INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT
SECOND PERIODIC ASSESSMENT
ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE

CLASS: X   Sub.Code: 184   MAX.MARKS: 20
DATE: 06.05.2021   TIME ALLOWED: 40 MINUTES

General Instructions:

(i)   All questions are compulsory.
(ii) Separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherevernecessary.
      Read these instructions very carefully and follow them.
(iii) Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

I.   Choose the most appropriate answer for each item: 1 x 6 = 6

(i) The poem 'A Tiger in the Zoo' draws a contrast between _____ and _____.
   a) animals, human beings   b) tiger in a zoo, tiger in a forest
   c) tiger in a zoo, humans   d) humans, tiger in a forest

(ii) How does the caged tiger react to the visitors?
   a) he ignores them   b) with a happy face   c) with a sad face   d) proudly

(iii) The spectacular array of South African jets was a display of_____
   a) military's precision   b) military's loyalty to democracy
   b) both 1 and 2   c) none of the above

(iv) What change brought international leaders to South Africa?
   a) end of apartheid   b) humanity   c) peace   d) trade negotiations

(v) Why did Hari return the money?
   a) he wanted to learn to write   b) he was worried about how Anil would feel
   c) he felt bad   d) none of the above

(vi) What was Anil doing when the boy met him?
   a) cooking   b) watching a match   c) playing   d) writing an article

2.   Complete the paragraph by choosing the correct options: 1 x 3 = 3

"My heart sank and I knew something (i) _____ (be) terribly wrong but hadn't expected

it to be something that would change my life. When I (ii) _____ (reach) home, I saw my

son crying loudly, pointing towards the staircase. I rushed up to the first floor and (iii)

____ (see) blood splashed on the walls. I cannot begin to tell how petrified I was."

(i)   a) am   b) is   c) was   d) are

(ii)   a) reached   b) reach   c) have reached d) has reached

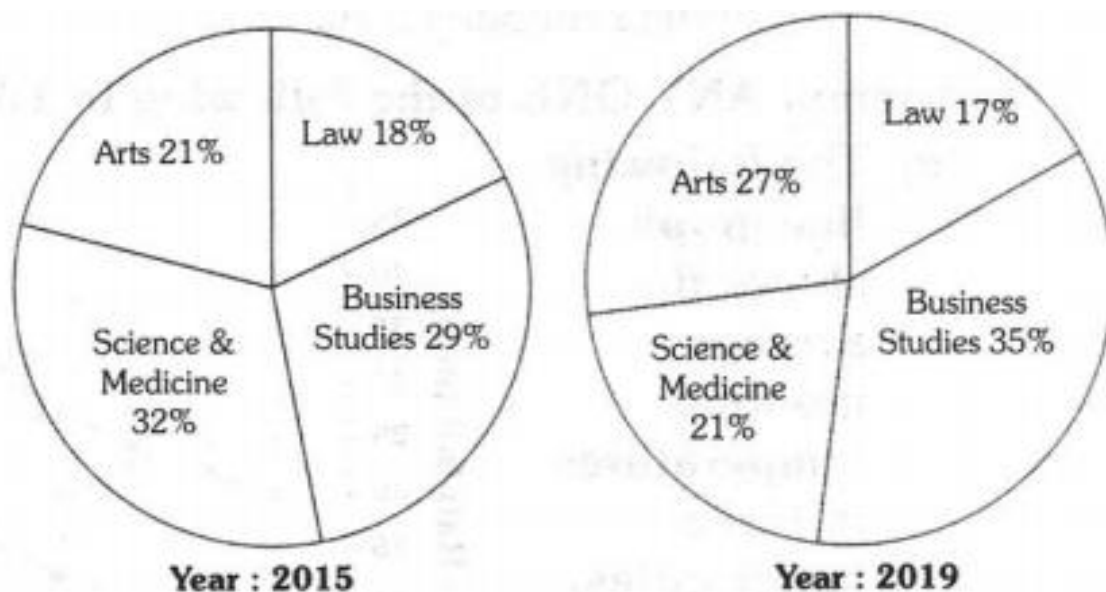(iii) a) has seen b) saw   c) see   d) have seen

3. **Answer ANY THREE questions in 20-30 words each:** 2 x 3 = 6

(i) Why is10ᵗʰ May 1994 is important for South Africa?
(ii) Why was Nelson Mandela changed into a bold man?
(iii) What does the thief say about the reactions of different types of people when they were robbed?
(iv) How did the thief know that Anil had forgiven him?
(v) What do you understand by 'His strength behind bars'? What kind of a cage is he locked in?

4. **The following pie charts show the percentage of students taking admission in different faculties of XYZ University over a certain period of time. Write an analytical paragraph on your understanding of the given data in 100 to 120 words:** 5 x 1 = 5

Arts 21%   Law 18%
Science & Medicine 32%   Business Studies 29%

Year : 2015

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