

# KVS, Varanasi Region

## SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT-II (2014-15)

### CLASS-VIII

### SUBJECT – ENGLISH

TIME: 2 ½ hrs

M.M. 60

A. Reading	15 Marks
B. Writing	15 Marks
C. Grammar	10 Marks
D. Literature	20 Marks

#### Instructions:

- I. All questions are compulsory.
- II. Marks are indicated against each question.
- III. Strictly adhere to the word limit given with each question. Marks will be deducted for exceeding the word limit.

#### SECTION-A (READING) 15 Marks

**Q. 1 Read the following passage carefully.**

**7 Marks**

1. When life began on earth, animals roamed freely about the planet, without any danger of being captured or kept away from their habitat. Nature had made the animals in such a way that except for evolution, no other process could change their real identity, their original characteristics and their habitat. But today human beings, it seems, have forgotten that they themselves evolved from animals. They feel that by giving them brains, God has given them the authority to exploit nature as they wish.

2. When a small child is introduced to the word “wild life”, he has given an image that wild life is confined to the remote jungles where these animals live in harmony with the beauties of nature-the trees, the flowers, the climate and other organisms they can be at any place they wish, eat as they want and behave as they desire. Ironically, the above mentioned requirements are perhaps those ones for which the whole human world has been fighting even till now. This is the story of all major revolutions around the world.

3. The main aim was to gain liberty-of behavior, of speech, of thought, of everything. If we ourselves can not bear someone else ruling over us, if every human slave strives for independence, then how can we give such treatment to animals?

**1.1. Read the questions below and choose the option you consider the most appropriate. Write your answers in your answer sheet**

**1x5 = 5**

1. When life began on earth who roamed freely about the planet?

(a) Birds

(b) Animals

(c) Humans

(d) Reptiles

2. Who evolved from animals?

- (a) Humans                      (b) Birds                                      (c) Animals                                      (d) None of them

3. Animals too should be given –

- (a) Liberty                      (b) Food                                      (c) Space                                      (d) Nothing

4. Should we make animals our slaves?

- (a) Yes                      (b) No                                      (c) Sometimes                                      (d) Always

5. What is a small child's impression of wild life?

(a) Remote jungles and forests where animals live in harmony

(b) Just remote jungles with no animals.

(c) Animals kept in cages.

(d) None of the above

**1.2. Answer the following questions.**

**1x2= 2**

1. Find the opposite of the word "dependence" from the last paragraph of the above passage?

2. Who can change the real identity of animals?

**2. Read the following passage carefully.**

**8 Marks**

1. In Orissa thousands of Olive Ridley turtles are caught up in the nets of trawlers doing illegal fishing and are suffocated to death.

In Rajasthan, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh spiral –tailed lizards are sold in markets as a medicine. Their necks are broken in presence of customers and put into the boiling water. The yellow coloured fat that oozes out is sold at Rs.60 a small bottle. The reptiles are pinned on trees and skinned alive to ensure that the skin remains soft. Frogs are thrown back after their legs have been chopped off (their legs are eaten as a delicacy). Hundreds of animals and birds are mindlessly killed during the annual tribal hunt. Cruelty to animals in spite of a lot of hue and cry about wildlife protection is on the increase.

3. More than 50,000 chemicals used in the manufacturing of cosmetics, are tested on rabbits, pigs, rats, dogs and monkeys etc. About 10 million animals are killed during experimentation. Only the people can save the animals from needless pain and death.

**2.1 Read the questions below and choose the option you consider the most appropriate. 1X4=4**

1. Where are thousands of Olive Ridley turtles caught up in the nets of trawlers?

- (a) America                      (b) Chennai                      (c) Kerala                      (d) Orissa

2. What is sold as medicines in Rajasthan?

- (a) Turtles                      (b) Fish                      (c) Spiral tailed lizards                      (d) Lizards

3. What is eaten as delicacy?

- (a) Lizard's eggs (b) Frog's legs (c) Turtles (d) None of the above

4. On which animals are the cosmetics tested?

- (a) Rabbits (b) Pigs (c) Dogs (d) All of the above

2.2 Answer the following questions

1x4 =4

1. Which states sell tailed lizards as a medicine?
2. How are the tailed lizards converted into medicine?
3. When are the animals and birds killed?
4. Find the opposite of 'sympathy' in the second paragraph?

**SECTION –B (WRITING)**

15 Marks

3. Write a letter to your friend describing how you celebrated Independence Day in your school. You may use the notes given below to write the letter in not more than 120 -125 words. 5 Marks

\_\_\_ Unfurling of the tri-colour

\_\_\_ Tribute to martyrs

\_\_\_ Patriotic songs / other cultural items

\_\_\_ Principal's address

\_\_\_ Vote of thanks

4. You have just joined a boarding school in Agra. Write an email to your mother in 120 -150 words giving the news of your safe arrival there. Give other details also. 5 Marks

5. Read the following details and write the bio sketch of M.C. Mary Kom in about 100 words. 5 Marks

**Birth-** 1st March 1983, Manipur

**Family background-** Brought up in a poor family.

**Career--** Joined sports authority of India to pursue her dream of becoming a world class pugilist.

**Employed as-** DSP in Manipur police department.

**Her potential—**Grit determination, never- say die attitude –

Encourage young people to chase their dreams and have faith in God.

**Achievements—**First woman boxer from India to have won four world titles consecutively, 3 Asian titles and 9 times national champion.

**Awards—**Arjun award, Padma Shree, Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna.

**SECTION-C (GRAMMAR)**

10 Marks

6. Below you can read a conversation between Renu and her husband Sonu . Complete the following passage using indirect sentence in the reported speech. 1x3 = 3

**Renu**—Our servant has stolen one of our blankets.

**Sonu**— Which one?

**Renu**—It’s the one we took from Hotel Palm Beach.

Renu told her husband that their servant (a) -----their blankets. Sonu asked her which one (b) -----.

She replied that it was (c) -----from Hotel Palm Beach.

7. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction against the correct blank number. 1/2 x8 = 4

	<u>Incorrect</u>	<u>Correct</u>
I was work in a store that sold	(a) -----	-----
hand bags and luggage while a	(b) -----	-----
woman came in for return a	(c) -----	-----
purse she has purchased a few	(d) -----	-----
days early. The store policy was not	(e) -----	-----
to take returns of use goods	(f) -----	-----
but a woman assured that the	(g) -----	-----
item was still branding new.	(h) -----	-----

8. Look at the words and phrases given below. Rearrange them to form meaningful sentences. 1x3 = 3

a—river /when I / could/I/ swim across / was young/ the

b—parents/ their/ children/ obey/ should

c— how dare / you/ to him/ talk/ like/ this

**SECTION –D (LITERATURE)**

**20 Marks**

**Q. 9** Read the poem and answer the questions that follow. 1x3 = 3

When I returned from Lyonesse

With magic in my eyes,

All marked with mute surmise.

My radiance rare and fathomless.

a—What did the poet bring in his eyes?

- (i) Tears      (ii) Magic      (iii) Charisma      (iv) Nothing

**b**—What is the opposite of the word ‘Radiance’?

- (i) Dullness      (ii) Brilliance      (iii) Glare      (iv) Gleam

**c**—What is the word that means ‘the depth can’t be measured’?

- (i) Fathomless      (ii) Surmise      (iii) Lyonesse      (iv) None of the above

**Q. 10. Read the passage and answer the questions given below:**

1x3 =3 Marks

It so happened that another son of the valley had become a soldier many years before. After a great deal of hard fighting, he was now a famous commander.

**a**—Who had become the soldier?

**b**—What was the famous commander called?

**c**—How did he become a famous commander?

**Q.11 Answer the following questions (any three).**

2 x 3 =6

**a**—Why did Penny Baxter allow Jody to go, find the fawn and raise it?

**b**—What is the scientist’s message for the disabled?

**c**—When does the Monsoon Season begin and when does it end? How do you prepare to face the Monsoon?

**d**—What was the Great Stone face? What did young Ernest wish when he gazed at it?

**Q. 12 Answer the following questions (any four).**

2x4=8

**a**—Now that the two boys in the lesson ‘Fight’ are at the pool. Why don’t they continue the fight?

**b**—If God had granted the narrator’s wish in the lesson ‘Jalebies’ that day, what harm would it have caused him in later life?

**c**—What was Duttada’s secret ambition? What did he do to achieve it?

**d**—What did Mrs. Sappleton say about the open window?

**e**—Why was Duttada hopeful that he would discover a new comet?

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**SECTION –A (READING)    15Marks**

**Q.1** **7 Marks**

**1.1** **5X1=5**

1. (b) Animals

2. (a) Humans

3. (a) Liberty

4. (b) No

5. (a) Remote jungles and forests where animals live in harmony.

**1.2.** **1x2= 2**

1. Independence

2. Evolution can change the real identity of animals.

**Q.2** **8 Marks**

**2.1** **4X1=4**

1. (d) Orissa

2. (c) spiral tailed lizards

3. (b) frog's legs

4. (d) All of the above

**2.2.** **4X1=4**

1. Rajasthan, Gujrat and Madhya Pradesh

2. Their necks are broken and put into boiling water, Fat is sold at Rs.60 a bottle, reptiles pinned on trees and skinned alive to ensure that the skin remains soft.

3. During the annual tribal hunt.

4. Cruelty

**SECTION –B (WRITING)**

**15 Marks**

Q.3.Paragraph writing --    Content-3    Expression- 2

Q. 4. E-mail writing - format-1, content-2 , Expression -2

Q.5- Bio- sketch writing- content-2 , fluency -2 , accuracy -1

**SECTION –C (GRAMMAR)**

**Q. 6.**

**1x3 = 3 Marks**

(a) had stolen one of.

(b) was stolen.

(c) the one they had taken.

**Q. 7.**

**1/2X8 = 4 Marks**

**Incorrect**

**correct**

(a) work

working

(b) while

when

(c) return

returning

(d) has

had

(e) early

earlier

(f) use

used

(g) a

the

(h) branding

brand

**Q. 8.**

**1x3 =3 Marks**

a. when I was young I could swim across the river.

b. Children should obey their parents.

c. How dare you talk to him like this.

**SECTION –D (LITERATURE)**

**Q. 9.**

**1x3= 3 Marks**

a. (ii) magic

b. (i) dullness

c. (i) fathomless

**Q. 10.**

**1x3= 3 Marks**

a. Son of the valley

b. Blood and thunder

c. After a great deal of hard fighting, he became a famous commander .

**Q. 11.**

**2x3= 6 Marks**

a. Because Jody had made him realize his responsibility and duty. Penny had killed the doe for his own self.

- b. The disabled should concentrate on what they are good at and that the disabled Olympics are a waste of time.
- c. Begins in the mid- June and ends in August. We use umbrellas, rain coats to face the Monsoon.
- d. It was a work of nature formed on the side of a mountain by huge rocks. Young Ernest wished that he could like to see the man with resemblance to The Great Stone Face.

**Q.12.**

**2x4= 8 Marks**

- a. They have agreed to help each other with their skills like wrestling and swimming.
- b. He would have become idle and inactive.
- c. To discover a new comet, he spent the moonless night in observations.
- d. Mrs. Sappleton said that her husband with his two young brothers would certainly come one day, through the open window.
- e. Because the professionals had their pre assigned programmes. But amateurs had often discovered new comets.

**BLUE -PRINT**  
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**SECTION –A (READING)**

**15 Marks**

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|----------------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| Q. 1. Reading passage – mcq type | 5x1= 5 Marks, | Word attack | 2X1=2 |
| Q. 2. Reading passage – mcq type | 4x1= 4 Marks, | Question    | 4X1=4 |

**SECTION –B (WRITING) 15Marks**

- Q.3. Shorter composition- Paragraph writing      5 Marks
- Q.4. Shorter composition- E-mail writing            5 Marks
- Q.5. Shorter composition- Bio sketch writing      5 Marks

**SECTION –C (GRAMMAR) 10 Marks**

- Q. 6. Complete the sentences using reported speech.      1x3 = 3 Marks
- Q.7. Editing, completion of dialogue                            1/2x8=4 Marks
- Q. 8. Rearrange the jumbled words / phrases to form meaningful sentences.      1x3 =3 Marks

**SECTION –D (LITERATURE)**

- Q. 9. Comprehension type questions (Poem -HONEY DEW).      1x3 =3 Marks
- Q. 10. Comprehension type questions (Prose-HONEYDEW).      1X3=3 Marks
- Q. 11. Textual questions (HONEYDEW)                            2x3=6 Marks
- Q.12. Textual questions (IT SO HAPPENED)                            2x4 =8 Marks