

DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL JAMMU
REVISION SHEET FOR CYCLE TEST-1
SESSION -2018-19

CLASS:-VII

SUBJECT: - ENGLISH

SYLLABUS: MCB- The Fun They Had (prose); The Geography Lesson (poem)
Literature Reader- My Childhood (A.P.J Abdul Kalam); My Grandmother's House
Workbook- worksheet 1&2
Grammar- Preposition & Jumbled Sentences
Creative Writing- Notice & Data Interpretation
Novel- In A Prison
Reading: Comprehension of Prose & Poetry

SECTION-A (READING)

Q1.Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:-

The rate at which forests are disappearing on the Himalayan range is so rapid that this flourishing mountain chain could be reduced to a stark, denuded landscape by the first half of the next century.

The Kullu valley, once bedecked by Deodars, some 150 feet in height and 10 feet or more in girth, has almost been stripped bare. Much of central and western India, formerly criss-crossed by flowing rivers and lakes, bears a mysterious resemblance to a lunar landscape. Cherapunji , the wettest spot on earth, is today gaunt and scarred.

Does this sound like a nightmare? Indeed, one wishes it were so! Unfortunately, the truth is that 6 million hectares of agricultural land in the world is being lost each year to the desert and another 21 million hectares is reduced to a state of near complete uselessness, threatening the livelihoods of 1.2 billion people worldwide.

Right now in India itself, 53% of the total land area is heading towards devastation. The implications are horrifying.

The main reason behind this ugly disfigurement of fertile land is not poor rainfall but human error. In the name of progress, trees have been cut down for housing, for heating and cooking, to produce paper and to make way for more agricultural land. Vast tracts of thick luxuriant forests have been destroyed, together with their root systems which hold the soil together and retain its precious moisture. In the rainy season, water spills down the slopes as there are no roots left in the soil to absorb it. It washes away tones of fertile topsoil. The rivers turn muddy and the level of their beds rise, creating floods which cause destruction of property and human life. It is the erosion of Himalayan topsoil that is creating a new island in the Bay of Bengal.

1.1Choose the correct option:-

a. Kullu valley was previously....

i) Inhabited by wild animals

ii)covered with Deodars

iii) not densely populated

iv) both (I) and (iii)

b. It is nightmarish to know that

i) Animals will die of hunger

ii) humans will not get any water

iii) 53% of the total land area will face devastation

iv) the world will end soon

c. Rainwater affects the land as

i) No crops could be grown

ii) it becomes smooth and even

iii) More deserts will be added

iv) it becomes infertile

d. The disaster due to rising water-level can be...

i) Forest fires

ii) Tsunami

iii) Floods

iv) waterfall

e. Complete the following statement:-

Erosion of Himalayan topsoil has resulted in

f. What is the main reason behind the disfigurement of fertile land?

Q2. Read the following poem and answer the questions that follow:-

As if the earth
Stopped,
The air hushes.
You feel the heat
Rising
Out of the fields,
Out of asphalt.
And then a single leaf turns
Its silver back
Air claps air
And all the grasses
Lie down.
Do not stand
beneath this tree.
If you must be brave,
Then for one second
Only
Lift your face
To the darkest of blues
And feel the sea,
The cool
Faraway sea,
Surging
Wind-whirled
Through the trees.

(2.1) Choose the most appropriate option:-

a) What is the poet describing at the beginning of the poem?

i) The way the earth rotates

ii) the dangers of a storm

iii) The wind in a meadow

iv) the calmness before a storm

b) What happens when "air claps air"?

i) It rains

ii) It thunders

iii) it is hot

iv) it becomes dry

c) Complete the following statement

When all the grasses lie down, the weather is.....

d) What does the poet compare the sky with?

SECTION-B (WRITING)

Q3. You are ASHMIT/ASHMITAA, head boy/head girl of DALHOUSIE PUBLIC SCHOOL. Put up a notice on the school notice board informing students of class VIII- XII about the awareness drive being organized by your school regarding Drug Abuse.

Q4. Read the following details regarding the monthly expenditure of Mr. Swaminathan. Interpret the data in about 100-120 words.

MONTHLY EXPENDITURE OF MR. SWAMINATHAN	
AMOUNT	USAGE
Rs.10,000	Household essentials
Rs.6000	Car fuel
Rs.12,000	Education of children
Rs.15,000	Savings
Rs.2000	Family outings
Rs.2000	Extra expenditures

SECTION-C (GRAMMAR)

Q5. Rearrange the following words to frame meaningful sentences:-

- a) powers/ have/ cumin/medicinal/basil/and.
- b) country/traditions/rich/in/India/is/a/cultures.
- c) before/water/boil/you/always/drinking/must.
- d) concert/Brian/Silas/played/at/the/piano/the.
- e) hummingbird/the/smallest/bird/is.
- f) invented/first/flew/and/Wright Brothers/the/airplane.
- g) management/a/time/schedule/helps/with/students.
- h) the/called/is/of/population/demography/study/human.

Q6. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions:-

- a) Ashok bent and picked a pebble.
- b) While I was sitting..... the chair, the mouse jumped..... the table.
- c) The little girl stood..... Her father and mother but felt lost so many people at the fair.
- d) The plane flew..... the building while the sun shone..... in the sky.
- e) The painting was..... the wall clock but the sculpture looked beautiful..... the focus light.
- f) Surjeet climbed the narrow mountain road.
- g) Sonia kept her clothes a big, wooden cupboard.
- h) Sunday, Mira will clean her house.

SECTION-D (LITERATURE)

Q7. Answer the following questions:-

- a) Why was Margie having troubles with Geography lessons?
- b) What kind of teachers did Margie and Tommy have?
- c) How do we know that Kalam's was an austere?
- d) Which house is being described as 'a house' in the "My Grandmother's House"?
- e) Why did the inspector come to Margie's house?

Q8. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow:-

Our teacher told us one day he would leave
 And sail across a warm blue sea
 To places he had only known from maps
 And all his life he had longed to be.

- a) Name the poem and the poet?
- b) What does the poet wishes to do?

Q9 Fill in the blanks with appropriate phrasal verbs:-

- a) Could you please The Christmas lights?
- b) My mother gets annoyed if I doing my homework.

Q10. Answer the following questions:-

- a) 'Your children are not your children. They are the sons and daughters of life's longing for itself'
 Who said this to whom?
- b) There is a house now far away where once
 I received love..... that woman died,
 The house withdrew into silence.
 - i) Which house is being described as 'a house'?
 - ii) Who is the woman who died?

Q11. Write a brief character sketch of Oliver.

Or

What request did Oliver make to the Magistrate?