

प्रथम भाषा : इंग्रजी - इयत्ता : आठवी



Maharashtra Vidya Pradhikaran, Pune-30

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Educational Achievement Test

Baseline Test : 2017-18

Standard : Eight - Subject : English (Written)

Name of the Student : _____

Name of the School : _____

Cluster : _____ Taluka : _____ District : _____ Date : / / 2017

Roll No. : Div. : Marks obtained :

Teacher's Signature : _____ Written marks :

Q. 1. Listen and Write. (5 Marks)

1) _____ 2) _____

3) _____ 4) _____

5) _____ 6) _____

7) _____ 8) _____

9) _____ 10) _____

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Q. 2. Read the following passage carefully.

Indians have been skilled mathematicians for thousands of years. India was the birthplace of many important mathematical concepts. For example, the concept of zero originated in India. It is from India that the world learned the decimal system. Indians knew how to calculate square roots and cube roots when people in the rest of the world were not aware of these concepts. Indians have known algebra, geometry and trigonometry for hundreds of years, much before others.

Now answer the following questions.

A) Which country was the birthplace for many important mathematical concepts? (1 Mark)

- a) Brazil
- b) Australia
- c) India

B) Which concepts in mathematics have ancient Indians contributed to the world? (2 Marks)

C) Why should we learn mathematics? Write your own opinion. (2 Marks)

Q. 3. Read the following passage carefully.

Ben loved swimming and thought everyone should learn. It was a skill that could benefit both rich and poor, and once learned, was never forgotten. When he was in his twenties and living in England, Ben had such success teaching a co-worker to swim that he thought about opening a swimming school.

He studied and practised all the motions and positions in a book called 'The Art of Swimming'. He even created some strokes of his own. One day, the muscular barrel - chested young American amazed British friends by swimming more than five and a half kilometers in the River Thames and 'performing on the way many feats of activity both upon and under water.'

Now answer the following questions.

A) When did Ben think of opening a swimming school ? (1 Mark)

B) What did Ben think about swimming? (2 Marks)

C) Why was Ben's British friend amazed? (2 Marks)

Q. 4. Read the following poem carefully.

If I can stop one heart from breaking,
I shall not live in vain;
If I can ease one life the aching,
Or cool one pain,
Or help one fainting robin
Unto his nest again,
I shall not live in vain.

Now answer the following questions.

A) What will happen if the poet can stop one heart from breaking ?
(Circle the correct answer.) (1 Mark)

- a) he will not live in pain.
- b) he will live in vain.
- c) he will not live in vain.

B) Write two pairs of rhyming words from the poem. (2 Marks)

1) _____

2) _____

C) Have you ever helped anybody ? How ? (2 Marks)

Q. 5. Read the following passage carefully.

More than two thousand years ago, there was a republic in Northern India known as Vaishali. It was the earliest republic or government by the people, known to have existed. The state of Vaishali was situated on the banks of the river Ganga, in the district which is now known as Muzaffarpur. The people who lived there were called Lichavis and they had no king. The head of the state, Nayak was elected by the people and was one of them. Vaishali was a very prosperous country. The land was fertile and all kinds of crops grew there. The trees bore plenty of fruits. The numerous rivers supplied the people with cool, clean water. The people were very happy for they had everything they needed.

Now answer the following questions.

A) Where was the state of Vaishali situated? (1 Mark)

B) Why were the people in the state of Vaishali very happy ? (2 Marks)

C) In what ways was the state of Vaishali very prosperous? (2 Marks)

Q. 6. Do as directed.

A) Fill in the blank with the correct noun form of the word given in the bracket. (1 Mark)

His friend gave him the right _____ at the right time. (advise)

B) Fill in the blank with the correct tense form of the verb given in the bracket. (1 Mark)

They _____ to Delhi last evening. (go)

C) Underline the preposition in the given sentence. (1 Mark)

The light fell across the road.

D) Rewrite the sentence beginning with (1 Mark)

'It was'

What a wonderful sight it was !

E) Fill in the blank with suitable conjunction given in the bracket. (1 Mark)

He helped me _____ I thanked him. (as well as, yet; so)

F) Rewrite the sentence using proper punctuations. (1 Mark)

she said I have completed my work.

G) Correct the sentence and underline the corrected word. (2 Marks)
He did not brought my book.

H) i) Frame a meaningful sentence using 'with courage'. (1 Mark)

ii) Rewrite the sentence without changing its meaning. (1 Mark)
I shall not forget your kindness.

Q. 8. Given below is an incident. Write your opinion about it. (5 Marks)

The stray dogs have become a menace to the society. They trouble pedestrians, chase people on vehicles, attack children and bark and disturb the peace of the locality. Give your suggestions and write your opinion.

Q. 9. Write a letter to your favourite teacher thanking her for guiding you, inculcating good values and grooming you into good human being. (5 Marks)



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