

Delhi Public School- Gandhinagar

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Class-IX

English Holiday Homework

Q. Fill in the following blanks with the help of options given in the bracket:

1. The river island of Majuli (a) (was/is/were) surrounded (b) (by/for/on) the Brahmaputra river. A long time ago, the people on the island never smiled (c) (has/because/when) there was no colour on (d)..... (a/the/an) island. The king's jester tried his best to make them laugh.

2. The backwaters (a) (of/for/if) Kerala are a chain of brackish water lagoons lying parallel to the Arabian Sea. They (b) (are/was/is) a major tourist attraction, particularly among the people who (c) (like/liking/likes) to have some alone time (d) (when/where/why) on a holiday.

3. (a) (for/since/ever since) Meera heard about the pollution in Delhi she has been feeling guilty. She (b) (realise/realising/realised) that she was not doing enough (c)..... (with/for/when) the environment. She (d)..... (deciding/decided/decide) to chalk out a plan to segregate waste.

4. Chef Kapoor stood (a) (on/in/upon) the table wearing a starched chef's uniform. He took all the ingredients (b) (on/or/and) started to make khichdi. He put some oil into the wok of the ingredients and then(c) (add/added/adding) the turmeric. He added salt (d) (in/on/into) the rest of the ingredients, closed the lid and waited for it to cook.

5. Mahesh set out (a) (towards/to/upto) the school in his new bicycle. He rode along the cycle track and (b) (turning/turn/turned) right into Nehru Road. He passed by the musical fountain (c) (is/as/so) the policeman had signalled (d) (the/a/an) traffic to stop. He reached school when the bell was about to ring.

6. Sitalakshmi kept grumbling (a) (so/is/as) she swept the front steps of the Seth Bhola Nath's shop. She used (b)..... (a/the/an) worn out broom hurriedly, so the dust (c) (fly/flown/flew) in all directions. When she (d) (finishing/finish/finished) her work the dust again settled down on the front steps.

7. Jawaharlal Nehru went from village to village (a)(at/by/on) foot, by train, bullock cart and (b)(on/by/in) bicycle. He ate with the peasants, lived in their mud huts, talked to them (c).....(or/and/so) addressed their meetings. He lost his shyness and learnt (d)(to/in/for) speak in public.

EDITING (Error Correction)

In the error correction exercise, a short text is given with an error in each line. You have to identify and correct the error.

METHOD

1. Read each sentence carefully.
2. Is the grammatical structure - tense and elements of the clause, appropriate to the meaning of the sentence?
3. The errors are usually related to the use of nouns, pronouns, verbs, determiners and other grammar words.

4. Maintain consistency in tense.
5. Ensure subject - verb agreement and match the pronouns with their antecedents.

1. PASSAGE		ERROR	CORRECTION
Books that inspires are about people's lives.	(a)		
My fatherly teachings on success from	(b)		
struggles has been equivalent with a book	(c)		
and continuing to inspire me.	(d)		
2. PASSAGE		ERROR	CORRECTION
Fruits are the healthier food items.	(a)		
Their contain vitamins and minerals.	(b)		
Oranges containing vitamin C. Guavas	(c)		
contain a hosting of vitamins, including Vitamin C.	(d)		
3. PASSAGE		ERROR	CORRECTION
A galaxy of sports starred will help raise funds	(a)		
for underprivileged children suffering in cancer.	(b)		
Titled, 'Legends of Hope', for programme	(c)		
was hosts by the Calcutta Cricket Club.	(d)		
4. PASSAGE		ERROR	CORRECTION
It is not uncommon to see road	(a)		
across the globe named along Indian icons.	(b)		
The Sunil Gavaskar Cricket Field for Kentucky	(c)		
is expected to attract local American to	(d)		
the game, especially the Indian diaspora.			
5. PASSAGE		ERROR	CORRECTION
London boasts the world's older underground	(a)		
train network. It opened on 1863.	(b)		
Boston build the first subway in America in 1897.	(c)		
New York subways system is the largest American	(d)		
subway system, containing 380 km of routes.			
6. PASSAGE		ERROR	CORRECTION

The Egyptians were the first for make paper	(a)		
from a calling Papyrus. It grew in the	(b)		
delta of river Nile in Africa. For the long time,	(c)		
Papyrus continues to be used as writing material.	(d)		
Then the Chinese perfected the art of making paper.			
7. PASSAGE		ERROR	CORRECTION
The best time to having a healthy breakfast	(a)		
is within 30 to 45 minutes of wake.	(b)		
Most peoples kill their morning hunger	(c)		
with a cup on tea and biscuits, a horrible	(d)		
habit that affects your metabolism.			
8. PASSAGE		ERROR	CORRECTION
To provide fastest and cheaper connectivity	(a)		
to passengers travelling in Delhi and Mumbai,	(b)		
the railways will introduces a new Rajdhani	(c)		
Express among the two metros.	(d)		
9. PASSAGE		ERROR	CORRECTION
Robinson used to spent	(a)		
hours gazing on merchant ships.	(b)		
His father wanted him to being	(c)		
a lawyer but he wanted to exploring	(d)		
the world in one of those sailing ships.			