



INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT

SECOND PERIODIC TEST

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE**

CLASS: IX

Sub.Code: 184

Time Allotted: 50 mins.

20.12.2022

Max. Marks: 20

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

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

2. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow:

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'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?
- c) How did the beast revive afterwards?

3. Write a short story in 120 - 130 words with the given outline and assign a suitable title to it:

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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

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

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.

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

2X3=6

- a) Comment on Iswaran's art of storytelling.
- b) How did Mahendra rebuke Iswaran's comment on ghosts and the supernatural?
- c) What was the change in Mahendra's attitude after hearing the supernatural stories from Iswaran? Mention at least two impacts on him.
- 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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**3. Write a short story in 120 - 130 words with the given outline and assign a suitable title to it: 5**

The illiterate boy..... caught for pick pocketing.....sent to juvenile prison.....forced to do lessons.....becomes sullen, rebellious .....watches French comic film on T.V. during recreation hour.....fascinated with the language.....requested coaching classes.....a French tourist guide today.

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

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c) Minty said her friend, "Did you go to the village fair yesterday?"

- 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.
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- b) How did Mahendra rebuke Iswaran's comment on ghosts and the supernatural?
- c) What did Mahendra do at the end of the chapter 'Iswaran the storyteller' and why?
- d) What was the 'earth-shaking 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 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 night when he had encountered the snake and woke up next morning about \_\_\_\_\_.
  - i) eight    ii) eight-thirty    iii) nine    iv) eight-thirty five

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It was raining heavily, the streetlights had gone off and I was returning..... Sudden encounter...escaped....reached 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?"
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  - 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 any three out of the following questions in 30-40 words: 2x3=6

- a) Comment on Iswaran's art of storytelling.
- b) How did Mahendra rebuke Iswaran's comment on ghosts and the supernatural?
- c) What was the change in Mahendra's attitude after hearing the supernatural stories from Iswaran? Mention at least two impacts on him.
- 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'?