

O.P. JINDAL SCHOOL, SAVITRINAGAR**Periodic Test – I (2023-2024)****Class/Section: IX/ ' ___ '** **MM: 20****Subject: English****Time: 1 Hour**

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General Instructions:

1. The question paper contains THREE sections-(A)READING, (B)GRAMMAR and WRITING and (C)LITERATURE.
2. Attempt all questions based on specific instructions for each question.

Section A:(Reading Skill)**Q1. Read the following passage carefully.**

- (1) The difference in the ways of thinking and perception in the people of two different generations, which results in behavioural differences and sometimes, conflict among them is usually called generation gap.
- (2) Generation gap is generally seen in the family between parents and their children. It is not only because of the gap in age but also because of the way parents react to a particular situation. Children, being very young and immature, do not understand the way of thinking of their parents. In many cases, the parents, even if they are matured, do not emphasize with the changing values and thinking pattern of the modern world. This creates a communication gap between the two generations.
- (3) Generation gap between parents and children is mostly caused by parents themselves. They do not talk openly to their children and do not take part in solving their problems. This behaviour gives the impression about parents being authoritative person, because they only dictate without understanding the problems faced by their children. As a result, the children become mentally isolated from their parents. Some parents become so busy with their work that they do not spend quality time with their family, which makes them completely unaware about how their children are growing, what kind of mentality is being developed in them, and so on. This ultimately creates a gap between them. They only realize it when it is too late.
- (4) Changes in technology have led to the generation gap in this modern world. Children tend to spend most of their time with their digital devices and are so busy with social media, that they do not discuss their problems with their parents. The internet provides solutions to most of the worldly problems. So, children, instead of contacting their own parents, seek the help of internet in case of any problem, thus again reducing the communication, leading to a generation gap between them.
- (5) The generation gap has greatly increased these days because the time is changing fast and people find it difficult to cope up with this change. To overcome this problem, the parents should show some interest in all matters of their children and deal with them positively instead of just scolding them and leaving them alone to deal with their problems. Giving time to the children, having open communication and allowing the child to feel free and not in any kind of pressure, will eventually reduce the generation gap to a tolerable extent.

Based on your understanding of the above passage, answer the questions given below by choosing the most appropriate option: **(1x4 =4 Marks)**

- I. What causes the gap between the parents and their children?
- a) Difference in their ways of thinking.
 - b) Immaturity on the part of children against various situations.
 - c) Parents not emphasizing with changing values.

d) All of these.

II. With the advancement of technology children spend most of their time.....

- a) with their friends
- b) in educational surfing
- c) with digital devices
- d) communicating with parents

III. What is meant by the word 'isolated'?

- a) bound
- b) grown
- c) separated
- d) unconcerned

IV. According to the passage what step(s) should be taken by parents to bridge the generation gap?

Section B: (Grammar and Writing)

Q2. Read the passage given below. Fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate word/phrases from the given options. (1×3=3 Marks)

One morning, Shubham's mother (I)..... (get) worried when he (II)..... (not take) the lunch. She asked him what the matter (III).....(be) He told that he was not feeling well in the night due to the headache.

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| I.a)got | b)gets | c)is getting | d)are getting |
| II.a)is not taking | b)has not taken | c)had not taken | d)not taking |
| III.a)was | b)is | c)being | d)were |

Q3. Attempt any one of the following in about 100 to 120 words. (5×1=5 Marks)

On the basis of the information given below, write a descriptive paragraph on 'Mahatama Gandhi'.

- ❖ Oct 2, 1869-Born at Porbanadar, to Karamchand and Putlibai
- ❖ 1888-1893-Completed studies in England.
Went to South Africa to practice law. Suffered discrimination there.
Started nonviolent civil disobedience for civil rights of the Indian community.
- ❖ 1914-1915-Left South Africa and came back to India.
- ❖ 1915-1947-Worked very hard through Satyagraha, civil disobedience. fasts, marches, movements and jail sentences to free India from the British.
- ❖ Jan 30, 1948-He was shot dead by Nathuram Godse at Birla House.

OR

Using the hints given below write a descriptive paragraph on 'Ruskin Bond'.

- ❖ Ruskin Bond was born on 19 May 1934 at Kasauli.
- ❖ Sent at a boarding school in Mussourie
- ❖ Schooling from Bishop Cotton School in Shimla where he graduated in 1950
- ❖ An Indian author of British descent
- ❖ An author and a poet by occupation
- ❖ Works influenced by life in the hill stations at the foothills of Himalayas
- ❖ Our Trees Still Grew in Dehra, A Flight of Pigeons, The Blue Umbrella and his autobiography Lone Fox Dancing are his notable works
- ❖ Awarded Padma Shree, Padma Bhushan, Sahitya Academy Award etc.
- ❖ Wrote fiction, short stories, novella, travelogue, books for children
- ❖ Influenced by Charles Dickens and Mark Twain

Section C: (Literature)

Q4. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

(1×2=2 Marks)

Then took the other, just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same.

I. The second road presented a better claim than the first because.....

- a) it had been used by many travellers.
- b) it was still grassy and had not been used by many travellers.
- c) it was more beautiful than the first one.
- d) it had less bends in it.

II. The rhyme-scheme of the given lines is:

- a) abaab
- b) aabbb
- c) ababa
- d) abbaa

Q5. Answer any two of the following in 40-50 words each.

(3×2=6 Marks)

I. Write a brief note on Margie's school routine.

II. Describe in detail all the attractions that the child is drawn to till he gets lost in the fair.

III. What is the moral presented by the poet in the poem 'The Road Not Taken'?