

I Term Exam

Std. 11th

Sub-English

Marks-50

Date-

Activity Sheet

Time- 2.30 Hours

Section I - Prose

Q. Read the extract and complete the activities given below.

(12)

I have been asked many times, "Who was first?" When we were within reach of the summit, I did not think of who was going to be "first." I am sure that Hillary was not thinking that. Climbing takes all your attention. You have many more important worries.

What does it matter whether I reached the top first or Hillary? Our main thought was that both of us reach the top. We had to. One couldn't do it alone.

If there had been a difference of one thousand feet between us, then one could make the claim that he was first. But even then, only the man behind him could confirm the distance between the two of them.

When we reached Kathmandu, we discovered that a controversy had arisen. We talked it over, Hillary, Colonel Hunt and I. We agreed that all the talk was childish.

So we made a pact, and each of us signed it in the office of the Prime Minister of Nepal. Each one signed his own statement. I have a copy of Hillary's statement which I carry in my pocket.

It reads: "Kathmandu, June 22, 1953."

"On May 29th, Tenzing Sherpa and I left our high camp on Mt. Everest for our attempt on the summit. As we climbed upwards to the South Summit, first one and then the other would take a turn at leading.

We crossed over the South Summit and moved along the Summit ridge. We reached the summit almost together. We embraced each other overjoyed at our success, then I took photograph of Tenzing holding aloft the flags of Great Britain, Nepal, the United Nations and India." (Signed: E.P. Hillary) There is another paper like this in English, signed by me. Thus, we will not take part in any controversy. As the statement says, Hillary and I embraced when we reached the top. We did as well as our bulky equipment would let us. I remember saying to him: "We have done it." But we couldn't hear. We had our oxygen mask on.

A1. Describe

(2)

Describe the opinion of Tenzing about the question- 'Who was the first?'

A2. Choose

(2)

Rewrite the statement choosing the correct alternative.

- 1) The pact was signed in the office of the Prime Minister of India / Nepal.
- 2) Tenzing had a copy of his / Hillary's statement.
- 3) The two mountaineers considered the controversy as valuable / childish.
- 4) Tenzing held flags of India, Great Britain, Nepal and United Nations / United States of America.

A3. Make a list

(2)

Give the list of Tenzing's activities after reaching at the summit.

A4. Personal Response

(2)

Give your opinion: We should participate in adventure sports because-----

A5. Language Study

(2)

Do as directed

1) Tenzing and Hillary made a pact at the office of P. M. of Nepal.

(Choose the alternative showing the correct passive form of this sentence)

- i) A pact is made at the office of P. M. of Nepal by Tenzing and Hillary.
- ii) A pact has been made at the office of P. M. of Nepal by Tenzing and Hillary.
- iii) A pact were made at the office of P. M. of Nepal by Tenzing and Hillary.
- iv) A pact was made at the office of P. M. of Nepal by Tenzing and Hillary.

2) We reached the summit almost together.

(Choose the alternative showing the transformation of this sentence into past perfect tense)

- i) We have reached the summit almost together.
- ii) We had reached the summit almost together.
- iii) We reached the summit almost together.
- iv) We were reached the summit almost together.

A6. Vocabulary

(2)

Fill the letters to get meaningful words from the extract. Use hints given in the bracket.

- 1) s-m-i- (Top of the mountain)
- 2) c-l-n-l- (Post in the military)
- 3) p-c- (Formal agreement)
- 4) e-b-a-e- (Held closely in one's arms)

(B) Language Study**(3)**

Do as directed

1) Listen! Rahul plays the piano.**(Spot the error and rewrite the sentence)****2) No other animal is as large as the elephant.****(Choose the alternative showing the correct change in the degree.)**

- i) The elephant is larger than most other animals. ii) The elephant is larger animal.
 iii) The elephant is larger than any other animal. iv) The elephant is larger than other animals.

3) Without books, Raju will not study.**(Choose the alternative showing the correct use of 'unless')**

- i) Unless there are books, Raju will study. ii) Unless there are books, Raju will not study.
 iii) Unless there were books, Raju will not study. iv) Unless books, Raju will not study.

Q.2. (A) Read the first activity. Read the extract and then do all the activities.**(12)**

When shoes were first made, they were made flat without a heel. Since normal walking requires that the heel of the foot should strike the ground before the toes, these early shoes used to wear out quickly at the heel, prompting shoemakers to reinforce the heel, and so creating heeled shoes.

Women have been wearing high- heeled shoes for centuries in the pursuit of fashion. However, regularly wearing shoes with high heels can be hazardous. The biggest risk, perhaps, is losing your balance and breaking an ankle. Wearing high heels interferes with your normal gait. They throw your weight forward, making it difficult to sustain upright balance. They force you to use a lot of extra muscular effort to keep from falling forward. Much of this extra effort is concentrated in the lower back arch, which can lead to back pain. Experts warn that high heels can also result in a variety of foot problems, including metatarsalgia, which is pain in the ball of the foot. Another condition called Morton's neuroma, which is 10 times more common in women than men, is caused by the thickening of tissue around a nerve between the third and fourth toes. It usually envelops in response to imitation and excessive pressure, such as the burden of weight high heels place on the ball of the foot.

However, if one cannot resist wearing 'heels, the following tips can help to keep your feet healthy.

Always wear the correct fit. Have both feet measured the next time you buy shoes. You will probably find that one foot is larger than the other – always buy shoes to fit the larger foot, never buy shoes that are too tight. Buy shoes later in the day when your feet are a bit swollen. Never wear a heel higher than 6.5 cm. Only buy heels that you are comfortable in.

A1. Global understanding**State the following statements are true or false. Correct the wrong statements.****(2)**

- a) Initial shoes were without a heel.
 b) Women have been wearing high- heeled shoes for centuries to get comfort.
 c) High heels can create a variety of foot problems.
 d) Always wear a heel higher than 6.5 cm.

A2. Complex Factual**(2)****Write any four drawbacks of regularly wearing shoes with high heels.****You may begin like this:-**

Drawbacks of regularly wearing shoes with high heels are:-

A3. Analysis**(2)****Guess the intention of writing this extract.****A4. Vocabulary-****(2)****Write the correct meaning of the following words from the given alternatives.**

- 1) Centuries
 a) Thousands of years b) Hundreds of years
 2) Hazardous
 a) Dangerous b) Hard
 3) Gait
 a) Style of giving b) Style of walking
 4) Pursuit
 a) Carrying purse and suit b) To achieve something

A5. Personal Response-**(2)****To wear shoes with high heels is good or bad. (Give your opinion)**

A6. Language Study

(2)

Do as directed.

1) Women have been wearing high- heeled shoes for centuries in the pursuit of fashion.

(Choose the correct alternative that denotes the tense of this sentence)

- i) Present continuous tense
- ii) Present perfect tense
- iii) Present perfect continuous tense
- iv) Simple present tense

2) Always wear the correct fit.

(Choose the correct alternative that shows the type of this sentence)

- i) Interrogative sentence
- ii) Imperative sentence
- iii) Exclamatory sentence
- iv) Negative sentence

B) Write a brief summary of the above extract with the help of the points given below. Suggest a suitable title for it. **(3)**

Earlier shoes, need of high heels, drawbacks of wearing high heels regularly, suggestions about wearing shoes etc.

Section II - Poetry

Q.3(A) Read the extract and complete the activities given follow.

(4)

I lay on the grass, at ease,
 Looking up through leaves at the blue
 Blind sky, at the finches as they flew
 And flitted through the dappled green.
 While bees in an ecstasy drank
 Of nectar from each bloom and the sun sank
 Swiftly, and the stars turned in the sky,
 And moon-moths and singing crickets and I
 Yes, I! — praised Night and Stars and tree:
 That small, the cherry, grown by me.

A1. Complete

(2)

Things which the poet saw through the leaves are-

- 1) -----
- 2) -----
- 3) -----
- 4) -----

A2. Poetic Device

(2)

Write the two examples of personification from the extract.

Q.3 (B) Read the extract and write an appreciation of the poem.

(4)

Sitting in a porch way cool,
 Sunlight, I see, dying fast,
 Twilight hastens on to rule.
 Working hours have well-nigh past.
 Shadows run across the lands:
 But a sower lingers still,
 Old, in rags, he patient stands.
 Looking on, I feel a thrill.
 Black and high, his silhouette
 Dominates the furrows deep!
 Now to sow the task is set.
 Soon shall come a time to reap.
 Marches he along the plain
 To and fro, and scatters wide
 From his hands the precious grain;
 Muse I, as I see him stride.
 Darkness deepens. Fades the light.
 Now his gestures to mine eyes
 Are august; and strange; his height
 Seems to touch the starry skies

Section III – Writing Skill

Q. 4. A) Complete the activities as per the instructions given below. (4)

1) Letter writing

Write a letter to the Principal of your college to grant concession in fees.

Use the following information-

Name – X.Y.Z., Std.XI Div. A, Stream- Science, Unable to pay complete fees, request concession Write to :- The Principal, Rashtriya Jr. College, Chalisgaon Dist. Jalgaon

OR

2) E- Mail writing

Write an e mail to your friend who has not contacted you for a long time.

Use the following template and write the e – mail.

Compose	Search Mail: -----
Inbox	To: _____
Draft	CC: _____
Sent	BCC: _____
Trash	Subject: _____
More Labels	_____

Points:-

- 1) Ask reason for not contacting from many months
- 2) Arrange a meeting
- 3) Use simple friendlier language
- 4) Write e mail to: xyz@gmail.com

B) A) Complete the activities as per the instructions given below. (4)

1) Expansion of Idea

Expand the idea inherent in the following proverb.

‘A Bad workman blames his tools.’

Points:-

- 1) Explain the concept
- 2) Give example
- 3) Message given through the proverb

OR

2) Blog writing

Write a blog post in a proper format on the following topic.

Personality Development

Points:

- 1) Explain the term
- 2) Give benefits of personality development
- 3) Give ways to develop personality
- 4) Write blog post in a proper format

Section IV – Drama

Q.5. Give answers. (4)

1) Name any four periods of History of British Drama.

- i)-----
- ii) -----
- iii)-----
- iv) -----

2) Rewrite the sentences choosing the correct alternative.

a) Shakespearean era came into existence in the ----- century to the public theatre.

- i) 16th ii) 15th iii) 14th iv) 17th

b) -----, the great Norwegian dramatist of the 19th century, dominates the modern drama.

- i) Shakespeare ii) Ibsen iii) George Bernard Shaw iv) Oscar Wilde