

BCM SCHOOL, BASANT AVENUE, DUGRI ROAD, LUDHIANA
CLASS – XI
ENGLISH ASSIGNMENT (OCTOBER,23)

READING

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

In today's fast-paced world, where the demands of work and daily responsibilities never seem to subside, the importance of taking holidays cannot be overstated. Holidays serve as essential breaks from the routine, offering individuals an opportunity to recharge, relax, and rejuvenate their mind, body, and soul. In this passage, we delve into the significance of holidays and the positive impact they have on our overall well-being.

One of the most significant reasons for taking holidays is the much-needed stress relief they provide. Long hours of work and daily pressures can lead to burnout and adversely affect mental health. Holidays offer a chance to step away from stressors, unwind, and engage in activities that bring joy and relaxation.

Contrary to the notion that holidays hamper productivity. Research suggests that taking regular breaks actually improves overall performance. Stepping away from work allows individuals to return with renewed focus, increased creativity, and a fresh perspective, ultimately boosting productivity in the long run.

Holidays offer an ideal setting for fostering and deepening personal connections. Spending quality time with family and friends during vacations creates lasting memories and strengthens the bonds that matter most.

(i) On the basis of your reading of the above passage, make notes on it in points only, using abbreviations, wherever necessary. Also suggest a suitable title.

(ii) Write a summary of the passage in not more than 80 words, using the notes you have made.

WRITING

1. You are Harsh/Harshita of 12, Seva Nagar, Pune. You want to sell your flat as you are shifting to another city. Draft a suitable advertisement in not more than 50 words to be published in The Pune Times under the classified column.

2. On the occasion of 'Science Week' being celebrated in your school, prepare a poster, in not more than 50 words, emphasising the importance of science in our daily lives.

3. Write a speech in 120-150 words on the topic of "constructive emotions are necessary for a person's growth." (Compassion, sympathy, empathy etc.)

4. "Academic excellence is the only requirement for a successful career." Write a debate either for or against the motion. (120 – 150 words)