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Assignment (2018-19)

CLASS:X

Sub.: English

SECTION –A (READING)

Q1.Read the following passage carefully:

If you are addicted to coffee ,and doctors warn you o quit the habit , don't worry and just keep relishing the beverage , because it's not that bad after all ! In fact , according to a new study , the steaming cup of Java can beat fruits and vegetables as the primary source of antioxidants in American diet , and both caffeinated and decaf versions appear to provide similar antioxidants levels .

Antioxidants in general have been linked to a number of potential health benefits , including protection against heart diseases and cancer , but Vinson , a dietician , said that their benefits ultimately depend on how they are absorbed and utilized in their body .The research says that coffee outranks popular antioxidants sources like tea , milk , chocolate and cranberries . Of all the foods and beverages studied , dates actually have the most antioxidants based solely on serving size , but since dates are not consumed anywhere near the level of coffee, the drink comes as the top source of antioxidants , Vinson said .

Besides keeping you alert and awake , coffee has been linked to an increasing number of potential health benefits , including protection against Liver and colon cancer , type 2 diabetes , Parkinson's diseases according to some recently published studies .

The researchers , however , advise that one should consume coffee in moderation , because it can make you jittery and cause stomach pains .

Answer the given questions: Do any 8

- i. What do doctors advise us about the habit of drinking coffee ?
- ii. What are the two versions of coffee that are drunk in America ?
- iii. State any two benefits of antioxidants .
- iv. What does Vinson say about the consumption of antioxidants ?
- v. Name any two popular sources of antioxidants .
- vi. How does coffee outrank dates in the level of antioxidants ?
- vii. Mention any 2 benefits of coffee.
- viii. What do researchers warn us about the excessive use of coffee ?
- ix. What do researchers advise us ?

Q2. Read the following passage carefully :

1. Globalization , liberalization and free market are some of the most significant modern trends in economy . Most economists in our country seem captivated by the spell of the free market .Consequently , nothing seems good or normal that does not accord with requirements for the free market .A price that is determined by the seller or , for that matter , established by anyone other than the aggregate of consumers seems pernicious .Accordingly , it requires a major act of will to think of price – fixing as both normal and having a valuable economic function .In fact , price fixing is normal in all industrialised societies because the industrial system itself provides , as an effortless consequences of its own development , the price – fixing that it requires . Modern industrial planning requires and rewards great size . Hence a comparatively small number of large firms will be competing for the same group of consumers . That each large firm will act with consideration of its own needs and thus avoid selling its product for more than its competitors charge is commonly recognized by advocates of free –market economic theories.But each large firm will also act with full consideration of the needs that it has in common with the other large firms competing for the same customers. Each large firm will thus avoid significant price – cutting ,because price-cutting will be prejudicial to the common interest in a stable demand for the products. Most economists do not see price-fixing when it occur because they expect it to be brought about by a number of explicit agreements among large firms,it is not.
2. Moreover, those economists who argue that allowing the freemarket to operate without interference is most efficient method of establishing prices have not considered the economics of non-socialist countries.Most of these economics employ international price-fixing , usually in an overt fashion. Formal price-fixing by cartel and informal price-fixing by agreements covering the membersof an industry are commonplace,Were there something peculiarly efficient about the free market and inefficiemt about price-fixing, the countries that have avoided the first and used the second would have suffered drastically in their economic development.There is no indication that they have.

On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer any four of the following questions in about 30-40 words each:

- i)Why does the author feel that the price fixed by the seller seems pernicious?
- ii)What are the most significiant trends of modern economy?
- iii)What does the industrial planning insist on?
- iv)What is the writers’s primary objective of writing this passage?
- v)Is there any indication about the free market?

Fill in the blanks with appropriate words/phrases:

- i)In our country most of the economists are _____

ii) The advocates of free market believe _____

iii) Most economists do not see _____

Attempt any two :

- i) Give one word in the passage (para 1) which means the same as 'harmful'.
- ii) Give the noun form of the word 'prejudicial'.
- iii) Give the antonym of 'efficient'.

SECTION –B(WRITING & GRAMMAR)

Q3. Write a letter to the Manager , Airtel , Model Town , Patiala , complaining against the low speed of the Internet service on your mobile phone , though you have opted for fast speed 4-G connection .You are Mohit of 10 –C sector 45 , Panchkula .

OR

You are Apoorva , Librarian of Wisdom Public School , New Delhi .Write a letter to the sales Manager of Bharat Publishers Limited , New Delhi placing an order for the books that you wish to purchase for your school library .Also ask for the discount permissible on the purchase.

Q4. Write a story in 200-250 words:

On hearing the news,Ravi ran to the spot.A big crowd had gathered and a few policemen could also be seen in the vicinity.....

OR

Before starting the journey everything seemed to be normal.I was happy and excited. The train was on time.....

Q5 In the following passage one word is missing in each line . Write the missing word which comes before and the word which comes after it.

	Before	Missing	After
Dengue is dreadful disease	-----
Research in US indicates dengue	-----
fever may soon a thing of the past,	-----
A mosquito can't bite if it not fly. This	-----
theory give the world's latest fight	-----	-----	-----
against dengue impetus	-----	-----	-----

Q6. Rearrange the given words and phrases to form meaningful sentences:

- i. Backbone of / is the / institution / educational / every / Library
- ii. Books on/there are / different / plenty of / subjects
- iii. Cater to / the books / the taste / of students / and need.

Q7. Read the given conversation and complete the following passage:

Customer : Can I have a small bottle of tomato sauce ?

Shopkeeper : Sorry, I have only big bottles.

Customer : When will it be available ?

Shopkeeper : I can give it to you tomorrow.

Customer : Thank you , then I will get it tomorrow.

The customer asked the shopkeeper (a) The shopkeeper said regretfully (b)

The customer wanted to know (c) The shopkeeper said that (d)

the customer thanked him and said (e)

SECTION –C(LITERATURE)

Q8. Read the given extract and answer the questions that follow:

I thrice presented him a kingly crown

Which he did thrice refuse : was his ambition ? :

Yet Brutus says he was ambitious ;

And, sure , he is an honourable man .

- a. Who is the speaker ?
- b. Where is he at present ?
- c. How does he try to prove that Caesar was not ambitious ?
- d. In what tone does he call Brutus ‘an honourable man’ ?

OR

Not marble, nor the gilded monuments

Of princes shall outlive this powerful rhyme ;

But you shall shine more bright in these contents

Than unswept stone , besmear'd with sluttish time .

- a. Why did rich and powerful get ornate monuments made?
- b. What is the poet's view about marble and gilded monuments?
- c. Who is ‘you’ in the above stanza?
- d. Why can't the monuments outlive the powerful rhyme?

Q9. Answer any four of the following questions in 30-40 words:

- a. Who was Lucia ? How did the boys look after her ?

- b. Why did Michael fail in rescuing Sebastian Shultz the first time ?
- c. Why does Shakespeare describe time as being 'sluttish'?
- d..How did the sailors reach the land of mist and snow ?
- e. 'Are we pinching it before Aunt Elizabeth comes ? Who speaks this line , and why ?

Q10. Answer the following question in 100 -120 words:

Appearances are deceptive. Discuss with reference to the two boys in the story 'Two Gentlemen Of Verona'.

OR

Bring about the irony in the title of the play 'The Dear Departed'.

Q11. Answer one of the following questions in about 200-250words:

What do you think of Anne Frank as a writer .

OR

Give a brief character sketch of Margot Frank .
