

O. P. JINDAL SCHOOL, SAVITRI NAGAR**Periodic Test – I (Round – I) 2024 – 2025****Class: X**
Subject: English**MM: 20**
Time: 1 Hr.**(Fifteen Minutes Extra will be given for reading the Question Paper.)****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:**

1. "Teenagers? Stress? You must be joking." This is probably the reaction when asked whether teenagers get set full and apprehensive. For, it is generally believed that they have "no responsibilities, no worries and no duties". But that is not true.
2. In today's competitive world, one needs to struggle and fight to make it in this dynamic, yet uncertain environment that is both stressful and anxiety inducing. Teenagers face immense pressure, three of which are briefly discussed here. The pressure to perform that is to do well academically comes principally from parents, teachers and peers.
3. The lack of aptitude tests or respecting the students' preferences push them into fields which were not of their interest or for which they are not equipped. Apart from the pressure to perform well, they are often burdened with the pressure to conform to the norms laid down by society. Next, teenagers are pressurized to reform themselves. This is commonly experienced especially by students in the age group of 13 to 17 years. Everybody is telling them when to wake up and what to do. Here's what you can do to deal with these pressures. As a result of pressure, teenagers are often found to be very anxious. A sign of anxiety is holding one's breath. The easy way out to take deep breaths at regular intervals, trying to calm your mind.
4. Modern life's competitiveness and challenges put a tremendous load of work on teenagers. They need to understand that they are strong enough to handle the tough challenges in life, studying and assignments being two of them. Procrastinators that is people who habitually delay and postpone due to their work, need to cultivate, "the art of starting;" and this involves dealing with the minor discomfort experienced while beginning a task. Once a job has started, it is much easier to continue.
5. Some students worry about factors like social and financial status, intelligence and habits that might make them different from their peers. Effective stress management lies in having a healthy attitude towards competition, work, friends and acquaintances. It lies in taking life as it comes, doing your best and being prepared for the worst.

On the basis of your reading of the passage answer the following :**(4 marks)**

I. The following passage is about _____

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| A. Stress and others | B. Stress and woman |
| C. Stress and teenagers | D. Stress and old people |

II. What kind of pressure are faced by teenagers?

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| A. Pressure to do well academically. | B. Pressure to confirm to the norms of society. |
| C. Pressure to reform themselves. | D. All of the above. |

III. Choose an option that lists the correct answers for the following.

1. Ajay is 13 years old boy who is taking up small cooking courses as he wants to persuade the cooking career.

2. Rajan is 15 years old boy who is always into books and has frequent breakdowns.

A. Both are under stress of competition B. Both Ajay and Rajan are devoid of stress

C. Ranjan is stressed while Ajay is enjoying life D. Ajay is stressed while Rajan is enjoying his life

IV. Which of the following factors become sources of worry for many students?

1. Social status 2. Actual status 3. Intelligence 4. Habit 5. Career 6. Relationships

A. 1 and 5 B. 2, 4 and 6 C. 3 and 5 D. All of these

SECTION B - WRITING AND GRAMMAR

Q2. Answer any one in 100-120 words:

(5 marks)

You are Shivam/Shivani living at 112/C Paharganj, Delhi. You have recently read about the continuous rise in road accidents in your country. Write a letter to the editor of a national daily expressing your concern over this problem.

OR

Trees are the lungs of the cities. You found that a large number of trees are being cut to widen the roads. Write a letter to the editor of a local newspaper raising your voice against the cutting of trees. You are T K Prasanan/ Sanjitha, F 114 Karol Baug Delhi.

Q3. Fill in the blanks with correct form of the verb :

(3 marks)

I. I _____ this book since morning.

A. have been reading B. has been reading C. have had read D. shall be reading

II. By the next month, we shall _____ the project.

A. has completed B. completing C. completed D. have completed

III. Rohan _____ the movie before he read the review.

A. watches B. have watched C. had watched D. was watching

SECTION C- LITERATURE

Q4. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

(1x2 = 2 marks)

"Some say the world will end in fire

Some say in ice.

From what I've tasted of desire

I hold with those who favour fire."

I. What do the people think about the world?

- A. They think that the world is a beautiful place to live in.
- B. They think that the world would never perish.
- C. They think the world will be destroyed by floods.
- D. They think that the world will be destroyed by fire and ice.

II. What is the rhyme scheme of the stanza?

Q5. Answer ANY TWO of the following in about 40- 50 words each:

(3x2 = 6 marks)

- I. At the end of the lesson, Mrs. Pumphery says "This is a triumph of surgery." Why?
- II. What does the postmaster do to answer Lencho's Letter?
- III. What do the crow, hemlock tree and dust of snow represent in the poem?