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Class :- VI
Subject :- ENGLISH

Max. Marks :- 80
Time Allowed :- 3 hr

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS :-

- Questions are divided into four sections.
- Read the questions carefully and write the answers in the answer sheets provided.
- Do not answer the questions randomly. Attempt all the questions of one section before moving on to another section.
- Do not write anything on the question paper.

Reading Section

The Tree Huggers

The Chipko Movement in India aims at protecting the environment. The movement began in the Himalayan region in Northern India as a response to rapid deforestation. Timber companies did excessive cutting of trees. This led to soil erosion, landslides, floods and loss of firewood for cooking. The people who depended on forests and farming for their livelihood wanted to do something to safeguard their future. In 1972, members of the Chipko Movement held demonstrations calling for a ban on commercial logging. When a sporting goods company arrived with a permit to cut trees, the Chipko Movement members, mostly women, decided to protect the trees by hugging them. These close this tactic as they thought when a dangerous human tried or animal to attack a child, the reaction of the mother was often to hug the child in order to protect it. This was how the women felt towards the trees: like mothers taking care of their children. The tree hugging tactic worked. Unrestricted cutting of trees ended. The Chipko Movement continued to protect the forests. And the idea of hugging trees to protect them spread around the world.

I. Read the passage and answer the following questions in your own words:-
(2x5=10)

(1) What is the aim of the Chipko Movement?

- (2) Where did the Movement begin and why?
- (3) What were the effects of rapid deforestation on the environment?
- (4) How did the women act in order to protect the trees?
- (5) Why do you think the women opted for the tree- hugging tactic?

II. Tick the correct answer (1x5=5)

(1) The members of the Chipko Movement first held demonstrations in the year

- (a) 1970 (b) 1972 (c) 1971

(2) The Chipko-movement members consisted of

- (a) Only men (b) men and women (c) mostly women

(3) Timber companies did excessive cutting of trees .This led to:

- (a) Soil erosion, landslides and floods (b) reduced number of animals in the area

(4) The phrase “commercial logging means

- (a) Stacking piles of logs (b) cutting down of trees to sell them

(5) The word deforestation means

(a) Large scale cutting down of trees or destroying them to clear large areas of forest

(b) Planting large number of sapling to nurture them into trees.

III. Fill in the blanks using the simple past tense of verbs given in the brackets :-

(1X5=5)

(1) The Chipko Movement _____ (start) in India.

(2) Without trees to soak up the excess rain water, floods _____ (occur) frequently.

(3) The Chipko Movement _____ (consist) mostly of women.

(4) When the loggers came to cut down the trees, the members _____ (hug)the trees.

(5) The Chipko Movement _____ (continue) its efforts to protect forests.

WRITING/GRAMMAR SECTION:-

I. You are feeling quite bad today as your best friend has left the school and shifted to some other City with her parents. Today both of you also exchanged some gifts. Express your feelings in the Form of a diary entry.(word limit:50-60 words) (5) OR

You celebrated your birthday not with your friends and relatives but with the inmates of the old age Home. Write your feelings in the form of a diary entry.(word limit 50-60words)

II. You are the Head Boy/Girl of RK Mission Junior ,Nellore You have to draft a Notice inviting contribution I terms of clothes and packets of biscuit and snacks to be sent to earthquake victim Nepal. Give the date, time and places where the collection is to be made. (5)

III. Write an application to the Librarian ,requesting her to issue a new library card as you have lost your old one. (6)

IV. Rearrange the following group of words to meaningful sentences:- (4)

(a) can a in desert the camel for days water live without many

(b) the enjoy let us evening pleasant

(c) your house to come we when can

(d) received the message well-being we their of

V. Form abstract nouns from the following adjectives :- (1/2X8=4)

Soft, polite, happy, intelligent, patient, generous , senior, minor.

VI. Write an essay on “Independence Day” or Population” (6)

Literature section:

I. Write a poem on the “ After the Storm” (eight lines) (6)

II. Answer the following questions:- (4X5=20)

(a) In what way was the dog Unsociable when he first arrived?

(b) Did Sir Ector know from the beginning that Arthur was King Uther's son?

(c) What was in the basket that Tabby carried?

(d) What made Tabby's cheeks turn pale suddenly?

(e) What made the extra glass of milk very special for Milka Singh?

III. Write the Words Meaning :- (1X4=4) (Dispute; allegiance; accustomed; vainly)