

PRACTICE UNIT TESTStd- 11th

Sub- English

Marks- 25

Time- 1.30 hrs.

Name of the student- _____ Exam Seat No. - _____

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Que. No. 1 - Read the given extract carefully and do the activities:**(12 Marks)**

In Asarvari village, we ask the sarpanch to help us as we are not very fluent with the local dialect. He sent his assistant Jeevan with us into the hills. After a half-hour walk through thick vegetation, crossing numerous streams and ditches and scrambling over rocks and gravel, we reached the sleepy hamlet of Boripada. There were just two ramshackle houses in front of us and we wondered if this was the right place. A wrinkled old woman sitting before one of the houses looked at us with curiosity. As we approached her we signalled to Jeevan to ask the crucial question. She mutters in reply and we looked at Jeevan for a quick interpretation. He broke into a smile and informed us that she did have the rice and wanted to know who we were and why we wanted it.

It was a difficult task to keep a straight face and I had to control a strong desire to hug her. After searching for months, we had found the elusive Kasbai. We explained to her that we were from Peth nearby and we needed the seeds to grow it. We asked for 10 kilograms of rice. She muttered and scowled. Jeevan interpreted that she had never heard of Peth village and also did not have a weighing scale. She was willing to give the seeds only in baskets. We asked for a basket of rice and Jeevan told us to pay her something. I handed over a 100-rupee note and for the first time in the last ten minutes, her face broke into a smile. She nodded her head in approval.

As we walked back, against the fading sunset, leaving behind a smiling old lady, I couldn't help but wonder that here, nestling in the foothills of an unknown mountain away from the hustle and bustle of the road or the city, were the real people of India. These were the people who still held the rich biodiversity of our land and no one even cared about them. They have never heard of hybrids, fertilizers or pesticides. They just grew their rice and ate what they got. The old lady we met had probably never left Boripada. Her world was unspoiled by 'progress'. And for once I was grateful for that.

A1. Description of the way to Boripada.**(2)**

- i. _____ ii. _____
iii. _____ iv. _____

A2. Give reasons.**(2)****The writer called the people of Boripada 'the real people of India', because-**

- i. _____
ii. _____

A3. True or False. State whether true or false:**(2)**

- i. The writer did not succeed in finding Kasbai. ii. The young woman was sitting before one of the house.
iii. The people of Boripada held the rich biodiversity. iv. The writer was not very fluent with the local dialect.

A4. Vocabulary. Give NOUNS of:**(2)**

- i. inform- _____ ii. explain- _____
iii. grateful- _____ iv. difficult- _____

A5. Write at least four varieties of rice you know. i. _____ ii. _____ (2)

iii. _____ iv. _____

A6. Grammar. Do as directed:**(2)**i. They have never heard of hybrids, fertilizers or pesticides. (*Identify the tense by choosing correct option*)a) Simple Past Tense b) Perfect Present Tense c) Perfect Past Tense **Ans:** _____ii. Man can express a very wide range of ideas and emotions through speech. (*Rewrite using 'be able to'*)**Ans:** _____

Earth has not anything to show more fair:
 Dull would he be of soul who could pass by
 A sight so touching in its majesty:
 This City now doth, like a garment, wear
 The beauty of the morning; silent, bare,
 Ships, towers, domes, theatres, and
 temples lie
 Open unto the fields, and to the sky;
 All bright and glittering in the smokeless air.
 Never did sun more beautifully steep
 In his first splendour, valley, rock, or hill;
 Ne'er saw I, never felt, a calm so deep!
 The river glideth at his own sweet will:
 Dear God! the very houses seem asleep;
 And all that mighty heart is lying still!

A1. Choose the correct alternative:

(2)

- a. 'Earth has not anything to show more fair.' **This line means-**
 i. The place was not so good.
 ii. There is another beautiful place than this.
 iii. On earth, there is no beautiful place like this.

Ans: _____

- b. 'Dull would he be of soul who could pass by.' **This line means-**
 i. One can walk over the bridge & ignore the surrounding beauty.
 ii. One can halt at the place to enjoy the beauty.
 iii. A person having appreciative mind cannot ignore the beauty.

Ans: _____

A2. Find out the words and phrases which describe the following: (2)

sight	_____
air	_____
house	_____
morning	_____

A3. Building a bridge needs careful planning. Think about what goes on before the actual construction begins: (2)

- i. _____ ii. _____

A4. Pick out the examples of the Figures of Speech: (2)

- i. **Simile:** _____
 ii. **Inversion:** _____

A5. Compose four poetic lines describing an imaginary village. (2)

- i. _____
 ii. _____
 iii. _____
 iv. _____

Que. No. 3- **MIND MAPPING-** Develop a 'Mind Mapping' frame/design using your ideas/thoughts/concepts to illustrate/develop on the topic- 'Health'.

3 Marks

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