

O. P. JINDAL SCHOOL, SAVITRI NAGAR**Periodic Test – I (Round – I) 2025 – 2026****Class: XII****Subject: English****MM: 20****Time: 1 Hr.****General Instructions:**

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

SECTION A- READING**Q1. Read the following passage:**

(1) The term Artificial Intelligence spells a future in which this emerging technology will impact every aspect of human existence. In fact, little do we know, it has already crept into our lives, slowly, but surely. Look around you education, health care, industry, innovation, robots, robotic surgeries, transportation, home service it's already there. It will change the lifestyle of everyone from the technology industry to normal people.

(2) The past fifteen years have seen considerable AI advances in education. You enter school and AI takes your attendance using face recognition. Various applications are in wide use by educators and learners today. AI technologies assist teachers in the classroom. Learning at home is likely to expand significantly, along with learning based on virtual reality applications. Though quality education will always require active engagement by human teachers, AI promises to enhance education at all levels, especially by providing personalization at scale.

(3) The evolution of new technologies, mobile, and the Internet are changing lifestyles. Artificial intelligence is playing an important role in every sector such as banking, driving, education, e-commerce, electronics, and robotics. Systems of artificial intelligence are aiming to stimulate execution and decision-making that is human-like. In targeted applications, substantial increases in the future uses of AI technologies, including more driverless cars, healthcare diagnostics and targeted treatments, and physical assistance for elder care can be expected. AI and robotics will also be applied across the globe in industries struggling such as agriculture, food processing and factories. They will facilitate delivery of online purchases through flying drones, self-driving trucks or robots.

(4) AI-based applications could improve health outcomes and quality of life for millions of people in the coming years prime applications include clinical decision support, patient monitoring and coaching, automated devices to assist in surgery or patient care, and management of healthcare systems. Recent successes, such as mining social media to infer possible health risks, machine learning to predict patients at risk, and robotics to support surgery have expanded a sense of possibility for AI in healthcare.

(5) People's future relationships with machines will become ever more personalized as AI systems learn to adapt to individual personalities, ambitions and goals. These AI applications will help monitor people's well-being, alert them to the impending risks, and deliver services when needed or wanted.

Answer the following questions, based on the above passage :**(5 Marks)**

(i) Select the word that most appropriately defines Artificial Intelligence today. 1
 (A) rewarding (B) universal (C) luxurious (D) temporary

(ii) What is the connection between face recognition and AI ? 1

(iii) Which one of the following do you infer from para 2? 1

(A) School education will become a virtual engagement.
(B) The teacher will be replaced by AI.
(C) Human teachers will play a passive role in the classroom.
(D) Human teachers are irreplaceable.

(iv) Share evidence from the text, in about 40 words, about how AI can support the field of education. 2

SECTION B- CREATIVE WRITING

Q2. Attempt any one of the two, (a) or (b), in about 50 words.

(4 Marks)

(a) To encourage students to participate in outdoor activities, your school has planned a 7-day trek to Rohtang Pass for students of classes VIII X during the summer vacation. Write a notice for the school notice board giving all the necessary information. You are Raghav/Ragini, Secretary Trekking Club, Amar Bahadur School.

OR

(b) The problem of the resident parking of vehicles, often leading to minor scuffles, has become a source of growing concern. As Secretary of Goodwill Flats Welfare Association, Shripur, write a notice informing the residents about a meeting to discuss the problem and find an acceptable solution. Invent necessary details.

SECTION C- LITERATURE

Q3. Read the following extracts and answer the questions:

(1x3 = 3 Marks)

I saw my mother,
beside me,
doze, open mouthed, her face
ashen like that
of a corpse and realized with
pain
that she was as old as she
looked but soon
put that thought away, and
looked out at Young
Trees sprinting, the merry children spilling
out of their homes.

(i) The phrase ashen like that of a corpse gives the impression that the mother is _____ 1
(A) frustrated (B) depressed (C) dead (D) weak

(ii) Which of the following themes is best represented in the given extract? 1
(A) Life is short and one must enjoy it (B) Ageing and Mortality
(C) Sleeping and Playing (D) Art of Parenting

(iii) Pick the option in which the word 'spilling' is used in the same sense as in the extract. 1
(A) Rahul was responsible for spilling the beans by telling everyone the secret.
(B) He opened the bag, spilling all its contents on the table.
(C) Try to keep that crowd from spilling onto the main street.
(D) The cat spilled all the milk.

Q4. Answer the following in 40 to 50 words each:

(4 X 2 = 8 Marks)

(i) We miss a thing when we are in fear of losing it. Substantiate this statement with two examples from "The Last Lesson" how the people in the story suddenly realized how precious their language was to them.

(ii) Lousia behaves like a perfect wife. Give evidences from 'The Third Level' in support of the above statement.

(iii) "See you soon Amma". How are these words contrary to speaker's emotions?

(iv) What was the 'thunderclap' the narrator received as M. Hamel began the lesson?