

English
(302)
Assignment - I
(Lesson 1 - 9)

Max. Marks: 25

Note:

- (i) All questions are compulsory. Each question carries equal mark.
- (ii) Write your name, enrolment number, AI name and subject etc. on the top of the first page of the answer sheet.

1. (a) Read anyone of the following extracts and answer the questions that follow:

The buzzword today is clean energy - something that we can reap from nature. And, the search has led man to the sun (Solar) the wind, the tide (tidal), water (hydro) and even biogas. The good news is that we, in India, have reasons to be proud. Not only do we have the world's only Ministry for Renewable Energy Sources, but we are also the world's fifth largest producer of wind energy.

- (i) What are the different sources from which energy is obtained?
- (ii) What is the good news that the writer refers to?
- (iii) What does 'today' mean in the passage?
- (iv) Find the word in the passage which means similar to 'fashionable'.

OR

The family pandit, upon whose advice, mother had relied almost from her childhood, was called in and consulted. "He knows more about religion and science", mother said with pride, "than any other pandit in our province". I was taken before him and for a long time I sat in my mother's lap while he was lost in thought. After a while, he took my hand and examined the lines. Then he looked at mother's and he studied her forehead, mumbling steadily. He said he found himself inadequate.

- (i) What was the mother's opinion about the pandit?
- (ii) What did the pandit try to study?
- (iii) Could the pandit suggest any clue for the child's problem? Give reasons for your answer
- (iv) Find a word from the passage which means similar to 'speaking quietly and indistinctly'.

- (b) Answer any **one** of the following questions in about 60-80 words:

- (i) What were the factors that contributed to Sunil Gavaskar's love for cricket and his grand success as a cricketer?

(My First Steps)

- (ii) Why did Rahul write to his father, the letter which was not meant to be posted?

(Father, Dear Father)

- (c) Answer **any one** of the following questions in about 60-80 words:
- (i) What are the things that W.H. Davies, the poet of 'Leisure', misses in life and why? (Leisure)
 - (ii) Describe the difference that the grandmother's death brought about in the life of the poetess, Kamla Das. (My Grandmother's House)
2. Write a paragraph in about 100 words on **any one** of the following topics:
- (i) Students' Role in Politics
 - (ii) IPL matches are the first step towards Universal Brotherhood.
3. Fill in the blanks in the following passage with the correct form of the words given in brackets:
- Coconut.....(1)..... (be) primarily(2)..... (use) for extracting oil. India(3)..... (produce) about 5 lakh tonnes of coconut oil. It is(4) (consume) mostly in Tamil Nadu and Kerala. In Kerala most of the cooking(5)..... (do) in coconut oil..

4. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.

The constable's version goes like this. At 3.20 am on Tuesday, Bhagwan's attention was drawn to the barking of stray dogs. He was on duty at the main gate of the Byalalu facility.

He spotted two men nearly 50ft away. They were wearing police uniforms. One of them was standing on a mound while the other was sitting there. He said the gunmen were peering into the facility through binoculars.

When they came near the gate, he confronted them. At this, the gunmen fired at him from pistols. They fired twice. Bhagwan returned the fire, firing two rounds first and then, changing position, three more rounds at the gunmen.

The constable claimed the gunmen then fled under the cover of darkness. As they were fleeing, he ran along the facility's perimeter wall, firing three more rounds, emptying eight rounds in all.

But was the constable hallucinating?

The Bangalore Police feel he was and the "shootout" was fabricated. "How come neither Jadhav nor the assailants were injured when 10 rounds were exchanged?" a police officer asked.

Bangalore's additional director-general of police A.R. Infant said: "Our day-long investigations indicate no shots were fired from outside on the constable. There are no traces of exchange of gunfire either on the scene of crime."

The CISF has refused to hand over Bhagwan to the police for interrogation. He has been kept away from the media.

Another senior police officer said it was a clear case of hallucination. "When security personnel are on night shifts for longer periods of time hallucinations are common".

- (i) Make notes on the passage using heading and subheadings.
- (ii) Make notes in points using recognizable abbreviation, wherever necessary.

5. Project work:

In view of the spread of common diseases in your neighbourhood take up the following project:

Title: Creating awareness towards healthcare in the neighbourhood.

Step I

Make a team of 5-6 volunteers.

Step II

Prepare a questionnaire keeping in mind the following points:

- Cleanliness
 - personal hygiene
 - surroundings
- Food habits
- Exercise/physical activity
- Mental/emotional health
- Attitude towards life and common problems

Step III

Each volunteer to visit 10 houses in the locality and get the questionnaire filled in

Step IV

Analyse the data collected and put it in a tabular form.

Step V

Write a report giving suggestions for creating awareness towards health and hygiene.

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Assignment - II
(Lesson 10 - 17)

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1. (a) Read any **one** of the following extracts and answer the questions that follow:

He sat down in the darkness to wait for the train, and sang softly to himself. There was nothing to be afraid of - his father had killed the tiger, the forest gods were pleased; and besides, he had the axe with him, his father's axe, and he now knew to use it.

- (i) Who is 'he' in the extract?
- (ii) What was 'he' waiting for in the darkness?
- (iii) Why was 'he' not afraid of anything?
- (iv) Pick out the word from the extract which means opposite to 'loudly'.

Or

I looked at Aradhna. The bruised look in her eyes hurt me immensely. I groped for her hand and squeezed it. "Forget her, she is mad and mean and miserable". My sister gave a small laugh which sounded more like a cry.

- (i) Who is 'I' in the extract?
- (ii) Who has been referred to as 'mad, mean and miserable'?
- (iii) What was the occasion for Aradhna and her family being present there?
- (iv) Pickout the word which means similar to 'emotionally disturbed'.

- (b) Answer any **one** of the following in about 60-80 words:

The Intruder had come to Gerrard's house with a specific plan in his mind. What was his plan? Did he succeed?

Or

Pandit Nehru says 'the early beginning of our history filled me with wonder'. What was wonderful about it which impressed him. Give four points only.

- (c) Write the two areas of freedom which the poet, Rabindra Nath Tagore wants his countrymen to achieve.

Or

What is the significance of the two roads mentioned in the poem 'The Road Not Taken'?

2. Write a letter to the Controller (Examination) NIOS, to issue you a duplicate copy of class XII certificate. You are Raja Ram Pathak, resident of A-283, State Bank Colony, Paschim Vihar, New Delhi.

OR

Your younger brother got injured in his school during the games period. The games teacher was not present with the class, no medical aid was provided. He was asked to go home. Write a letter to the Principal of your brother's school drawing his attention to the irresponsible attitude of the school authorities and request him to take suitable steps to ensure the safety of the children in the school.

3. Combine the following pairs of sentences using relative clauses-
 - (i) I thanked the lady. She had helped me when a motorist tried to snatch my gold chain.
 - (ii) I asked him to return my pen. He had borrowed it from me to write a cheque.
 - (iii) We had a house at Shastri Nagar in Faridabad. We have sold it to buy a new house in Delhi.
 - (iv) I kept on waiting for an electrician. He was to come to repair my geyser in my house.
 - (v) The boys were to participate in the stage play. Unfortunately they met with an accident on the way.
4. Read the passage given below and make notes on the passage using recognisable abbreviations. Also give a suitable 'heading' to the passage.

In India, it is estimated that at any given time, there are 21 lakh people suffering from cancer of whom 6.4 lakh succumb to this disease every year. In the smaller cities, the facilities for treatment are practically non-existent. In the metros, the hospitals equipped to offer treatment can hardly cope with the growing number of people including children, suffering from this disease. A majority of cancer patients, by the time they reach a hospital, are already in great economic and emotional distress as most of their meagre resources are exhausted from expenditure on travel and treatment. Many of them are in advanced state of the disease. It is of vital importance that these poor and extremely sick people get care and guidance immediately.

5. Project

Make a project on "**Initiating awareness campaign towards making environment free from pollution and fighting health hazards in the nearby JJ Colony**".

- Step I : Problem: You have observed that in the nearby JJ Colony people are very careless about pollution and environment in their residential area. Pollution includes noise pollution, air pollution and garbage dumping problems.
- Step II: Objective: To create awareness among the residents by persuading them to be particular about better living conditions by their own efforts.
- Step III: Tool : Questionnaire: Form for interviewing people on the above mentioned problem.
- Poster: depicting people throwing garbage open in front of doors - and on the roads; open drains full of dirty water, mosquitoes and flies around the garbage.

Step IV: Conduct a survey to collect information relevant to the problem. Make a group of youngsters to conduct the survey and collect the data.

Step V: Analyse and reflect the data in a tabulated form

Prepare a report, circulate it among the residents so that they become aware of the mighty problem. Suggest means and steps to improve the living conditions.

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Assignment - III
(Lesson 18- 25)

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- (i) All questions are compulsory. Each question carries equal marks.
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1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

- (A) Bholi did not know what exactly a school was like and what happened there, but was glad to find so many girls almost of her own age present there. She hoped that one of these girls might become her friend.

The lady teacher who was in the class was saying something to the girls, but Bholi could understand nothing. She looked at the picture on the wall. The colours fascinated her... and suddenly Bholi noticed that the teacher was standing by her side, smiling at her

'What's your name, Little one?'

Bh...Bho...Bho... She could stammer no further.

Then she began to cry and tears flowed from her eyes in helpless flood.

- (i) Why did Bholi not know what exactly a school was like and what happened there?
- (ii) What did Bholi expect from the girls present over there?
- (iii) Why did Bholi fail to understand what the teacher said?
- (iv) Why did Bholi stammer while talking to the teacher?
- (v) Which word in the passage means similar to the following:
'to become aware'

Or

The Tehsildar Sahib came to perform its opening ceremony (a primary school for girls). He said to Ramlal, "As a revenue official you are the representative of the government in the village and so you must set an example to the villagers. You must send your daughters to school.

That night when Ramlal consulted his wife, she cried "Are you crazy? If girls go to school, who will marry them".

But Ram Lal had not the courage to disobey the Tehsildar.

- (i) What is the occasion when the Tehsildar asked Ramlal to send his daughters to school?

- (ii) Why did the Tehsildar ask Ramlal to send his daughters to school?
- (iii) How did Ramlal's wife react to the proposal to send his daughters to school?
- (iv) What impression do you form about Ramlal's wife after reading her reaction to the Tehsildar's suggestion?
- (v) Find the word in the passage which means similar to '**fool/thoughtless**'.

(B) Answer any **one** of the following questions in about 60-80 words:

Why was Bholi engaged to an old lame, greedy, heartless and contemptible person? Why did she refuse to marry him?

(Bholi)

OR

How will you justify Bholi's reaction to Bishamber Nath's refusal to marry him? How did harmless, dumb-driven cow and stammering fool, react in aggressive manner? What granted her such a courage?

(Bholi)

(C) What impression do you form about the peasants gathered at the poet's house when a scorpion stung the poet's mother?

(Night of the Scorpion)

OR

Suggest one word/expression each for the peasant and the poet's mother after reading the poem 'Night of the Scorpion'.

(Night of the Scorpion)

2. The following passage has six errors. The errors are of grammar, spellings and punctuation. Spot the errors and provide the corrections. One has been done for you.

At fist site it might seem that all birds were the same They all fly about, built nests and lie eggs. A close look show that infact bird's life includes many forms Which are vary different from the another.

ERROR	CORRECTED FORM
fist	first
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3. You had attended a seminar on 'Prevention is better than cure' on the World Aids Day. Write your experience in a paragraph of about 75-80 words.

OR

Write a paragraph in about 75-80 words giving expression of your feelings when you saw a physically handicapped man running a telephone booth independently.

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

Today's woman is a highly self-directed person, alive to the sense of her dignity and the importance of her functions in the private domestic domain and the public domain of the world of work. Women are rational in approach, careful in handling situations and want to do things as best as possible. The Fourth World Conference of Women held in Beijing in September 1995 had emphasised that no enduring solution of society's most threatening social, economic and political problems could be found without the participation and empowerment of the women. The 1993 World Summit for Social Development had also emphasised the pivotal role of women in eradicating poverty and mending the social fabric.

The constitution of India had conferred on women equal rights and opportunities - political, social, educational and of employment with men. Because of oppressive traditions, superstitions, exploration and corruption, a majority of women are not allowed to enjoy the rights and opportunities bestowed on them. One of the major reason for this state of affairs is the lack of literacy and awareness among women. Education is the main instrument through which we can narrow down the prevailing inequality and accelerate the process of economic and political change in the status of women.

- (i) Mention any two attributes of a modern woman.
- (ii) Why is women's participation and empowerment considered necessary?
- (iii) Which factors adversely affect the education of girls?
- (iv) What benefits have been granted to the women by the constitution of India?
- (v) Which words in the passage mean similar to the following:
 - (a) cruel and unfair
 - (b) to bring to an end for ever

5. Choose **one** of the options given below and answer the questions related to that option only.

ESP RECEPTIONIST

1. Break the following telephone numbers to show the way how the digits should be pronounced. Mark the pause with a (/)
46938079, 9810336704
2. Fill in the blanks in the following Telephone Memo after reading the conversation given below:

Receptionist: Good morning. This is Aparna Industries, IP Extn. Industrial Area. What can I do?

Caller: Good morning. This is Dr. Walia, Medical Consultant of your concern. I'm not in a position to attend the Interaction with the workers this afternoon as I'am unwell and not in a position to attend the proposed meeting. Please convey to your Labour officer or PRO

Receptionist: I'll do the needful. Get well soon Dr. Walia.

Telephone Memo

To _____

From _____

Date & Time _____

Message _____

3. Write responses to the following requests/queries made by the visitor/client/guest:
- (i) I want my bill to be ready today before 12.00 noon. I'll check out by then.
_____ (You can do)
 - (ii) I have to handover the sample of the uniform of the Group 'D' employees of the company. I'm Sorry for the delay by two hours.
_____ (You don't mind this delay)
4. Of what use are the following documents and form for the Receptionist's use
- (i) Flight schedule/Railway Time Table
 - (ii) Message form
 - (iii) Register of callers
 - (iv) Tariff chart

OR

ESP II (For Office Use)

1. Write an e-mail to the MD Rayon Clothiers, Faizabad to inform that you have missed the train to reach the venue of the interview for the post of PRO in his organization by the time given to you, you are hiring a taxi to reach there and might get late. Request him to permit you. You are Yogesh Gupta.
2. In a meeting what the Boss wants to convey if he/she says-
 - (a) can well call it a day, now?
 - (b) Will it really work?
 - (c) Enough for the day.
 - (d) Shall we get started? Shall we?
3. If you have to attend an interview for a job, what preparation will you make to ensure that the Board should select you. Mention atleast two such things that you would like to concentrate.
4. Write a report of enquiry related to collapse of a part of your office building within the first three months of its construction. Use the appropriate format, procedure followed arriving at the reasons for the mishap.
5. Write a letter of enquiry from M/s Godrej Furniture, Main Gate, Jallandar about the rates for supply of steel furniture (20 chairs and 4 tables) for your office.
State your requirement and specification. Ask for their trade terms.