

**BCM SCHOOL, BASANT AVENUE, DUGRI ROAD, LUDHIANA
ENGLISH ASSIGNMENT
CLASS -VII**

SECTION -A (READING)

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

TWO GREAT PERSONALITIES, TWO FOLLIES

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU

1. As a boy, Jawaharlal Nehru once stole one of his father's pens from his study thinking that his father had two pens and he could not possibly use both of them at the same time. That evening, when his father returned from court, he lost his cool on finding one of the pens missing.

There was uproar in the house and after frantic search, the instrument was found in little Jawaharlal's room. His father did not like the way his son had taken his pen without his permission. He scolded the boy so much that he wept bitterly and went rushing to his mother.

That day he learnt two important lessons- never do things on the sly and never to disobey his father but more importantly, he understood why his father had scolded him.

MAHATAMA GANDHI

2. Once, as a child, Gandhi Ji stole a bit of gold from his brother's armlet to pay for the latter's debt of twenty-five rupees. It was an innocent thing for a little boy to do to save his brother from disgrace. But by doing so he had lost a peace of mind and he could not decide what amends he should make for the wrong that he had done.

At last he decided to tell his father the whole truth. He wrote a letter to him, telling him all about the incident and promising that he would never steal again. He asked his father to punish him as severely as he wished and begged him not to feel pained about it in any way. As the father read that letter, tears began to roll down his cheeks. This left Gandhi Ji so devastated with shame and remorse that he took a silent vow never to do an unrighteous deed again. He strove to be good and truthful ever after.

1.1 Choose the most appropriate option given below for each question.

1. One thing common to the conduct of both Gandhi Ji and Jawaharlal Nehru was that they had _____
- (a) disobeyed their fathers (b) told lies to their parents
(c) created uproar in their homes (d) stolen something important

2. One characteristic trait common to both Gandhi and Nehru was their ability to _____ their mistakes.
- (a) deny (b) justify
(c) hide (d) realize

3. The expression 'on the sly' (paragraph 2) means _____
- (a) without too much thinking (b) without elder's permission

	<p>(c)in secret manner (d)towards the end of something</p> <p>1.2 Complete the sentence After stealing gold from his brother’s armlet Gandhi ji felt_____</p> <p>1.3 Answer the following questions: (a) What did Jawaharlal Nehru steal from his father’s study and why? (b) Why did Nehru’s father lose his cool? (c) Why did little Nehru rush to his mother? (d) Why did Gandhi Ji decide to steal a bit of gold from his brother’s armlet? (e) What did Gandhi Ji write in his letter to his father? (f) Write the past and past participle form of the verb ‘ask’.</p>																
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2.	<p>Personality Plus- a Human Resource Management Group is organizing a personality development camp for students of class VII of your school. As the head boy/head girl of the school, write a notice in about 50 words for the school notice-board.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Write a Factual Description in 100 -120 words on a restaurant you recently visited. You can use the following key points: *name and location *ambience *food quality *hospitality</p>																
3.	<p>Suppose you are Rahul/ Ridhima living in a hostel. Write a letter to your father seeking his permission to join an educational trip.</p>																
4.	<p>Draft a speech in about 100-120 words on the occasion of the World Environment Day expressing concern on the fast changing world climate. In your speech you should: *give examples to argue that the world climate is going from bad to worse *list some reasons for this deterioration *suggest some practical ways to check climate change</p>																
	SECTION -C(GRAMMAR)																
5.	<p>EDITING There is an error in each line against which a blank is given. Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 60%;"></th> <th style="width: 20%; text-align: center;">Correct</th> <th style="width: 20%; text-align: center;">Incorrect</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Bursting crackers is not only harmful in the environment and is also traumatic for pets. To keep pets save during Diwali, animal activists suggest suggest keeping it</td> <td>(a)_____</td> <td>_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>(b)_____</td> <td>_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>(c)_____</td> <td>_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>(d)_____</td> <td>_____</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Correct	Incorrect	Bursting crackers is not only harmful in the environment and is also traumatic for pets. To keep pets save during Diwali, animal activists suggest suggest keeping it	(a)_____	_____		(b)_____	_____		(c)_____	_____		(d)_____	_____	
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	indoors during a celebrations. (e) _____	
6.	Change the following sentences into passive voice: (a) Is the artist painting a portrait? (b) Sonia teaches some poor children every Sunday.	
7.	Rewrite the following sentences after converting them into indirect speech: (a) The old woman said to me, "You are wasting your time." (b) He said to me, "I need your help now."	
8.	Do as directed: (a) This dog belongs ___ Sheela. She brought it ___ Pune. (Fill with suitable Preposition) (b) Women ___ (prepare) to decorate the shrine for the Annual Fair. (Fill in the blanks using Future Continuous Tense) (c) Before he ___ say a word, he fainted. (Choose the correct modal) i. will ii. may iii. could (d) He brought a new car yesterday. (Change the sentence into negative form) (e) He thinks that he is the ___ (wise) of all the children. (Fill in the blank using suitable degree of adjective) (f) and makes him/ a person/polished and polite/education refines (Rearrange the words to make it into a meaningful sentence)	
SECTION -D (LITERATURE)		
9.	Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions. We'll try Plan B. Stand Out of the way! Mum said, "Don't fall Again, O.K.?" "Fall again? said Dad. "Funny joke!" Then he swung himself up On a branch. It broke 1. The Name of the poet of this poem is ____ (a) Shirley Bauer (b) J. Enright (c) Kit Wright 2. What was plan B? (a) Dad swung himself up on a branch (b) He tried to climb up the wall (c) He brought out a high tool	

	<p>3. What was the consequence of plan B? (a) Dad landed in a flower bed. (b) He landed wallop back on the deck. (c) He landed flat on the cat.</p> <p>4. Why was dad sure that he wouldn't fall? (a) He thought he was a good climber (b) ladder was very strong and set very well (c) He climbed a small tree.</p>	
10.	<p>Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions. He licked grandfather's hands and only sprang away when a leopard in the next cage stared at him.</p> <p>1. Whom does 'he' refer to? (a) the leopard (b) Timothy (c) grandfather</p> <p>2.The name of the chapter from which the above extract is taken ____ (a) A Tiger in the Zoo (b) The Bear Story (c) A tiger in the House</p> <p>3. Who disturbed Timothy when he was licking grandfather's hands? (a) caretaker (b)Leopard (c) author</p>	
11.	<p>Answer the following questions.</p> <p>(a)Why did the dad swing himself up on the branch? (b)How did Timothy's food keep on changing? (c)What did the bear eat? Which two things was he not allowed to do? (d) Does Nishad agree with Maya about Mr.Nath? How does he feel about him? (e)Explore the Meadow houses. Explain 'meadow houses' in your own words.</p>	
12.	<p>Do you think Mr.Gessler was right when he complains about big firms? Explain in context to chapter 'Quality'.</p>	

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