

O. P. JINDAL SCHOOL, SAVITRI NAGAR**Periodic Test - I (2023 – 2024) -**

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Subject: English

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General Instructions:**General Instructions:**

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

SECTION A- READING**Q1. Read the passage given below carefully and answer the questions that follow:**

No matter what your chosen career path is, there is always scope to contribute towards climate action

1. Climate change is widely acknowledged as a common concern that continues to propel global discussions despite the man-made political boundaries. It affects every species across the globe. Unfortunately, the worst of it is faced by those who have contributed the least towards the problem. Yet, they tirelessly battle to adapt to climate change, build resilience and mitigate their own contribution, which was already negligible. We must then ask ourselves if it is really fair and just that our actions or inaction causes harm to innocent species and fellow human beings. The message "climate change is a common concern for humankind" is not applicable to nations alone. It applies to each of us, irrespective of our background. We must first educate ourselves to truly understand the problem's magnitude and intensity. Once we do, we are bound to act and make positive change.
2. It may seem overwhelming, initially, to understand a seemingly distinct branch heavily embedded in science. However, here are some easy and interesting ways to do it:

- Reading blogs that discuss the science of climate change such as the *Real Climate Blog* that lists articles on the basis of a reader's existing knowledge of the subject.
- Listening to podcasts such as *Climate Emergency and Deep Convection* to delve deeper into the experiences of climate warriors.
- Staying up-to-date with the latest happenings through YouTube videos and news articles.
- Sharing what we learn and letting climate change become part of regular conversations, whether at the dinner table, at an office gathering or on social media, thereby learning from one another.

3. Then, it is time for concrete action. Every big idea or solution stems from an individual driven to make a change at an institutional level. There is no requirement to "switch" to a different profession. It is possible to make a difference within your current profession or career path. Climate change is multi-faceted. It combines economy, physical science, law, social sciences, agriculture, business, education and activism. It has entered every sector; the financial and corporate world through Environment Social Governance, the tourism sector through eco- tourism, the architecture sector through sustainable urban planning, and so on. Each of these is looking for ways to mitigate their contribution to climate change. We must become a part of this movement in our own individual and collective capacities.

4. The opportunities in each field are endless since they branch out further. We may find a niche area that suits us. For a lawyer, there is environmental litigation or policy research. A journalist can focus on sustainable business or wildlife conservation. A scientist can work in the field of meteorology, oceanography or geology.

5. Just as nations must come together, we as individuals, communities, and organizations must do the same. Each of us has a role to play in climate action.

Based on your reading of the passage, answer the questions given below:

(4 marks)

a) The writer says that we must first educate ourselves to understand the problems of climate change because _____ (Paragraph1)

- i. An education on the problem provides opportunities
- ii. Awareness and knowledge alone can act as triggers for change
- iii. It can help to have a keener perceptive
- iv. Education and understanding are complementary

b) Which option corresponds to the relation between climate change and mankind?

- i. It applies to each of us - irrespective of our background.
 - ii. The higher the background, lesser is the impact
 - iii. Whichever field you belong to- the effect felt is the same
 - iv. Your background matters - Impact is relative
- c) Select the option that displays, what the writer aims to portray with reference to the following?
 "Sharing what we learn and letting climate change become part of regular conversation"
- i. Denial ii. Caution iii. Warning iv. Social commitment
- d) Why does the author say climate change is multi-faceted?

SECTION B - WRITING AND GRAMMAR

Q2. Answer any one in 100-120 words: (5 marks)

You are Abdul Malik, a resident of Jyothi Nagar, A/12 Silver Apartments, Hyderabad. You have recently noticed several young children begging outside public offices and crossroads in the city where you live in. This has disturbed you emotionally. Write a letter to the Editor of The Deccan Herald, in not more than 120 words, drawing attention towards the harm caused to such children who are deprived of their basic rights of food, shelter and education. Give your suggestions on how best to tackle this social issue and work for the betterment of such marginalized kids in society.

OR

You are Vartika /Vishal, the sports secretary of your school. You are quite interested in hockey. Write a letter to the editor of a national daily requesting him to publish an inspiring article regarding the glory of Indian hockey and why students should indulge in this sport.

Q3. Complete the following tasks, as directed: (1 X 3 = 3 marks)

a) Complete the given narrative by filling in the blank with the correct Option:
 As the man stood on the seashore, gazing at the vast expanse of water he was----- with a feeling of reverence for the creator.

- i) overwhelmed ii) taken iii) covered iv) under

b) Select the option that identifies the error and supplies the correction for the following line.
 When she returned to her flat, she saw at once that the burglars broke in her absence.

Option no.	Error	Correction
i.	broke	break
ii.	broke	had broken
iii.	broke	breaking
iv.	broke	broken

c) Identify the error in the given sentence and supply the correction.
 I don't have some money in my purse.
 Use the given format for your response.

error	correction

SECTION C- LITERATURE

Q4. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow: (1x2 = 2 marks)

But if it had to perish twice,
 I think I know enough of hate
 To say that for destruction ice
 Is also great
 And would suffice.
 (Fire and Ice)

- a) Fill the blank with one word. When the speaker says that ice could also bring about the end of the world, he refers to _____, as the means for destruction.
- b) Which of the following best describes the speaker's attitude towards destruction caused by ice?
 i. Indifferent ii. Fearful iii. Dismissive iv. Respectful

Q5. Answer ANY TWO of the following in about 40- 50 words each: (3x2 = 6 marks)

- i) What does the poet want to convey through the poem 'Dust of Snow'?
 - ii) What were Lencho's feelings when he found the letter with money in it? What did he do after opening the letter?
 - iii) The story, 'A Triumph of Surgery' is a powerful example of the importance of saying "no". Explain
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