

INTERNATIONAL INDIAN SCHOOL , RIYADH

FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT - II , JUNE 2012

STD : IX

W. Sheet .

SUB : ENGLISH

Q1. Based on the conversation , write a message for your father , which he received from his office ,during his absence . (word -limit -50 words) (5marks)

Mr. Mohan : Hello ! is this 55739251 ? Could I speak to Mr. Nair .

Jatin : May I know who is calling ?

Mr . Mohan : I am Mr. Mohan , Secretary to Mr. Nair .

Jatin : I am afraid daddy is not at home . Could you leave the message with me .

Mr. Mohan : Kindly inform him that that Japanese Delegates who were supposed to reach on the 23 of May 2012 will reach on the 14 May 2012 . Thereby the meeting has been preponed to 15 May instead of the 25 May2012

Jatin : Thank you for the message . I will surely inform him .

Q2. The following passage has not been edited . There is an error in each line . Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet . (4 marks)

| | Incorrect | Correction |
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| The ancient Greeks revered honey so much as | as | so |
| that much playwrights conveyed the | | |
| luxurious lifestyle with the Athenians | | |
| with its description of cheese cake | | |
| eaten with honey . Honey be known not | | |
| only for its sweet ,and also for | | |
| its soothing qualities . Unless sugar | | |
| became commonplace in a late 18 th Century , | | |
| honey is also used in traditional remedies . | | |

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Q3 . Rearrange the words and phrases to form grammatically meaningful sentences .

(4 marks).

extremely dry / are places /that are / deserts

Example . Deserts are places that are extremely dry .

a)the /in these places/ less than / annual rainfall / is / 25cms .

b)deserts / for/ like Sahara / remain /years /dry

c) are burning hot /the day / such deserts / during

d) the same / freezing cold/ deserts are / at night

Q4. Read the extract given below and choose the right option

(1 x 3 =3 m)

1. Will no one tell me what she sings ?

Perhaps the plaintive numbers flow

For the old unhappy , far – off things,

And battles long ago ;

- a) Why does the poet use the word “perhaps”?
- i) The solitary reaper is singing in an unfamiliar dialect .
 - ii) He is too far to catch the words of the song .
 - iii) She is singing too softly for him to catch the words in the song .
 - iv) He cannot stop to listen to her as he is in a hurry .
- b) What is the meaning of the phrase “plaintive numbers”
- i) The song is a happy one
 - ii) It is a sad and melancholy song.
 - iii) The song deals with everyday matters
 - iv) The reaper is complaining about her sufferings
- c) What impact does the song have on the listener ?
- i) Enchants him
 - ii) Memerises him
 - iii) Leaves him motionless and still
 - iv) All the above

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Q5. Read the following extract and answer the questions

(1x3=3m)

'The once – iron muscles slacked on the rangy frame . Secretly , Marcy cried as she watched the big man's grin fade away' .

- i) Whom does the sentences refer to?
- ii) Explain the significance of the word 'The once' in the sentence .
- iii) Why did Marcy cry secretly ?

Q6. Answer the following questions in 30 -40 words (any 3)

(3X2=6m)

- A) Why do you think Charles Hooper's appointment as Assistant National Sales Manager is considered to be a tribute to Duke ?
- B) Why do you think Wordsworth has chosen the song of the nightingale and the cuckoo , for comparison with the solitary reaper's song ?
- C) Who is Gordon Doule ? What did Chuck tell him ?
- D) What is the theme of the poem 'The Solitary Reaper' .