REVISION TEST

ENGLISH

Std:10

Time: 1 hour

Marks :30

Read the following passage.

Vanka sighed, dipped his pen in the ink , and went on writing: 'And yesterday I had such a hiding. The master took me by the hair and dragged me out into the yard and beat me with the stirrup- strap because by mistake I went to sleep while rocking their baby. And one day last week the mistress told me to gut a herring and I began from the tail and she picked up the herring and rubbed my face with the head. The apprentices make fun of me, and they send me to the tavern for vodka and make me steal the master's cucumbers and the master beats me with the first thing he finds. And there is nothing to eat . They give me bread in the morning and gruel for dinner and in the evening bread again, but I never get tea or cabbage soup. They gobble it all up themselves. And they make me sleep in the passage and when their baby cries ,I don't get any sleep at all. I have to rock it.'Dear grandad, for the dear Lords sake take me away from here. Take me home to the village.

Answer the following questions.

1. Whom does Vanka address his worries to?

2. Why did his master beat him with a stirrup- strap?

3. The mistress told me to gut a herring. The expression to gut means to remove the intestines. Now write a sentence replacing the word 'write 'using a different expression.

The teacher told me to write a poem.

4. Find a word that means ' beat cruelly.'

5.Dear grandad ,for the dear Lords sake take me away from here'.What does this tell about Vanka's miseries ?

(5x1)

Write any three from the following.

6.Anton Chekhov's story Vanka talks about a poor orphaned child.Prepare a narration in your own words.

7.Alyakhin's neighbour feels sorry for the child Vanka.He wanted to help Vanka to find out his grandad.Prepare a likely conversation between Vanka and the neighbour.

8.Konstantin Makarich , leaves a remarkable impression in the minds of the readers. Attempt his character sketch.

9. Miss Olga misses Vanka too much and writes her thoughts about Vanka in her dairy. Attempt a similar one.

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10. The English club of your school has decided to conduct a sensitising campaign on ' child labour and child abuse.' Prepare a notice for the same.

(3x5=15)

11.Report the following conversation.

Vanka : Grandad, Will you take me from here?

Grandad: I will come soon. Please wait for a couple of days more.

(2marks)

12.Complete the following conversation.

Vanka: Grandpa , if you take me home.....(.a)

Grandpa.....(.b)

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Vanka:You have made up your mind.....(c)

Grandpa: Yes.....but where is Alyakhin?

Vanka:You.....his wife.(d)

(4marks)

13. Pick out the right phrasal verbs from the brackets and fill in the blanks.

Grandad,..his finest clothes and......to Moscow.He can'tthe insult that Vanka was forced to endure.Heto teach Alyakhin a lesson

(Put in, put on, went on, set off, made up his mind, put up with,). (4 marks)

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