

Chapter: 1.1 to 2.6

Language Study

Q.1 A) Do As Directed

1. **Make a meaningful sentence by using the given phrase.** (1)

a pretty Kettle of fish

2. **Pick out an infinitive from the following sentence.** (1)

Seeing that each nation has its characteristic merits and demerits, we adjust our standard of values. (State whether the underlined word is an infinitive/participle/genund)

3. **Write two compound words.** (1)

Write two compound words of your own.

4. **Spot the error and correct the sentence.** (1)

Thus, they occupy a important place in marine ecology.

5. **Make word chain from the given word.** (1)

Arrangement

6. **Identify the type of sentences.** (1)

Let me run back to the cave and ask Mummy to give it me.

B) Do as directed.

1. **Use the given word as a noun and as a verb.** (2)

Deposit

2. **Convert the given sentences into simple / compound / complex sentences.** (2)

- 1) If a turtle is spotted when she is laying eggs, she is allowed to live (change into a simple sentence)

- 2) **Change the following sentences into compound sentences**

Dashing into the bush the wolf devoured Bertha.

- Q.2 Read the following passage carefully and complete the activities that follows:** (10)

- Q.2** (10)

Epics are long poems that relate the deeds of a great national hero or a great national war. They often tell of a nation's early history. They may be composed and sung or recited for many years before they are actually written down.

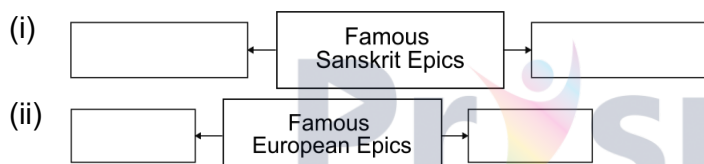
The two famous Sanskrit epics are The Ramayana and The Mahabharata, and the two great epics of European literature, written in ancient Greek, are The Iliad and The Odyssey. Just as in Indian literature we go back to stories from The Ramayana and The Mahabharata, so in the literature of western countries, they go back to The Iliad and The Odyssey. Just as children all over India know the names of stories of Ram and Sita, Yudhishtira and Arjuna and Draupadi, so children in western countries know the names of Hector and Odysseus and Achilles and Helen of Troy, the most beautiful woman in the world, because of whom the Greek and Trojans fought for ten long years.

Nobody knows for certain who the author of these early epics is. It is thought that they arose and developed with the nation itself, and were handed down from singer to singer till perhaps one great poet gave them their final form.

It is believed that The Iliad and The Odyssey were composed and recited by a blind poet named Homer, who lived about 900 BCE and who wandered from one Greek city or village to another, singing his poems to all who would receive him in their home and give him hospitality. This wandering singer has been honoured through the ages, not only in Greece but in all Europe, as the Father of European Poetry.

1 A1) ..

2



A2) ..

2

Answer the following.

Who are considered to be the authors of the epics 'Ramayana' and 'Mahabharata' respectively?

A3) ..

2

Place the following words in alphabetical order.

hospitality, honoured, handed

A4) ..

2

Do as directed.

(i) Epics are long poems that relate the deeds of a great hero. (Identify the Main Clause)

(ii) Nobody knows for certain who the author of these early epics is. (Rewrite as an Interrogative Sentence)

A5) ..

2

Personal response.

India had a rich verbal tradition that has continued for years. Have you come across any thread of our verbal tradition in your surroundings?

Q.3 A) Read the following extract and do the given activities:

(5)

What though death at times steps in,
And calls our best away?
What though sorrow seems to win,
O'er hope a heavy sway?

Yet Hope again elastic springs,
Unconquered, though she fell,
Still buoyant are her golden wings,
Still strong to bear us well.

Manfully, fearlessly,
The day of trial bear,
For gloriously, victoriously,
Can courage quell despair !

1 A 2
1) ..

State whether the given statements are true or false.

- (i) Death calls our Best away -
- (ii) Sorrow conquers hope forever -
- (iii) The day of trial cannot be borne fearlessly -
- (iv) Courage can suppress despair -

A 2
2) ..

Answer the following.

What does the poet mean by sorrow seeming to win over hope?

A 1
3) ..

Poetic device.

Still buoyant are her golden wings, (Identify and explain the figures of speech)

Still strong to bear us well

B) Poem for appreciation (5)

Autumn

THE autumn comes, a maiden fair
In slenderness and grace,
With nodding rice-stems in her hair
And lilies in her face.
In flowers of grasses she is clad;
And as she moves along,
Birds greet her with their cooing glad
Like a bracelet's tinkling song.

A diadem adorns the night!
Of multitudinous stars;
Her silken robe is white moonlight,
Set free from cloudy bars;
And on her face (the radiant moon)
Bewitching smiles are shown:
She seems a slender maid, who soon
Will be a woman grown.

- Kalidas
Translated by Prof. A. W. Ryder

Write an appreciation of the same poem based on the following points.

- Title,
- Poet
- Rhyme scheme
- Figure of speech
- Theme / Central Idea

Q.4 A) Letter (Formal/Informal)

(5)

In spite of speed restrictions, many people especially youngsters drive at high speeds. As speed increases, vehicles take longer to stop on applying brakes so the chances of accidents are more and the injuries are also severe. A driver who is speeding also puts the passengers as well as other drivers at risk.

INFORMAL LETTER		FORMAL LETTER
You are Karan/Kiran residing at 103, Sundar-Milan, M. G. Road, Nagpur. Your elder brother drives very fast. Write a letter to him using the points from the above snippet. Also, use your own points.	OR	You are Karan/Kiran residing at 103, Sundar-Nagar, M.G. Road, Nagpur. Write a letter to the editor of the local newspaper requesting them to spread awareness of the risks of driving at high speeds. Use points from the above snippet as well as use your own points.

B) View - Counter view

(5)

Read the view expressed below and write counterview for it.

The world is gradually moving towards a digitalized world. Most of the things can be done online in the comfort of home. Banking too is one of them. Long queues, banking hours are a thing of past. Whether it is transfer of money or withdrawal, online / Net banking is available. It eases the trouble of going to the bank, spending hours and inconveniencing ourselves. Online / Net banking is better than going personally to the bank for transactions.

Q.5 Information transfer

(5)

Q.5 Read the given passage and draw a flow chart describing the process of Cement manufacturing.

The first stage in the process of cement manufacture is extraction of raw materials

like sand, limestone and clay from a quarry. The next step is blending in which 80% limestone and 20% clay are mixed together. Next, is grinding where a roller crushes the mixture to a fine powder. In the next step, the mixture is pre-heated before sending it to a kiln where the mixture is heated upto 1450 degrees to form clinkers. Then, the clinkers are cooled and sent to a rotating drum for final grinding. Finally, the cement is packaged and transported.

OR

Observe the following table and write two short paragraphs on “Assets owned by rural and urban households.”

Percentage of households owning assets.

ASSETS	RURAL HOUSEHOLDS	URBAN HOUSEHOLDS
Radio/transistor	31.5%	44.5%
Television	18.6%	64.3%
Telephone	3.8%	23%
Bicycle	42.8%	46%
Scooter/Moped/Bike	6.7%	24.7%
Car/Jeep/Van	1.3%	5.6%

Q.6 Creative Writing

Expansion of theme (Any one)

(5)

- 1) If you think you are the smartest person in the room, you should find a new room.

