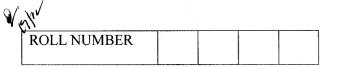
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CLASS: IX

Sub.Code: 184

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20.12.2022

Max. Marks: 20

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- 1. All questions are compulsory.
- 2. Follow the instructions for each of the given questions.
- 1. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow:

1x3=3

Then good Saint Peter grew angry.

For he was hungry and faint;

And surely such a woman

Was enough to provoke a saint.

Choose the correct options from the following:

a)	Such a woman suggests that she was		
i)	arrogant ii) selfish iii) lazy iv) audacious		
b)	The antonym of 'provoke' is		
i)	instigate ii) encourage iii) satisfy iv) demoralize		
c)	He was hungry because		
i)	he had not eaten for many days		
ii)	he was tired and fasting throughout the day		
iii)	he was travelling and did not have time to eat		
iv)	he was interested only in preaching		

'At that moment I moved forward and, mustering all my force, whacked its third toenail on the quick. The beast looked stunned for a moment; then it shivered from head to foot- and collapsed.'

- a) What is the meaning of 'mustering' in the above context? Who mustered all his force?
- b) Why did the beast look stunned for a moment?
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3. Write a short story in 120 - 130 words with the given outline and assign a suitable title to it:

Veeru and Karim went on an expedition organized by their school....went out to explore the forest...lost their way...cries of animals and different creatures...heard 'thump-thump' sound...an elephant trumpeted angrily...came towards them...Veeru blew a balloon...hit hard with hand... 'bang-bang'...elephant turned away...saved...presence of mind.

4. Choose the correct options from the ones given below:

1x3=3

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- a) Krishana said to Gopi, "He has eaten too much today."
- i) Krishana told Gopi that he has eaten too much that day.
- ii) Krishana told Gopi that he has been eating too much that day.
- iii) Krishana told Gopi that he had eaten too much that day.
- iv) Krishana told Gopi that he had eaten too much today.
 - b) He said to me, "You were not washing my clothes."
 - i) He told me that I was not washing his clothes
 - ii) He told me that I were not washing his clothes.
 - iii) He told me that I had not been washing his clothes.
 - iv) He ordered me not to wash his clothes.
 - c) He said to me, "Were they going to school now?"
 - i) He asked me if they have been going to school then
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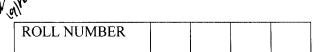
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2X3 = 6

- a) Comment on Iswaran's art of storytelling.
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- d) What was the "important decision" made by the doctor in 'The Snake and the Mirror' while he was looking at his face in the mirror?
- e) What type of woman did the doctor want to marry in 'The Snake and the Mirror'? What type of woman did he actually marry?

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	lessons.	on hour.	caught for pick pocketingsent to juvenile prisonforced to do ecomes sullen, rebelliouswatches French comic film on T.V. duringfascinated with the languagerequested coaching classesa uide today.	
4.	Choose	the cor	rect options from the ones given below:	1x3=3
	a)	He said	to me, "You were not washing my clothes."	
		i)	He told me that I was not washing his clothes	
		ii)	He told me that I were not washing his clothes.	
		iii)	He told me that I had not been washing his clothes.	
		iv)	He ordered me not to wash his clothes.	
	b)	He said	to me, "Were they going to school now?"	
		i)	He asked me if they have been going to school then	
		ii)	He asked me whether they were going to school then.	
		iii)	He asked me if they had been going to school then.	
		iv)	He asked me whether they continued going to school now.	
	c)	Minty s	aid her friend, "Did you go to the village fair yesterday?"	
	C)	i)	Minty asked her friend whether she went to the village fair yesterday.	
		ii)	Minty asked her friend whether she had gone to the village fair the day before.	
		iii)	Minty asked her friend whether she went to the village fair the day before.	
		iv)	Minty asked her friend whether she had gone to the village fair yesterday.	
5.	Answe	er <u>any th</u>	ree out of the following questions in 30-40 words:	2x3=6
	a)	Comme	ent on Iswaran's art of storytelling.	
	b)	How di	d Mahendra rebuke Iswaran's comment on ghosts and the supernatural?	
	c)		id Mahendra do at the end of the chapter 'Iswaran the storyteller'and why?	
	d)	What v	vas the 'earth-shaking decision' made by the doctor in 'The Snake and the Mirror'	
			e was looking at his face in the mirror?	
	e)	How di	id the doctor get rid of the snake that had coiled around his left arm?	

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God willed otherwise. My life companion is a thin reedy person with the gift of a sprinter.

Choose the correct options from the following:

a)	'Sprinter' means a	
i)	thin person ii) an athlete iii) fat person	iv) quarrelsome
b)	What is suggested by 'God willed otherwise.'	
i)	God wanted him to marry soon	ii) God was pleased by his actions
ii)	God wanted him to marry a fat woman	iv) God wanted him to marry a thin woman
c)	The doctor escaped to his friend's house on the and woke up next morning about	e night when he had encountered the snake
i)	eight ii) eight-thirty iii) nine	iv) eight-thirty five

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3.	Write a short story in 120 - 130 words with the given outline and assign a suitable title to it:	5
	It was raining heavily, the streetlights had gone off and I was returning Sudden encounterescapedreached home safe.	
4.	Choose the correct options from the ones given below:	1x3=3
	a) Kiran asked me, "Did you see the cricket match on television last night?"	
	i) Kiran asked me whether I saw the cricket match on television the previous night.	

- ii) Kiran asked me whether I had seen the cricket match on television the previous night. iii) Kiran asked me did I see the cricket match on television the last night.
- iv) Kiran asked me whether I had seen the cricket match on television the last night.
- b) He said to me, "Were they going to school now?"
 - i) He asked me if they have been going to school then
 - ii) He asked me whether they were going to school then.
 - iii) He asked me if they had been going to school then.
 - iv) He asked me whether they continued going to school now.
- c) David said to Anna, "Mona will leave for her native place tomorrow."
 - i) David told Anna that Mona will leave for her native place tomorrow.
 - ii) David told Anna that Mona left for her native place the next day.
 - iii) David told Anna that Mona would be leaving for her native place tomorrow.
 - iv) David told Anna that Mona would leave for her native place the next day.

5. Answer <u>any three</u> out of the following questions in 30-40 words:

2x3=6

- a) Comment on Iswaran's art of storytelling.
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- d) What was the 'important decision' made by the doctor in 'The Snake and the Mirror' while he was looking at his face in the mirror?
- e) How did the 'little woman' react when Saint Peter asked for a cake from 'her store of cakes' in 'A Legend of the Northland'?