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| PERIODIC ASSESSMENT 1 – [2021-22] | | | | | | | |

GENERAL INSTRUCTION:

1 This paper is divided into two parts; A and B .All questions are compulsory.

- 2 Separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary . Read these instructions carefully and follow them.
- 3. Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

PART A READING

25 Marks 10 Marks

Q.1 Read the passage given below :

1. Manufacturers of various products are currently competing with each other to produce a form of green packaging, that is, environment-friendly packaging. It is important because packaging is an important part of marketing these days, but much of it is a threat to the environment. There are two reasons for this threat. Firstly, the production of such packaging uses up a great deal of energy and secondly, the cartons and wrappers in which the goods are packaged are often difficult to dispose of when they are no longer in use. Therefore, they become waste material and a hazard to the Environment.

2. People in most countries have become aware of the damage which modem living is doing to the environment and many of them are concerning themselves with the conservation of the environment for future generations. Thus, both politicians and scientists are now looking at issues of energy-saving and waste disposal with a view to making them more environmentally friendly.

3. Therefore, as far as packaging is concerned, it is vital that it is either recyclable or biodegradable. For example, instead of throwing out newspapers and glass bottles with their household rubbish, people in several countries are today being encouraged to put them in special containers to allow the material to be recycled. Some household waste, such as vegetable peelings, is naturally biodegradable and so decomposes gradually until it disappears.

4. Man-made goods are not so easily disposed off. Goods and packaging made of plastic create waste material that is particularly difficult to discard. This means that huge landfill sites have to be dug out so as to bury the plastic waste underground. This possibly is causing greater problems for the future generations.

5. Just as much of a problem is industrial waste i.e., waste that is generated by industries. This is a matter of grave concern since the effluent from factories often contains chemicals and these chemicals are generally released into water bodies like ponds, lakes and rivers, which leads to the pollution of water supplies. So it is of vital importance to ensure that waste from factories be monitored carefully in order to avoid such a calamity.

6 Technological advances fueled by nuclear power have added to the problem of waste disposal. The disposal of nuclear waste causes particular concern because it is radioactive and so possibly dangerous to life. The recent leaks from nuclear reactors in Japan and in Chernobyl in Russia have all added to this problem.

7. The high standard of living, which the people of many countries now enjoy, has resulted in a huge increase in waste material called carbon footprints. This could have a terrible effect on the ecology of

the planet in the near future. Therefore, there is no doubt that urgent action must be taken by both the governments of all the countries and their people to save the environment from a terrible disaster even sooner than we realize.

| Types of Waste | Examples | Effect on environment |
|------------------|--------------------|---|
| recyclable waste | (a) | does not cause any harm, can be recycled |
| industrial waste | (b) | (c) |
| nuclear waste | radioactive leaks | (d) |
| (e) | vegetable peelings | causes no harm, disappears with time |

.1 On the basis of your reading of the passage, complete the following table. $(1 \times 5 = 5)$

6.2 Find words from the passage which mean the same in the following from the paragraphs indicated. $(1 \times 5 = 5)$

- (a) substances that will decay naturally (para 3):
- (b) a site where waste material has been buried (para 4):

(c) liquid waste matter (para 5):

(d) an occurrence that causes great distress or destruction (para 7):

(e) synonym of difficult (para 6)

LITERATURE

Q.2 Read the extracts given below and attempt any one by answering the questions that follow :

It was a very old book. Margie's grandfather once said that when he was a little boy his grandfather told him that there was a time when all stories were printed on paper. They turned the pages, which were yellow and crinkly, and it was awfully funny to read words that stood still instead of moving the way they were supposed to-on a screen, you know : $(! \times 4 = 4)$

(a) Why were the pages of the book yellow?

- (b) What kind of books did Margie and Tommy read?
- (c) What do you think a tele book is?
- (d) The meaning of crinkly....

"Come, child, come" called his parents, as he lagged behind, fascinated by the toys in the shops That lined the way. He hurried towards his parents , his feet obedient to their call, his eyes still lingering on the receding toys. As he came to where they had stopped to wait for him, he could not suppress the desire of his heart even though he well knew the old, cold stare of refusal in their Eyes.

a) Why did the little boy lagged behind ?

b) What did the boy do when his parents called him?

- c) Which word in the passage means "retreating"?
- d) Which word in the passage which is opposite to "delayed"?

Q3. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :

"Then took the other, just as fair,

And having perhaps the better claim

Because it was grassy and wanted wear;

Though as far that the passing there

Had worn them really about the same ...

- Why did the poet take the other road? a)
- b) What did the poet discover while travelling on the other road?
- Find a word from the passage that is opposite to foul c)
- d) Find a word from the passage that is opposite to different.

GRAMMAR

O4. Fill in the blanks the by choosing the correct options given below:

 $(1 \times 4 = 4)$

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Last week the Annual Function of our school (a)..... The Mayor of the town (b)..... to grace the occasion as the chief guest. The function (c)..... by the Principal while the Mayor, the chief guest distributed the prize to the winners. The ideal student's award by the monitor

| (a) (i) is celebrated | (ii) had been celebrated | (iii) was celebrated | (iv) shall be celebrated |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| (b) (i) was invited | (ii) has been invited | (iii) is in | (iv) shall be invited |
| (c) (i) is inaugurated | (ii) was inaugurated | (iii) will be inaugurated | (iv) has been inaugurated |
| (d) (i) was won | (ii) has been won | (iii) is won | (iv) shall be won |

Q5 Fill in the blanks the by choosing the correct options given below $: (1 \times 3 = 3)$

Shoes (a)..... of dust with a brush. A layer of polish (b)..... over the shoes. One should wait a little till the polish (c)..... Then shoes are brushed to shine.

- (a) (i) is cleaned
- (ii) will be cleaned (b) (i) has coated (ii) need be coated (c) (i) was died
 - (ii) had died

(iii) are cleaned (iii) is coated (iii) died

(iv) has to be cleaned (iv) will be coated (iv) is died

PART B WRITING

Q6. Attempt any one of the following in 100-120 words

(5 Marks)

Renuka started writing a short story. However, due to an unavoidable reason, she had to give it up after writing a few lines. Taking help from the input given below and using the beginning Renuka made, write a complete story.

Raghu and Raj were two friends and neighbours. Raghu had a servant named Ramu. The name of Raj's servant was Shammu ...

Outline: Both servants foolish...... two friends debated...... who is more foolish?..... Ramu or Shammu?..... decided to give a test...... Raghu told Ramu "Run back to my house to find out if I am there or not".... Ramu rushed home...... Raj told Shammu...... Go to your room and find out if you are there or not." Ramu and Shammu returned Ramu complained...... wasted time...... master could have phoned to find himself..... Shammu reported...... he was not in the room...... nothing to choose between them.

OR

You are the librarian of Amla Public School. You had placed an order for textbooks with Dhanpati & Sons. As the books did not arrive on time, you have decided to cancel the order. Write a letter to the Manager, Dhanpati & Sons, Chennai, cancelling the order.

LITERATURE

- Q 7 Answer the questions in 20-30 words : A) Where did the child go with his parents ? What did he want there ?
 - B) Why did Margie find the book strange?
- Q 8 Answer any one questions in 40-50 words each , from (A) and (B) respectively
- A) Does the speaker feel that he has made the wrong choice in taking the road less travelled by If not, why does he 'sigh'? What does he regret?
- B) What happened when the lost child reached the temple door ?
- Q 9 Answer any one question in 100-120 words
- A) Difficult situations mark the development of certain qualities in us . Explain with reference to the story the lost child.
- B)) In spite of all comforts and luxuries in today's world, our grandparents stills cherish

their own time when life was quite tough. Give your own views regarding this .

Q 10 Answer the question in 100-120 words

- a) Compare the attitude of the child before and after his separation from his parents.
- b) W hat is the theme of the poem" The Road Not Taken

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 $(2 \times 2 = 4)$

 $(3 \times 2 = 6)$