

DAV PUBLIC SCHOOLS, BHUBANESWAR
PERIODIC ASSESSMENT-I (2022-23)

- Please check that this question paper contains **6** printed pages.
- Check that this question paper contains **7** questions.
- Write down the Serial Number of the question in the left side of the margin before attempting it.
- 15 minutes time has been allotted to read this question paper. The question paper will be distributed 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the examination. The students will read the question paper only and will not write any answer on the answer script during this period.

CLASS: IX
SUB: ENGLISH

Time Allowed: 1½ Hours

Maximum Marks: 40

General Instructions:

- 1. The Question Paper contains THREE section- READING, GRAMMAR&WRITING and LITERATURE.**
- 2. Attempt the questions based on specific instructions for each part.**

SECTION A- READING (10 marks)

Q1. Read the passage given below.

1. John takes care of his teeth, hair, lungs, heart; he is hardly aware of my existence. I am John's liver. When he thinks of me at all, he has no trouble visualizing me. I look like what I am supposed to look like- liver. The largest organ in his body, I weigh three pounds. Protected by ribs, I pretty well fit the upper right part of John's abdomen. I am shaped like a cone.
2. Despite my unimpressive appearance, I am the most skilled among his organs. I hold about one pint (13%) of his blood supply at any given moment. I consist of two main lobes. Both are made up of eight segments that consist of one thousand lobules (small lobes). These lobules are connected to small ducts (tubes) that connect with larger ducts to form the common hepatic duct. The common hepatic duct transports the bile made by me to the gallbladder and duodenum (the first part of the small intestine) via the common bile duct.

3. In complexity I can shame those headline robbers, the heart and lungs, if they know that I do upwards of five hundred jobs, and if I fail in any of the major ones, John had better start making funeral arrangements. I participate in virtually everything that John does. I provide muscle fuel for his game of golf, digest his rich breakfast and manufacture the vitamin that helps his night vision. However, John's brain hesitates to inform him about all this.

4. A chemical company, which may boast of possessing the most advanced equipment, will have to build an enormous factory to do my simpler jobs. The harder ones it cannot do at all. I don't know if John will believe it or not, but I produce over one thousand organic chemical substances to handle his chemical conversions. John cuts his finger and might well bleed to death but for the clotting factors that I manufacture he is safe. I make antibodies that protect him from diseases. The protein fragments (amino acids) made in the intestine from that thick slice of meat he loves so much could be as deadly as cyanide if they ever go into the bloodstream. I 'humanize' them- change them from amino acids to human protein. And if there is any surplus that his body doesn't need, I change it into urea and pass it to the kidneys for excretion.

(403 words)

Source: Readers' Digest, November 1960

A. Based on your understanding of the passage, answer the questions by choosing the correct option. (1X5=5)

- i. The first sentence of the above passage implies that _____.
 - a. John's teeth, lungs and heart are not healthy
 - b. John is always worrying about his body
 - c. John will take care of his liver also, if he comes to know of it
 - d. John does not want to take care of his liver

- ii. Choose the option that best conveys the meaning of -"The largest organ in his body weighs three pounds."
 - a. The liver is the largest organ in the body and its weight is three pounds.
 - b. John has an enlarged liver, which weighs three pounds.
 - c. Because it weighs three pounds, the liver is the largest organ in John's body.
 - d. No other organ in John's body weighs more than three pounds.

- iii. Choose the option that lists the statement that is NOT true.
 - a. A chemical company having an enormous factory cannot do all the jobs of liver.
 - b. Liver changes amino acids to human protein.
 - c. Any surplus of body is excreted by liver.
 - d. If liver fails in any of its major functions, the person will die.

- iv. The headline robbers are _____.
 - a. heart and lungs
 - b. heart and kidneys
 - c. brain and heart
 - d. protein and cyanide
- v. The option that best captures the central idea of the passage is _____.
 - a. Nobody neglects liver as John does
 - b. John is a health cautious person
 - c. Liver is a very important body organ
 - d. All body organs are equally important

B. Attempt the following questions on the basis of your understanding of the passage. (1x5=5)

Complete the following sentences.

- i. Liver helps John’s night vision by _____.
- ii. The amino acids from the thick slice of meat that John loves so much are not as deadly as cyanide because _____.
- iii. The common hepatic duct, via the common bile duct,_____.
- iv. Rewrite the following sentence by replacing the underlined word that means the same from paragraph -1
 “Envisaging himself in the role of High Priest, he was inviting the British Public to become part of the temple’s congregation.”
- v. Read the sentence below and find the word from paragraph-4 that means opposite to the underlined word in it.
 “But not a trace could they find of the tiny creature they sought.”

SECTION B- GRAMMAR and WRITING (10marks)

Q2. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Identify the error and write its correction against the correct blank number. Remember to underline the correction. The first one has been done for you. (1x3=3)

	Error	Correction
Me cat Jugger is the toughest animal I know. E.g.	Me	My
He has survived much close calls.	a)_____	_____
He had once caught inside a car’s engine.	b)_____	_____
Many a times he has saved himself from many dangers.	c)_____	_____

Q3. Read the conversation between Somesh and Anish and complete the passage that follows. (1x2=2)

Somesh: I've been watching the sea and there hasn't been any trace of a ship.

Anish: I told you yesterday too that we'll be rescued, so have patience.

Somesh: Why do you ask me to keep quiet whenever I say something?

Anish: Because I have never heard you saying anything sensible.

Somesh told Anish that a) _____ ship. Anish replied that he had told him the day before that they would be rescued. Somesh angrily asked Anish b) _____ something to which Anish replied that he had never heard him saying anything sensible.

Q4. Attempt ANY ONE from i and ii (5)

i. You are Romesh/Ritika of Class IX. You have recently visited a place of historical importance with your friends. You saw monuments of old times and visited a special museum which enhanced your ideas and knowledge of the place. The special delicacies of the locality added flavor to your overall experience. Share your experience in the form of a diary entry in about 120 words.

OR

ii. Write a descriptive paragraph based on the visual and verbal clues given below.



Hints

- Born on: 23 January 1897
- Place of Birth: Cuttack, Odisha
- Refused to join British Government job to be part of the Indian Independence Movement
- Became Congress President in 1938 but resigned in 1939
- Formed the Political Party All India Forward Bloc
- With Japanese support, revamped the Indian National Army
- Slogan: "Give me blood, I will give you freedom"
- Death: Still a mystery

SECTION C-LITERATURE (20 marks)

Q5. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions: (1x5=5)
(DO ANY ONE OF THE EXTRACTS)

A. For years to come the temple of Balaji and Mangala Maiya and the banks of the Ganga became the young apprentice's favorite haunts where he could practice in solitude. The flowing waters of the Ganga inspired him to improvise and invent raagas that were earlier considered to be beyond the range of the Shehnai. (The Sound of Music)

i. From the options given below, identify the quality of Bismillah Khan highlighted in the extract.

- a. Patriotic b. Inspiring c. Creative d. Pensive

- ii. Choose the option that lists the set of statements that are NOT true according to the given extract.
1. Bismillah is the young apprentice as he was learning to play Shehnai.
 2. Bismillah is very fond of the banks of river Ganga.
 3. Bismillah was taught Shehnai by his father.
 4. Bismillah hated all other forms of music.
 5. Bismillah used to play Shehnai in the king's court.
- a. 1,2 b. 3,4 c. 1,2,5 d. 3,4,5
- iii. Select the most appropriate option for (1) and (2)
1. The banks of Ganga were one of Bismillah's favorite haunts.
 2. The flowing waters of Ganga inspired him to invent new raagas.
- a. (1) is true & (2) is false b. (2) is the opposite of (1)
 c. (2) is the reason for (1) d. both (1) &(2) contradict each other
- iv. Select the suitable word from the extract to complete the following:
 motivate: inspire: : extemporize: _____
- a. haunts b. apprentice c. improvise d. beyond
- v. List the option which displays an example of 'solitude' as used in the extract.
- a. His friends are out for a picnic, but he is lost in his melancholic solitude.
 - b. Although he is diligent, but he does not like to work in solitude.
 - c. Sick and tired of this hurrying world, he feels gracious in his solitude.
 - d. He is yet to value his solitude, as he feels lonely when he is alone.

OR

B. Frail crumbling houses, crumbling doors, crumbling rafters,
 crumbling wood, crumbling bodies, crumbling lives,
 crumbling hearts --
 the wind god winnows and crushes them all. (Wind)

- i. The mood of the wind god in the extract appears to be _____.
- a. playful b. forgiving c. hasty d. cruel
- ii. List the option that uses the word 'winnow' as it is used in the extract.
- a. But as the world became increasingly winnowed, this ceased to be the case and we became more concerned at our apparent weakness.
 - b. The committee will need to winnow out the non-sense and produce more practical proposals, if it is to achieve results.

- c. Good relations are like needles of clock. They only meet for sometime but always stay winnowed.
- d. If anyone else does the winnows, I will pay him a hundred imperials.
- iii. The word “crumbling” is repeated in the extract _____.
 - a. to improve the rhyming of the poem
 - b. for no obvious reason
 - c. to emphasize the destruction caused by the wind god
 - d. to ignore the destruction caused by the wind god
- iv. Choose the option that best expresses the meaning of - “the wind god winnows and crushes them all”
 - a. The wind god is not fair.
 - b. The strong remain unreachable to the wind god.
 - c. Not all get crushed by the wind god
 - d. Luckless are the weak to suffer in the hands of the wind god.
- v. Select the option that lists who is speaking the lines of the extract.
 - a. An observer b .A god c. The weak d. Wind

Q6. Answer ANY THREE of the following questions in about 40-50 words each. (3x3=9)

- i. In the Chapter “**The Sound of Music**” Evelyn Glennie says, “If you work hard and know where you are going, you’ll get there.” How does this statement portray her as a person?
- ii. Elucidate how a well-intended plan can sometimes turn into an unexpected disaster with reference to the chapter “**The Little Girl**”.
- iii. In the story “**The Adventures of Toto**” how do you think the narrator’s grandmother would have reacted, if she had come across Toto on the first day of his arrival in the house?
- iv. “Iswaran was not merely a cook but an asset to Mahendra”. Support the statement with reasons enumerated from the story “**Iswaran the Storyteller**”

Q7. Answer ANY ONE of the following in about 120 words each. (1x6=6)

- i. Imagine that the reverie of the poet, Coates Kinney has come alive and his Mother has appeared before him as if real. Frame a dialogue between the poet and his Mother for the poet to cherish his childhood memories and to express how nostalgia haunts him in her absence.
- ii. “An act of kindness is a rich source of joy. It never seeks any reward in return.” In the story “**The Lost Child**” the act of the stranger who tried to help the panic-stricken child in the fair can be epitomized for the essence of the quote stated above. Justify.
