

GRADE VIII

SCHOOL

ASSESSMENT - I

TIME 2 HOURS

ENGLISH LITERATURE

M.M 80

Answers to this Paper must be written on the paper provided separately. You will not be allowed to write during the first 15 minutes. This time is to be spent in reading the question paper. The time given at the head of this Paper is the time allowed for writing the answers.

Section -A

(I) Word meaning

- a) scathing
- b) drastic
- c) lair
- d) Monolith

(II) Choose the correct answer

a) One skilled in the knowledge of or dealing with plants / herbs.

- i) herbalist
- ii) zoologist

b) One who does not have house or a place to stay.

- i) homely
- ii) homeless

c) The average daily temperature in Oymyakon

- i) -46 degree Celsius
- ii) -36 degree Celsius

d)are the step to measure temperature, rainfall and other weather conditions.

- i) weather station
- ii) weather condition

e) A public stunt a scheme that attract public attention but works in a concealed way

i) gimmick

ii) famous

f) What creates the silence?

i) The coldness of the frost.

ii) grasshopper

g) Who is the poet of the poem 'Last lesson of the afternoon.'

i) D.H. Lawrence.

ii) Seth

h) As changeable as

i) weather

ii) human

III) True or False.

a) The homeless character is ill treated by others.

b) The man was dismissed because of his eyes.

c) Death Valley is the lowest, hottest driest area in the USA.

d) The poetry of the earth is never ceasing.

e) Aid climbing is climbing without much equipment.

f) Grasshopper's voice will run from hedge to hedge.

IV) fill in the blanks.

a)means a tax for service rendered.

b)was Tommy's climbing partner.

c) The homeless character wishes to have a place.....

d)means not permanent

e) The birds takes..... from the hot sun and hide in the cool, shade giving trees.

V) Make sentence.

- a) the same Abyes
- b) waste my soul
- c) far and wide
- d) round and round

Section-B

VI) Reference to context.

i) 'For ten days Kevin was stuck on pitch 15.'

- a) Who is Kevin?
- b) What does 'Kevin was stuck on' mean?
- c) What were the consequences of getting stuck for ten days?

ii) 'The landscape is so arid that scientists are very interested in studying it -because it is the place on earth that is most similar to the condition on the planet Mars.'

- a) What does arid mean?
- b) Which place is being described here?
- b) Why might it surprise people to learn that there is a desert here?

VII) Answer the following

- a) What do we learn about El Capitan?
- b) Why is it hard to live a simple life if the temperature gets extremely hot?
- c) How did the government try to capture the long-nosed man?
- d) Why did Caldwell ask the doctors to take off the top of his finger?

Section C

VIII) Reference to context

i) I am sick, and what on earth is the good of it all?

- a) What is the speaker sick about?
- b) What is the it that is referred to?
- c) What question does the speaker subsequently ask?

- d) What action does the speaker decide on?
- ii) To know that I will never how to move to review seasons from one liar.
- a) What does Seth mean by liar?
- b) What does sate mean by review season?
- c) Discuss the meaning of the lines as separate sentence and as one continuous sentences can they be interpreted differently?

IX) Answer the following

- a) Why does the poet think of his pupils as a pack of unruly hounds?
- b) What is the poet's final decision or resolve?
- c) What are the three future events that the homeless character wishes for?
- d) How is the homeless character treated by others?

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