

Himalaya International School

Practice Assignment-4

Subject-English

Class-VII

Section-A Reading

Q1. Rubber was called 'rubber' at first because its chief use was rubbing out pencil marks. We still use it for the same purpose in our daily life. It is called 'India rubber' because it was discovered by the Europeans in the West Indies. It is said that Columbus, the discoverer of America, saw the Indians, as he defined them, playing with balls. The balls bounced so much and so high that they seemed to be alive. They were made of rubber. Rubber is the juice of certain trees. It is sticky and milky and drawn off by making incisions into the bark. The process of collecting the fluid is called tapping. The juice drips out as gum then dries and becomes solid but though solid it remains soft and pliable. The economic life period of rubber trees in plantations is around 32 years - upto 7 years of immature phase and 25 years of productive phase. The trees from which rubber is obtained grow chiefly in countries like South America and Central Africa.

Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions.

- 1. In olden times the chief use of rubber in India was**
 - a) making tubes and tyres**
 - b) rubbing pencil marks**
 - c) adhesives**
 - d) making shoes**
- 2. Columbus, who discovered America, saw Indians**
 - a) playing with rubber balls**
 - b) dancing in the island**
 - c) growing rubber trees**

- d) none of these
3. Rubber is the juice of certain trees. It drips down as
- a) gum and dries up to form solid
 - b) liquid
 - c) solid
 - d) metallic coloured substance
4. Rubber is mainly grown in countries like
- a) Sri Lanka
 - b) South Africa and Central Asia
 - c) South America and Central Africa
 - d) Italy
5. 'Invent' is to find out a new idea whereas 'discover' is to find out knowledge from the existing realities. Choose the appropriate nouns for the 2 words.
- a) Invention; discovery
 - b) Inventor; discoverer
 - c) Inventory; discoverable
 - d) None of these
6. The antonym of 'soft' is
- a) delicate
 - b) harsh
 - c) hard
 - d) tender

Section B Writing

Q2. Your school organised a fete. As a correspondent of your school magazine, Write a report to give the details of the fete like stalls, activities, games, lucky draw,etc.

Q3. Honda launched a new bike with the latest technology. The engine is extremely fuel efficient and gives an average of 100 km/litre. M S Dhoni is the brand ambassador of the bike. You are at

the launch party of the bike. Write a report for your newspaper giving the details of the event.

Section- C Grammar

Q4. State the passive voice of the following sentences.

1. The loud noise of passing vehicles will disturb the child.
2. She laughed at the clown.
3. He has written a letter.
4. She is driving a motor car.
5. Who had invited you to the feast?
6. He will have sold his house.
7. Work hard.
8. Don't touch it.
9. We expect good news.
10. Let us do this work.

Q5. Fill in the blanks with articles.

1. He returned after ____ hour.
2. ____ boys of this class are very naughty.
3. ____ book you gave me is very useful.
4. She is ____ honourable woman.
5. Mamta works in ____ university as a lecturer.
6. Love is ____ greatest virtue.
7. She is ____ American by birth not ____ European.
8. We heard ____ loud noise in ____ next house.
9. I met ____ old magician at my grandmother's house.
10. ____ Bible is ____ sacred book of Christians.

Q6. Fill in the blanks with Conjunctions.

1. The weather was fine ____ the sea was calm.
2. He rang the bell ____ no one came to the door.
3. He worked very hard ____ he did not succeed.

4. Shut the door _____ the dog will go out.
5. You must work hard _____ you will fail.
6. _____ be attentive to a lesson _____ leave the class.
7. He is _____ proud _____ rude.
8. Sunita _____ takes up the job _____ she looks after the house.
9. We _____ walk down _____ take a bus to school.

Q7. Identify the kinds of the prepositions underlined.

1. The sun sank below the horizon.
2. The house is between the trees.
3. The boy is at the door.
4. I shall wait till tomorrow.
5. He fell asleep during the lesson.
6. I shall be away for a few days.

Q8. Identify the tense.

1. Has he some money to spare
2. Whales are getting extinct.
3. I am leaving next week.
4. I went to bed early last night.
5. The snake bit the boy.
6. They will have been preparing for the examination for 2 months.

Section-D Literature

Q9. How does human behaviour change according to situations?

Q10. How do flatterers respond when a person becomes rich or extravagant?

Q11. How should one identify a faithful friend from a flattering foe?

Q12. What are the qualities of a faithful friend?

Q13. When will everyone pretend to be your friend?

Q14. What will a true friend always do?

Q15. What is the antonym of 'foe'?

Q16. What is the synonym of 'grief'?