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PERIODICAL TEST – II [2021-2022]

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CLASS - X- ENGLISH

TIME:1 Hr. 30 Min

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Write your name, class and section in the subject section of your mail.
- Scan your answer script in **PDF format** after the test and send your PDF files to the following email IDs according to the section you belong to.

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- Send it positively by 12:30 PM

Section B

WRITING [10 Marks]

[2x5= 10 Marks]

1. Attempt ANY ONE of the following in 100-120 words.

[5 Marks]

[A] You are Amit/Amita, a resident of Prem Vihar Colony, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh. You have noticed that your next-door neighbour family [all three members] have COVID-19 flu symptoms, like persistent high fever along with cough and cold for more than a week. They are alternately flouting quarantine rules and, despite repeated requests made by other neighbours, they are not getting themselves COVID-tested.

Write a letter to the Medical Officer of the local hospital/dispensary, drawing attention towards the same. Explain how such acts impact the health of the community and request immediate intervention and strict action.

OR

[B] You are Balraj/Bala from Ferozabad, Gujarat and you live near the landfill site. The growing unsanitary conditions are causing multiple diseases and inconvenience due to poor hygiene to the residents. It has also resulted in illnesses and rising fatalities in your colony. Write a letter to the Municipal Commissioner requesting him/her to organize a cleanliness drive.

2. Attempt ANY ONE of the following in 100-120 words.

[5 Marks]

[A] Tourism, being one of the biggest and fastest-growing industries globally, affects the economic, socio-cultural, environmental and educational resources of nations. Improving the tourism industry in India would, thus, lead to national development in many spheres. As Ankit/ Ankita, write a letter to the Editor of 'The Times of India' expressing your views on the same in about 100-120 words.

OR

[B] You are Ashish/Astha, a resident of #254, Vigyan Vihar, Amla, Madhya Pradesh. You are worried to see your younger brother's frequent habit of using Internet as a homework tool. Taking ideas from the input given below and your own, write a letter to the Editor of a popular newspaper, expressing your opinion on the advantages, disadvantages of the dependence of youth and the computers in the present times. [100–120 words]

- In the techno world–24 hr. access to the Internet–no doubt school children using Net as homework tool.
 - has many advantages–quick way to find information update—more free time for other activities—provides a variety of sources.
 - more drawbacks than advantages–students' reading, writing and thinking skills seem to be disappearing—just copy information—some websites may contain inaccurate information no interest in listening to teacher in school–concept of hard work disappearing in present generation–balanced, sensible use of Net required.
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LITERATURE

[30 Marks]

3. Answer ANY TWO questions in 20-30 words each, from [A] and [B] respectively. [2x4=8]

[A] [Any two]

[2x2=4]

- i] What change/s did you notice in the poet, in the second stanza of the poem 'Dust of Snow'?
- ii] How did Nelson Mandela plan to attain political emancipation?
- iii] Explain the purpose of 'oxymoron' used in the poem 'A Tiger in the Zoo'?

[B] [Any two]

[2x2=4]

- i] "It was a temptation to keep Tricki on as a permanent guest." Why was it so?
- ii] Why did 'Hari Singh' want to be friends with Anil?
- iii] What did Griffin do with the landlord?

4. Answer ANY TWO questions in 40-50 words each, from [A] and [B] respectively.

[3x4=12]

[A] [Any two]

[3x2=6]

- i] Why did the postmaster try to help Lencho?
- ii] Do you agree with the poet in relating 'fire' with desire and 'ice' with hatred in the poem 'Fire and Ice'? Why/ Why not?
- iii] Was the attitude of the family justified towards the young seagull? Why/why not?

[B] [Any two]

[3x2=6]

i] How did hiding in the big London store help Griffin?

ii] What did the author expect to hear from Mrs Pumphrey very soon?

iii] The pilot wanted to thank another pilot after his safe landing. Why? What values of the writer are reflected from his action?

5. ANY ONE the following in 100-120 words.

[5x1]

[A] How do you think the postmaster felt when Lencho called the post office employees "a bunch of crooks"? Do you think he would have helped someone else after this incident? Explain why or why not?

OR

[B] Read the extracts given below and comment on the change in the attitude of Peggy towards Wanda.

[a] "How many dresses did you say you had hanging up in your closet?"

[b] "She must have really liked us, anyway."

6. ANY ONE of the following in 100-120 words.

[5x1]

[A] "You don't understand who or what I am!" he shouted. "Very well — I'll show you." Who is this person? What does he do? What is he trying to show? Write a character sketch of the person.

OR

[B] Would you agree that the "depths of oppression" create "heights of character"? How does Mandela illustrate this? Can you add your own examples to this argument?

