

9 th CBSE Batch :	MAHESH TUTORIALS SUBJECT : ENGLISH Fiction : 1, 2, 3, 4 Poem : 1, 2, 3, 4, Moments : 1, 2, 3, Grammar and Writing Skills Question Paper	Test - Date: Time: 2 Hrs Marks : 60
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Q : 1	<p>Grammar and Writing Skills</p> <p>Read the following passage given below and answer the questions that follows :</p> <p>Men and their activities have affected nature in a very significant manner. Melting ice and warming water have raised average sea level worldwide by more than an inch since 1995, new data from space satellites and robotic submarines have revealed.</p> <p>That's twice as fast as the rate the oceans rose during the previous 50 years, ocean experts said. If the current rate continues or accelerates, as they say is likely, the world's seas will rise at least a foot by the end of this century, causing widespread flooding and erosion of islands and low-lying coastal areas.</p> <p>"Even a small change will matter to a whole lot of coastal people. If 15 percent of the Greenland ice sheet were to melt, much of South Florida would be underwater," said Richard Alley, a geoscientist. The rise in the sea level was caused by a recent speed-up in the melting of glaciers and ice sheets, especially in Greenland and Antarctica, due to global warming, another serious man-made problem threatening the world with severe consequences.</p> <p>Humans have significantly affected the flow of half of the world's major rivers by building dams, according to the first detailed global assessment of the activity's impact.</p> <p>Another study shows that dam building, among other human actions, has altered the amount of sediments that rivers carry to the coast, with implications for marine ecology, fisheries and coastal erosion.</p> <p>The first study, led by Christer Nilson of the Landscape Ecology Group at Umea University, Sweden, assessed the extent to which dams affect 292 large river systems. These rivers drain 54 percent of the world's land area and carry 60 percent of the planet's river - water</p> <p>Previous surveys had only looked at rivers in the Northern Hemisphere. Nilson and colleagues added to this collection new data from Africa, Asia, Latin America and Australia.</p> <p>The team found that river flow has been strongly affected in four of the world's ten largest river systems and moderately affected in the other six.</p> <p>Fragmenting river systems and controlling their flow with dams has well-known potential impacts on the ecology of rivers. Among other effects, dams disrupt the migration of animals up-and downstream, an impact that has been linked to the extinction of species of freshwater fish.</p> <p>While areas upstream of dams are flooded to create reservoirs, wetlands downstream can dry out and the fertility of flood plain soil can decline.</p> <p>Geoscientists insist that the severe ecological effects of building dams need to be accounted for in global planning for sustainable river management. They note that large dams are planned or under construction in 46 large river systems, 40 of which are in developing countries which need to take precautionary steps.</p> <p>Almost half of these new dams will be on just four rivers : China's Chang Jiang (also known as the Jangtze River), where 49 new dams are planned, the Rio de la Plata in Latin America (29 new dams), the Shatt Al Arab in the Middle East (26 new dams) and Ganges-Brahmaputra in South Asia (25 new dams).</p>	08
1.1	<p>Answer the following questions in brief:- [2 Marks]</p> <p>(a) What have the space satellites and robotic submarines revealed?</p> <p>(b) What would be the result if the rate accelerated?</p>	

- (c) What has caused the rise in the sea level?
 (d) How have humans significantly affected the flow of the world's major rivers?

Q : 2 Read the following outline given. Using your own creativity and ideas, write a story. Assign it with a title and moral. **07**

Outline: A teacher- shows three toys to a student- identical toys- but one has tiny holes in both the eyes- the other has tiny holes in one of the ears and mouth- and the last toy has just one hole in one of the ears-teacher explains- three types of people-one who listens from one ear and removes from another- second who listens and lets others know your issues- and lastly who listen and keep it a their heart in forever-trust the last type of people.

Q : 3 Letter Writing : **05**

Write a letter to the Principal requesting him/her to enhance the library as it would help the students with reference material for their projects.

Q : 4 Gap Filling: **04**

Most people of (a) _____ religions believe that God can be (b) _____ only by humble words of prayer. They also seem to believe that (c) _____ they close their eyes and (d) _____ upon, or pray on their beads, God will listen _____ to _____ them _____ and _____ will _____ be (e) _____ with them. To (f) _____ God and (g) _____ men whom God has created cannot go together. Gods' purpose in sending men upon the earth is that, he should work not only for himself but for (h) _____. Great men of the earth have known this truth and have worked for others throughout their life.

Q : 5 Fill in the blanks by giving the appropriate word from the options given below. **04**

Raghu is a reporter of 'The Herald'. He was sent to write a report on bomb blast in a shopping complex. Using information from the notes complete the following paragraph by writing the suitable words from the options given below.

Shopping complex _ destroyed _ bomb _ 7 'O' clock _ 80 people burnt alive _ two young men _ seen speeding off.

The citizens of Kantipur were shocked when one of its (a) by a (b) The place was crowded and about (c) Witnesses said that (d) on a two wheeler soon after the blast.

- (a) (i) shopping complexes were destroyed
 (ii) shopping complexes was destroyed
 (iii) shopping complexes is destroyed
 (iv) shopping complexes had destroyed
- (b) (i) earthquake ii) fire iii) bomb blast iv) flood
- (c) (i) 80 people were burnt alive
 (ii) 80 people had been burnt alive
 (iii) 80 people has been burnt alive
 (iv) 80 people may be burnt alive
- (d) (i) two young men had been speeding off
 (ii) two young men were been speeding off
 (iii) two young men will be speeding off
 (iv) two young men were seen speeding off

Q : 6 Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after it. Ensure that the word that forms your answer is underlined. **04**

	Before	Missing	After
A boy drowning in a river and he shouted help. A	e.g. boy	<u>was</u>	drowning
	(a)

man passing jumped into the river and saved his life. As man was leaving, the boy him. The man asked him reason. The boy him for saving his life. The man replied, "Make sure that you grow up your was worth saving."

- (b)
 (c)
 (d)
 (e)
 (f)
 (g)
 (h)

TEXTUAL

Q : 7 Answer the following questions : **08**

1. Why was Margie doing badly in geography ? What did the County Inspector do to help her ?
2. What kind of life, did the poet live in London ? How does the poet wish to lead his life in Innisfree ?
3. How did Evelyn's parents come to know about her deafness?
4. What kind of thoughts come to the poet's mind on a rainy day ?

Q : 9 Answer in detail : [Any 1] **04**

1. Give a brief character sketch of Ustad Bismillah Khan.
2. Kezia only wanted to gift her father and unknowingly while doing so, she tore the papers which were important to him. Instead of accepting the gift, her father got heavily angry with her and beat her on her little hands with a ruler. He could have avoided that. Now as per your understanding, write a paragraph with the topic: "The need for better understanding between parents and children".

Q : 10 Read the passage and answer the questions : **03**

Einstein saw in her an ally against the "philistines"- those people in his family and at the university with whom he was constantly at odds. The couple fell in love. Letters survive in which they put their affection into words, mixing science with tenderness.

Questions :

- (a) Whom did Einstein see as an ally?
- (b) Who have been referred to as 'philistines'?
- (c) What memoir of Einstein and Mileva's love story exists?

Q : 11 Read the poem and answer the questions : **03**

Don't break the shutters of the windows.
 Don't scatter the papers.
 Don't throw down the books on the shelf.
 There, look what you did - you threw them all down.
 You tore the pages of the books.
 You brought rain again.

Questions :

- (a) To whom is the poet addressing here?
- (b) What happens to the books and papers?
- (c) How are the windows affected by the mischief- monger here?

Q : 12 Answer in detail from Moments : [Any 2] [5 Marks] **10**

1. "Iswaran was a good cook as well as a good storyteller". Elaborate with the help of examples.
2. Toto's mischievousness is beyond imagination. Support your answer from the story 'The Adventures of Toto'.
3. What are the different things that the child got attracted to, once he entered the fair ? What was his request to his parents ?

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