



# ANANDALAYA

## Weekly Test 3

Class : VII

Subject : ENGLISH  
Date : 27/10/2015

M.M : 20  
Time : 1 Hour

### SECTION A (READING)

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions.

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Our ancestors recognized as far back as 3500 B. C. that onions were one of the few foods that did not spoil quickly. Perhaps it was this quality of rugged durability that gave it a special status. The ancient Egyptians worshiped the onion, believing that its spherical shape and concentric symbolized eternity, and Egyptian artists carved images of the onion in gold. When the magnificent treasures from the pyramid of king Tutankhamen were brought to the surface after centuries, onions were found among them.

The people of Switzerland actually have a festival dedicated to onions. On the fourth Monday in November every year the onion festival is celebrated in the country's capital Berne. Housewives weave strings of onions into plaits that are hung outside their homes. During this festival, onion soup, onion pie and even marzipan sweets shaped like onions fill the food stores.

The ancient Egyptians were also admirers of garlic. An Egyptian papyrus from 1500 B. C. recommends garlic as a cure for 22 ailments. Egyptians nobles fed garlic to poor slaves who toiled to build the pyramids, as they felt it increased their stamina. In 1858, Louis Pasteur, the celebrated scientist, documented that garlic pods had the power to kill bacteria and in fact during World War II, when the drug were scarce garlic pods were used to disinfect open wounds of soldiers on the battle fields.

1. Choose the correct alternatives.

1. In modern times, the country which has showed great love for onions is \_\_\_\_\_. a) Egypt b) Switzerland c) India
2. How did the people of Berne celebrate the onion festival?
3. Why did the ancient Egyptians worship the onions?
4. How was garlic used during World War II?
5. The word \_\_\_\_\_ in the passage means 'inadequately available'. [para 3]

## SECTION B (WRITING)

2. Write an autobiography of an umbrella. 5

## SECTION C (GRAMMAR)

3. In the following passage one word has been omitted against which blank is given. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word after it in the space provided. 3

	Before	Missing	After
1. The science Ayurveda is			
2. Almost as old mankind Itself. People are using			
3. herbal remedies treat			
4. everything the common cold to			
5. cancer. It is important know			
6. which herbal remedy works which health condition.			

4. Rearrange the words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. 2
1. the/success/key to/hard work/is
  2. hear of/success/I am/your/ delighted to

## SECTION D (LITERATURE)

5. Answer the following questions [any two] 4
1. What did the other athletes do in the 'Nine Gold Medals'? Describe their actions.
  2. Write a brief character sketch of the carpenter from the poem 'Walrus and the Carpenter'.
  3. Was Anne unhappy in 'The Annex Family'? Give reasons to support your answer.
6. Read the given sentences and answer the questions 1
- 'I don't care what you say. Why don't you just wash your hands of me-I'm a hopeless case.'*
1. Who is the speaker? Why does the speaker think so?