

### Unseen Passage-1

Today perhaps your only association with the word 'polio' is the Sabin Oral Vaccine that protects children from the disease. Fifty-five years ago, this was not so. The dreaded disease, which mainly affects the brain and the spinal cord, causes stiffening and weakening of the muscles, crippling and paralysis — which is why I am in a wheelchair today. If somebody had predicted, when I was born, that this would happen to me, no one would have believed it. I was the seventh child in a family of four pairs of brothers and sisters, with a huge 23-year gap between the first and the last. I was told that, unlike the others, I was so fair and brown-haired that I looked more like a foreigner than a Dawood Bohri. I was also considered to be the healthiest of the brood.

#### Question:

**Q i. The narrator of the passage is a patient of**

- (a) cerebral attack.      (b) polio      (c) diabetes      (d) heart disease.

**Q ii. To say something about the future is to**

- (a) verdict      (b) predict.      (c) addict.      (d) protect.

**Q iii. The narrator was the seventh child in a family that had**

- (a) one score children      (b) eight children  
(c) nine children      (d) twenty-three children

**Q iv. Polio, the dreaded disease, mainly affects the**

- (a) brain and spinal cord.      (b) brain and nerves.  
(c) heart and spinal cord.      (d) brain and heart.

**Q v. What made the narrator look like a foreigner?**

- (a) He was fair and brown-haired.      (b) He was fair with red hair.  
(c) He was fair and skinny.      (d) He was dark and blonde

**Ans. i. (b) polio ii. (b) predict iii. (b) eight children iv. (a) brain and spinal cord v. (a) He was fair and brown-haired**

There are three main groups of oils-animal, vegetable and mineral. Great quantities of animal oil come from whales, those enormous creatures of the sea, which are the largest of the animals remaining in the world. To protect the whales from the cold of the Arctic seas, nature has provided them with a thick covering of fat, called blubber. When the whale is killed, the

blubber is stripped off and boiled down. It produces a great quantity of oil which can be made into food for human consumption. A few other creatures yield oil, but none so much as the

whale. The livers of the cod and halibut, two kinds of fish, yield nourishing oil. Both cod liver oil and halibut oil are given to sick children and other invalids who need certain vitamins. Vegetable oil has been known from very old times. No household can get on without it, for it is used in cooking. Perfumes may be made from the oils of certain flowers. Soaps are made from vegetable and animal product and the oils of certain flowers.

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**Question:**

- Q. i** The main source of animal oil is \_\_\_\_.
- (a) whale                      (b) sea weeds                      (c) fish                      (d) plant
- Q. ii** Vegetable oil is mainly used for \_\_\_\_.
- (a) Cooking                      (b) Making perfumes                      (c) Making soap                      (d) Making lubricants
- Q. iii** The ..... of fish yields nourishing oil.
- (a) stomach                      (b) eyes                      (c) liver                      (d) head
- Q. iv** The thick protective covering of fat on a whale is called a
- (a) cells                      (b) blubber                      (c) skin                      (d) Fins
- Q. v** Write the noun form of the word 'protect' is \_\_\_\_.
- (a) protected                      (b) proactive                      (c) protectable                      (d) protection

**Answer :** (i)- a (ii)-a(iii)-c (iv)-b (v)-d



Answer:

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Notes.

The heart is the most important part of the human body.

The heart pumps oxygenated blood through the body.

It helps to keep maintain the flowing of oxygen in the human body.

It explains that the particular brain needs a instant oxygen.

heart is very useful for proper flowing of blood in all the muscles and all the part of the body.

Title - Human heart

Application for School Leaving Certificate

4. Write an application to the Principal of your school for a school leaving certificate.

The Principal,  
S.D.P. Senior Secondary School,  
Ludhiana.

Sir,

I am a student of class VIII-A of your school. My father has been transferred to Hoshiarpur. We are moving on the 15th of this month. Kindly issue my school leaving certificate at the earliest and oblige.

With thanks,

Yours obediently,

X.Y.Z. ....

Roll. No. 24, VIII-A.

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**Q. Write an application to the Principal of your school asking three days leave as you are ill.**

25 May, 2023

To,

The Principal,  
Govt. H.S. School  
Bhopal

**Subject: - An application for leave.**

Sir,

I am a student of class X<sup>th</sup>. I am ill. I cannot come to school for three days. I want three days leave.

Kindly grant me leave for three days.

Thanking you

Yours obediently,

Name: .....



## An Indian Festival Diwali

**Introduction:** Festivals are an important part of our life. All the festivals recharge us for daily routine. Diwali is a great Indian festival. It is the festival of light; we celebrate Diwali in the month of October or November on the Amavasya of Kartik month every year.

**Reason of Celebration:** It is believed that on this day Lord Ram returned to Ayodhya from his fourteen years exile. People of Ayodhya gave him a warm welcome. They decorated their houses with earthen lamps and distribute sweets. So we celebrate this day in his memory.

**Preparations:** People clean and white wash their houses. The shops are painted and reset. Decorative items make the market look very beautiful.

**The Celebration:** Diwali starts with Dhanteras. On this day, people buy new clothes, utensils and crackers. They buy sweets, fruits, crackers and gifts to present their friends and relatives. On the day of Amavasya, people worship Goddess Lakshmi. They pray to her to shower her blessings and wealth upon them. The Diwali night becomes the brightest night because of electric series, earthen lamps, decorative lightings etc. Children burst crackers.

**Advantages:** Diwali is enjoyed by all the people of every caste and religion. It strengthens the national unity. People in foreign countries also remember their motherland by celebrating Diwali.

**Disadvantages:** Some people gamble and drink on this day. This certainly is a bad practice. Likewise bursting crackers carelessly causes great damage and loss of property and environment.

**Conclusion:** Diwali is a festival of national importance. It brings happiness for both the rich and the poor. We should be careful in planning the expenditure for it to make it memorable.



## Science in Our Daily Life

OR

### Science as a Curse or Boon

“Life today is governed by science.” —*Nehru*

**Introduction :** The present age is the age of science. Science has made great progress in all fields. It has completely changed our life and made it very comfortable. Science indeed a great blessing to humanity.

**Electricity :** Science has given electricity. It is a miracle. It lights our houses. It cooks our food. It moves our fans and coolers. It keeps us cool in summer and hot in winter. It irons our clothes. It runs our factories and mills. It irrigate our fields. It prints newspaper, book and other things. Modern life is impossible without electricity.

**Means of Transport :** With the help of science, man has conquered time and distance. We have railways, buses, cars, scooter, aeroplane etc. Man has reached the moon and other planet with the help of rocket and satellite.

**Field of Medical Science :** In the field of medical science, it has banished fatal disease. There are many blessings of science. Heart and Kidney transplant has become possible. X-ray, sonography, E. C. G, city scan are well developed. They cure the dreadful cancer. Defective organ can be replaced.

**Means of Communication :** Science has given us wonderful means of communication. We have radio, T. V., cinema, computer, telephone, wireless, internet etc. We can talk to our relatives and friends who lives in distance within seconds. Computer makes a complex calculation with a fraction of second. It print out very quickly. Internet is the wonderful boon of science.

*“Science is great blessings in peace but a curse in war.”*

**Science as a Curse :** Everything has two sides. Science too has dark side. Machines has made man lazy. The invention and use of gunpowder, atom bombs, poisonous gases and other weapons are great danger. These can destroy the whole world within seconds. We have a lesson from the two World War's. If there is atomic war in future the whole mankind and civilization would come to end.

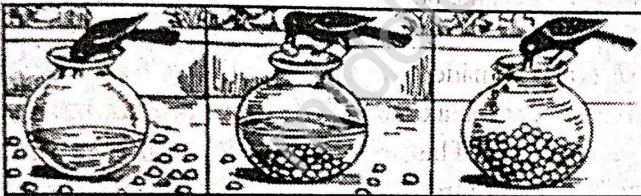
“True science teaches above all to doubt and to be ignorance.”

**Conclusion :** Thus, we can see that science is a good servant but a bad master. It is not curse but really boon. Weapons like atom bombs can destroy the world but it also produce energy. It depends upon us how to use it and make our life happy



Regular exercise can help us to build a healthy and fit body that would be resistant to diseases. A healthy person's body is in complete harmony with his mind. Thus healthy is the state of complete wellbeing of the body and the mind.

6. Study the picture and describe the wise deed of a crow in short.



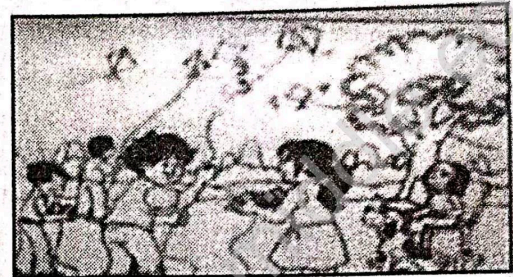
**Ans. The Thirsty Crow**

It was a hot summer day. A thirsty crow flew into the sky in search of water. The crow flew over the houses, fields and trees. But he could not get water. Suddenly he saw a pitcher. The crow swooped down to the pitcher and looked inside. There was very little water in it. He tried again and again but could not drink water.

He tried to push the pitcher down but it was too heavy to move. The crow was disappointed. After some thinking he got an idea. He brought the pebbles from its beak and put them in the pitcher one by one. After adding the pebbles the water level came up to the neck of the pitcher.

He was very happy and drank water silently. He drank water and flew back home happily.

7. On the basis of given picture write a paragraph in 75 words



**Ans. Garden : A playing spot**

A garden is the best place where children can play and enjoy and persons can get relief from a busy life. More over a garden welcomes many healthy benefits. A garden has different types of plants. Some of them are big and some others are small. The girls are playing in the garden and look very happy. They are playing slide, see saw, swing and many other things. Some children are flying kites. A handicapped girl is sitting on the chair and watching the playing girls. Two girls are playing with a ball. The greenery of the garden attracts us very much. The garden has a big tree. Many birds have built their nests on it. It provides shelter and home for birds and insects. All the children are very happy in the garden.



English

Q.7

① far

② The

③ Retired

④ A little

⑤ arrive

Q.8.

① She does not speak.

② The tall man who is talking to my

father is a doctor.

③ If does not rain, we shall go to

School.

④ Aman is so intelligent that he can

pass this exam easily.

⑤ children were playing football in the

Park.

Q.9

① Robert Frost

② a bunch of crooks

③ fish

④ Kitty

Q.10(A)

① clean

② France to England

③ Black Aeroplane

①(B)

① A Tiger in the Zoo

② Starts

③ dull

Q.11.1 - Mandela thanks the International Leaders to be present on the occasion to witness victory for Justice, for peace and for human dignity.



11.2 - ~~Lencho~~ The young seagull was afraid to fly because he thought that his wings would not support him.

11.3 - He Punished her by giving her extra homework to write essays on 'A chatter box.'

11.4 - Valli's favourite pastime was standing in the front doorway of her house and watching what was happening in the street outside.

11.5 - After the rain, all the corn in Lencho's field was totally destroyed.

11.6 - The risk is to fly the Dakota straight through the storm.

~~11.7 -~~



the forest

**13. What does the poet compare the branches of trees to?**

12.1

Ans. The poet compares the branches to patients who were newly discharged from the hospital.

End

### The Ball Poem

8. Where did the ball go?

12.2

Ans. The ball went into the nearby water body.

9. What does 'in the world of recession' mean?



### How to Tell Wild Animals

7. The Bengal Tiger Who is the noble wild beast according to the poet of 'How to Tell Wild Animals?'

Ans. The Bengal Tiger is the noble wild beast according to the poet of 'How to Tell Wild Animals?'

The Ball Poem

12.3

**4. What does hari singh get form Anil in return for his work?**

Ans. Hari Singh got education and goodwill in return of his work for Anil.

**5. Why had Fowler wanted to meet Ausable? 13.1**



2. How did Mrs. Pumphrey and her servant behave when Tricki was being sent to the Surgery?

13.2

Ans. When Tricki was about to be hospitalised, Mrs Pumphrey felt very sad. She had tears in her eyes. Her servant was also anxious.

Ans. Horace Dandy likes to collect rare and expensive books.

**7. How did the invisible man become visible?**

Ans. Griffin, the invisible scientist first became visible when he happened to step in some mud, which caused him to leave footprints as he walked.

13.3

**1. How did the postmaster and post office employees help Lencho? How did he react to their help?**

Ans. The Postmaster and post office employees were very generous as they contributed for the act of charity. First they laughed when they saw Lencho's letter to God, but soon they were impressed by his faith in God. They decided to send some money to Lencho so that his faith in God does not get shaken. They collected seventy pesos and sent it to Lencho. 14

When Lencho got the envelope and opened it to count money, he became angry. He again wrote a letter to God demanding the remaining thirty pesos. He thought that post office employees had taken away the remaining money and called them a bunch of crooks, which was not justified at all as they were the people who had helped him. But it shows his innocence and firm faith in God.



**2. How did the hailstones affect Lencho's field? What was Lencho's only hope?**

Ans. Lencho, a hardworking farmer, worked like an ox for a good harvest, depended completely on his fields to take care of his family. He expected a good harvest that year. He needed a downpour for the crops to ripe, but the rain followed by hailstorm completely destroyed the crops. *or. 14*

It made him sad. He was worried for his family as he loved them so much. But Lencho had firm faith in God and believed that nobody died of hunger. So, he decided to seek help from God. He wrote a letter to God and asked him for a hundred pesos to survive and to sow new crop.

2. What is the central idea of the poem 'Fire and Ice'?

Ans. In the poem "Fire and Ice," the poet conveys the notion that the world could meet its end through either fire or ice. The use of these elements as symbols is significant: "fire" represents human

(1) Why did Siddhartha Gautam abandon his luxurious life ?

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सिद्धार्थ गौतम ने अपना शाही जीवन क्यों त्याग दिया ?

or. 15

**Ans.** While hunting, Siddhartha saw a sick man, an aged man, then a funeral procession and a monk begging. Looking at these scenes, he was so moved that he left his luxurious life to search for enlightenment.

शिकार करते समय, सिद्धार्थ ने एक बीमार आदमी, एक बूढ़ा आदमी, फिर एक शव यात्रा और एक



and attacked her. These were the three extraordinary things.

**4. How did Bholi's teacher play an important role in changing the course of her life?**

Ans. Bholi's teacher played a very important role in transforming her life. The teacher helped her become confident in reading, writing, and speaking clearly. This newfound confidence was further boosted by the teacher's appreciation and encouragement, which helped Bholi overcome her low morale.

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Hari Singh aspires to be a part of civilized society.

**3. What other extraordinary things happen at the inn?**

*or. 16*

Ans. First, Mrs. Hall heard a sniff close to her ear. This was very strange as she did not see anyone near her. Secondly, the hat leapt up and struck her face. Thirdly, the bed room chair sprang into the air and attacked her. These were the three extraordinary things.