



# ANANDALAYA

## Weekly Test 2

Class : XI

Subject: ENGLISH (CORE)

Date : 15/10/ 2015

M.M: 25

Time: 1 Hour

### SECTION-A (READING)

1 Read the passage given below and answer the question that follow: -

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1. Life is an institution. We have a principal, God, who looks over the entire working of our life. He allots teacher, namely our parents, to guide us through this path. We learn lessons and it is up to us whether we want to pass or fail. Every morning we wake up and give a tick mark to the attendance file of our lives. The only difference in this school of life is you cannot play truant even for a day! Though from time to time one may doze off and not pay heed to the message that is being given to us.
2. From the start my parents taught me and my sister to be good human beings first. Life has been kind, sometimes harsh but mostly fair. We make many mistakes, some of which we admit and others, we conceal. But now that I'm 22 years old, I can review every step taken by me.
3. Think positive. Yes, it's that simple. Thoughts are actions. Imagine if there are a billion good thoughts, the universe will throw back a billion good actions.
4. Something within tells me: 'Forget the world and listen to your heart'. If we all just start listening to our inner soul maybe we won't scratching our heads while taking the final exam. I am not at all close to being perfect but I know I want to get near it..... not by mastering the business world, not by buying perfect self but according to me.... being kind, compassionate, and empathetic also being the one who sees the good in people and shares the good within themselves.
5. The true test is for us to examine, and to be honest to ourselves before we give a tick mark to our answer sheets. I had a lot of questions ready, my doubt all written; point by point ..... since I could not get the answer from my teachers I made an appointment with God. Doubts about life love death, fear, sorrow. I was angry. Why can't He guide us?
6. God was there by my side, every minute, every step. Even though I haven't got all the answers I know I will get there.... He will take me there, in my own time, the same way He has got me here, where I am now.
7. Some say one should never pity nor envy anyone else..... and I am happy to be me. The first important teaching to learn, count your blessings. We all stand to be a little more aware about what life is really trying to teach us.....and for some be aware that life is trying to teach us something.
8. Money is like our grades in school... it helps us move to the next steps but after that, who remembers what we scored in math in the third standard? People forget that when we die.....money does not come along with us. It becomes like our grades, we don't remember how much we earned or how much we lost. Families fight, friendships are ruined; parent-child bonds are broken. Isn't that a waste..... why would anyone choose paper over love?
9. Here's plea for whoever is reading this ..... let us all try and be the best pupils in this school called life. Be true .... love not only others but also yourself, Love God wholeheartedly because that's all He wants, and you know what they say.
10. "Be in his good books and you will go to the head of the class."

**I Choose the correct option :-**

- a) All our questions can be answered by;  
(i) parent (ii) friends (iii) God (iv) ourselves
- b) We can be good pupils by;  
(i) loving ourselves (ii) loving others (iii) love God (iv) all (i), (ii), (iii)

**II Answer the following questions :-**

- a) How is God equal to a principal?
- b) What is the difference between life at school and school of life?
- c) Why are good thoughts compared to good actions?

- d) 'Money is like our grades in school.' 'Explain'?
- e) Write a word similar in meaning to 'truant.' (Para-1)
- f) Pick out a word opposite in meaning to 'uncover' (Para-2)

**SECTION-B (ADVANCE WRITING SKILLS AND GRAMMAR)**

- 2 You are Adarsh/Aditi, a student of Doon Public School, Dehradun. You happened to listen to a talk delivered by an old student of your school about how your country should be helped to attain the dream of being a super power by 2020. The talk inspired you and you decided to write a letter to the editor of a newspaper. Write the letter about the need to inspire the present day generation to serve their country. Also mention how it can be carried out. 6
- 3 The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Underline the error and write the incorrect word and the correction. 3

	<b>Incorrect word</b>	<b>Correction</b>
In today's world that is easy to	a) -----	-----
grow up with inculcating reading	b) -----	-----
habits. There are so many television programmes and computer games who serve as entertainment gadgets and are educational too at the same time	c) -----	-----

- 4 Rearrange the following jumbled words to make meaningful sentences 2
  - a) indoor/and/ there/ are/outdoor/kinds of/ various/ games.
  - b) Must /as well as / they / own benefits / one / outdoor games / their / play indoor / as / have

**SECTION-C (LITERATURE)**

- 5 Read the extract given below and answer the question that follow 3

*When did my childhood go?*  
*Was it the day I ceased to be eleven*  
*was it the time I realised that Hell and Heaven*  
*Could not be found in Geography*  
*And therefore could not be.*

  - a) Name the poem and the poet.
  - b) In what context is 'eleven' mentioned in the above lines?
  - c) Why don't hell and heaven exist according to the poet?
- 6 Why was Tut's demise a big event? (Discovering Tut: the Saga Continues) 3