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INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT SECOND PERIODIC TEST

ENGLISH CORE

CLASS: XII
25.09.2018

Sub. Code: 301

Time Allotted: 50mts
Max. Marks: 20

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- (i) *This paper is divided into two sections: A and B. Both the sections are compulsory.*
- (ii) *Separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary. Read these instructions very carefully and follow them faithfully.*
- (iii) *Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions. Marks will be deducted if this limit is crossed.*
- (iv) *Attempt all questions of a section without mixing them with another section.*

SECTION A

1. The Literacy Club of The Spring Valley, Darjeeling, is organizing an inter-school Caricature Contest. Draft an invitation inviting the famous cartoonist Sudhir Tailang to be the special Guest of Honour during the contest. You are Shekar Kapoor, the Coordinator. 4

SECTION B

2. **Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:**

*Therefore, on every morrow, are we wreathing
A flowery band to bind us to the earth,
Spite of despondence, of the inhuman dearth
Of noble natures, of the gloomy days,
Of all the unhealthy and o'er-darkened ways
Made for our searching: yes, in spite of all,*

- a) What, according to the poet, do we try doing every day?
- b) Which evil things do we possess and suffer from?
- c) What does the expression 'spite of despondence' imply?
- d) What does 'unhealthy and o'er darkened ways' refer to?

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3. **Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each:**

- a) Why did Gandhi feel that taking the Champaran case to the court was useless? 3
- b) How did Gandhi manage the working of the ashram at Ahmedabad while he was at Champaran? 3
- c) In what conditions did Dr. Sadao find the American soldier at the sea shore? 3
- d) Who was Sadao's wife? Where had he met her? 3
- e) How did Hana react when she saw a messenger at the door in official uniform? 3

End of the Question Paper