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MAY ASSIGNMENT
CLASS – VI
SUBJCET – ENGLISH

Reading Section

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions:

I. Dr. M.S. Swaminathan, often called the Father of the Green Revolution in India, was a renowned agricultural scientist. He played a key role in introducing high-yielding varieties of wheat and rice, which helped India achieve self-sufficiency in food production during the 1960s and 1970s. Before this, India was heavily dependent on food imports and faced frequent famines. Swaminathan's efforts helped transform agriculture in the country and brought food security to millions.

II. He worked alongside international scientists and Indian policymakers to bring technological advancements to Indian farms. In 1966, he collaborated with Nobel laureate Dr. Norman Borlaug to introduce dwarf wheat varieties that produced more grain. These efforts were supported by the Indian government, and soon India saw a remarkable increase in crop production.

III. Apart from being a brilliant scientist, Swaminathan was a passionate advocate for sustainable farming. He strongly believed that farming should not harm the environment. He promoted eco-friendly techniques and worked to improve the lives of farmers, especially in rural India. His work earned him global recognition, and he received numerous awards, including the Padma Vibhushan, India's second-highest civilian award.

IV. Dr. Swaminathan passed away in 2023, leaving behind a rich legacy of scientific innovation, dedication, and service to the nation. He is remembered not only for feeding a hungry nation but also for his vision of an agriculture that is productive, inclusive, and environmentally sustainable.

Answer the followings:

Choose (✓) the correct option for each of the following statements:

i. What is Dr. M.S. Swaminathan popularly known as?

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| a) Father of the Indian Economy | b) Father of the Green Revolution in India |
| c) Father of Indian Science | d) Pioneer of Organic Farming |

ii. What helped India achieve self-sufficiency in food production?

- a) Importing grains from other countries
- b) Constructing more irrigation dams
- c) Introducing high-yielding varieties of crops
- d) Switching to non-vegetarian diets

iii. Who did Dr. Swaminathan work with to introduce dwarf wheat?

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| a) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam | b) Dr. Norman Borlaug |
| c) Dr. Radhakrishnan | d) Mahatma Gandhi |

iv. What major award was given to Dr. Swaminathan?

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| a) Bharat Ratna | b) Padma Vibhushan |
| c) Nobel Peace Prize | d) National Farmers Award |

v. What did Dr. Swaminathan do to help India grow more food in the 1960s and 1970s?

	vi. What legacy did Dr. Swaminathan leave behind?	
	vii. How did Dr. Swaminathan help farmers in rural India?	
	viii. Find words from the passage that mean the same as: (i) famous (<i>para 1</i>) (ii) extraordinary (<i>para 2</i>)	
	ix. Find the antonym of the word ‘exclusive’ from paragraph 4.	
	Grammar Section	
	<p>Do as directed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The _____ (honest) and _____ (determine) of the athlete were evident in the way she persevered through all obstacles to achieve her goals. (Fill in the blanks with using abstract noun form) The children are playing outside for hours without feeling tired. (Change into interrogative sentence) I _____ (enjoy) reading books during my leisure time. (Fill in the blank with Simple Present Tense) They went to the market yesterday. (Change into negative sentence) The boys _____ (discuss) their plans for the summer trips. (Fill in the blank with Past Continuous Tense) The movie was (interesting) than I expected. (Fill in the blank using the comparative degree of the adjective) Do you have _____ (a, an, the) idea how to solve this problem? (Fill in the blank with the correct article) He was <u>cheerful</u> after hearing the good news. (Replace the underlined word with a suitable synonym) She waited at the <u>entrance</u> of the building, glancing at her watch every few minutes. (Replace the underlined word with a suitable antonym) Write past and past participle form of the verb “commit”. 	