



**DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWTOWN**  
**SESSION 2023-24**  
**MONDAY TEST**

**CLASS: IX**  
**SUBJECT: ENGLISH PAPER I**

**FULL MARKS: 40**  
**DATE: 24.04.2023**

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

**Question 1**

Write a composition (300-350 words) on any one of the following: [20]

- i. Write an original story that begins with the words: '*Mahesh was walking hurriedly down the street. Suddenly....*'
- ii. You had recently visited a book fair in your city with your family members. Describe the book fair. Mention the sights, sounds and smells that you had experienced there. How did you feel after the visit?

**Question 2**

- i. 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): got [6]

I \_\_(0)\_\_ (get) home safely after a long vacation. I was \_\_(1)\_\_ (delight) to find a box of biscuits at the door. Everything \_\_(2)\_\_ (be) alright in the house. I \_\_(3)\_\_ (explore) many places during the trip and \_\_(4)\_\_ (pick) up souvenirs too. I \_\_(5)\_\_ (decorate) my living room using them. I was \_\_(6)\_\_ (wonder) where I \_\_(7)\_\_ (keep) my car keys before leaving. Finally, I \_\_(8)\_\_ (find) them on my desk. I soon \_\_(9)\_\_ (leave) to buy some more stuff for Christmas. No sooner did I \_\_(10)\_\_ (go) out of the house than it began to rain heavily. I \_\_(11)\_\_ (drive) slowly and \_\_(12)\_\_ (reach) my destination.

- ii. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words: [6]
  - a) She is very proud and looks \_\_\_\_\_ on her colleagues.
  - b) Monica is leaning \_\_\_\_\_ the broken wall.
  - c) My new neighbour was eager \_\_\_\_\_ invite me to dinner.
  - d) Few candidates applied \_\_\_\_\_ the post.

- e) Truth always prevails \_\_\_\_\_ the long run.
- f) The brothers were fighting \_\_\_\_\_ a trivial issue.
- g) Distribute the sweets \_\_\_\_\_ the two children.
- h) The mountaineers climbed \_\_\_\_\_ the slope to reach the mountain top.
- i) Vinay gave \_\_\_\_\_ his old clothes to the needy.
- j) Do not mock and jeer \_\_\_\_\_ that old and helpless man.
- k) I went for a long walk \_\_\_\_\_ my pet dogs.
- l) She came \_\_\_\_\_ these papers while looking for a file.

iii. Join the following sentences to make one complete sentence without using *and*, *but* or *so*. Choose the correct option. [3]

- 1) Sneha was unwell. She went to the school.
  - a) Although Sneha is unwell, she went to the school.
  - b) Although Sneha was unwell, she went to the school.
  - c) Sneha was unwell but she went to school.
  - d) Sneha went to the school because she was unwell.
- 2) A cottager had a hen. The hen laid an egg every day.
  - a) Everyday, a hen laid an egg for a cottager.
  - b) A cottager had a hen who laid an egg every day.
  - c) A cottager had a hen which laid eggs every day.
  - d) A cottager had a hen which laid an egg every day.
- 3) I do not like chips. I do not like chocolates.
  - a) Neither do I like chips nor chocolates.
  - b) Neither I like chips and nor I like chocolates.
  - c) Either do I like chips or chocolates.
  - d) Neither I like chips nor I like chocolates.

iv. Re-write the following sentences according to the instructions given after each. Make other changes that may be necessary but do not change the meaning of each sentence. Choose the correct options. [5]

1. The boys are writing the script. (Begin: The script...)
  - a) The script are being written by the boys.
  - b) The script were being written by the boys.
  - c) The script is being written by the boys.
  - d) The script was written by the boys.

2. The man is so old that he cannot run fast. (Use: ‘too’)

  - a) The man is too old to run fast.
  - b) The man is too old that he cannot run fast.
  - c) The man is too old not to run fast.
  - d) The man is old but he cannot run too.
3. George is the strongest boy in our school. (Use: strong)

  - a) George is strong than any other boy in our school.
  - b) No other boy in our school is as strong as George.
  - c) George is the most strong boy in our school.
  - d) Very few boys in our school are as strong as George.
4. My mother said to my sister, “We will go to the temple tomorrow.” (Begin: My mother told my sister that...)

  - a) My mother told my sister that they will go to the temple the next day.
  - b) My mother told my sister that they would go to the temple the following day.
  - c) My mother told my sister that they would go to the temple that day.
  - d) My mother told my sister that we would go to the temple tomorrow.
5. As soon as the bell rang, the children started to write. (Begin: No sooner...)

  - a) No sooner did the bell ring, the children started to write.
  - b) No sooner did the bell rang than the children started to write.
  - c) No sooner did the bell rang than the children started to write.
  - d) No sooner did the bell ring than the children started to write.