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CLASS: X SUBJECT: English

Periodic Test 2 (2023-24)

TIME: 1.30 Hours MARKS: 40

General Instructions:

- All Questions are compulsory.
- Marks are indicated against each question.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Part A: Reading: 10 marks,

Part B: Writing & Grammar: 10 marks

Part C: Literature: 20 mark

(A) Reading

1 Read the passage given below:

Mountains have always been held in great awe by mankind. They have been a challenge to humans. Those brave among us have always wanted to conquer them. You see, the more incredible the mountains, the greater the thrill – a challenge to the bravery of the human race. Climbing mountains is an experience that is hard to put into words. You are in a beautiful environment and, when you reach the top, you feel incredible. But you also have to climb down, which is when most accidents happen – people are tired, it gets dark, it's harder. So, mountain climbing is undoubtedly one of the most popular adventure sports along with being challenging and risky for the climber.

2 Without any perceived risk, there can't be a feeling that any significant challenge has been surmounted. Fair, but we have to bear in mind that mountaineering is not a sport that can be embraced without preparation. The enthusiasts must develop in themselves the spirit of adventure, willingness to undertake hardships and risks, extraordinary powers of perseverance, endurance, and keenness of purpose before climbing a mountain. They should also know how to handle the mountaineering equipment. Then comes the penance of the rigorous training. This could very well be the lifeline up there. It helps inculcate and hone survival instincts that allow the climber to negotiate perilous situations. There are numerous institutes in India and abroad that offer such training.

3 Mountain climbers are unanimous in agreeing that the unpredictable weather is what they fear the most. There may be sunshine one moment and a snowstorm the other. At higher altitudes, snow is a regular feature and being decisive about setting up camps or proceeding further is crucial. The icy sheets after ice storms make walking treacherous, while the powdery snow makes a mountaineer sink deep into the snow. Up there, where the intention is to embrace Nature's wonder, one realises that it cannot be done without facing its formidable glory. A true mountaineer may challenge the mountain, yet is always respectful to the powerful forces of nature.

4 Summiting mountains carries its own health risks such as oxygen and altitude sickness problems, frost bites, swelling of hands and feet, fluid collection in brain or lungs and exhaustion. Yet, the gratification mountaineers feel from mastering something that is so frightening, urges them to undertake these endeavours. We may think that the mountaineers are fearless, experts say, "Not Page 2 of 15 at all. It's fear that keeps them so intrigued with such arduous journeys." Impulse and brazenness can be deadly foes. In the words of the Indian mountaineer, Bachendri Pal, "The biggest risk ... is to not to take the risk at all. Remember that."

Based on your understanding of the passage, answer the questions given below. (1mark x5=5)

I. Why does the writer say that mountains inspire 'awe' in humans? (Paragraph 1)

A. They present us with opportunities for exciting sports. B. They evoke the wish in us, to master them.

C. They inspire in us, deeds of valour. D. They represent peace and calm, to us.

ii Select the option that corresponds to the following relation below:

The more incredible the mountains—the greater the thrill (Paragraph 1)

A. The higher the stamina—the lower the food intake B. The more you laugh—the lesser your illness

C. The smaller the car—the bigger the advantage D. The heavier the luggage—the higher the penalty

iii Select the option that displays what the writer projects, with reference to the following:

So, mountain climbing is undoubtedly one of the most popular adventure sports

A. doubt B. caution C. conviction D. denial

iv Based on your reading of the text, list 2 reasons why the writer says that "mountaineering is not a sport that can be embraced without preparation".

1) _____

2) _____

v The writer says, "A true mountaineer may challenge the mountain, yet is always respectful to the powerful forces of nature." Select the reason the mountaineer is respectful to the forces of nature, up in the mountains.

A. survival B. experience C. tradition D. directive

2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.

1.Research from the Publishers Association has shown that films based on books take 44% more at the box office revenue in the UK and 53% more worldwide than original screenplays. The report explores what impact a book has when adapted for film and TV.

II.The report reads: "Published material is the basis of 52% of top UK films in the last 10 years, and accounts for an even higher share of revenue from these leading performers, at 61% of UK box office gross and 65% of worldwide gross." The Hollywood adaptation of"My Cousin Rachel" was shown to have a significant impact on the sales of the Daphne Du Maurier thriller. The sales of the book in 2017 alone accounted for 23% of all sales since 1992.

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The research suggests that adapted films tend to perform better, because films can "leverage the popularity" of well-known books through an existing audience. Films adapted from books also tend to have a richer, more fully-developed story to draw on. In terms of TV adaptation, it was revealed that a quarter of dramas were based on literary sources and attracted a 56% larger share of the audience than those based on original scripts. Fourteen of the 35 high end series produced in the UK in the period between January and September 2017 were based on books, compared to seven based on true stories or historical events and five based on pre-existing films or TV stories.

IV. In the case of the 2016 BBC broadcast of "The Night Manager", research revealed that while the novel was in circulation for over 25 years, 82% of the copies it sold were in 2016 and 2017. Sales of the paperback edition remained strong in 2017 even after theseries went off the air.

V. In conclusion, the report states that "there is a strong two-way relationship between publishing and the wider creative economy, wherein a successful adaptation often has spill-over effects and gives a substantial boost to the sales of the original book."

Based on your understanding of the passage, answer the questions given below. (1mark x5=5)

Q.1 The purpose of the research by Publishers Association was to study the_____. Choose the correct option.

A. variety in films and TV shows. B. impact of films on books.

C. choice of books for film-making. D. connect between books and films

Q.2 Select the option that is true for the two statements given below.

(1) The revenues generated at the box office have increased.

(2) Majority of the top films in the UK are based on published material.

A. (1) is the result of (2). B. (1) is the reason for (2).

C. (1) is independent of (2). D. (1) contradicts (2)

Q.3 Select the option that gives the correct meaning of the following statement.

"The sales of the book in 2017 alone accounted for 23% of all sales since 1992."

A.There were 23% higher sales in 2017 than previous years. B.A major chunk of sales happened in 2017.

C. The sales were limited to 23% in 2017. D. There were very few books sold in the previous years.

Q.4 According to the research, the films based on books have greater success because____.

A. people like to see the characters from the books on screen.

B. the films get the advantage of the fame of the books.

C. it takes less effort for people to watch films than read books.

D. the films get a ready-made script from the books.

Q.5 Select the option listing what the given sentence refers to.

'Films adapted from books also tend to have a richer, more fully-developed story to draw on.'

(1) The plot and the storyline of such films are better.

(2) The characters are likely to be more vivid.

(3) The production of such films is meant for the rich and famous.

(4) The settings and costumes are adapted from the book.

(5) The making of such films require the author to write a sequel.

A.(1), (3) and (4) B.(2), (3) and (5) C.(1), (2) and (5) D.(1), (2) and (4)

Writing & Grammar Section (5 MARKS)

3. You are Kavita Puri, computer incharge of DPS. Your school wishes to buy 20 computers and computer accessories from Apple Inc., 126, Ambience's Palace, New Delhi. Draft a letter placing order giving all the specifications of the product and its quality.

OR

The given pie chart represents the amount of money spent by a family on different items in a month. Write an analytical paragraph using the information given in the char



4. Choose the correct option in the following questions: (5x0.5=2.5)

1.This dress suits her style. She _____ definitely like it!

A, can B. could C. will D. may

2. When Juan was two, he _____ already speak very well.

A. might B. could C. can D. should

Q3. She _____ visit her grandparents' house during holidays.

A. dare to B. ought to C. can D. might

Q4. _____ I talk to the manager?

A. Might B. May C. Could D. Shall

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Q5. During peak hours, it _____ take more than two hours.
A. can B. should C. shall D. will

5.Select the most appropriate option to change the sentences from Direct Speech to Reported Speech. (5x.05=2.5)

Q1. Nancy said, "I may leave tomorrow."
A. Nancy said that she might leave the next day. B. Nancy said that she might leave tomorrow.
C. Nancy asked if she should leave the next day. D. Nancy informed me to leave tomorrow.

Q2. Keshav said, "Rita is busy right now."
A. Keshav said Rita was busy. B. Keshav informed that Rita was busy then.
C. Keshav said Rita had been busy . D. Keshav informed that Rita is busy.

Q3. The teacher said, "You are suspended!."
A. The teacher exclaimed that I am suspended. B. The teacher exclaimed to me to suspend.
C. The teacher informed me that I was suspended. D. The teacher exclaimed that I was suspended.

Q4. He said, "I have been a great mentor."
A. He said that he had been a great mentor. B. He said that he was a great mentor.
C. He exclaimed that he was a great mentor. D. He said that he has been a great mentor.

Q5. Vidushi said, "We went for a summer trip."
A. Vidushi said that they went for a summer trip. B. Vidushi said that they were on a summer trip.
C. Vidushi said that they had gone for a summer trip. D. Vidushi said they went for a summer trip.

Section C- Literature-

6. Assertion & Reason: (MCQ) (1 mark x 2= 2 marks)

I. Assertion: You'll not know it is the Asian Lion…
Reason: he roars at you as you're dyin'
A) Assertion is correct (B) Reason is correct
B) Both assertion & reason are correct (D)Both assertion & reason are wrong

II. Assertion : 'Tis the chameleon you see.
Reason: There is nothing on the tree
A) Assertion is correct (B) Reason is correct
B) Both assertion & reason are correct (D)Both assertion & reason are wrong

7. Very short Answer type Questions ; (1 mark x 6 =6 marks)

A) Where did the baker record his accounts?
B) Where is Coorg situated?
C) What was Fowler by profession?
D) The information in the report was regarding……?
E) What disease did Horace Danby suffer from?
F) How long were the owners of the house gone to London?

8- Answer any Three of the given questions in 30-40 words each. 2 marks X3= 6 Marks)

A- How does the poet suggest that you identify the lion and the tiger? When can you do so, according to him?
B- How old do you think Amanda is? How do you know this?.
C- Why was Mr Keesing annoyed with Anne? What did he ask her to do?
D- What ' Twin obligations' does Mandela mention?
E- Why does Mrs Pumphrey think the dog's recovery is "a triumph of surgery"?
F- Why does Anne want to keep a diary?

9- Answer any ONE of the following questions. (6 marks X1 = 6 marks)

Griffin was not a true scientist as he misused his scientific discovery. Illustrate this point by giving two incidents from the story.

OR

Describe the landlord's and his wife's experience with the strange scientist. [7]

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