

SUB: ENGLISH

TOPIC: INTEGRATED GRAMMAR

Complete the following passage with the most appropriate words from the options that follows:-

An ATM or Automated Teller is \_\_\_\_\_ (an, a, the, no word)  
 simple machine which \_\_\_\_\_ (acting, acted, acts, is acted) as  
 an extension of a bank's \_\_\_\_\_ (as, which, when, where)  
 the bank is closed. The machine \_\_\_\_\_ (was, is, has been,  
 should be) usually placed \_\_\_\_\_ (at, of, in, on) a small  
 room with a security guard stationed outside. You can  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (withdraw, withdrawal, withdrawn, withdrew)  
 money from account) deposit cheques, order \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (in, on, at, the word) cheque book & get \_\_\_\_\_ (long, our,  
 somebody's, your) account statements, etc. The ATMs work  
 round the year 24 hours a day.

2) On the basis of the newspaper headlines given, write  
 the sentences with the options given below:-

- (A) CHINA DEVELOPS MEDICAL ROBOT \_\_\_\_\_ that can conduct  
 surgeries
- (B) POLYCOBINE CONTAMINATED IN CHINA \_\_\_\_\_
- (C) BOMB BUST KILLS 17 SOLDIERS \_\_\_\_\_
- (D) BOMB BUST IN THE CENTRAL AREA OF ISLAMABAD \_\_\_\_\_
- (E) SLEUTH'S SON IN HOSPITAL \_\_\_\_\_
- (F) BANGALAI ACTRESS, SECURITVA STAR \_\_\_\_\_ with high blood  
 pressure and fever.
- (G) HOUSEKEEPER WINS NORVIT AS PRIZE \_\_\_\_\_ is the  
 the fortune of a hair dresser today changed \_\_\_\_\_ is the  
 local media ruffle.

3) Rearrange the following words and phrases to make meaningful sentences. Use the

- (A) where / unproductive work / area / you are / in / working time
- (B) self-study / availability of time / for / check.
- (C) to complete / you need / judge / the syllabus / how much time
- (D) for / allocate time / as per / different subjects / the need
- (E) the following passage has not been edited. Find an error  
 write the incorrect and the correct word in your  
 answer sheet.

Newton had a little dog name Lancelot \_\_\_\_\_  
 One day when he is fifty years \_\_\_\_\_  
 old, he went out of his room, left the \_\_\_\_\_  
 dog asleep. On the table lie his \_\_\_\_\_  
 papers. They contained all the discovery which \_\_\_\_\_  
 he had made while the last lively years when \_\_\_\_\_  
 he was young, down was little Lancelot he \_\_\_\_\_  
 jumped upon the table and overturned the lighted \_\_\_\_\_  
 candle. The papers caught fire. They were soon \_\_\_\_\_  
 as a heap of ashes.

Correction

- (5) The newspapers taken in place of the gifts \_\_\_\_\_  
 the Bible and Quran with the people, for the \_\_\_\_\_  
 printed sheet is a gospel truth. The knowledge \_\_\_\_\_  
 responsibility the editors and news-writers \_\_\_\_\_  
 Newspapers are a powerful influence. Study \_\_\_\_\_  
 of the editors see that no false report likely to \_\_\_\_\_  
 create public is published in their newspapers \_\_\_\_\_  
 The editors and their assistants to be extra \_\_\_\_\_  
 careful about the news they give the name \_\_\_\_\_  
 in which their name is given the name \_\_\_\_\_

• Choose the best word from the options given to complete the sentences.  
 Scavengers are birds and animals that feed (a) ..... dead (or injured) animals and plants. They clean the planet's organic waste. The moment they get nature's warning signal - odour - they quickly (b) ..... to the rescue. They break down the organic material into smaller pieces, (c) ..... are then eaten by decomposers and broken down (d) ..... chemical parts. These chemical parts, (e) ..... nitrogen, carbon and (f) ..... nutrients, are used again by plants and animals. (g) ..... without scavengers, the world (h) ..... be covered with dead plants and animals!

- (a) (i) from (ii) on (iii) at (iv) among
- (b) (i) comes (ii) came (iii) come (iv) are coming
- (c) (i) who (ii) what (iii) which (iv) whom
- (d) (i) from (ii) to (iii) in (iv) into
- (e) (i) includes (ii) included (iii) include (iv) including
- (f) (i) other (ii) others (iii) another (iv) every
- (g) (i) Even (ii) So (iii) Because (iv) Since
- (h) (i) should (ii) would (iii) can (iv) must

• Complete the following dialogue.

ISHA : Hello, Veera. (a) ..... yesterday?  
 VEERA : I went with my sister to watch a film.  
 ISHA : (b) ..... ?  
 VEERA : Very interesting, and adventurous, too. But (c) .....  
 ISHA : Really. Why didn't you inform me about your plan?  
 VEERA : Actually my sister (d) ..... before the show. I'm really sorry for that.

- (a) (i) Where are you (ii) Where have you gone (iii) Where you were (iv) Where were you
- (b) (i) What were the film like (ii) What was the film like (iii) What the film was like (iv) What the film was like
- (c) (i) I missed you a lot (ii) I miss you a lot (iii) I am missing you a lot (iv) I have missed you a lot
- (d) (i) is planning it just now (ii) planned it just now (iii) has planned it in the morning (iv) planned it just a few minutes

• Exercises

Sleep much to stay in shape. This is that a recent study on the relationship in sleep duration and overweight risk from third-grade and sixth-grade children say. Researchers find that children who do not sleep enough - least than nine hours each day - were more likely to be overweight, regardless of its gender, race, socio-economic status, or quality of home environment.

• Rearrange the words and phrases to make meaningful sentences →

- (a) eastern and western / a unique / cultures / Turkey is / blend of
- (b) continents - Europe and Asia / the intersection / located at / it is / of two
- (c) one of / oldest / the world / it is / inhabited regions
- (d) immovable / the country is / successive civilizations / historical treasures / home to / from

• Read the following conversation and complete the passage →

DENIEL : Oy, Harriot what are you doing at this hour in your farm?  
 HARRIOT : I have applied for the Nobel Prize.  
 DENIEL : What has this to do with the prize.  
 HARRIOT : The Nobel Prize is awarded to somebody outstanding in his field.  
 Harriot was seen standing in the middle of his acre of land under the scorching heat of the sun at mid-day. His friend Deniel asked him (a) ..... Harriot replied that (b) ..... Deniel, not being satisfied, wanted to know (c) ..... Harriot made it clear to his friend Deniel and explained (d) ..... field.

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# D.A.V INTERNATIONAL

## ASSIGNMENT NO 1

SUBJECT:- ENGLISH

TOPIC:- COMPREHENSION

CLASS :- IX

DATE :-

Read the following passage carefully.

### **ESTHER VERGEER, EMBODIMENT OF HOPE**

- (1) ABU DHABI: She's the Roger Federer of wheelchair tennis. And she has a phenomenal record even the Swiss genius would be proud of: a 405-match winning streak that dates back to January 2003.
- (2) Instead of cursing the fate that left her in a wheelchair for the rest of her life after an operation, Esther Vergeer decided to wheel out and write her own destiny. The Dutchwoman is now a globe trotter, providing hope and confidence to millions of people all around the world.

EXCERPTS FROM AN INTERVIEW:

- (3) *Can you describe the days immediately after the surgery ....*  
I was eight at that time and too young to realise what had happened. It was only a little later did I realise that the wheelchair was going to be my lifetime companion. It was a hard time as everyone started looking at me differently.
- (4) *Did you ever imagine that 21 years later, the world would be looking at you wide-eyed and awestruck?*  
Never... Tennis, No. 1 in the world, Paralympic Games...it is all unbelievable. I have been living an amazing life, thanks to this wheelchair!
- (5) *There are so many things that can go wrong in a wheelchair game but nobody has been able to touch you for the past eight years. What is the secret behind the superwoman's success?*  
Every time I am on court, I want to get better. I think inner motivation is the strongest motivation, and that is not influenced by anything else, including money.
- (6) *At the Australian Open recently, you had a practice session with Pakistan's Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi (Rohan Bopanna's partner). Tell us about it...*  
Qureshi and Bopanna have this foundation (Stop War Start Tennis) which supports soldiers affected by war. After seeing me play, Qureshi got into the wheelchair and realised how difficult it was to play in it. He is an inspiring person who wants to contribute to society.
- (7) *How do you think we can increase the popularity of wheelchair tennis?*  
It would be good if there is a wheelchair exhibition match as part of all ATP/WTA events. That would mean more people will watch what we do and more people will get into the sport.

4. What do sports mean to the poet?  
(a) a shield or trophy (c) a means of healing  
(b) a challenge (d) a permanence
5. When the poet says "it's my drug" she means  
(a) she is addicted to drugs (c) she performs better  
(b) she cannot live without sports (d) she is a physiotherapist
6. 'So your potential may perk' (Stanza 2). Here the word 'perk' has been used to mean  
(a) affect (c) push  
(b) increase (d) beat
7. The meaning of the expression '...we are the new dawn' (Stanza 3) is best illustrated by which of the following?  
(a) we are better than the people in the past  
(b) we will change all things that are old and traditional  
(c) we will be proud of our glorious past  
(d) we are going to set new standards of excellence

Answers 1.  2.  3.  4.  5.  6.  7.

ASSIGNMENT NO-3

Subject :- English

Topic :- Comprehension Poem


class :- IX

Date :- \_\_\_\_\_

Read the poem to find out if your guess was correct.

(1) Your strength is strong,  
but your pride is something more.  
Your heart is where it belongs,  
in your team and sport you amor\*.

(2) It calls for hard work,  
each and everyday.  
so your potential may perk,  
and sweep everyone away.

 (3) Blood, sweat, sacrifice and tears,  
are the elements that push us on.  
And the traditions from past years,  
remind us that we are the new dawn.

(4) When I step on that field,  
all my worries go away.  
Because this sport is my emotional shield,  
so with focus, my feelings are not displayed.

(5) I always work hard,  
a hundred and ten percent.  
I always want to charge,  
but you have to be humble and  
think you only decent.

(6) Although you maybe the best,  
it's not fair to the other.  
You have to give your ego a rest,  
and help one another.

(7) My sports,  
are my life.  
it's my drug,  
and my permanent temporary.

(8) I have a better judgement,  
of right and wrong.

(9) Because of my physical therapy.

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Answer the following questions by selecting the most appropriate options from the ones given below.

1. 'It' in the second stanza is

- (a) sport (c) potential  
(b) heart (d) team

2. 'Blood, sweat, sacrifice and tears.' According to the poet what do these elements push us on to?

- (a) tradition (c) failure  
(b) stamina (d) excellence in sports

3. Which of the following lines best speaks of tolerance and humility in sports?

- (a) 'And help one another' (c) 'I have a better judgement, / of right and wrong'  
(b) 'You have to give your ego a rest' (d) 'Remind us that we are the new dawn'

Read the following passage carefully.

**DISCIPLINE**

- (1) A friend who went on a trip to Canada, came back, very impressed with the courtesy of drivers on the roads there. Like all of us, he was used to chaos on the streets and the absolute disregard for anyone else walking or driving on the street.
- (2) So he was astonished to see that the minute he put one foot off the pavement, cars on both sides of the road would stop, waiting for him to cross, even if he, like most Indians, did not walk up to the zebra crossing.
- (3) The first couple of times it happened, he froze, wondering what he had done to stop traffic. But the cars just waited patiently till he crossed, with no angry honking or anyone putting their heads out of their windows to scream, "O hero, chhal na, tere baap ka sadak hai kya?"
- (4) Later, he got off the pavement a few times, just to see what would happen. And without fail, cars would stop to let him pass, even if he tried to wave them on. He came back, most impressed by the discipline of Canadians, among other things.
- (5) Unfortunately, discipline is a trait we lack - all of us must have been guilty at some time or the other, of dashing across the street, making the nearest driver slam his brakes in panic.
- (6) Just yesterday, I saw a girl calmly bend in the middle of the road to pick up something she had dropped, without giving a thought to the oncoming traffic, causing my cabbie to apply his brakes and curse her.
- (7) Drivers have even less discipline than pedestrians - how many of them slow down at zebra crossings and intersections? How many would stop at a red light, if there are no cops around?
- (8) I've seen a Delhi driver arguing, when he was stopped for trying to zip by at a red light. "Abbe tere liye red hai tu ruk, mere liye to green hai."
- (9) When discipline is inculcated in people, you see cars stopping at a red light, even when there's no traffic for miles around... and nobody in the west will try to overtake a row of waiting cars and zip ahead, even if there are no cars coming from the opposite side.
- (10) Here, everyone will try to get out of line and cause a jam that'll delay them further, and the honking of horns will make an infernal racket.
- (11) Some will stop their cars to get off in the middle of the road, holding up the cars behind them... or will honk like mad if the car in front slows down for a second, behaving as if they are going to miss a flight or something.
- (12) It's not just road discipline, in India (particularly Delhi). Anyone who thinks he can get away with it will crash queues. They will, for example, try clothes in a shop and leave them in a heap on the floor, won't stop a moment to hold the door, so that it will slam into the face of the person behind them.
- (13) There's no point even getting into the littering and spitting menace. Years of teachers' droning and parents' scolding doesn't instill discipline, as much as one trip to Singapore or Canada does. Maybe this should be made a part of the school curriculum.

Deepa Gahlot

(1) On the basis of your reading of the above passage, complete the following statements as briefly as possible. Write your answers in the space provided. (3 Marks)

- (a) An example of disciplined driving in Canada as mentioned in the passage is .....
  - (b) Two things that surprised the author's friend during his visit to Canada were : (i) ..... (ii) .....
  - (c) The author gives examples of a girl on the road and a Delhi driver to bring home the point .....
  - (d) According to the author the best way to discipline people is to .....
  - (e) Indian drivers typically show 'discipline' only when .....
  - (f) Besides indiscipline on roads, the author gives five other examples of public indiscipline in India. One of them is given below. Find out and write the other four. (1/2 x 4 = 2 Marks)  
(i) Lack of concern and courtesy for others (ii) ..... (iii) ..... (iv) ..... (v) .....
  - (g) Maybe this should be made a part of the school curriculum (Para 13). Here 'this' refers to .....
- (11) Find words from the passage which mean the same as the following from the paragraphs indicated. Write the answers in the space provided. (2 Marks)
- (a) extremely annoying (Para 9-10)
  - (b) talking for a long time (in a boring way) (Para 12-13)

Deepa