

Monthly Test, November - 2010

Sub: English, Class: VIII

Time :40 min.

M.M : 20

Q.1 Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it: (3)

Ravidas, the son of a cobbler, was born at Banaras, the holy city of the Hindus, in the year 1377 A.D. (Magha Sudi 15, 1433-Vikram Samvat). His parents decided to send him to a Pathshala for education. Much to their disappointment his stay at school was short and unhappy. It was painful and unpleasant. It left a deep and lasting mark on his innocent mind. He realized, through as yet in a vague way, that a child of low-caste parents was not treated well.

- (a) When and where was Saint Ravidas born?
- (b) What was the reason for his not being treated well?

Indicate whether the following statements are true or false.

- (a) Saint Ravidas was happy in Pathshala.
- (b) A child of low caste parents was treated well.

Q.2 Answer the following questions: (2)

- (a) What do snakes eat?
- (b) Who, according to the poet, earn God's blessing?

Q.3 Pick out the Adverb in the following sentences: (1)

- (a) Sham will soon be here.
- (b) We badly missed you in the party.

Q.4 Pick out gerund or infinitive in the following sentences: (1)

- (a) Stealing is a crime.
- (b) He is too weak to walk.

Q.5 Imagine you are Balwinder. You live in the hostel of Arya High School, Malerkotla. Request your father to send you some money. (4)

Q.6 Write a telegram to your friend giving him good wishes for his forthcoming examination. (3)

Q.7 You are the Incharge of the Junior Humanities Forum of your School. The Forum is organising a paper reading contest. Draft a notice inviting the participants to give you their names.

OR

Explain the Newspaper headline.
Cell phones at Cheaper Rates. (3)

Q.8 Complete the following paragraph in 30-50 words:

Hints : My friend is sixteen years old. She is tall and beautiful. She is my class-fellow. She is fond of white clothes. She has long and golden hair. She is very smart and active.

(3)