony

Delhi

December 2, 20XX

Editor

The Hindustan Times

K.G. Marg

New Delhi

Sir

Subject: Growing number of vehicles in the city

Through the columns of your widely circulated daily, I would like to invite the kind attention of the concerned authorities towards the growing number of vehicles in the city. The genesis of pollution begins with the story of urbanization. In our city the air pollution is on a steep rise for the last five years. The number of vehicles has gone up from 10,000 to 75,000 over the last five years. These vehicles emit poisonous gases and pollute our environment. The diesel or petrol being used in the vehicles emits toxic smoke containing lethal gases. Vehicular exhaust, a by-product of fuel combustion contains potentially lethal chemical compounds such as carbon monoxide (CO), oxides of Nitrogen, oxides of Sulphur and unburnt hydrocarbons. The vehicular pollution has led to the depletion of the ozone layer. This air pollution is the prime cause of the increasing lung-related problems. Health of the human beings is being suffered greatly due to this human activity.

It is the need of the hour to make efforts to curb this menace.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

Anshu

5. Good Morning Everybody,

Today we have gathered to celebrate 'The World Health Day' and on this occasion I will voice my concern against the increasing spread of cancer during the past few decades. The very name of cancer fills our heart with terror as more and more people are falling under its threat. Urban India is more prone to cancer than the rural India. The reasons for the growing cancer among the urban people are high levels of benzene in the air. This is not all; also there is a high level of pesticides in the food items consumed by urban people. Also the radio-active waves which are part and parcel of the life of city people do more harm than good. They penetrate our skin cells and expose us to number of allergies and cancer potential danger. To check the growth of cancer, government needs to be on its toes. It should be dealt with priority. Steps towards its prevention must be taken immediately. Though, cancer is no more an incurable disease, yet most can't afford it as it is little expensive. Government must ensure that treatment is available to all at the most affordable prices.

Thank you

SECTION-C (GRAMMAR)

6. (a) then than (b) a the (c) they that (d) is are
 (e) have has (f) cell cells
7. (a) for (b) of (c) in (d) the
 (e) the (f) be (g) the (h) of
8. (a) the (c) of (d) it (e) the
 (f) is (g) is (h) within
9. (a) (ii) are eating is
 (b) (i) are drinking it is
 (c) (iv) are living is
10. (a) have has (b) a the (c) an the (d) in of
 (e) follow followed (f) in of (g) another other (h) effect effects
11. (a) that she was fine
 (b) where she had gone
 (c) that she had gone to Agra

PRACTICE PAPER-4

SECTION-A (READING)

- 1.1. (a) Bindusara welcomed a son into the world.
(b) general, likely much to his brother's dismay, putting down a rebellion in the Punjabi city of Takshila.
(c) Ashoka went into exile for two years in the neighbouring country of Kalinga.
(d) Devi also attended Ashoka during this period.
- 1.2. (a) He was a bold, troublesome and cruel young man.
(b) He married Kaurwaki. She was a commoner, a fisher-woman.
(c) When he put down a rebellion in the Punjabi city of Takshila.
(d) Once the wounded prince was taken care of by Buddhist monks. It was they who taught him the basic tenets of Buddhism.
- 1.3. (a) harmony (b) military
- 1.4. (a) quiet (b) failed
2. 1. (d) Beauty of Cacti
2. (b) Saguaro
3. (d) Deserts and tropical regions
4. (c) By having roots close to surface
5. (a) Barren
6. (a) Recognised
7. (c) Desert
8. (b) Roots

SECTION-B (WRITING & GRAMMAR)

3. MESSAGE

September 2, 20XX 6.30 p.m.

Dear Neha

Have to leave immediately. I just received the news that Grandma is seriously ill and in the hospital. Please submit my English assignment, lying on the computer-table to our English teacher.

Bye

Komal

4. Value of Travelling

Honourable Principal, respected Teachers and My Dear Friends,

Today I would like to draw your kind attention towards 'Value of Travelling'.

Since time immemorial travelling has been a part and parcel of life. Earlier man used to travel in search of food and shelter. Now thanks to dedicated effort put together by man. Travelling has become an art of leisure too. Books give a basic description of all these things but a look at them is an enriching experience of our lives. Travelling gives us a real exposure as we get to learn new ideas, traditions and cultures. Reading about places or culture does not leave so strong an image like left by being present at the site and witnessing it yourself. This enhances our knowledge and experience. We get to learn qualities like understanding, tolerance, fraternity and cooperation. We sensitise to different religions, customs and cultures. This makes us a complete person. The schools must organize regular day outings and excursions to places to

help students develop their values. This will also help them be a better person. Parents should also take if possible their children to different places to make them aware of the diversity in the culture and help them develop the respect for them. It also breaks the monotonous routine of daily lives and fills our lives with new energy. Last of all when we travel with our families it strengthens the relationship bond which seems to have lost its grip in daily stressful life.

5. 81-A Kamla Nagar

Delhi

January 12, 20XX

The Editor

The Hindustan Times

K.G. Marg

New Delhi

Sir

Subject: Growing popularity of the high-tech gadgets among children

Through the columns of your widely circulated daily, I would like to invite your kind attention towards children craze for the high-tech gadgets. It is true that in today's world it is next to impossible to live without the high-tech devices. The worst affected group is children, as these days they are completely ruled by these devices. Though, one can in no way deny the benefits of these devices which have made our lives simpler and easier. They have made the world jump forward with a leap and have opened up innumerable avenues for growth of knowledge. High-tech devices have revolutionized our way of living and have made it quite simpler. Though, these devices have made our lives easier they have their downsides too. Gadgets like video games, internet and cell phones keep children engaged for long hours. This takes them away from education and distracts and cramps their social development also. Children now prefer to spend their time indoor rather than going outside and playing with their friends. It is important to keep a check on the children and limit their time they spend with their high-tech gadgets as excessive use is also bad for their health. Tell them it is better to use the devices moderately to balance the things out well.

Yours sincerely

Mayank

SECTION-C (GRAMMAR)

6. (a) can (b) may (c) should (d) of
(e) and (f) a
7. (a) were (b) of (c) that (d) they
(e) in (f) that (g) of (h) be
8. 1. An allergy is a disorder of the immune system.
2. An allergy is everything from a runny nose, itchy eyes and palate to skin rash.
3. It occurs when the body's immune system over reacts to normally harmless substances.
9. (a) to (b) be (c) up (d) and
(e) to (f) have (h) too
10. (a) the (b) and (c) it (d) the
(e) into (f) is (g) a (h) the
11. (a) It undergoes six kinds of modifications.
(b) The soul is unborn, eternal, constant and ancient.
(c) It is not killed when the body is slain.

PRACTICE PAPER-5

SECTION-A (READING)

- 1.1. (a) the world both tolerance and universal acceptance.
(b) gathered in our bosom the purest remnant of the Israelites.
(c) which men take through different tendencies, various though they appear, crooked or straight, all lead to Thee.
(d) a vindication, a declaration to the world of the wonderful doctrine preached in the Gita.
- 1.2. (a) He thanked the people of America on behalf of Hindu people of all classes and sects.
(b) The Hindu religion teaches the world tolerance.
(c) His nation has always given shelter to the refugees.
(d) India allowed the Israelites to take refuge with the people of India.
- 1.3. (a) unfriendly (b) whole
- 1.4. (a) build (b) core
2. 1. (c) Vaccination
2. (b) Virus
3. (b) Rubella
4. (b) Respiratory system
5. (a) Infectious
6. (a) Rashes
7. (a) Two
8. (a) Virus

SECTION-B (WRITING & GRAMMAR)

3. Bad Company

There was a good boy. Unfortunately he fell into bad company. He began to disobey his parents. He roamed all day long in the company of bad boys. This upset his father. He tried his best to bring his son on the right path, but of no use. One day, the father thought out a plan. He brought some fresh apples from the market. He also brought one rotten apple and mixed it with good ones. He said to his son to put all the apples in the cupboard and leave them for a few days. The son did so. After a few days, the father asked his son to bring the apples. The son was shocked to find all the apples had got rotten. At this the father said to his son how one rotten apple spoiled all the good ones. Bad friends were just like bad apples. They would spoil his good son. The father's words had great impact on the son. He gave up bad company and became a good son once again.

Moral: Better alone than in a bad company.

4. Population is the root of all problems

Our country is facing a great number of problems. Increase in population is one of them. Population explosion has taken a rapid stride in the country. It has complicated the problems of poverty, illness, unemployment and many others. Factors responsible for population explosion are many. Lack of education among rural people, early marriage, ignorance, superstitions are some of them. The bigger the size of the family, the lower the attention of the parents on their children. Lack of proper attention on children easily make them astray. Such children become a burden on family, society and nation in the long run. Hence, it is essential to educate them. For this, population explosion must be checked by all means. There is a need for public conscience. People should be educated to be wise enough to understand the value of a small family. Small

but skilled or resourceful population would make our country strong and prosperous. Once our population is controlled, most of the problems would be automatically resolved.

5. Date : September 30, 20XX

From : natasha@gmail.com

To : tawaish@yahoo.com

Subject :My memory of carnival Ferris

Tawaish

I have always been fascinated by carnival rides. Yesterday I saw some children going round on the Ferris. This made me remind my ride on Ferris. For me, it is precisely the thrill and excitement of having survived the ride that keeps me coming back for more. My first experience with a carnival ride was a Ferris wheel at a local fair. Looking at that looming monstrosity spinning the life out of its sardine-caged occupants, I was dumbstruck. It was huge, smoky and noisy. An almost imperceptible pause as the wheel reached the top of its climb allowed my body to relax in a brief state of normalcy. Then there was an assault of stomach-turning weightlessness as the machine continued its rotation and I descended back toward the earth. Every ascent left me elated that I had survived the previous death-defying fall. My fascination with these fantastic flights is deeply engrained in my soul. A trip on the wonderful Ferris wheel never fails to thrill me. Although I am becoming older and have less time, or less inclination, to play, the child-like thrill I have on a Ferris wheel continues with each and every ride.

Yours

Natasha

SECTION-C (GRAMMAR)

6. (a) (ii) has ever been
(b) (iv) have been told
(c) (i) occurred
7. (a) a (b) the (c) is (d) by
(e) are (f) and (g) in (h) in
8. (a) He belonged to a poor family of Carsica island in France.
(b) Because of his war-like nature, he joined the army.
(c) He proved his military ability by suppressing a revolt in Toulon.
9. (a) have (b) are (c) are (d) is
(e) are (f) is
10. (a) an a (b) those these (c) he you (d) of from
(e) have has (f) this that (g) reach reaching (h) in on
11. 1. Chlorophyll is found in the chloroplasts of green plants.
2. Chlorophyll is the molecule that absorbs sunlight and uses its energy to synthesise carbohydrates.
3. This process is known as photosynthesis.