

Section A

- Q1 1. smartphone notifications fills the air punctuating conversations like an incessant drumbeat. Every vibration or ping sends fingers flying to screens a response ingrained by years of digital conditioning. The once reliable tick tock of analog timepieces has been overshadowed by the constant flicker of notifications on the wrist watch, blurring the boundaries between the virtual and the real world.
2. The author uses the metaphor of 'autumn leaves in the wind' to interpret the passing of time in the reference of a room filled with people, each face illuminated by the soft glow of their smartphones, moments drifts away like the autumn leaves in the wind.
3. 'A' a deep (psychological) dependence on technology for a sense of wholeness or connection.
4. It can help to reduce anxiety gnaws and also to reduce the fear of missing out of updates and notification which helps one to come out of the ^{phantom} ~~link~~ syndrome.
5. B
6. The need-body is evident that our minds are perceptually on high alert, scanning for the next wave of excitement that comes with each like, share and comment.

7. True rhythm of life refers to the conscious lived experience which is a wealth, which remains unheard as we trade meaningful moments for fleeting glimpses of connection. It implies that true essence of life lies not in the pixels on a screen but in depth of human connection and the richness of our shared experiences.
8. clamour : loudly
9. A
10. Potential challenges are seen as we define ourselves by our digital status and not qualitative meaningful time spends. We should note that it is not the number of likes or followers that defines us, but the depth of our connections and the richness of our experiences that truly matters. Severe back aches, hunch of shoulders and a physical manifestations of the burden that we carry in an age of information overload is a potential challenge!

Q2

- 1 ones health and well being.
- 2 C
- 3 Fresh Fruits were given as a snacking option to understand underlying motivations and influences guiding ones choices, it also provides the reasons behind their selections, providing invaluable insights into the multifaceted nature of snacking behaviour.

4 sentence 1: Influence
sentence 2: Motivation

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- 6 The preference percentage of seasonal fruits is highest amongst the elderly as they understand the importance of nutritional education, health benefits and digestive ease.
- 7 Targeting educational campaigns towards parents could empower them to instill healthy eating habits in their children from an early age.

Efforts to mitigate the influence of advertising and peer pressure on teenagers could involve regulatory measures and educational initiatives aimed at promoting critical thinking and informed decision-making.

Seasonal fruits for middle ages and senior points towards the importance of promoting access to fresh produce and nutritional

education across all ages.

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Section B

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RYAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, GREATER NOIDA

NOTICE

12th January 2025

WEBINAR TO ENHANCE CODING SKILLS

Notice heret by is given that all the students of the school in grade IX-XII are urged to join the webinar on coding skills to enhance and sharpen your coding skills. Each house has a limitation of twelve seats, six for girls and six for boys. The webinar would be on 13th January 2025 at 12:30 pm in our school's computer lab. No payment is to be done, its free of costs participation is needed. For more details ^{finally} contact the undersigned.

Gargee Prakash
(President of Computer Club)

XII M

Q4

This is to inform that Mr. Joseph Vijayan, Assistant Manager, operations, drafts accepts the kind invitation of Mr. Cherian, HR of Grand Acad Technologies. He would be there at 5:00 pm, Tuesday for the company picnic. Mr. Joseph Vijayan sends warm regards and best wishes for the same.

Q5

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12th January 2025

SUBJECT: APPLICATION
~~Respected Sir~~ FOR THE POST OF ILLUSTRATOR OF CHILDREN'S BOOK.

Respected sir,

This is in reference with your advertisement ~~for~~ in the 'Bombay Times' dated 10th January 2025. I have applied would like to apply for the post mentioned above. My biodata has been assigned herewith. Thank you for your kind consideration.

As needed by you I have excellent command in children writings, literary analysis, theology, fiction

and a passion for writing and illustrations for children, academics and magazines, additionally I have excellent command over interpersonal skills and communication with people and depth understanding in between the lines.

All these skills has been developed while I was working ^{with} an MNC for children illustrations, in Arihant International Publications for four years. I ~~will~~ would always be devoted to my work assigned by your esteemed company.

Thanking you

Yours Truly

Maya Syiem

Enclosed: Resume/Biodata

Resume

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Educational Background -

High School : 90%.

Senior High school : 99%.

B.Com 6.5 CGPA

B.Ed A Grade

Double MA A+ Grade

Arts Honours A++ Grade

Experience -

Working with Arihant International Publications as a children Illustrator for four years.

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CELEBRATION OF YOGA DAY

by Nima Aziz, Student of class XI-I, Mohan Public School, Delhi

Delhi, Tuesday, 10:00 am : Mohan Public School ^{organised} organised a yoga day celebration, which all the students enrolled. On ~~that~~ Tuesday, at 10:00 am a school in Delhi, Mohan Public school had organised a yoga day celebration, marking the essence of practising yoga with the school students; in school auditorium.

All the students wore their track suits and pledged in unison for taking care of their health and practising yoga regularly. The principal began the celebration by lightening up a candle followed by dance performance by grade XI students. All the students aged six to eighteen had participated the yoga instructor was the school's Yoga teacher; .

The yoga had suryanamaskar, brahma and various breathing and postures techniques to increase flexibility, smoothen blood circulation and reduce psychological stress caused by the modern technological life and anxiety and stress due to exams.

Principal had also discussed how yoga can help us as a mental and physical detox and why should students practise yoga to all their capacity of intelligence by releasing distress and saving ourselves from future diseases & viruses, by strengthening immune system.

The event had ended at a successful note and a grand celebration was seen. Each one, do yoga for a better tomorrow was pled pledged.

Q7
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I

All wars have a common outcome of killing people, in return getting their people, humans kills, destruction of capital resources, buildings and massive expenditure of war, weapons and arms as a result the peace, harmony, sustainability is mutually destroyed.

II C

III Putting on clean thoughts, beliefs, ideologies, unity with no wars and evil mindsets.

Clean clothes implies to have, put on new chapter of love, tranquillity, peace, harmony and removed the stained clothes, stained by bloodshed due to wars.

Clean clothes, new clothes, change, practise brotherhood.

IV Condemns

V A

VI The message in the excerpt is that the wars cause destruction of material assets and humans. Humans are resource to the nature, when nuclear wars or wars with nature (ozone depletion, global warming) occurs one country may feel victory, or powerful but both the countries have a common of people killed, no humans left and victory with no survivors is not a victory but a victory of narrow mindedness this promotes peace and suggests to walk in shade with universal brothers to achieve peace.

⁸ A I

Understanding the significance of cordilleran folds and pre-Cambrian granite shields, ozone and carbon and evolution and extinction can be studied only by visiting Antarctica.

II The author implies the understanding of Earth's past and potential future changes by making us study the geological history of Antarctica as no human disturbance is there and the ice-caves can tell us about Earth's past, future and present by carbon dating.

III A

IV since the polar regions are not disturbed by humans, no human settlement or interaction is there, Antarctica is pure and can help to study the History, Present and Future of Earth as carbon dating can be used to collect information and Antarctica is yet to be discovered.

9 A I The writer's purpose in using the metaphor of a 'thunderclap' was, Franz was extremely shocked and was in disbelief that it was his last french lesson as it was out of the blue for him.

II ~~Interest~~ Hidden

III Playing, enjoying and procrastinating academics for his current pleasure.

IV Franz, the speaker is emotional and is having a positive mindset as he is not considering

MHamels crankiness and strictness and beating up students with his iron ruler. MHamel in the last lesson was very kind, considerate and wanted to be his best as a person as a teacher that day, he too! felt sad.

V C

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I Lost spring written by Kamla Das depicts hope, Mukesh the boy, who lived in Firozabad, despite being a tied in a family of bangle makers wanted to be a car mechanic and also wanted to drive a car and Sakesh. Sakesh, who lived in Reemapuri, wanted to become a rich person, who had hope for collecting a rupee or a ten rupee note from the garbage, which he found a hope for a treasure hunt. Both the boys hope for a better future and want to upgrade their lives.

II Visual imagery by Kamla Das depicts her mother as old, like winters moon, trees sprinting and spilling of young children outside their homes, these imagery are contrasting in nature depicting young, energy in trees and children and old, no energy, corpse alike to Kamla Das's Mother.

Late winters moon portrays dull moon due to fog and moisture, Kamla Das's mother dozes off like a corpse, a pale dead body and her childhood fear of loosing her mother is seen.

- IV The authors writing in the Interview is philosophic in Umerto Eco's space and hypothetic and hypocritic in the interviews of famous people like Saul Bellow, H G Wells, Joseph Stalin, Ruyard Kipling, ^{Lewis} Carroll. The readers in both the cases understand the importance of time management and drawing boundaries and dual self of humans.
- V Rattrap symbolizes dualism of human nature, as per Selma Lagerlof, ^{Story} Human, The wanderer does know about the materialistic bait of warmth, comfort and luxury but falls in it despite knowing the rat race behind it. Humans have knowledge and wisdom which is only for others, they themselves do not follow it.
- VI Factors affecting victory of peasants include, the removal of 'fear' from their lives, as fear kills more dreams, aims and aspirations than failure; Understanding that unity is strength, farmers, peasants, lawyers shall be united to win all battles and whether the battles are won or lost, a unity is always a win. Non-violence can be helpful where and not always violence can be helpful, needle works easily in stitching rather than a knife and vice-versa.

"iii Susan Hill subtly portrays a blend of pessimism and optimism in 'on the face of it' by depicting Mr Lamb as an optimistic person as a retired army veteran who has positive mindset despite his injury in his leg, having a tin leg and further being teased by children (Laney Lamb) and pessimism in Derry as he is always in a sad, gloomy negative zone as he is feeling humiliated by having a burnt face. He feels world is ugly and Mr Lamb suggest him to be carefree and focus on the positives.

i Kalki the author of 'The Tiger King', represent the 'toy tiger' as a climax. The Jung Jung Bahadur of the Pratibandhapuram kingdom brought a gift for his son's birthday after killing 100's of tigers, now he was aware that his death, because of tigers is over as he ^{previously} killed 100 tigers, not knowing that the toy tiger is the 100th tiger not his 99th one. Toy tiger, boomed a wooden spirit in the kings had which he took lightly and later killed him, this climax was really shocking.

12 A A Roadside stand by Robert Frost depicts that greedy or good doers focus only on themselves and not about others, and Aunt Jennifer's Tigers by Adrienne Rich depict inequality of work done by females and unwanted domestic operations they face.

Both the poems are of the theme of inequality, whether its inequality of power or materialistic inequality.

Adrienne Rich faces her zest killed, weariness, fearful life, domestic oppression, and abuse of married life where as her husband is strong, energised, fearless and careful about his duties and moral responsibilities.

Here inequality is shown.

In the Road side stand, rural people work hard and sell their produce to have the city money but no one buys from them and political leaders intake votes without fulfilling their promises and neither do the city people help them to earn, though they are not begging but still no one is helping them.

All these cases show psychological poverty or rich and poor mindset as well as material poverty or ability to have lack of resources. Both the rural people and Aunt Jennifer are victims of mistrust, inequality and operation opressions which is so inhumane, but both are trying to come out's reach for help rather than being stucked up.

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The Enemy is a wonderful story which depicts the influence of belief in traditions such as religion, family bonds and patriotism which helps to develop motivation, sources of conflicts and peace.

Mr. Sadao / Dr. Sadao a Japanese doctor who studied in America married a Japanese girl due to moral influence of having same religion, being easier to approve to his marriage by his orthodox father.

Further he rescues an American navy soldier who was tortured by Japanese army during the world war second. He was not narrow minded therefore rescued by operating out bullets from the American soldier though his servants objected.

This suggests that society, culture influences us but humanistic values, love, care, compassion are much above that for certain people like Dr. Sadao. He is a patriotic man of his country and also of humanity, deep down he agrees that wars are disrupting, countries are divided by power but at the end all the people of different countries are brother and sons of the same same mother Earth.

Dr. Sadao did not let the influence of war, or selfishness to not protect, rescue a soldier of a different territory or country divert him from the everlasting influence of humanity, which is worth commending.

Later, Hana, Dr. Sadao's Japanese wife is also ~~also~~ proud at him for such a thoughtful act.