

DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL JAMMU
ASSIGNMENT Session : 2021-22

CLASS: XI

MONTH: DECEMBER

SUBJECT: ENGLISH

Topic : 1) Note-Making & Summarization (READING)

2) Poem-3 : The Voice of the Rain

3) poem-4 : Childhood

4) Lesson-5 The Ailing Planet: The Green Movement's Role

Based on your understanding of the E-Lectures-cum-PPTs, video links and other e-resources shared with you, answer the following questions.

Q.1 Read the passage given below and do the questions that follow.

More than a century ago, some countries had no proper police force. Local leaders devised their own method of ensuring that their orders were carried out and fulfilled. The offender was not given a second chance to repeat his mistake for he was either killed or hunted out of district.

In England, the modern police force grew largely from an unofficial body gathered together by a London magistrate. He found that it was practically impossible to apprehend any of the criminals in his area unless he deployed some men secretly to detect and hunt the culprits. These unofficial constables had to patrol one large district. They looked upon their position largely as an honorary one and had very little power. Worse still they were sometimes corrupt men themselves for they would conveniently look the other way round in times of trouble, like theft, hooliganism and vandalism. Magistrate Fielding enrolled a few men whom he could explicitly trust and employed them to catch the thieves and other undesirable persons. Their remuneration was poor, their work was dangerous and they were unpopular. The majority of the people resented what they thought was a threat to their liberties, intrusion on their privacies and above all spying on them. They maintained that they should have every right to drink themselves to death with any form of alcohol, as so many of them did. They thought, too, that they should be allowed to quarrel, to fight and even to kill amongst themselves.

The situation was made worse by the fact that the penalties for offences were very heavy in those distant days and a man could be hanged for the theft of some unimportant thing. Arrest by the magistrate's men could bring disastrous results. Contrary to general feeling, the authorities gradually admitted that these early policemen were vitally necessary. After much discussion, argument and persuasion, the government secretly agreed to re-imburse the magistrate for the men he employed. This step was not made public lest it should be thought that the government was planting spies amidst its people. Eventually the public came to look upon the police with a more friendly spirit as the benefits became more noticeable. At long last, men and women could walk along the streets by day and even by night without fear of robbery and other acts of violence. Hitherto, the people were free to do practically anything—good or bad, irrespective of the possible consequences. As the police

force was built up, the people gave up their freedom to commit evil deeds so that they might have a greater freedom to do good so as to enable one and all to enjoy life peacefully and harmoniously.

a) **On the basis of your reading of the above passage make notes on it, using headings and sub headings. Also use recognizable abbreviations, wherever necessary. Supply a suitable title to it.**

b) **Write a summary of the above passage in about 50 words.**

Q2. Answer the following questions in 35-40 words each.

- a. Justify the title “The Ailing planet”?
- b. What are the feelings of the poet in the poem “Childhood”?
- c. What will happen if it doesn’t rain? (The Voice of the Rain)

Q3. Read the stanza and answer the questions that follow.

**Where did my childhood go?
It went to some forgotten place,
That’s hidden in an infant’s face.**

a. **Where the childhood of the poet has gone?**

- 1) Forgotten place
- 2) unknown state
- 3) adults face
- 4) it’s stolen

b. **Who is the poet of this poem?**

- 1) A Childhood
- 2) The Childhood
- 3) Stolen Childhood
- 4) Childhood

c. **Which of these is NOT one of the options where the poet thinks that his childhood has gone?**

1. The time when he ceased to be twelve
2. The time when he realized that hell and heaven could not be found in Geography
3. The time when he realized that adults were hypocrites
4. None of the Above

Topic : The Ailing Planet

Q.5 Choose the correct option.

1. What was the issue raised by the author in the chapter ‘The Ailing Planet’?

- A. Global Warming
- B. Save Water
- C. Save Electricity
- D. deteriorating health of the earth

2. When did the Green Movement help environmentalists to raise awareness about the harmful condition of the earth?

- A. 1992
- B. 1972
- C. 1987
- D. 1970

3. When was the Sustainable Development used by the World Commission on Environment and Development?

- A. 1987
- B. 1992
- C. 1990
- D. 1986

4. Complete this line from the chapter 'The rich get richer, and the poor beget children

- ____,
- A. to work harder
 - B. which condemns them to remain poor
 - C. to remain poorer
 - D. to get richer

5. What is the transcending concern?

- A. the survival of the planet
- B. the survival of forests
- C. global warming
- D. to save water

6. Who said, "No generation has a freehold on this earth. All we have is a life tenancy — with a full repairing lease"?

- A. Mr Edgar S. Woolard
- B. UN World Commission
- C. Donald Trump
- D. Margaret Thatcher

7. Who said, "We have not inherited this earth from our forefathers; we have borrowed it from our children."?

- A. Margaret Thatcher
- B. Mr Edgar S. Woolard
- C. Mr. Lester Brown
- D. Brandt Commission

8. When did the Green Movement start?

- A. 35 years ago
- B. 15 years ago
- C. nearly 25 years ago
- D. 20 years ago

9. Where was the first nationwide Green party founded?

- A. USA
- B. Australia
- C. New Zealand
- D. Canada

10. What forms the foundation of the global economic system according to Lester Brown?

- A. " fisheries, forests, grasslands, and croplands "
- B. land and water
- C. forests, fisheries, grasslands
- D. fisheries and forests

Q.6 Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each.

1. What are the earth's principal biological systems? What is happening to them and what can be the results?
2. Explain the statement 'forests precede mankind; deserts follow'.

Instructions:-

1. Last date of submission **20 december,2021**
2. Submit your assignment before due date to your respective subject teachers.