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Weekly Test -3 Class: VIII

Subject: ENGLISH M.M: 20
Date: 5/11/2015 Time: 1 Hour

1. Section A (Reading)

Read the passage carefully.

Nobody knows why we sleep, but we all need to. There are no rules about how much sleep is necessary, but the average adult sleeps for 7 hours 20 minutes. About 8 % of adults are happy with 5 hours or less and 4% want ten hours or more. Babies need between 14 to 18 hours and elderly persons need less than they did when young but often take up a nap during the day.

Everyone at sometime has difficulty in sleeping but if miss a couple of hours of sleep no harm is done. You may feel tired and irritable the next day, but the body soon makes up for the loss. If you try to stay awake night after night, however, you soon begin to behave strangely. You lose the ability to concentrate and your judgment is impaired. You begin to imagine strange things and your behaviour becomes deranged.

A lot of people have serious problems. Some people find that they cannot get to sleep: some wake up in the middle of the night or too early in the morning. There are number of causes. Worry and depression are the most common. All kinds of things in the environment can affect sleep- noise, light, heat, cold, new surroundings etc. Pain in illness can also keep people awake. Most of us can accept temporary sleeplessness without seeking help but 1½ million people in Britain take drugs to help them sleep. Many people become addicted to their sleeping pills but sleeping pills do not deal with the cause of insomnia and it is better to avoid them if you can. It is much better to identify the problem and remove it.

On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions.

 What happens to a person who does not sleep for many nights? Why do many people have serious problem in getting sleep? One should avoid taking sleeping pills 				
because				
4. Choose the right option to complete the sentence	1			
If we miss sleep for few hours				
a. it is very harmful b. we don't feel tired at all				
c. our body makes up for the loss d. we behave strangely				
5. The word 'impaired ' means:	1			
a. short sleep b. careful consideration of facts				
c. to become angry d. weakened or damaged				
Section B (Writing)				
2. Given below is a profile of Mr. Sharma, the canteen assistant. Write a short bio	- 5			
sketch of Mr. Sharma using the information given below in about 100 words.				
• Age -45 yrs				
 Stature and built – lean and of medium height; wears clean clothes 				
 Wears spectacles 				
Education –high school dropout				

Work- brews the best tea around the town.

believes in dignity of work., to him work is worship

A big hit with the masses. A pleasant personality

		Section C (Grammar)					
3.		Yesterday was your birthday and you decided to plant a sapling. Read the instructions, and describe how you did it. Fill in the blanks to complete the					
		procedure to describe the process of planting a sapling.					
		Instructions					
		1. Select a sapling and a patch of land.					
		2. Dig the earth with spade and make a pit.					
		3. Put some manure in the pit and mix it with soil.					
		4. Plant a sapling in the middle of the pit and fill it with soil.					
		Procedure:					
		To plant a sapling (a) selected. Then, (b)					
		Next, some manure (c) with soil. Lastly, the sapling (d)					
		and it was filled with soil.					
		Section D (Literature)					
4.		Answer the following questions.					
	1.	How does tiger arouse a sense of awe and respect in one and all?					
	2.	Why does the poet mention laughter 'flow free' at night in the poem, 'Woman on					
		the road to Lhasa'?					
	3.	Why do you think the tiger is very well equipped for stalking and bringing down its prey?	2				

ANSWER KEY

- Q1.(5x1=5)
- 1. People behave strangely, lose the ability to concentrate and their judgement is impaired. They begin to imagine strange things and their behaviour becomes deranged.
- 2. because of worries and depression, noise, light, heat, cold, new surroundings can also affect sleep, Pain in illness can also keep people awake.
- 3. Many people become addicted to their sleeping pills; sleeping pills do not deal with the cause of insomnia.
- 4. (c) our body makes up for the loss.
- 5.(d) weakened or damaged
- Q2. (Content=3, Expression=2) Given Information, inference, use of suitable words, grammatical errors.
- Q3. (4x1) (a) a sapling and a patch of land were selected.
 - (b) the earth was dug with a spade and a pit was made
 - (c) was put in the pit and it was mixed
 - (d) was planted in the middle of the pit
- Q4.(3x2= 6) 1. Stirs the imagination of people indifferent to wildlife, symbol of power and reverence, reputation for beauty, grace, ferocity, cunningness, patience, zeal and mystery.
 - 2. The women remove the masks; feel happy and comfortable, reveal natural self so smile and laughter comes easily .
 - 3. Tiger is very agile, has speed over short distances, ability to climb trees and expert swimmer. These versatile qualities makes it a devastating predator.

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SECTION	CHAPTER	QUES NO.	MARK ALLOTED	DIFFICULTY LEVEL				
A	Reading comprehension	Q1 1 2 3 4 5 5	1 1 1 1 1	A A B B C				
В	Writing	Q.2	5	В				

С	Grammar	Q.3 a b c d	1 1 1 1	C B B A		
D	Literature	Q.4. 1 2 3	2 2 2 2	A C B		
	A	Easy	5mks	25 %		
	В	Average	11mks	55 %		
	С	Difficult	4mks	20%		