

**CLASS –X SUBJECT - ENGLISH
ASSIGNMENT-5**

SECTION - A

Read the following passage and choose the correct answer:

On July 11th 1987, the world population touched five billion. The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) resolved to observe this day every year as World Population Day, to sensitise nations against this ticking time bomb. A major fallout of the population explosion is poverty, while the available resources remain the same, the number of people dependent on it increases enormously. The gap between the haves and the have-nots widens and poverty increases.

Education becomes a privilege that poor people cannot afford and they have to start working at menial jobs to make two ends meet. But if only they could also learn to read and write. Education may not ensure a job at a multinational company but it will certainly improve the standard of living of people by opening up a world of opportunities for them. With education, the importance of issues like sanitation and personal hygiene are also understood and appreciated better. With education, they will also understand the need for family planning and preventive healthcare.

What can students do to make the World Population Day meaningful? They could organise awareness-generating activities in schools and colleges, for a start.

1. "Ticking time bomb" refers to
 - a. World population
 - b. Increasing population
 - c. UNFPA
 - d. Explosion

2. According to the author, poverty increases as a result of
 - a. Lack of education
 - b. Decrease of resources
 - c. Over-dependence on resources
 - d. Gap between the rich and the poor.

3. Many people are not educated because they
 - a. Have no time
 - b. Have to work
 - c. Have no money
 - d. Have no interest in studies

4. Which of the following statements is true in the context of the passage?
 - a. Education means getting a highly paying job
 - b. Education leads to greater awareness
 - c. Education develops an interest in reading

- d. Education is a way of earning money.
5. Preventive healthcare means:
- a. Cleanliness in personal life and surroundings
 - b. Going to the doctor regularly
 - c. Exercise and proper diet.
 - d. Ensuring that one does not fall ill

Read the following passage carefully:

Whatever name we prefer to give to the Supreme Being – Jehovah, Allah, Buddha, Shakti, Vishnu or Krishna – the concept of a Supreme Creator is that He is of extraordinary attributes, and is universally attractive. The name Krishna means “The All- Attractive One”, “Sarva akarshati iti Krishna” – this describes the attractive nature of the Lord and so describes the Absolute Truth, the supreme of Godhead, in full.

The Lord administers the world through the laws of material nature – gross, such as the law of gravitation and subtle, such as the law of karma. But when predominance of materialism over spirituality disturbs the universal order, the Lord descends ‘to deliver the pious, annihilate the miscreants and re-establish divine principles,’ says the Bhagavadgita.

Krishna descends not just to maintain law, but to awaken love. The love that our heart longs for through relationships with various persons, finds fulfilment only when it is reposed in the Supreme. When we love Krishna, our love is never interrupted, never betrayed, never let down, never disappointed.

On the basis of your reading of the passage complete the sentences that follows:

- a) The Supreme Creator has _____
- b) When materialism takes over the world, God _____
- c) The purpose of Lord’s descent is _____
- d) Pick the word from the passage that means “to destroy” _____
- e) Our love with other humans gets fulfilment only when _____

SECTION - B

Look at the words and phrases below and rearrange them to form meaningful sentences to make readable passes.

- I) a) to prepare / b) I have / c) test tomorrow / d) for the
II) b) such a good student / b) well always / c) you are / d) and score
III) a) but / b) I convince / c) how can / d) them
IV) a) so / b) some fun / c) and have / d) stop worrying.

ROHAN : Would you like to go to the cinema today ?
HARI : (I) _____
ROHAN : You'll still have time to do it after the film.
HARI : My parents would be angry with me.
ROHAN : (II) _____
HARI : They think I'm becoming over confident.
ROHAN : You don't look too good these days.
HARI : I am really stressed out and anxious these days.
ROHAN : I'm sure they'll understand you need to relax.
HARI : (III) _____
ROHAN : I'll talk to them if you like. (IV) _____

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of verbs:

My grandmother__ (a)_____ the most influencing person in my life. She is 75 but is fit and fine. Born in a well off family , Granny was a rebel since the day she (b)_____. She (c)_____ my endeavours when I was young. I used (d)_____ near her every evening and (e)_____ her to tell some stories. I always felt that she (f)_____ the art of story telling because with her artful words she (g)_____ the character stand alive in front of me. What I (h)_____ from her is priceless.

- a) i- is iii- has been
ii- was iv- has
- b) i- is born iii- was born
ii- has born iv- has supported
- c) i- has supported iii- had supported
ii- is supporting iv- was supporting
- d) i- sitting iii- have sit
ii- to sit iv- has sat
- e) i- has cajoled iii- will cajoled
ii- had mastered iv- cajoled

- f) i-had mastered iii-is mastering
ii-will master iv-has mastered
- g) i- had made iii- is making
ii-has made iv- made
- h) i- learnt iii- had learnt
ii-have learnt iv-am learning

SECTION - C

Q1. More and more minors are hitting the roads on motor bikes, scooters and in cars. This is dangerous not only for them but also for others using the road. Moreover, it is illegal. Write an article making a case for banning driving by minors.

Q2. Read the newspaper clipping below:

M.G COLONY RESIDENTS SUBMIT MEMORANDUM

Delhi: The residents of M.G colony have submitted a memorandum to the Chairman; water Authority, protesting against water being supplied to them for only two hours in a day.

Write a letter to the Chairman, Water Authority, on the problem related to scarcity of water. Also suggest a few effective remedies. Your letter should not exceed 150 words.

SECTION-D

Read the following extract and choose the correct answer:

Patol babu saw stars before his eyes.

- Q1. When did Patol babu see star before his eyes?
- When he got appreciated from Baren mullick and Chanachal Kumar.
 - When he collided his head on with Chanachal Kumar.
 - When he heard of the offer of a film role.

- Q2. How did seeing the stars affect Patol babu physically?
- He felt his blood rush and his ears turn hot
 - He received bruises on his forehead and knees.
 - He experienced an excruciating pain and lost his sense for a few second.
- Q3. What does the extract reveal about Patol babu as an actor?
- He had done a very realistic bit of acting
 - He wants to reach the pinnacle of glory
 - He has foolishly hurt head while giving his shot.

Read the following extract and answer the following question:

“God save thee, ancient Mariner!
From the fiend, that plagues thee thus!
Why look’st thou so?” –with my crossbow
I shot the Albatross.

- Q1. The speaker of the first two lines is
- the wedding guest
 - a close friend of ancient mariner
 - the groom
- Q2. 'Fiends' are
- ferocious bird
 - cunning sailor
 - evil spirit

Answer the following questions:

- Q1. counting your chicken before they are hatched, are you? Who makes this statement and why?
- Q2. what was the terrible deed done by the mariner? Why do you think he did it?
- Q3. What were the special touches that Patol Babu's request for a rehearsal?
- Q4. Describe the ancient mariner.