

NAAHAR PUBLIC SCHOOL(CBSE)SENIORSECONDARY
MONTHLY TEST_ (NOVEMBER 2022)

CLASS:XI
SUB:ENGLISH

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MARKS:50
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I. Read the following passage carefully:

(10 MARKS)

1 Computers are capable of doing extremely complicated work in all branches of learning. They can solve the most complex mathematical problems or put thousand unrelated data in order. These machines can be put to varied uses. For instance, they can provide information on the best way to prevent traffic accidents. They work accurately and at high speed.

2 .They save research workers' years of hard work. This whole process by which machines can be used to work for us has been called 'automation'. In future automation may enable human beings to enjoy more leisure than they do today. The coming of automation is bound to have important social consequences.

3 .Some years ago, an expert on automation, Sir Leon Bagrit pointed out that it was a mistake to believe that these machines could think. There is no possibility that human beings will be controlled by machines. Though computers are capable of learning from their mistakes and improving on their performances, they need detailed instructions from human beings to be able to operate. They can never lead independent lives or rule the world by taking decisions of their own.

4. Sir Leon said that in future, computers would be developed which would be small enough to be carried in one's pocket. Ordinary people would then be able to use them to obtain valuable information. Computers could be plugged into a wireless network and can be used like radios. For instance, people, going on holiday, could be informed about weather conditions. Car drivers can be given an alternative route, when there is a traffic jam. It will also be possible to make tiny translating machines. This will enable people, who do not share a common language, to talk to each other without any difficulty or to read foreign publications.

5. It is impossible to assess the importance of a machine of this sort, for many international misunderstandings are caused simply due to our failure to understand each other. Computers will also be used in ordinary public hospitals. By providing a machine with a patient's systems, a doctor will be able to diagnose the nature of his illness. Similarly, machines could be used to keep a check on a patient's health record and bring it up to date. Doctors will, therefore, have immediate access to great many facts which will help them in their work. Bookkeepers and accountants too could be relieved of dull clerical work. For the tedious task of compiling and checking lists of figures could be done entirely by machines. Computers are the most efficient servant man has ever had and there is no limit to the way they can be used to improve our lives.

1.1 On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions by choosing the best of the given choices.

(a) Write out the correct option:

- (i) There is no possibility that human beings can be on their own with no need of machines.
- (ii) Human beings are likely to be controlled by machines one day.
- (iii) There is no possibility that human beings will ever be controlled by machines.
- (iv) Machines can replace humans.

(b) Write out the correct option:

- (i) Computers can solve only certain mathematical problems.
- (ii) Computers can't solve any mathematical problems.
- (iii) Computers can solve the most complex mathematical problems.
- (iv) Computers can solve only simple mathematical problems.

(c) Computers can be used to _____ .

- (i) to find treatment for the patient's illness.
- (ii) to prescribe a medicine for the patient.
- (iii) to diagnose the nature of patient's illness.
- (iv) to keep the patient in good mood.

(d) Many international misunderstandings are caused due to our failure to understand

_____ .
(i) ourselves. (ii) other nations. (iii) our friends. (iv) each other.

(e) The antonym of the word 'complicated' is _____ .

(i) difficult (ii) simple (iii) easy (iv) strange

(f) The verb form of the word 'alternative' is _____ .

(i) alternate (ii) alter (iii) late (iv) elate

1.2 Answer the following.

(a) Sir Leon Bagrit said that in future, _____ would be developed which would be small enough to be carried in one's pocket.

(b) Computers are capable of doing extremely complicated work in all branches of learning.

[True/False]

1.3 Find the synonyms of the following words from the passage.

(a) results (para 2)

(b) monotonous (para 5)

II. As the Vice Principal of your school, write a notice informing the students of classes XI and XII about the overnight excursion to a place of historical importance. **(5marks)**

III. You are Kanchan / Kavi staying at 12 Vaibhav Apartments, New Delhi. Last month you purchased a computer from K V Dealers, Gandhi Market, New Delhi with a warranty of 2 years. All of a sudden it has stopped functioning. Write a letter to the dealer complaining about it and request to replace it against the warranty that goes with it. **(6 marks)**

IV. Read the sentences given below. They are not in the correct sequential order. Rewrite the sentences in a paragraph form placing them in the correct order: **(4 MARKS)**

(a) We decided to have a special morning assembly and a cultural programme in the last two periods.

(b) I have been chosen to be the Head Boy of my school.

(c) I was given the responsibility of organising the Children's Day programme in the school.

(d) I had a meeting with the members of the Students' Council to decide the programme.

V. Rearrange the following to form meaningful sentences. **(2 MARKS)**

(a) the / sparrow / from / city / it / disappeared / house / has / seems / common / the / that

(b) factors / and / pollution / herbs / native / important / the / responsible / are / loss / shrubs / of / and

VI. SHORT ANSWERS : ANY 8 **(2X8=16)**

1. Who was Professor Gaitonde? Why was he surprised to see the name of East India Company on an imposing building in Bombay ?

2. How did 'the catastrophe theory' work in the battle of Panipat?

3. What have we been told about the quantum theory in the story 'The Adventure'?

4. How had the Maratha's won the battle ?

5. How did prof. Gaitonde make the transition from one reality to the other?

6. How does the author recount his experience at the Darchen Medical College?

7. What is the belief about Lake Manasarovar? What is the fact?

8. How did Mrs Fitzgerald try to help Mrs Pearson?

9. Who was Norbu? How could he be a help to the narrator?

VII. LONG ANSWERS : **(3 ½ X 2=7)**

1. What is the main idea of the play? Has it been brought out effectively by the writer?

2. Mrs Annie Pearson and Mrs Fitzgerald are totally opposite to each other in their attitudes. Show the difference between their personalities.