

**O.P. JINDAL SCHOOL, SAVITRINAGAR****Periodic Test –2 (2023-2024)****Class VII Sec.....****MM: 20****Subject: English****Time: 01 Hour**

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**General instructions :****1. The Question Paper contains three sections – READING, WRITING & GRAMMAR AND LITERATURE.****2. Attempt all questions..****Section-A Reading (4 marks)****Q1. Read the passage carefully.**

For the last many decades, people have been mystified about the presence of aliens. Efforts have been made to solve this puzzle because this will get us a step closer discovering if earth is the only planet to support life. It is difficult to know extraterrestrials exist, unless they get in touch with us or we find some evidence of their existence. Scientists do not rule out the possibility of life in the form of bacteria or other microorganisms, rather than intelligent human beings. But the search continues. NASA captured images of Mars and they revealed that the Red planet is somewhat like earth- it is likely to have had water at some point in its ancient history. Some stargazers claim to have seen aliens there. However scientists do not support these claims. It is believed that Mars was frozen once upon a time – a few billion years ago. The surface of the planet melted, and this resulted in the creation of deep valleys and canyons on its surface.

Scientists believe that there could be bacteria on Mars that exist in the ice bound lakes of Antarctica. Scientists think like Earth, Mars too was struck by huge asteroids, sending fragments of both these planets into space. Scientists believe that the discovery of life on Mars could help us understand how life started on Earth.

**On the basis of reading of the passage answer the following questions: (1x4=4 marks)**

1. Which word in the passage means ‘to say that something is true, without having any proof’?

- a) stargazers
- b) claim
- c) mystified
- d) none of the above

2. What about have the people been mystified for last many decades?

- a) about life on planet Mars
- b) about deep valleys and canyons on Mar’s surface
- c) about the presence of aliens
- d) about the presence of bacteria in Antarctica

3. Why is it difficult to know that extraterrestrials exist?

- a) because they are not in touch with us
- b) because there is no evidence of their existence
- c) both a and b
- d) none of these

4. What has NASA discovered about Mars?

**SECTION-B (WRITING and GRAMMAR) ( 8 marks)**

**Q2.** You have always lived in a city. But previous month your father took you to your native place in a village. Write a diary describing your experiences of life in a village. (80 -100 words)  
**(5 marks)**

**OR**

You are a late riser but one day you woke up early in the morning and saw sunrise and beautiful nature. Write a diary entry describing beautiful nature in the morning and how you felt that time. ( 80 – 100 words)

**Q3. Choose the correct answers.**

**(1x3=3 marks)**

1. ' You should not be too careful about your attire.' Identify the kind of underlined adverb.

- a) adverb of manner
- b) adverb of place
- c) adverb of frequency
- d) adverb of degree

2. 'The boys have danced fantastically well.' Choose the adverb.

- a) fantastically
- b) well
- c) both a and b
- d) attire

3. they/watch/afternoon/ever/in/hardly/the/TV? Which sentence has the correct position of adverb?

- a) They watch hardly TV ever in the afternoon.
- b) They hardly ever watch TV in the afternoon.
- c) They ever watch TV in the afternoon hardly.
- d) none of these

**SECTION-C LITERATURE (8 marks)**

**Q4. Read the extract and answer the questions.**

**(1x2=2 marks)**

A guttural sound , and the tip tap of his slippers beating the narrow wooden stairs and he would stand before one without coat , a little bent, in leather apron, with sleeves turned back , blinking as if awakened from some dream of boots.

1. Which statement is not true about Mr Gessler?

- a) He wore slippers.
- b) He was little bent.
- c) He wore a leather apron.
- d) He kept sleeves of apron fully open.

2. Which word in the extract means 'harsh sound'?

- a) narrow
- b) guttural
- c) awakened
- d) blinking

**Q5.** Answer **ANY TWO** of the following questions in 30 - 40 words each. (3x2=6 marks)

- a) Why did the narrator not go frequently to Mr Gessler's shop?
- b) What does Mr Gessler say about big firms?
- c) Why does the poet say that the chatter of fan is electrical ?

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