

Kendriya Vidyalaya – English

Periodic Test II -2018-19

SUBJECT ENGLISH

CLASS VIII

TIME: 1.30 HRS

M.M : 40

Instructions :-

- (i) All questions are compulsory.
- (ii) Marks are given against each question.
- (iii) This question paper is divided in the four sections.

Section-A (Reading) 08 Marks

Section-B (Writing) 10 Marks

Section –C (Grammar) 08 Marks

Section –D (Literature)14 Marks

Section A – Reading [08]

1. Read the following passage carefully.

A New Zealand Holiday Plan

i.New Zealand offers the perfect setting for an enjoyable family holiday. There is a lot to do, a lot to experience, during the holiday. Whether it is its stunning natural beauty ,geothermal landscapes, rich and diverse natural life, the unique Maori culture on the prospect of fun and adventure, the place promises to surprise and delight at every step along the journey.

ii.For those looking for a quiet and relaxing holiday, New Zealand is made to order. One can experience the therapeutic effects of natural hot pools at the thermal city of Rotaria. At other times one can take long leisurely walk on the pristine beaches that dot the region. One can decide on a day-long boating trip starting from Akora, near Christchurch. On such trips one can relax , take in the scenic splendour and savour a delicious lunch. Alternatively , one can settle for an elaborate family picnic, in the picture perfect setting.

iii.If one settles for a geothermal tour, one will come across boiling mud pools and roaring geysers. For the more adventures ,there is an opportunity to take a helicopter ride over the magnificent glaciers that date back to the Ice age and line the Franz Josef glacier route. For the stout-hearted there is a thrilling Subterranean of adventure at Waitomo, through a network of caves magically Lit up by thousand of glittering glowworms .

iv. Another popular trip is a day long cruise along the magnificent Bay of Islands which bring tourists close to the rich marine life of the country. One can watch dolphins do acrobatics here. At Queenstown one can indulge in jet boating, while water rafting ,gondola rides and

more. And finally one can round off the New Zealand trip with a ride in a hot air balloon over the rich plains of Canterbury.

On the basis of your reading the above passage , answer the given questions only in one sentence . 1*8 = 8 marks

(a) Why is New Zealand a perfect place to go for a family holiday ?

(b) What is the most unique part of a New Zealand trip?

(c) What is the attraction of a visit to Rotaria?

(d) Why do holiday makers go to Akora?

(e) What attraction is located at Waitomo?

(f) What is the highlight of a helicopter ride?

(g) How can one round off a trip to New Zealand?

(h) Give the synonyms of the given words from the passage.

(i) a good taste or smell. (para ii)

(ii) to travel on a boat or ship. (para iv)

Section B- (Writing) [10]

II. Write a short paragraph on about 80-100 words on anyone of the topics given below: [5]

b] Life without computer

c] Morning Assembly in your school

d] Usefulness of walking

III. You are Amit/Anu of 50, Nishant Lok, New Delhi. You bought a pair of the best quality shoes from the Liberty Shoe House, Karol Bagh, New Delhi. But after a week, the shoe developed cracks in the sole. Write a letter to the Sales Manager, asking for the replacement of the shoes or the refund of the price money paid. [5]

SECTION -C GRAMMAR [8]

IV. Complete each sentence using the correct preposition given in brackets. 1*3=3

a. There is _____ cow the field.

b. The books lie _____ the table.

C. I do not agree _____ you.

V. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each of the lines.

Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer book. $\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2$

	Incorrect	Correct
On my way to a house of Rakesh,	a. _____	_____
I met an European. He was the	b. _____	_____
disciple of the Indian Guru who	c. _____	_____
lived in an ashram near a Ganga	d. _____	_____

VI. Rearrange the following words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. $1 \times 3 = 3$

a. went/ the dog /he /followed /wherever/his/master

b. parents/the children/their/have gone/holiday/a/with/for/

c. his/ father/ a farm/ a bank/ in/ on/ works/ he/ and

Section D -Literature

VII.I Read the given extract and answer the following questions- $1 \times 3 = 3$

Said the Kangaroo," 'I'm ready !

All in the moonlight pale,

But to balance me well, dear Duck,sit steady!

And quite at the end of my tail!'

- Name the Poet and the Poem.
- Where did the Kangaroo ask the duck to sit?
- Write the rhyming scheme of the above lines.

IX. Answer any two of the following questions in brief: $2 \times 2 = 4$

a] What is the scientist's message for the disabled?

b] What are the two ways in which hills appear to change when the mist comes up?

c] What was the story attributed to the stone face?

X. Answer in detail: any one

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Write your views for or against the topic, "Is it right to kill an animal to save a human life?"

OR

Suppose you are Firdaus Kanga .You are going to meet the greatest scientist Stephen Hawking. The two great men exchange thoughts on what it means to live life on a wheel chair and how the normal people react to the disabled. Write a diary entry.

XI. Answer any two. (Supplementary Reader).

2*2=4

Q.1 In what way is the forest pool different from the one which Ranji knew in the Rajputana desert?

Q.2 What did Mrs Sappleton say about the open window?

Q. "Children's stomachs are like digestion machines." What do you understand by that ? Do you agree?