**KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA SANGATHAN- AHMEDABAD REGION**

**PERIODICAL TEST- I (2019-20)**

**CLASS-IX SET-III**

**SECTION- A: READING (10 Marks)**

[TIME : 1:30 HOURS] [MAX.MARKS-40]

-: GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:-

(i) There are 3 sections A, B and C.

Section A: Reading 10 marks

Section B: Writing and Grammar 16 marks  
Section C: Literature 14 marks

(ii) Attempt all questions.  
(iii) All the answer must be correctly numbered as in the question paper and write in the answer sheet

**Q1. Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions that follow: (5)**

With a drastic increase in the number of vehicles on the roads in India, due to increasing population, the number of incidents of related to rash driving are increasing. Everyone seems to be in a hurry to reach the destination. Flouting of rules of road has become common. Road rage has become a self styled fashion. It’s unfortunate that the teenagers and youngsters are indulging in rash driving to a great extent. Mostly the pedestrians are the victims of such reckless driving. But it’s important to note that even the vehicle owners are least bothered about their own safety. They have forgotten that speed thrills but kills. A survey was conducted regarding the incidents of rash driving. Based upon the given data, answer the questions given below:

a) According to the given information, rash driving is increasing due to

1. Increase in the number of vehicles
2. increase in the population
3. reckless driving of teenagers
4. carelessness of pedestrians

1. All the given reasons are correct
2. Only (a), (b), (c) are correct
3. Only (a), (b) and (d) are correct
4. Only (a), (c) and (d) are correct

b) As the data shows, rash driving is due to increase in the number of vehicles. What other problems are caused due to increase in the number of vehicles on the roads?

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

c) The data shows a sad increase in the number of deaths due to increase in the number of vehicles. Suggest two measures to reduce the number of vehicles on the roads. (2 Marks)

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

d) Who are responsible for the increasing number of deaths due to rash driving?

* 1. Teenagers who drive rash
  2. Vehicle owners who aren’t bothered about others
  3. People who flour rules of the road frequently
  4. All the above

**Q2. Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions that follow: (5)**

Shooting stars look like stars that quickly shoot across the sky, but they are not stars. A shooting star is really a small piece of rock or dust that hits Earth's atmosphere from space. It moves so fast that it heats up and glows as it moves through the atmosphere. As a result of the massive friction created, the meteoroid burns up at over 1500 degrees Celsius, creating a trail of extremely bright light.



Shooting stars are actually what astronomers call meteors. Most meteors burn up in the atmosphere before they reach the ground. However, once in a while a meteor is large enough than some of it survives and reaches Earth's surface. Then it is called a meteorite.

Moving or shooting stars are known as meteor showers. Meteoroids are tiny particles of debris or small rocks that float around in space. They range in size from a speck to 10m in diameter. When comets and other cosmic bodies disintegrate, they leave large clusters of debris floating in space and as the Earth passes through them, we see a spectacular light show known as a meteor shower. The orbit of the Earth and the clouds of debris remain fairly constant, so astronomers know exactly when we will be passing through the showers. Some showers occur every year, others are more special and only happen once every 100 years! The showers are best seen after midnight and preferably from a dark place. They tend to radiate outwards from a central point, known as the radiant. Because the radiant can be located in relation to a known constellation, the showers are named after the constellation, such as the Leonids Shower, from Leo, or the Taurids Shower, from the constellation of Taurus. Meteor showers can be spectacular, creating more than 1000 meteors in an hour. Man has always been intrigued by cosmic events and showers are often linked to unexplained phenomena like catastrophic natural disasters or the creation of mysterious megalith structures like Stonehenge. Keep an eye on local news and make a plan to view the next meteor shower. It will be an uplifting experience!



a) It’s easy to predict a meteor shower because of (1)

* + 1. constant movement of earth around the sun
    2. constant movement of earth in the galaxy
    3. constant movement of earth’s orbit
    4. constant movement of constellation

b) What causes the glow of a meteor? (1)

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c) What brings about the creation of a meteor shower? (2)

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d) What decides the nomenclature Leonids Shower or the Taurids Shower? (1 )

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**SECTION- B: WRITING AND GRAMMAR (16)**

**Q3**. Your brother has completed his school and for higher studies he is going out of station. Today he departed and you feel sad and lonely at home without him. Write in your diary that how much are you missing him after he left.

**Q4**. you are Rita/Raju of class IX. Write an article on the topic ‘Absenteeism is a major cause of falling standards in education’. It is a major threat to quality education. If a student is not regular in his school, his all-round development is not possible.

**OR**

More and More people are used to carry mobile phones to their workplaces. However, the use of mobile can be dangerous at times. Write an article in 150-200 words on topic “Mobile Phone Ethics “

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| Don’t Use Mobiles….   * While driving * When in ICU * At petrol pump * Inside an aircraft * Near a heart patient or someone who has a pacemaker |

**. Q5. Complete the following passage by choosing the most appropriate options from the**

**ones given below (2)**

Morbid, gorgeous or haunting death masks (a)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ first created in ancient Egypt and (b) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ popular as homages to public figures in 19th century Europe.

(a) (i) was (ii) is (iii) are (iv) were

(b) (i) remains (ii) remained (iii)remaining (iv) were remaining

**Q6. The following passage has one word missing from each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and one that comes after against the correct blank numbers. (2)**

**Before Word Missing Word After Word**

I badly wanted learn swimming, (a) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

So I heard a trainer who train me. (b)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

for a month

**Q7. Rearrange the following words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. (2)**

(a) rain water/ flooding/ helps/ harvesting/ in/ chances of/ reducing

(b) storm/ helps/ also/ better/ water/ it/ water management/in

**SECTION C- LITERATURE (14)**

**Q8. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (4)**

Einstein was deeply shaken by the extent of the destruction. This time he wrote a public missive to the United Nations. In it he proposed the formation of a world government. Unlike the letter to Roosevelt, this one made no impact. But over the next decade, Einstein got ever more involved in politics – agitating for an end to arms build- up and using his popularity to campaign for peace and democracy.

(a) Massive…………………….. moved Einstein deeply.

(b) What did he recommended in his public letter to the United Nations?

(c)Why did he get more involved in politics?

(d) Which word in the extract means ‘to argue forcefully’.

**OR**

I shall be telling this with a sigh

Somewhere ages and ages hence;

Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—

I took the one less travelled by,

And that has made all the difference.

(a) The above lines are transporting the readers into the ……………………………………………….

(b) What would the poet be telling to his future generations?

(c) What difference the poet is referring to in the last line?

(d) Another word for ‘split’ in the passage is ………………………….

**Q9. Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words: (any five) (10)**

(a) How can you say that Toto was not the sort of a pet that can be kept for long?

(b) Why did Bismillah Khan refuse to start a shehnai school in USA?

(c) Why did Kezia always stutter while talking to her father?

(d) ‘He makes the strong fires roar and flourish’. Explain

(e) What did the child do in the grove in the lesson ‘The Lost Child’?

(f) Why did Margie hate school?