



DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWTOWN  
SESSION: 2024-25  
MONDAY TEST

CLASS: IX  
SUBJECT: ENGLISH PAPER I

FULL MARKS: 40  
DATE: 22.04.2024

- All questions are compulsory.
- The paper consists of two printed pages.

**Question 1**

Write a composition (300-350 words) on any one of the following:

[20]

- Write an original story that begins with the words: "Mohini was delighted to find the envelope on the table. As she opened it...."
- You were taken for a school excursion to a village last winter. Describe the things that you saw, heard and felt during your time there. How were the people there different from the ones in the city?

**Question 2**

- Fill in each of the numbered blanks with the correct form of the word given in brackets. Do not copy the passage but write in correct serial order the word or phrase appropriate to the blank space. Example: (0) entered

[6]

One day during a lecture tour, Mark Twain \_\_\_(0)\_\_\_ (enter) a local barber shop for a shave. Twain told the barber that it \_\_\_(1)\_\_\_ (be) his first visit to the town. "You've \_\_\_(2)\_\_\_ (chose) a good time \_\_\_(3)\_\_\_ (come)," the barber declared. 'Oh?' Twain replied. "Mark Twain will \_\_\_(4)\_\_\_ (lecture) here tonight. I am sure that you would love to go," said the barber. "I guess so." "Have you \_\_\_(5)\_\_\_ (hear) any of his lectures before?", asked Twain. "Yes! but never have I \_\_\_(6)\_\_\_ (see) him. I will intently be \_\_\_(7)\_\_\_ watch him deliver his lecture today as I just \_\_\_(8)\_\_\_ (manage) to get hold of a ticket, somehow. Have you \_\_\_(9)\_\_\_ (buy) your ticket yet?" "No not yet." "Well, it's completely \_\_\_(10)\_\_\_ (sell) out, so you will have to stand." "Just my luck," said Twain with a sigh. "I have always \_\_\_(11)\_\_\_ (stand) when that fellow \_\_\_(12)\_\_\_ (lecture)!"

- Fill in the blanks with appropriate words:

[6]

- She dispensed \_\_\_\_\_ her old textbooks.
- The artist persists \_\_\_\_\_ painting landscapes even if they are not in demand.
- The tourists prefer to visit the Lakshadweep islands \_\_\_\_\_ Andamans.
- Do not judge a book \_\_\_\_\_ its cover.
- The dacoits broke \_\_\_\_\_ the jewellery store.
- People must learn \_\_\_\_\_ their mistakes.
- Last evening, I studied \_\_\_\_\_ four hours.
- My brother takes \_\_\_\_\_ my grandfather in appearance.
- The train goes \_\_\_\_\_ a tunnel in the mountain.
- Please divide the cake \_\_\_\_\_ the two children.
- Rohan's birthday is \_\_\_\_\_ 25th April.
- The concert must be called \_\_\_\_\_ as the singer met with an accident.

iii. Choose the correct option to make one complete sentence without using *and, but* or *so*.

[3]

1. I am not a powerful man. I cannot help him.
  - a) Although I am a powerful man, I cannot help him.
  - b) As I am a powerful man, I can help him.
  - c) As I am not a powerful man, I cannot help him.
  - d) I am a powerful man but I cannot help him.
2. He forgot to carry his medical prescription. It was unfortunate.
  - a) As it was unfortunate, he forgot to carry his medical prescription.
  - b) It was unfortunate that he forgot to carry his medical prescription.
  - c) It was unfortunate that he did not forget to carry his medical prescription.
  - d) It was unfortunate that he forget to carry his medical prescription.
3. I met Rahul's father. He is a Police Inspector.
  - a) I met a Police Inspector who was Rahul's father.
  - b) I met Rahul's father who is a Police Inspector.
  - c) Rahul's father is a Police Inspector whom I did meet.
  - d) I met a Police Inspector's son who was Rahul.

iv. Choose the correct option and rewrite the sentences according to the instructions given after each.

[5]

1. He is too old to take up this job. (Use: ...so...that...)
  - a) He is so old that he can take up this job.
  - b) He is so old that he could not take up the job.
  - c) He is so old that he cannot take up this job.
  - d) He is too old so that he cannot take up this job.
2. Preeti said to her friend, "We will be going to the theatre today." (Begin: Preeti told her friend that ...)
  - a) Preeti told her friend that they would be going to the theatre today.
  - b) Preeti told her friend that they would be going to the theatre that day.
  - c) Preeti told her friend that today they will be going to the theatre.
  - d) Preeti told her friend that they will be going to the theatre that day.
3. Give the child something nourishing to eat or she will become weaker. (Begin: If...)
  - a) If you did not give the child something nourishing to eat, she will become weaker.
  - b) If you do not give the child something nourishing to eat, she will become weaker.
  - c) If you give the child something nourishing to eat, she will become weaker.
  - d) If you have given the child something nourishing to eat, she will not become weaker.
4. Kolkata is the city of sweets. (Add a question tag)
  - a) Kolkata is the city of sweets, isn't it?
  - b) Kolkata is the city of sweets, is it?
  - c) Kolkata is the city of sweets, doesn't it?
  - d) Kolkata is the city of sweets, hasn't it?
5. As soon as the sirens had sounded, people dived for cover. (Begin: Hardly...)
  - a) Hardly had the sirens sounded where the people dived for cover.
  - b) Hardly had the sirens sounded than the people dived for cover.
  - c) Hardly had the sirens sounded then the people dived for cover.
  - d) Hardly had the sirens sounded when the people dived for cover.