

# **KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA MATI**

## **PRACTICE TEST-(2019-20)**

SUB-ENGLISH

TIME: 3 Hrs

CLASS-X

M.M-80

### **SECTION-A-Reading (20Marks)**

#### **1-Read the following passage and answer the questions given below (08 marks)**

Richard Parker was so named because of a clerical error. A panther was terrorising the Khulna district of Bangladesh, just outside the Sundarbans. It has recently carried off a little girl. She was the seventh person killed in two months by the animal. And it was growing bolder. The previous victim was a man who had been attacked in broad daylight in his field. The beast dragged him off into the forest and his corpse was later found hanging from a tree. The villagers kept a watch nearby that night, hoping to surprise the panther and kill it, but it never appeared.

The Forest Department hired a professional hunter. He set up a small, hidden platform in a tree near a river where two of the attacks had taken place. A goat was tied to a stake on the river's bank. The hunter waited several nights. He assumed the panther would be an old, wasted male with worn teeth, incapable of catching anything more difficult than a human. But it was a sleek tiger that stepped into the open one night: a female with a single cub. The goat bleated. Oddly, the cub, who looked to be about three months old, paid little attention to the goat. It raced to the water's edge, where it drank eagerly. Its mother followed it. Of hunger and thirst, thirst is the greater urge. Only once the tiger had quenched her thirst did she turn to the goat to satisfy her hunger.

The hunter had two rifles with him: one with real bullets, the other with immobilising darts. This animal was not a man-eater, but was so close to human habitation that she might pose a threat to the villagers, especially as she was with cub. He picked up the gun with the darts. He fired as the tiger was about to attack the goat. The tiger reared up and snarled and raced away. But immobilising darts don't bring on sleep gently, they knock the creature out without warning. A burst of activity on the animals' part makes it act all the faster.

The hunter, whose name was Richard Parker, picked it up and with his bare hands and remembering how it has rushed to drink in river, named it Thirsty. But the shipping clerk at the Howrah train station was evidently a man both confused and diligent. All the papers received with the cub clearly stated that its name was None Given. Richard Parker's name stuck. I don't know if the hunter was ever called Thirsty None Given!

Q-1 Write True/False against each of the following sentences. ( 1x2=2 )

- i- Girl was the tenth person killed by animal.
- ii- The hunter had two rifles.

Q-2 Complete the following sentences- ( 1x3=3 )

1-The Forest Department hired a.....

2- All the papers received with cub clearly stated that its name was.....

3- The villagers kept a watch nearby that night .....

Q-3 i- Who was the previous victim and where was his corpse found ?( 1x2=2 )

ii-The animal was not a man eater but close to, why ?

Q-4 Give the synonyms of the following words-

i- Corpse

ii- difficult

**2- Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below-(12 marks)**

There were other boys in Manjari village, but Bisnu was the only one who went to school. His mother would not have fussed if he had stayed at home and worked in the fields. That was what the other boys did, all except lazy Chitru, who preferred fishing in the stream or helping himself for the fruit of other people's trees. But Bisnu went to school. He went because he wanted to. No one could force him to go and no one could stop him from going. He had set his heart on receiving a good schooling. He wanted to read and write as anyone in the big world and so he walked to school every day.

A colony of langurs lived in the forest. They fed on oak leaves, acorns, and other green things and usually remained in the trees, coming down to the ground only to play or sun themselves. They were beautiful, supple-limbed animals, with black faces and silver-grey coats and long, sensitive tails. They leapt from tree to tree with great agility. The young ones wrestled on the grass like boys.

A dignified community, the langurs did not have the cheekiness or dishonest habits of the red monkeys of the plains; they did not approach dogs or humans. But they had grown used to Bisnu's comings and goings and did not fear him. Some of the older ones would watch him quietly, a little puzzled. They did not go near the town; because the boys threw stones on them. And anyway, the forest gave them all the food they required. Coming from another direction was a second path, and at the junction of the two paths Sarru was waiting for him. Sarru came from a small village about three miles from Bisnu's and closer to the town.

They hailed each other and walked along. They often met at this spot, keeping each other company for the remaining two miles.

'There was a panther in our village last night', said Sarru.

This information interested but did not excite Bisnu. Panthers were common enough in the hills and did not usually present a problem except during the winter months, when their natural prey was scarce.

'Did you lose any animals' asked Bisnu.

'No, it tried to get into the cowshed but the dogs set up the alarm. We drove it off.'

'It must be the same one which came around last winter. We lost a calf and two dogs in our village.'

'Wasn't that the one that left the shikaris wounded? I hope it hasn't become a cattle-lifter'.

'It could be the same. It has a bullet in its leg. These hunters are the people who cause all the trouble. They think it's easy to shoot a panther. It would be better if they missed altogether, but they usually wound it.'

‘And then the panthers too slow to catch the barking-deer and starts on our own animals.’ ‘Were lucky it didn’t become a man-eater. Do you remember the man-eater six years ago? I was very small then. My father told me all about it. Ten people were killed in our valley alone.’

‘What happened to it?’

‘I don’t know. Some say it poisoned itself when it ate the headman of the village’.

Bisnu laughed. ‘No one liked the old villain. They linked arms and scrambled up the stony path to school’.

**Question 1 : Give the meaning of each of the following words as used in the passage. (1x2=2)**

- i) hailed (line 22)
- ii) villain (line 43)

**Question 2 : Answer the following questions briefly in your own words. (2x4=8)**

- i) How was Chittru different from other boys?
- ii) What was Bisnu’s ambition?
- iii) What information did Sarru give Bisnu?
- iv) How did the information affect Bisnu?

- Question-3 i- Chittru was fond of ----- (1x2= 2marks )**
- a- Hunting    b- playing football    c- watching TV    d- fishing in the stream
  - ii- .....were killed in our valley alone.
  - a- Five people    b- ten people    c- 25 people    d- man- eater

## **SECTION-B-Writing &Grammar (30 Marks)**

**3-On the basis of given outline, write a story in about 150-200 words. And also give the suitable title of the story. (10 marks)**

**Rahul was alone at home. Suddenly the phone rang.....**

**OR**

**As you are Ankit Singh/Anjali Tiwari of 230A,Sagar market Lucknow write a letter to the Editor of a News paper , highlighting the problem of increasing pollution in your city.**

**4-As you are Prakash yesterday you are going to participate in your school’s annual function, Write a Diary entry expressing your excitement. (8marks )**

**OR**

**Write an article On the topic use of Polythene is a threat to environment` . Do not exceed 120 words.**

5-There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in the space provided. First one is done.(8x1/2=4marks)

	Incorrect	correct
(a) Community service sensitise people to	.....	.....
(b) Other`s needs and supports inclusive	.....	.....
(c) Development to the underprivileged	.....	.....
(d) Section with society. Courses about social	.....	.....
(e) Work prepares frontline workers to	.....	.....
(f) Takes up assignment in social welfare	.....	.....
(g) Organizations. Practical work including	.....	.....
(h) 50 hour of structured internship to man project.	.....	.....

6-Choose the best word from the option given below to complete the passage.(5x1=5marks)

The citizens of Kantipur were shocked when one of its shopping complex (a).....by a bomb(b).....The place was crowded and about 80 people (c).....Witnesses say that they had(d).....two people speeding on a two wheeler soon after the blast. The police commissioner assured the people that culprit will be soon (e).....

- (a) i- was destroyed ii- was destroying iii- has destroyed iv-destroyes  
 (b) i- exploded ii- explosion iii- exploding iv- explodes  
 (c) i-burnt ii- were burnt iii- has burnt iv- was burning  
 (d) i-saw ii-see iii-seen iv- sees  
 (e) i-arrested ii-arresting iii- arrest iv- has arrested

7-Rearrange the following jumbled-up words to make meaningful sentences. (1x3=3 marks)

- i- for many/ on/relies/dogs/people/have/generations.  
 ii- companionship/used /they/for hunting/ have been / and  
 iii- very/a dog`s/ are / and ears/sensitive/ nose

## **SECTION-C Literature 30 marks)**

**8-Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions given below-**

**(1x4=4 marks)**

**Money is external.**

**He is learning, well behind his desperate eyes.**

**The epistemology of loss, how to stand up**

**Knowing what every man must one day know**

**And most know many days, how to stand up.**

- (a) What does the boy learn ?**
- (b) Why are his eyes desperate ?**
- (c) Explain` The epistemology of loss, how to stand up.`**
- (d) What is the meaning of the word desperate ?**

**Or**

Mr. Keesing had a good laugh at my argument, but

When I proceeded to talk my way through the next

Lesson, he assigned me a second essay.

- (a) Who was Mr. Keesing ?**
- (b) Why did he laugh ?**
- (c) What was the topic of the essay he assigned to Anne ?**
- (d) What topic did he assign the second time ?**

**9-Answer any five the following questions in about 30-40 words each.(2x5=10 marks)**

- (a) Why did Lencho say the raindrops were like new coins ?**
- (b) How can you say 10 may is an ` autumn day ` ?**
- (c) `` I shall take risk `` What is the risk ?why does the narrator take it ?**
- (d) `` They were beckoning to him calling shrilly. Why did the seagull`s father and mother threaten him and cajole him to fly ?**
- (e) Is the narrator as rich as Tricky`s mistress ?**
- (f) Does Anil realize that he has been robbed ?**
- (g) What does Horace Danby like to collect ?**
- (h) How would you describe Griffin as a scientist ?**

**10-Answer the following question in about 80-100 words each.(8marks)**

**How does Wanda feel about the dresses game ? Why does she say that she has a hundred dresses ?**

**OR**

**Is bread an important part of Goanlife ? How do you know this ?**

**11-The course of the Loisels` life changed due to the necklace .Comment. (8 marks )**

**OR**

**What lesson does Ebright learn when he does not win anything at a science fair ?**

**MARKING SCHEME**

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**SECTION-A**

**Passage- 1**

**Q-1 (i) FALSE (ii) TRUE (1x2= 2)**

**Q-2 (i) Professional hunter (ii) None given (iii) hoping to surprise the panther and kill it (1x3=3)**

**Q-3 The previous victim was a man, his corpse was found in the forest. (1x1=1)**

**Q-4 Because it was close to human habitation that she might pose a threat to the villagers , especially as she was with cub. (1x1=1)**

**Q-5 i- Dead body ii- hard (1/2x2=1)**

**Passage-2**

**Q-1 (i) meet/ greeting (ii) rouge/ wicked man (1x2=2)**

**Q-2 i- Answer : Chittru was different because he was lazy and preferred fishing in the stream or breaking fruits off other people's trees. He squandered his time loafing here and there.(4x2=8)**

**ii-Answer : Bisnu's ambition was to receive a good schooling. He went on his own accord to school, not forced by anyone, to read and write, so that he could get well educated like other children in the big world.**

**iii- Answer : Sarru informed Bisnu about the sudden visit of a panther to his village, the previous night**

**IV-Answer : The information interested Bisnu but did not excite him because panthers were a common affair in hills.**

**Q-3 a- (d) fishing in the stream b- (b) ten people (1X2=2)**

**SECTION-B (30 MARKS)**

**Q-3 TITLE- 1 MARKS**

**CONTENT- 5 MARKS**

**FLUENCY- 2 MARKS**

**ACCURACY-2 MARKS**

**OR**

**FORMAT-1 MARKS**

**CONTENT- 5 MARKS**

**FLUENCY- 2 MARKS**

**ACCURACY-2 MARKS**

**Q-4**

**FORMAT-1 MARKS**

**CONTENT- 4 MARKS**

**FLUENCY- 1.5 MARKS**

**ACCURACY-1.5 MARKS**

**Q-5 ( 1/2X8=4 )**

<b>INCORRECT</b>	<b>CORRECT</b>
Service	services
Other`s	others`
to	for
with	of
prepares	prepare
takes	taking
including	includes
to	for

**Q-6( 1X5=5MARKS)**

- a-(i) was destroyed
- b- (ii) explosion
- c-(iii) were burnt
- d-(iii) seen
- e- (i) arrested

**Q-7 (1X3=3 MARKS)**

- i-People have been relied on dogs for many generations.
- ii- They have been used for hunting and companionship.
- iii- A dog`s nose and ear are very sensitive.

**Section-c (30 marks)**

**Q-8 (1x4=4)**



a-things get lost, that the grief of loss would be very deep, and that one has to accept it.

b-Because his ball is lost for ever.

c-Understanding the nature of loss, what it means to lose a thing much loved and how to overcome the loss.

d- Hopeless

OR

a-Anne`s maths teacher

b-He laughed because of Anne`s arguments that talking is a student`s trait.

c- A chatterbox

d- An incorrigible chatterbox

Q-9 (2x5=10marks)

- a- Lencho said the raindrops were like new coins because they would grow good crop and he would get enough money.
- b- 10<sup>th</sup> may was the autumn day in South Africa, as during autumn old leaves fall and new leaves come ,in the same way in South Africa on 10<sup>th</sup> of may apartheid had been abolished and new democratic government was formed .
- c- The risk was to get into the storm clouds. The pilot of the Dacota took the risk because he knew , he did not have enough fuel to fly around the North or South. Also he was keen to get home and have the English breakfast.
- d- Because they wanted him to learn how to fly like their brother and sister.
- e- No, narrator was not as rich as Tricky`s mistress.
- f- Yes, when Anil found his notes wet , he knew he had been robbed.
- g- Horace Danby like to collect rare and expensive books.
- h- Griffin, was a brilliant scientist , he was a lawless person , he used his invention only for his self benefit.

Q- 10 (1x8=8 marks )

CONTENT- 5 MARKS

FLUENCY- 2 MARKS

ACCURACY-2 MARKS

OR

CONTENT- 5 MARKS

FLUENCY- 2 MARKS

**ACCURACY-2 MARKS**

**Q-11 (1x8=8 marks)**

**CONTENT- 5 MARKS**

**FLUENCY- 2 MARKS**

**ACCURACY-2 MARKS**

**OR**

**CONTENT- 5 MARKS**

**FLUENCY- 2 MARKS**

**ACCURACY-2 MARKS**