



Date: Grade: X ___	Monthly Test 2 (2022-23) ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE	Max. Marks: 20 Time: 1 hour
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SECTION A: READING (4 MARKS)		
1	Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:	(1x4=4)
	<p>1. In your quest to become as happy and fulfilled in your life as you want to be, you can be motivated by two types of need. The more common form of motivation is called imperfection or deficiency motivation, while the healthier variety is labelled as growth motivation.</p> <p>2. If you place a rock under a microscope and observe it carefully, you will notice that it never changes. But, if you place a piece of coral under that same microscope, you'll detect that it is growing and changing. Conclusion: The coral is alive, the rock is dead. The only evidence of life is growth! This is also true in the psychological world if you are growing, you are alive. If you are not growing, then you might as well be dead.</p> <p>3. You can be motivated out of a desire to grow rather than a need to repair your deficiencies. If you recognize that you can always grow, improve, become greater, that is enough. When you decide to be immobilized or to experience hurtful emotions, you've made a non-growth decision. Growth motivation means using your life energy for greater happiness, rather than having to improve yourself because you have sinned or because you are in some way incomplete. A consequence of choosing growth as motivation is personal mastery in every present moment of your life. Mastery means you are the decider of your fate.</p> <p>Answer ANY FIVE of the questions given below:</p> <p>(i) What is required to stay happy and content in life?</p>	

	<p>(a) Wealth (b) Motivation</p> <p>(c) Experimentation (d) Realising one's dreams</p> <p>(ii) The tone of the author is _____</p> <p>(a) experimental (b) regretful</p> <p>(c) encouraging (d) resistant</p> <p>(iii) According to psychological world, we are alive when/if</p> <p>(a) we are growing (b) we are learning</p> <p>(c) we are changing (d) we believe in ourself</p> <p>(iv) Using life energy for happiness comes from _____</p> <p>(a) non growth motivation (b) realising one's worth</p> <p>(c) not being mobilized (d) growth motivation</p> <p>(v) 'Observe it carefully.' What does this phrase mean?</p> <p>(a) check it recklessly (b) not demanding much attention</p> <p>(c) superficial checking (d) studying with attention</p>	
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SECTION B: WRITING AND GRAMMAR

2	<p>Social networking sites have become the latest fad among school-going children. The craze has a very bad impact on youngsters. Considering its gravity, you want to express your concern by writing a letter to the editor of Hindustan Times in about 100-120 words. You are Nitin/Nitya of H. No.: 123.8, Sant Nagar, New Delhi.</p>	(5)
3	<p>Choose the correct options to fill in the blanks to complete the note about the Saga Dawa Festival of Sikkim.</p> <p>Saga Dawa is an important festival for the Mahayana Buddhists as it (A) _____ the three most important phases of Gautama Buddha – his birth, his enlightenment</p>	(1x3=3)

	<p>and his attaining nirvana. The triple celebration, which is the biggest in Sikkim, (B) _____ on the full moon of the fourth month of the lunar calendar of the Buddhists and typically falls between the end of May to beginning of June – what the rest of India celebrates as Buddha Poonima. The day is celebrated with people (C) _____ a visit to the Sikkim monasteries and offering lamps of butter to show their devotion and love.</p> <p>A.</p> <p>(a) celebrates (b) is celebrated (c) celebrating (d) was celebrated</p> <p>B.</p> <p>(a) observes (b) is observed (c) was observed (d) observed</p> <p>C.</p> <p>(a) pays (b) paid (c) paying (d) were paying.</p>	
SECTION C: LITERATURE		
4	<p>(i) In the poem 'How to Tell Wild Animals', If one roars with pain</p> <p>(a) the leopard gets more excited (b) the leopard gets confused (c) the leopard attacks more savagely. (d) the leopard usually retreats.</p> <p>(ii) The tiger stares the star because</p> <p>(a) they remind him of his freedom and his natural habitat (b) he envies the freedom they have (c) there are only beautiful things he can see (d) their sight calms and gives him peace</p>	(1x2=2)
5	Answer the following questions in 40-50 words each.	(2x3=6)

	<p>(i) Why was the young seagull afraid of flying? What compelled the seagull to finally fly?</p> <p>(ii) Describe the flight of the Dakota aeroplane till it landed safely at the airport.</p>	
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