

International Indian School, Jeddah

Summative Assessment I, Worksheets (L 1,2 &3)

Class : VIII Section : Name :

I. Join these sentences with either a *to infinitive* or a *participle*.

- a) He heard a loud knock. He walked up to the window.
- b) I want a terrace. I want to keep potted plants.
- c) He did his duty. He felt satisfied.
- d) I had used all my tickets for different rides. I couldn't do ice skating.
- e) I went to the airbase. I wanted to see the plane landing at the aerodrome.

II. Pick out the relative clauses in these sentences and write R for restrictive and NR for non-restrictive clause.

- a) My uncle, who is a famous musician, is coming tonight for a concert.
- b) He is the man whom I respect.
- c) Mary's brother , who is younger than her, is a bank manager.
- d) This is the pen which you have been looking for.
- e) I know a person who will do the job quickly.

III. Place the adverbs given at the end in appropriate places within the sentences.

- a) I have finished my work. (already)
- b) It is too hot to go out. (obviously)
- c) It has been raining since 6 a.m.(continuously)
- d) You are right.(quite)
- e) She spoke very.(loudly)

IV. In the passage given below there is an error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction against the correct blank number.

	Incorrect	correct
(a)		
Although their is no direct evidence that	e.g	their there
salt is a cause of highly blood pressure or	a)	
'hypertension', there were studies which	b)	
indicate that reducing salt intake lower	c)	
blood pressure. Some scientist are also	d)	
concern that excessive use of salt may	e)	
caused asthma and kidney disease.	f)	

	Incorrect	correct
(b)		
In larger cities, people travel	(a)	
In crowd trains or buses every day.	(b)	
An experience is very unpleasant	(c)	
and much accident also take place.	(d)	
Public transports can be improve	(e)	
In order to making cities safer.	(f)	

V. Write paragraphs, **for or against** on the topics:

- a) Is child behaviour better or worse than it was years ago?
- b) Do violent video games cause behaviour problems?

VI. You are Zain/ Sheena of 87, Model Town ,Pune. Write a letter to the Editor describing how man is posing a threat to his own existence by polluting the environment.

VII. **"So you've found us out at last."**

Who is the speaker? To whom the speaker is addressing? (To a Daughter Leaving Home)

VIII. While the mother was running to catch up with the daughter, the daughter appeared to be doing something quite different. What did she appear to be doing? What caused that impression?

IX. '....if miracles happened, we should aid them.' Whose opinion was this? What miracle had happened?
(The Street That Got Misaid)

X. What was the Aye-aye looking for? Where did the Aye-aye look? (A Magical Animal)

XI. A parable is a story which is meant to show some wisdom or truth about the world, or a moral to be followed. Can we say the poem 'Poison Tree' is a parable? If so what truth, wisdom or moral does it show? (Poison Tree)

XII. ' And into my garden stole

When the night had veiled the pole:'

Identify the figure of speech used in the above lines.

Holiday Assignment – 2014
English (Lesson – 4, 5 and 6)
Class : 8

I. Write suitable subordinate clause that agrees with the main clause.

1. The little girl wondered.....
2. The teacher will come to school on Saturday.....
3. My town library is so large.....
4. The students stood up.....
5. Everyone would be happy.....

II Change the following sentences to the future tense and then to the past tense

1. The boy hears the explosion.
2. He runs to tell his mother.
3. His mother hugs him and calms him down.
4. They leave their belongings and run out.
5. I don't misbehave in the class.

III. Combine the two sentences into one using an apostrophe in each sentence.

1. Sunil sings. His singing drives me up the wall.
2. Charles and Jones have a dog. The dog barks all the time.
3. The words of Socrates were valued. His words are still considered valuable.
4. Bears have sharp claws. They frighten me.
5. The little girl has a doll. It has blue eyes.

IV. Refer to the notes under *Structure and Usage* p.57 Reader 8. Rewrite the following as complete sentences.

1. She asked him (is there any coffee left?)
2. He wondered (does he live alone?)
3. I enquired (why do you have to leave?)
4. Sheela wanted to know (when will the plane arrive?)
5. (how are you getting on?) asked Bob.

V. Complete the text using the correct form of the verb in brackets.

Afzal wanted (see) Deepak at the railway station before he left for boarding school in the hills. He knew it would mean (get) up early to catch the bus to be in time for the meeting but 'friendship means (have) to give up sleep', laughed Afzal and explained that he wanted (pack) breakfast for the two of them. Everything went well until he tried (adjust) their packets within his small bag. The bag gave way and Afzal decided (take) his school tiffin box for the meal. But the sandwiches were too large (fit) in the box. He tried (use) a knife to cut the sandwiches but they crumbled in his hands. So he went to a shop and tried (borrow) a bun but he didn't have enough money. He then hurried (meet) Deepak at the station but he wasn't fast enough. He watched sadly as the train was (leave) the station and later tried (call) on his mobile.

- V1. Write a letter to your friend who has just been rescued from the Chernobyl disaster, comforting him and inviting him over to spend a few days with you.
- VII. Write a blog post on any interesting behavior of a bird that you noticed.
- VIII. Write a formal letter of appreciation to a person you admire for his/her work or qualities.
- IX. Write a speech to be delivered at your school assembly urging your fellow-students to give their time more generously to keeping your town or city free from pollution.
- X. Answer the following questions.
1. 'There are other examples of heroism.' Who were the two men who acted heroically to save lives and what did they do?
 2. Who wrote the poem 'House with the Grey Gate'?
 3. What were the two things Frantz was worried about as he hurried to school?
 4. '...so long as it clings to its language, it is as if it held the key to its prison.'
Explain with reference to the context.
 5. Who wrote the poem 'The Lost Dances of Cranes'?