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FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT – I (PAPER PEN TEST) 2014–15

Class : IX

Marks : 30

Sub : English

Time : 1 Hr.

Section – A

(Reading)

I. Read the following passage carefully:

SLEEP

- 1 Nobody knows why we sleep, but we all need to. There are no rules about how much sleep is necessary but the average adult sleeps for 7 hours 20 minutes. About 8% of adults are happy with 5 hours or less and 4% want 10 hours or more. Babies need between 14 to 18 hours whereas the elderly need less than they did when young but often take a nap during the day.
- 2 If you miss a couple of hours of sleep, no harm is done. You may feel tired and irritable the next day but the body soon makes up for the loss. If you try to stay awake night after night however, you soon begin to behave strangely. You lose the ability to concentrate and your judgement is impaired. You begin to imagine strange things and your behavior becomes deranged.
- 3 There are a number of causes for sleeplessness. Worry and depression are the most common. All kinds of things in the environment can affect sleep – noise, light, heat, cold, new surroundings, etc. Pain in illness can also keep people awake. Many people become addicted to their sleeping pills but sleeping pills do not deal with the causes of insomnia and it is better to avoid them if you can. It is much better to identify the problem and remove it.

Read the given questions and mark the option you consider the most appropriate: 5 x 1 = 5M

- a. Which of the following statement is 'True'? []
- (i) On an average an adult sleeps for 8 hours and 20 minutes.
 - (ii) If not slept properly for few hours, one is unable to concentrate and starts behaving peculiarly.
 - (iii) If one stays awake night after night, he soon begins to imagine strange things.
 - (iv) Worry and depression are not the causes of sleeplessness rather they are results of sleeplessness.
- b. If one does not sleep for sufficient number of hours, one may:
- (i) feel tired and irritable the next day.
 - (ii) not behave in a deranged manner.
 - (iii) not lose the ability to concentrate
 - (iv) all the above
- c. Which of the following is a solution to sleeplessness?
- (i) Addiction to sleeping pills
 - (ii) Taking required sleep
 - (iii) Avoiding light, heat, noise, etc. for a sound sleep
 - (iv) Avoiding sleeping pills and find the problem and solving it.
- d. If some days sleep is missed, no harm is done. What harm is being talked about?
- (i) Physical harm
 - (ii) Mental harm
 - (iii) Psychological harm.
 - (iv) Both (ii) and (iii)
- e. Which word in the passage stands for 'sleeping disorder'?
- (i) Deranged
 - (ii) Insomnia
 - (iii) Nap
 - (iv) Depression

Section – B
(Writing & Grammar)

- II. Write a speech on “The Role of youth in Realising the dreams of Dr. Kalam “ in about 120 words. **6M**

Hints:

Fighting for equal rights – fighting corruption – empowering the masses – looking for jobs within the country – active involvement in social issues.

- III. In this Section a number of sentences are given. The sentences are in three separate parts and each one is labeled (a), (b), (c). Read each sentence to find out whether there is an error in any part. No sentence has more than one error. When you find an error in any one of the parts (a), (b), (c), indicate your response on the separate answer sheet at the appropriate space. You may feel that there is no error in a sentence. In that case letter (d) will signify a ‘No error’ response. **5M**

1. Copernicus proved (a) / that Earth (b) / moves round the Sun. (c) / No error (d).
2. The property (a) / was divided (b) / among the two brothers. (c) / No error (d).
3. The aircraft was overloaded (a) / there was something wrong of the battery (b) / and the engine was making a queer noise (c) / No error (d).
4. I cannot find (a) / where has he gone (b) / though I have tried my best (c) / No error. (d).
5. The teacher remarked that (a) / They all had (b) / done it very badly. (c) / No error (d).

- IV. Rearrange the following words and phrases to make meaningful sentences. **3M**

- (a) colour / is / joy / festival / Holi / happiness / the / of / and
- (b) spring / it / new year / of / rebirth / heralds / the / arrival / and / the / of
- (c) with / play pranks / colour / on / and / water / one another / people / friends / throw / and / their

Section – C
(Literature)

- V. Read the given extract carefully and answer the questions that follow. **3M**

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear.

1. Who is the author of this poem?
2. Which road did the author choose and why?
3. Was the author happy or un-happy at the end, for the choice made? Why?

- VI. Answer the following questions in 30 – 40 words each: **4 x 2 = 8M**

1. What is the refrain in the poem “The Brook”? And what does it mean?
2. Is it right on the part of the grandmother to touch the feet of her granddaughter?
And why?
3. Why was Gaston not interested in buying the villa in the beginning?
4. Do you like / dislike Gaston? Give your reasons.