

North-Ex Public School, Jain Nagar

Periodic Test-II(2018-2019)

Class- IX

Subject- English

Time Duration-1hrs. 20 Minutes

M.M.-40

General Instructions:-

This paper consists of three parts(A,B,C)

All Questions are compulsory.

(Section-A)

Q 1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : (2x5=10 marks)

Su means number and Duko means single. The game of Sudoku has many similarities with the game of life. Sudoku is a puzzle game designed for a single player, much like a crossword puzzle. The puzzle itself is nothing more than a grid of little boxes called 'cells'. They are stacked nine high and nine wide, making 81 cells total.

The roots of the Sudoku puzzle are in the Switzerland. Leonard Euler created 'carre latin' in the 18th century which is similar to a Sudoku puzzle. The first real Sudoku was published in 1979 and reinvented by Howard Garns, an American architect. The real world wide popularity started in Japan in 1986 after it was published and given the name Sudoku by Nikoli.

In life,too, you start with a given set of notions and then work from there on. In Sudoku, you need to follow a set of rules to build up the grid, filling each row, column and box with numbers ranging from one to nine, so much like in life where you have to go on your way without hurting anyone else. Respect every number(person) and things would be fine .While playing , you never think of the end (the result); you just keep working on the numbers and the final result (fruits of action) comes on its own . Extremely difficult puzzles may take hours . Similarly , to achieve desired results in life may take years . The game of sudoko and the game of life are best played in calm but in a focused state . Everything has to go together in a Sudoko grid : the rows , columns and squares.Exactly in life,your duties towards your family , teachers , society and country all go simultaneously . In Sudoko ,the arrangement of the given numbers is symmetrical . This is instructive in life , on how to maintain steadfast faith , poise and equanimity despite situations when everything turns topsy – turvy .There is a subtle difference between the two as well . Make a mistake and you can erase it and begin all over again in sudoko not so in life . You can learn a lesson through it , and avoid making the same mistake in future.

On the basis of your understanding,answer the following questions :-

- (a) What is sudoko ?
- (b) How has the writer compared the numbers in sudoko to life ?
- (c) How do we achieve the desired result ?
- (d) What is the similarity between sudoko and life ?
- (e) What is the dissimilarity between sudoko and life ?

Section –B : writing and reading

Q-2 Write a diary entry describing your meeting with any celebrity of your choice . (6 marks)

Q-3 The following paragraph has not been edited . There is an error in each of the line against which a blank is given . write in your answer sheet against the correct blank number . (4 marks)

	ERROR	CORRECTION
I have left mine bag on the (a)	_____	_____
table at the drawing room (b)	_____	_____
Please go till my house tomorrow (c)	_____	_____
got it from my mother (d)		_____

Q-4 Look at the words and phrases given below . Rearrange to form meaningful sentences as in the example . Write the correct sentences in your answer sheet . (5 marks)

- (a) the fast / grapes / is recommended / and / orange / during / uice / of / lemons
- (b) a picture / enjoy / likes to / everybody / today
- (c) halls / picture / found / are / small towns / even in
- (d) picture hall / is / a / town / my / in / there
- (e) can / kill / even / of / electric current / a / small / amount

Section – C :Literature Textbook

Q-5 Answer the following questions :-

- (a) How have the people of the community helped one another ? What role do the women of kalikuda play during these days ? (2 marks)
- (b) DO you think the feeling of depression Johnsny had in common among teenagers ? (2 marks)
- (c) Why did Santosh’s parents agree to pay for her schooling in Delhi ? what mental qualities of Santosh are brought into light by this incident ? (2 marks)
- (d) What is the meaning of “anchoring earth “ and “earth cave “? (2 marks)
- (e) What actions of the schoolmates change the author’s understanding of life and people , and comfort him emotionally ? How does his loneliness vanish and how does he start participating in life ? (4 marks)

Q-6 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow: (3 marks)

The snake trying

To escape the pursuing stick ,

With sudden carvings of thin

Long body . How beautiful

And graceful are his shapes !

- (a) What is the snake trying to escape ?**
- (b) Why is the snake trying to escape ?**
- (c) Name the poet .**