



QUESTION BANK SA- 1 – 2022-23

GRADE VI

SUBJECT – ENGLISH

**Syllabus – Honeysuckle – Unit – 1,2,3,4. (SR) – Ch – 1,2,3,5)
Grammar – Ch – 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13. Comprehension, writing skill**

SECTION A – READING

Q1. Read the given passages and answer the questions that follow.

PASSAGE 1

A volcano is a burning mountain with a great hole running deep into the earth. Out of it come smoke, gases and stones. The mouth of the opening is called the crater of the volcano. Volcanoes are not always burning. Sometimes a volcano will remain quiet for centuries. And then it will suddenly become active. This is called volcanic eruption. When the eruption takes place, great clouds of ashes, dust, gas and steam rise from the crater. Loud noises come from the crater. After sometime, white hot molten rock, called lava begins to flow down the mountain sides. This may go on for days or weeks. Then the volcano will ‘go to sleep’ again for many years. Most volcanoes are found near the seas.

1. On the basis of your reading of the above passage complete the following:

- (a) A volcano is a burning mountain which **spits fire from a deep hole in the earth** .
- (b) When a volcano becomes active, **ashes, dust, steam, smoke and lava rise from its mouth** .
- (c) Lava refers to **white hot molten rock** .
- (d) A crater is the mouth of the **opening on the top of a volcanic mountain** .
- (e) Most volcanoes are found **near the sea**.

2. Find words from the above passage that mean opposite to:

- (a) Closing **opening**
- (b) Dormant **active**
- (c) Far **near**
- (d) Noisy **quiet**

PASSAGE 2

Food can maintain and save life. It can destroy life as well. Proper food serves as medicine, improper food works as poison. A little care about the quality and quantity of food will keep us healthy and happy. If we go about eating all sorts of things, we shall become sick. We take pride in calling ourselves civilized. Being sensible means to know the difference between good and bad, right and wrong. It will not do to become slaves to our tongue or taste. Even cattle, birds and beasts eat only what is best for their body.

We mostly eat processed food and refined sugar. We pay heavily for junk food, for Chinese dishes or deep fried snacks. As a result we catch diseases. We have drifted away from mother nature. We laugh at the rules of hygiene, healthy diet and the advice of our elders. This has given rise to diabetes.

We offer chocolates, cakes and ice creams too often to our children. We also attend parties or dine out every day. This way we invite obesity and diabetes.

1. Answer the following questions briefly:

(a) What are the functions of food?

Ans. Food maintains and saves life.

(b) What is meant by ‘improper food’?

Ans. Food which is of poor quality and has harmful effect on the body.

(c) What does ‘civilised life’ imply?

Ans. Being civilised means – to know what is right and what is wrong.

(d) Explain: We have drifted away from nature.

Ans. Our lifestyle has pushed us away from nature.

(e) How does modern life style and food habits affect us?

Ans. We don't follow the rules of hygiene and healthy diet. We eat processed, fried or junk food.

2. Find words from the passage that mean the same as:

(a) being fat **obesity**

(b) cleanliness **hygiene**

Q2. Read the given poem and answer the questions that follow.

POEM 1

What Kitten Sees

by Liana Mahoney

Twinkling stars in skies of green,
Sparkling heavens, jewelled scene.
Drips of silver glimmer bright,
Wondrous streams of glowing light.
Angels floating - haloed heads;
Clouds of glass in blues and reds.
Now I know what kitten sees,
From underneath the Christmas tree!

1. What is this poem mostly about?

- a. a kitten playing with Christmas tree ornaments
- b. someone getting a kitten for Christmas
- c. a kitten looking up at the decorations on a tree**
- d. a kitten looking up at the stars in the sky

2. The first line of the poem says: Twinkling stars in skies of green, Why does the poet say the sky is green?

Ans. The kitten is looking up at the twinkling tree. To the kitten, it looks as though the green branches of the tree make up the sky.

3. Line 6 mentions “clouds of glass in blues and reds.” What is this referring to?

Ans. This line is referring to glass ornaments that are hanging on the tree.

4. Why do you think a Christmas tree would be exciting to a kitten?

Ans. Answers will vary. Students may mention that it is filled with shiny objects. It would also be unusual for a kitten to see a tree inside the house.

POEM 2

The Owl
by Lord Tennyson

When cats run home and light is come,
And dew is cold upon the ground,
And the far-off stream is dumb,
And the whirring sail goes round,
And the whirring sail goes round;
Alone and warming his five wits,
The white owl in the belfry sits.

When merry milkmaids click the latch,
And rarely smells the new-mown hay,
And the cock hath sung beneath the thatch
Twice or thrice his roundelay,
Twice or thrice his roundelay;
Alone and warming his five wits,
The white owl in the belfry sits.

I. Choose the correct options.

1. The arrival of the morning is heralded by the:
(a) running stream
(b) tower clock
(c) fishermen cry
(d) cock's singing
2. The owl prefers:
(a) hay mowing
(b) loneliness
(c) hooting with other owls
(d) watching of milk maids
3. The poem describes:
(a) cats
(b) milkmaids
(c) cocks
(d) an owl
4. A word in the poem which means "a roof covering 'is
(a) Whirring
(b) thatch
(c) hay
(d) latch

5. Morning activities described in the poem are:

- (a) **Milking of cows and cocks crowing**
- (b) mowing of grass and running of stream
- (c) running of dogs and running of stream
- (d) hooting of owls and barking of dogs

SECTION B – WRITING

Q3. Write a letter to your father requesting him to buy you a cycle.

70, Shastri Nagar
Bhiwani

25th April 2021

Dear Papa

You will be glad to know that I have secured 86 per cent marks in class V. Let me remind you of your promise that if I score good marks, you will get me a bicycle. Now the time has come. So, please do let me have a cycle in this summer vacation. It will save my precious time. I want to devote more and more time to my studies.

I look forward eagerly. I am very keen to have my very first bicycle.

Your loving son/daughter
XYZ

Q4. Write an application to your Principal requesting him to grant you leave for ten days as you have to attend your brother's marriage.

The Principal
Puna International School
New Delhi

15 May 2021

Subject: Leave application

Sir

Most humbly I beg to say that my brother's marriage ceremony will be performed on 22nd May, 2021 at my native village. All my family members will have to reach there a week before to make proper arrangements. As I'll have to accompany them, I would like to request you to grant me leave for at least ten days for the purpose.

My leave will start from 16 May and will extend upto 25 May.

I shall be highly obliged to you for this.

Thanking You
Yours obediently
Ratan

Q5. A painting competition is to be organised in the school on the occasion of 'Children's Day'. Students of classes VI to VIII can participate in it. As the Art Teacher of Puna International School prepare a notice informing students about the same, giving the relevant details.

PUNA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

NOTICE

10th October 2021

Painting Competition

A painting competition will be organised for the students of classes VI to VIII, to celebrate the Children's Day.

Date: 13 November 2021

Time : 9.00 a.m – 12.00 Noon

Venue: School Playground

The students have to bring their own art materials. The topic will be given on the spot. Attractive prizes will be given to the winners. For more information, contact the undersigned.

(VEENA PURI)

Art Teacher

Q6. Develop a story from the given outline. Give a title to the story.

_____ four cows lived in a jungle _____ fast friends, _____ always together
_____ lived in peace. fought the enemy unitedly. A tiger had an eye _____ not dare to
attack _____ as they were united. _____ cows fell out went separately the tiger
_____ the opportunity _____ killed the cows _____ ate them _____.

Once upon a time, four cows lived in a jungle. They were fast friends. They were always together. They lived in peace. If any wild animal ever attacked them, all the four of them fought the enemy unitedly and drove him away.

A tiger had an eye on these cows. But he did not dare to attack them as long as they were united. The cows fell out one day. Each one went separately her own way. Now the tiger had the opportunity that he was looking for. He killed the cows one by one and ate them up.

Moral : Unity Is Strength.

Q7. Do as directed

A. Fill in the blanks with correct option.

1. **The** Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi was **the** Chief Guest for Republic Day 2017.(the/a)
2. We are friends with **the** Mohantys next door. (the/ an)
3. **The** strongest among them will win **the** gold medal. (a / the)
4. I usually **play** outdoor games. (play, plays)
5. Birds **migrate** to warmer countries during winter. (migrate, migrates)
6. I **presented** my project last week. (present, presented)
7. The company **shifted** its office two years ago. (shift, shifted)
8. **When** did you sleep yesterday? (What, When)
9. The package was wrapped **nicely** before delivery. (nicely, nice)
10. The ballerinas performed **wonderfully**. (wonderful, wonderfully)
11. The little child ate the muffins **greedily**. (greedily, greedy)
12. Aliens **do** not have a human form. (does, do)
13. **Do** you have any spare pencils, please? (Had, Do)
14. **12** months make a year. (12/ 10)
15. **Which** chapter are you reading? (How/ Which)
16. I like **his** handwriting. (him/his)
17. She has **little** love for animals. (few/little)

B. Fill in the blanks with the form of the verbs in brackets, as instructed.

1. I usually **play** outdoor games. (play) (simple present)
2. We cannot leave right away as it **is raining**. (rain) (present continuous)
3. Kitty's parents **have rented** a house near the school. (rent) (present perfect)
4. The company **shifted** its office two years ago. (shift) (simple past)
5. Suddenly, I realised somebody **was knocking** at the door. (knock) (past continuous)
6. They reported that the driver **had crashed** into a parked truck. (crash) (past perfect)
7. I **will be appearing** on the music channel on Saturday. (appear) (future continuous)
8. Wait! You **will have** your turn soon. (have) (simple future)

C. Rewrite the given sentences as directed in the bracket.

1. It has been snowing in the hills this winter.(negative)
It has not been snowing in the hills this winter.
2. Hema had been learning English for a long time when she left for England.(negative)
Hema had not been learning English for a long time when she left for England.
3. The guard had been reporting for duty on time for the past few days.(negative)
The guard had not been reporting for duty on time for the past few days.
4. The police have been checking all the cars.(interrogative)
Have the police been checking all the cars?
5. Vehicles have been polluting the Delhi air.(interrogative)
Have vehicles been polluting the Delhi air?
6. Nitin had been jogging for an hour when he hurt himself.(interrogative)
Had Nitin been jogging for an hour when he hurt himself?

D. Underline the main verbs in these sentences.

1. The library **has** many books.
2. Some trees can **grow** very tall.
3. The trees **are** large and leafy.
4. After dinner, I **did** the dishes.
5. They **are** intelligent students.
6. We **had** lunch at a roadside café.
7. My brother **loves** horse riding.

E. Underline the direct objects in these sentences.

1. The spectators cheered the players.
2. We watched it on TV.
3. This library lends magazines.
4. The class read Oliver Twist.
5. The tourists visited the museum.
6. The students prepared a skit.
7. The minister answered the questions.

F. Rewrite these sentences with the adverbs at the correct position.

1. Lisa spelt the words. (carelessly)
Lisa spelt the words carelessly.
2. He took my pencil from my hand. (hurriedly)
He took my pencil from my hand hurriedly.
3. I have spoken the truth. (always)
I have always spoken the truth.
4. India will launch spaceship to Mars. (soon)
India will soon launch spaceship to Mars.
5. Delhi is hot in summers. (extremely)
Delhi is extremely hot in summers.
6. I exercise every day. (almost)
I exercise almost every day.

G. Form adverbs from these adjectives.

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| 1. Perfect - perfectly | 5. Simple - simply |
| 2. Nice – nicely | 6. Heavy - heavily |
| 3. Accident – accidentally | 7. Greedy - greedily |
| 4. Wonderful – wonderfully | 8. Month – monthly |

H. Complete these sentences with suitable subjects.

1. **My father** painted a beautiful landscape using water colours.
2. **Riya** always brings sandwiches for everyone.
3. **All my toys** are inside the cupboard.
4. **The batsman** has lot of patience playing the game.
5. **The magician** performed the trick.

Q8. Write the meaning of the given words.

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| 1. Amazed – surprised | 8. Imitates - copies |
| 2. Sharing – working together | 9. Smearred - covered |
| 3. Stucco – a fine plaster or cement | 10. Jealous - envious |
| 4. kinsman – relative | 11. Goodwill – goodness. |
| 5. Ill pleased – unhappy | 12. Pawnbroker – moneylender |
| 6. Chopped – cut into pieces | |
| 7. Mystery – puzzle | |

Q9. Multiple Choice Questions

1. What did Patrick hate?

- (a) Playing games
- (b) Doing his homework**
- (c) Watching T.V.
- (d) Going to school

2. In which subject Patrick was out of luck?

- (a) Maths**
- (b) History
- (c) Geography
- (d) English

3. The members of a family work:

- (a) to make it a palace
- (b) to make lot of money
- (c) for the happiness of one another**
- (d) to keep peace

4. Members share:

- (a) food and fruit
- (b) joy and sorrow**
- (c) cheese and bread
- (d) secrets

5. Where did bear take dog?

- (a) To the forest
- (b) to share his honey
- (c) to meet his friends
- (d) to find cows**

6. The lion was the best choice for dog because ____

- (a) He was safe
- (b) He was the strongest animal
- (c) He got enough food
- (d) All of these**

7. “And up it goes” who is being referred to in the poem?

- (a) kite**
- (b) bird
- (c) leaf
- (d) smoke

8. 'Breeze' is associated with ...

- (a) water
- (b) wind**
- (c) mountain
- (d) snow

9. Who gave Taro 20 pieces of Gold?

- (a) Zamindaar of the village
- (b) King of the village
- (c) King of Japan**
- (d) Queen of Japan

10. Both the siblings felt that the other was ,

- (a) right
- (b) wrong**
- (c) honest
- (d) dishonest

11. Beauty depends on

- (a) the soul
- (b) the spirit
- (c) the mind**
- (d) the eyes

12. Beauty can be

- (a) only seen
- (b) only heard
- (c) seen, heard and felt**
- (d) permanent

13. The cave was inhabited by

- (a) the lions
- (b) the rabbits
- (c) the robbers**
- (d) the rishi

14. The farmer's wife did not trust

- (a) the mongoose**
- (b) her husband
- (c) her friend
- (d) his son

15. The phrasal verb 'looking for' means

- (a) observing
- (b) searching**
- (c) helping
- (d) gazing

Q10. Reference to context

(Read Ch – Who Did Patrick's Homework, Taro's Reward)

Q11. Answer the following questions.

1. What did Patrick think his cat was playing with? What was it really?

Ans: Patrick thought that his cat was playing with a little doll but it was really a man of the tiniest size.

2. Why did the little man grant Patrick a wish?

Ans: The little man granted Patrick a wish because he wanted to get free from cat.

3. Why did the dog feel the need for a master?

Ans: The dog felt the need for a master because he was sick and tired of wandering about alone, looking for food and afraid of those who were stronger than him.

4. Why did the villagers want to drown Taro?

Ans: The villagers wanted to drown Taro because they thought that he had tricked them.

5. Why did the Emperor reward Taro?

Ans: The emperor rewarded Taro for he honoured and obeyed his parents.

6. Where was Kalpana Chawla born? Why is she called an Indian – American?

Ans: Kalpana Chawla was born in Karnal, Haryana. She was called an Indian-American because she went to US and became its naturalised citizen.

7. When and why did she go to the U.S.? Who did she marry?

Ans: She went to US after completing a Bachelor of Science degree in aeronautical engineering for pursuing master's degree. She married flight instructor Jean-Pierre Harrison.

8. Why didn't the farmer's wife want to leave the baby alone with the mongoose?

Ans: The farmer's wife was afraid of the mongoose harming her child and so she didn't want to leave her baby alone with the mongoose.

9. What did the iron chest contain?

Ans. The iron chest contained an old blanket.

10. How did the king reward the new governor?

Ans: The king was pleased with the shepherd and he made him the governor of a much bigger district that very day.

11. What happens if Raga Deepak is sung properly?

Ans(i) If Raga Deepak is sung properly, it makes the air so hot that the singer is burnt to ashes.

12. Why did Tansen agree to sing Raga Deepak?

Ans: Tansen agreed to sing Raga Deepak because he could not disobey the king.

13. When is the beauty heard?

Ans. Beauty is heard in the night; whistling of wind, rain falling and playing music.

14. Which objects of nature are beautiful?

Ans. The singing wind and the rainfall are beautiful.

15. Where does beauty lie?

Ans. Beauty lies in happy thoughts, good deeds.

Q12. Answer in detail.

1. Why did he serve the Lion for a long time?

Ans: He served the Lion for a long time because he found there was no more powerful and stronger than lion in the forest and so no one dared to touch the dog or offend him in any way. Therefore, the dog lived happily by serving the lion for a long time.

2. How did she become an astronaut? What gave her the idea that she could be an astronaut?

Ans: After qualifying as a pilot, Chawla applied to NASA space shuttle program. She was first hired as a research Scientist at NASA. In 1994 she was selected at NASA for training as an astronaut. It was her success as a pilot which gave her the idea that she could become an astronaut.

3 Describe Kalpana Chawla's first mission in space.

Ans: Kalpana Chawla's first mission was in the space shuttle Columbia. It was a 15 days, 16 hours and 34 minutes. During this time, she went around the earth 252 times travelling 1.45 million km. The crew performed experiments such as pollinating plants to observe food growth in space. It also made test for making stronger metals and faster computer chips. It was all done for a price tag of 56 million dollars.

4. How did the two baby birds get separated?

Ans: One day, there was a big storm, and the wind blew down many trees including the tall tree in which the birds lived. A big, heavy branch hit the nest and killed the bird. But the strong wind blew the baby birds away to the other side of the forest. Both landed at different places. This is how the two birds were separated.

5. How did the rishi explain the different ways in which the birds behaved?

Ans: The rishi smiled and explained the different ways in which the birds behaved by saying after all one is known by the company one keeps. The first bird has always heard the talk of robbers, imitates them and talks about robbing people. The other bird repeats what he always hears and so welcomes people to the ashram.

6. Why did the other governors grow jealous of the shepherd?

Ans: The people loved and honoured the shepherd for his wisdom, sympathy and goodness. His fame as a fair and wise governor soon spread throughout the country. This was why the other governors grew terribly jealous of him.

7. How do we know that Akbar was fond of Tansen? Give two reasons.

Ans: Tansen was a great favourite of Akbar. Akbar would call upon Tansen to sing at any time during the day or night. Quite often he would walk into Tansen's house to hear him practice. He also gave him many presents.

GOOD LUCK