

# PRACTICE SET 1

A Whole Content Based Test for Class 9th English Asiad

**DIRECTION FOR Q (1-6)** *Read the passage carefully and select the option that you consider the most appropriate answer to each question.*

Most of us are now aware of the damage which our modern way of life is doing to the environment. This includes the harm which we are inflicting on many animals. Indeed, we are in danger of wiping out some species, if we have not already done so.

For millions of years, extinction among animals was a natural process. In fact, it was part of the process of evolution. In recent years, however, the extinctions of some species have been the result of human activities. Had it not been for these, many more animals would have survived.

Some species have either been made extinct, or become endangered, because of hunting. Now, even the very earliest of humans were hunters, since they ate the flesh of animals and clothed themselves in their skins, and doubtless their hunting gradually contributed to the extinction of some species. However, it was the introduction of guns, with their accurate aim, which put certain animals at great risk. From the nineteenth century on, several species were on the brink of extinction.

By this time, animals were being hunted for commercial purposes apart from the provision of food and clothing. For example, elephants were being hunted for their ivory. Now-a-days, attempts are being made to regulate such wholesale commercial hunting, but it is difficult to control in some areas. Thus, animals continue to die to make profits for humans. Of course, not only commerce is to be blamed, Hunting as a sport has also played a part in the extinction of certain species.

A more modern threat to many animals is the destruction of their environment and the resultant changes in the ecology of whole areas. Our use of pesticides and other chemicals has polluted both soil and water and this pollution has proved to be toxic to many of the plants which are part of the habitat of many animals. Furthermore, we regularly lay waste to land previously inhabited by animals,

in order to make way for expanding populations or, as in the case of deforestation, to provide goods for wealthy nations.

Modern living has had a deteriorating effect on the ecosystem. We must try to reverse this to save our wildlife.

1. The writer says 'we are in danger of wiping out some species from this world' because of
  - A human greed
  - B natural process
  - C process of evolution
  - D killing by hunters
2. The word 'Extinction' in the second para would mean
  - A total wipe out
  - B no more existing
  - C natural death
  - D mass killing
3. Why should you not buy a product made of ivory?
  - A It is made by killing the elephant (wildlife).
  - B Very expensive
  - C Not eco-friendly
  - D It does damage to national income.
4. The expression 'Animals die to make profits for human' would mean that
  - A animals die for betterment of human.
  - B animals are killed to make money by selling their skin product.
  - C animals die so that humans get more place to stay.
  - D animals die so that humans may live.
5. Do you agree with the writer when he says that it is difficult to stop the killing of an animal for commercial purposes because
  - A people do not follow laws
  - B no strict punishment is there to stop this practice.
  - C greed prevails over human beings.
  - D no consideration for animals.
6. The expression 'on the brink of' would mean
  - A very close to
  - B at the edge
  - C at the threshold of danger

D almost ready to experience

**DIRECTION FOR Q (7-9)** Fill in the blanks using correct tense of the verb given in the brackets immediately after the blank and accordingly select the best option.

7. In recent years, more and more people \_\_\_\_\_ (*concern*) about the potential dangers of genetically modified animals.
- A are concerned  
B had been concerned  
C has been concerned  
D have been concerned
8. It \_\_\_\_\_ (*depend*) upon the outlook and mentality of the user whether science.....(*use*) to create a new heaven on the Earth or to destroy the world in a common conflagration.
- A depends, will be used  
B will be depending, will use  
C will depend, is used  
D may depend, may be used
9. Travelling these days \_\_\_\_\_ (*become*) easy now Railway \_\_\_\_\_ (*connect*) almost all the big cities and towns.
- A becomes, connects  
B has become, connects  
C have become, can connect  
D became, connected

**DIRECTION FOR Q (10-12)** Find the antonym of the word underlined in the sentences by choosing the correct option.

10. He is very meticulous in keeping accounts.
- A clumsy  
B Irregular  
C careless  
D Irresponsible
11. I can say for sure that this document is authentic.
- A fictitious  
B duplicate  
C improper  
D erroneous
12. The teacher gave a vivid description of the next day's programme.
- A obscure  
B inanimate  
C hazy  
D unintelligible

**DIRECTION FOR Q (13-15)** Find out the synonym of the words underlined in the sentences.

13. The oppressive weather made the work difficult for them.
- A Imprudent  
B Disappointing

C Unbearable  
D Cold

14. Whatever the verdict of history may be, Chaplin will occupy a unique place in its pages.
- A Prediction  
B Out come  
C Judgement  
D Voice
15. Some people adopt excellent manners only to camouflage their real character.
- A Project  
B Hide  
C Misrepresent  
D Reveal

**DIRECTION FOR Q (16-18)** Change the following sentences into passive voice so that it expresses the same idea and accordingly choose the correct option.

16. Rain disrupted the last day's play between India and Sri Lanka.
- A The last day's play between India and Sri Lanka were disrupted by rain.  
B The last day's play of India and Sri Lanka was disrupted by rain.  
C The last day's play between India and Sri Lanka was disrupted by rain.  
D The last day's play between India and Sri Lanka has been disrupted by rain.
17. The Government is spending too much money on operation Pink.
- A Too much money will be spend on operation Pink by the Government.  
B Too much money is being spent by the Government on operation Pink.  
C Too much money has been spent on operation Pink by the Government.  
D Too much money is spent by the Government on operation pink.
18. The judge advised me to settle the matter out of court.
- A I am advised by the judge to settle the matter out of court.  
B I am being advised by the judge to settle the matter out of court.  
C I was advised by the judge to settle the matter out of court.  
D I have been advised by the judge to settle the matter out of court.

**DIRECTION FOR Q (19-21)** Change the sentences given below either into direct speech or indirect speech. Choose the correct option.

19. "There will be no war with Germany" (The Daily Express 1939). (Indirect speech)
- A The Daily Express reported in 1939 that there will be no war with Germany.

- B The Daily Express told its readers that there would be no war with Germany.
- C The Daily Express said in 1939 that there is going to be no war with Germany.
- D The Daily Express reported in 1939 that there was going to be no war with Germany.

20. "Do you want tea or coffee," he asked her. (Indirect Speech)

- A He asked her if she would want tea or coffee?
- B He asked her if she wanted tea or coffee?
- C He asked her whether she had wanted tea or coffee?
- D He asked her if she wants tea or coffee?

21. Sita asked me if I would like a drink. (Direct speech)

- A Sita said to me, "Will you like a drink"?
- B Sita asked me, "Do you like a drink"?
- C Sita said to me, "Shall you like a drink"?
- D Sita said to me "Would you like a drink"?

**DIRECTION FOR Q (22-24)** Fill in the blanks using appropriate articles or determiners and accordingly select the best option.

22. My student expects me to know everything but \_\_\_\_\_ knows everything.

- A no
- B none
- C nobody
- D no one

23. Tessa told Angela that she was just going to \_\_\_\_\_ bank to get \_\_\_\_\_ money but she has to be back at the office in \_\_\_\_\_ minutes.

- A a, any, few
- B the, some, a few
- C an, some, a little
- D the, any, few

24. Zedco has just announced that it made \_\_\_\_\_ loss of about 50 crores last year

\_\_\_\_\_ managements are well aware of having made \_\_\_\_\_ mistakes.

- A an, a, any
- B a, the, any
- C a, the, some
- D a, a, any

**DIRECTION FOR Q (25-27)** Fill in the blanks with suitable conjunctions and select the option accordingly.

25. He was old \_\_\_\_\_ weak \_\_\_\_\_ there was no one to look after him.

- A but, and
- B and, or
- C and, because
- D and, but

26. That old man had expected free treatment \_\_\_\_\_ he was poor \_\_\_\_\_ he was shocked when he was given a bill for 30 dollars.

- A as, and
- B as, but
- C since/and
- D as, although

27. Mona \_\_\_\_\_ her sister, is in the choice. They can sing \_\_\_\_\_ in English \_\_\_\_\_ French \_\_\_\_\_ in Chinese and Japanese.

- A and, not only, but, but also
- B and, not only, and, but also
- C as well as, not only, and, but also
- D and, not only, but, as well

**DIRECTION FOR Q (28-30)** Change the sentences given below into a simple sentence by choosing the correct option.

28. She is very simple. She cannot see through her plans.

- A She cannot see through her plans being very simple.
- B She is too simple to see through her plans.
- C She is so simple that to see through her plans.
- D Being very simple, she can see through her plans.

29. He is poor. He is happy.

- A He is poor but unhappy.
- B Despite being happy, he is poor.
- C Despite being poor, he is happy.
- D Although he is happy; he is poor.

30. He has some weaknesses. He is the darling of everyone.

- A Although he is the darling of everyone, he has some weaknesses.
- B In spite of having some weaknesses, he is the darling of every one.
- C In spite of being the darling of everyone, he has some weaknesses.
- D Besides the darling of everyone, he has some weaknesses.

**DIRECTION FOR Q (31-33)** Select the option having the meaning nearest to the idiom underlined in the given sentences.

31. The boy turned a deaf ear to the pleadings of all his well-wishers.

- A listened carefully
- B was deadly opposed
- C posed indifference
- D did not pay any attention

32. We have to keep our fingers crossed till the final result is declared.

- A keep praying
- B feel suspicious
- C feel scared
- D wait expectantly



33. This report calls in question all previous research on the subject.

- A recalls                      B criticizes  
C challenges                  D takes note of

**DIRECTION FOR Q (34-35)** Punctuate the given sentences to make it meaningful and accordingly select the best option.

34. A The refreshment list includes these fruit and vegetables apples oranges, pineapple carrots and celery sticks.  
B The refreshment list includes these fruits and vegetables: apples, oranges, pineapple, carrots and celery sticks.  
C The refreshment list includes these fruits and vegetables, apples; oranges; pineapples, carrots and celery sticks.  
D The refreshment list includes; these fruits and vegetables; apple; oranges; pineapples carrots and celery sticks.
35. A School ends this year, on the twenty third of May, we'll have plenty of time to relax this summer.  
B School ends this year on the twenty-third of May; we'll have plenty of time to relax this summer.  
C School ends this year on the twenty-third of May; we'll have plenty of time to relax this summer.  
D School ends this year on the twenty third of May we will have plenty of time to relax this summer.

**DIRECTION FOR Q (36-38)** Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate modals and choose the correct option accordingly

36. I am really sure where Beverly is. She \_\_\_\_\_ in the living room or perhaps she is in the backyard.  
A may be sitting  
B is sitting  
C might be sitting  
D will be
37. You \_\_\_\_\_ book the tickets in advance. In the Diwali rush, all tickets get sold in advance.  
A had to  
B has to  
C have to  
D will have to
38. The machine \_\_\_\_\_ on by flipping this switch.  
A can be turned

- B can turn  
C can be turning  
D can't be turned

**DIRECTION FOR Q (39-40)** In the passage below, the first and last sentences are identified as A and Z. The remaining four sentences are labelled as P Q R S. Find the correct sequence of these four sentences and select the correct option.

39. A. What we would like to judge  
P. in this comprehension exercise  
Q. the difficult words, phrases and sentence fragments.  
R. and also the meaning of  
S. is your grasp of the content.  
Z. that constitutes the paragraph. A  
PSRQ  
B QPSR  
C RQPS  
D SRQP
40. A. There is a continuous demand  
P. are formed to train humanity  
Q. for destructive purposes and world organisations  
R. In the art of settling their disputes,  
S. to ban the application of Science.  
Z. By peaceful Negotiations.  
A PRSQ                      B QSRP  
C RPQS                      D SQPR

**DIRECTION FOR Q (41-42)** Identify the grammatically correct sentence from the options given.

41. A A large number of northern army was British.  
B The number of candidates appeared in SSC this year was very large.  
C None but the brave deserve the reward.  
D The details of the accident was not received so far.
42. A Rahul as well as his sisters were present in the party.  
B The jury were divided in their opinion in that case.  
C Neither of these questions are right.  
D The house with all its furniture well auctioned at a very low bid.

**DIRECTION FOR Q (43-44)** Find the option which is different from the others in any respect from the four options given.

43. A Adversary                      B Antagonist  
C Rival                              D Ally

44. A Acumen B Stupidity  
C Sharpness D Ingenuity

**DIRECTION FOR Q (45)** A notice is given below with some parts missing, but substituted with rectangles with numbers 45 A, 45 B, 45 C, 45 D. Identify the text from the given option so that number can be substituted.

45.

**DPS SCHOOL, PATNA**

20th October, 2014

45-A

To help victims of the recent floods in Bihar, the 45-B to contribute five lakhs to the flood victims. Besides this, the teacher and other members of staff have contributed one day's salary as aid to the Prime Minister's relief fund. All students who want to help can do so by 45 C from their friends and relatives or can 45 D.

Chamandeep Gujral  
Staff Secretary

45. A (i) A Report (ii) Notice (iii) Poster (iv) Letter

45. B. (i) School management had pledged (ii) School management wants (iii) School management has pledged. (iv) School management have pledged.

45. C. (i) donating money or raise money (ii) to donate money or to raising money (iii) by donating and raising money (iv) by donation and raise of money

45. D. (i) donating clothes and essential commodities (ii) donate clothes, food and essential commodities (iii) by donating money or raising money. (iv) collect money from friends or parents.

**DIRECTION FOR Q (46-50)** A letter is given below with some parts missing but substituted by rectangles with numbers 46 to 50. Identify the text which the numbers may be substituted by from the option given below.

The Question of letter is- Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper daily about very

irregular and short water supply in your locality. You are Garima of 261, Sewa Nagar, New Delhi.

261, Sewa Nagar  
New Delhi  
20th October, 2014

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The Indian Express  
New Delhi

Dear Sir,

Through the esteemed 47 I would like to draw the attention of the concerned authorities towards the 48 in my locality.

For the last one month, the water supply has become very erratic. Supply of water is for very less time with very less pressure. Sometimes, we get water only for 90 minutes that too with very less pressure.

We have sent 49 but no action has been taken so far. I hope through this letter, the authorities will wake up and problem will be solved 50

Thanking You  
Garima

46. A The Chief Editor B The publisher  
C The Editor D The Reporter
47. A columns of your newspaper  
B your newspaper  
C pages of your newspaper  
D newspaper
48. A short water supply  
B short and irregular water supply  
C erratic water supply  
D little supply of water
49. A letters B many reminders  
C reports D no. of reminders
50. A at the earliest  
B as soon as possible  
C with immediate effect  
D Immediately

### ANSWERS

1. (a) 2. (b) 3. (a) 4. (b) 5. (b) 6. (c) 7. (d) 8. (a) 9. (b) 10. (c)  
11. (b) 12. (c) 13. (c) 14. (c) 15. (b) 16. (c) 17. (b) 18. (c) 19. (b) 20. (b)  
21. (a) 22. (c) 23. (b) 24. (c) 25. (d) 26. (b) 27. (c) 28. (b) 29. (c) 30. (b)

31. (d) 32. (d) 33.(c) 34. (b) 35.(c) 36.(c) 37. (c) 38. (a) 39.(a) 40.(d)  
41.(a) 42. (b) 43.(d) 44. (b) 45. (A) (ii) 45. (b) (iii) 45. (C) (iii) 45. (D) (ii) 46.(c) 47.(a)  
48. (b) 49. (b) 50.(a)

