



ANANDALAYA
SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT - 1
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Section A (Reading)

Q 1 Read the following passage and answer the questions by writing the option you consider most appropriate. (5)

As one enters Kollugudipatti, a small village on the Melur - Tirupattur Road, Tamil Nadu, a stern message – HUNTING PROHIBITED – greets you.

In this village lives a close-knit community of 50 families, whose members have two aims in life: to look after the interests of the village and to protect the migratory birds that visit this village in the month of July and begin nesting soon after.

Some of the migratory birds that come regularly to nest here are spoonbills, night herons, egrets and cormorants.

A patch of marshy land in waist-deep water creates a mangrove that safely houses these migratory birds. The birds are treated with great respect and the villagers have names for each one of them. Interestingly, all the activities in the village revolve around these feathered visitors whose security is of prime importance to the villagers.

The people of Kollugudipatti have unanimously decided against celebrating Deepavali in the village. It is a time for silence during the festival, as the villagers believe that crackers will scare the birds away. The migratory birds lay their eggs during this season and the hatching of the eggs coincides with Deepavali.

Voices become choked with emotion when the villagers describe how Deepavali crackers are likely to frighten the birds and chicks. They believe that if any of the birds were to falter* and fall from their nests, they will never return to roost again! And if the birds never came again, the villagers believe that Kollugudipatti would be hit by misfortune!

The birds may be unaware of the sacrifice made by this caring community every Deepavali, but there is a lesson in it for everyone of us!

*falter: [here] to move in a way that is not steady.

A) Choose the correct alternative

- 1) The villagers do not burn crackers during Deepavali because they believe that
 - a) it is waste of money.
 - b) it will frighten the little chicks and birds.
 - c) the village will be hit by bad luck.
- 2) Which of these phrases would you use to describe the people of Kollugudipatti?
 - a) environmentally aware
 - b) filled with blind belief
 - c) not caring and considerate

B) Answer the following questions

- 1) How can we tell that the villagers have special relationship with the migratory birds?
- 2) What is special about the people of Kollugudipatti?
- 3) What lesson can we learn from this passage?

Read the following passage and answer the questions:-

Q 2 Lee Whang [1501-1570] was one of the most distinguished scholars in Korean history. He was known not only for his scholastic achievements but also for his virtues and wisdom. One day a young scholar was on his way to Lee Whang's study to receive private instruction. He came to a stream with no bridge. There were no stepping-stones either. In order to cross the stream he would have to take off his socks and shoes, and roll up his baggy pants. He thought it was too undignified for a Yang Bay [a person from the elite class] to do that. He looked around. Nearby, an old man was gathering wood twigs for fuel. The young scholar beckoned the old man and said to him, "You could possibly expect a Yang Bay like me to take off my shoes and socks, and get my feet wet. Carry me on your back to the other side of the stream." (5)

The old man gladly agreed. He let the young scholar get on his back and started crossing the stream. The young scholar asked the old man, 'Do you know the way to "Do San Suwon"?' [This was Lee Whang's private study.]

'Yes, sir,' answered the old man.

'Then you must know the famous scholar Lee Whang?'

'Of course, I know him very well.'

'How do you know Lee Whang?' the young scholar asked. Beaming with a smile on his wrinkled face, the old man answered, 'I am Lee Whang.'

Can you imagine how the young scholar must have felt? He felt as if he were struck by lightning. He was so embarrassed that he did not know what to do. The young man begged Lee Whang to allow him to get off his back. But, Lee Whang kept going calmly saying, 'You might as well remain on my back until we cross the stream.' He carried him to the other side.

Koreans hold men of virtue and wisdom like Lee Whang in the highest respect. 'Ears of rice humbly bend as the rice ripens,' says a Korean proverb.

1. Why did the young scholar not want to cross the stream?
2. Who was Lee Whang? What was he known for?
3. What is the meaning of Korean proverb, 'Ears of rice humbly bend as the rice ripens'?
[a) The ears of a rice plant bend with the weight of the ripened rice grain **or**
b) Mature and wise people are always humble and simple.]
4. Find the words/phrase for the following expressions.
 - i) it means good qualities [para 1]
 - ii) in a state of shock [para 5]

SECTION B : WRITING

Q 3 Write a letter to your uncle describing "Teachers' Day" celebration in your school. (5)

Q 4 You are Komal / Kamala Patel and you have recently won badminton championship at the state level. Write a diary entry describing your feelings. (5)

Q 5 Write a paragraph with the help of given hints. (5)

ZEBRA

Colour: Striped black and white.

Height: 5 ft.

Body: stout

Mane: short, thick

Speed: 60 km/h

Habitat: mountains/plains

Native: Africa

Relates to: Horse & donkey

Other information: family groups and herds; males solitary

Scientific name: Equus zebra

Strips: prominent features, bold patterns, make them unattractive for small predators like horseflies, camouflage, works as a natural sun screen, each zebra strips are unique as no two human fingerprints are alike.

SECTION C : GRAMMAR

- Q 6 Fill in the blanks using correct articles. (2)
Tortoise is [a] ___ common name for members of the family of turtles that live entirely on land. Tortoises are slow moving animals known for their long life spans. Tortoises'' inhabit all of [b] ___ world's landmasses except Australia and Antarctica. [c] _____ greatest numbers of tortoises are found in the tropical regions of Africa, South America and Asia. Tortoises are protected by heavy shells composed of [d] ___ inner, bony layer and an outer layer made of horny plates.
- Q 7 The following passage has not been edited. There is an error in each of the lines against which a blank is given. Write the incorrect word and correct word in the space provided. (3)

	Incorrect	Correct
The slowdown into the Indian	(eg.) into	in
realty sector in the last few years has surprisingly not	(a)_____	_____
hampered the development off new	(b)_____	_____
malls by the country, report Samidha Sharma and	(c)_____	_____
Anshul Gupta.	x	x
According by numbers	(d)_____	_____
collated into a real estate consultancy firm which were	(e)_____	_____
shared to TOI exclusively, India had 570 operational malls as	(f)_____	_____
of May 2013 with a total area of 180 million sq ft.	x	x

- Q 8 Rearrange the words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. (3)
1. busy with/important work/ are / some/ the people
 2. eager to/ her painting/ the girl/ show/ was
 3. interest/ music/ in/ takes/ he/ a lot of
- Q 9 Fill in the blanks with the correct form of verbs. (2)
Lately, farmers (a) _____ (use) neem leaves to make a disinfectant. They (b) _____ (gather) leaves and put them in a tub of hot water and let it rest for about a week. Next, the leaves are (c) _____ (make) into pulp. The pulp is then put through a Muslin cloth and the water that (d) _____ (come) through is used to swab floors.

SECTION D : LITRETURE

- Q10 Answer the following questions. [any 5] (10)
1. Why did the Angel choose the leaden heart and the dead bird when the God ordered him to bring two most precious things in the city?
 2. Describe the character of Prospero in 'The Tempest'.
 3. Though the title of the story is 'The Happy Prince', the story describes the feelings of a sad Prince who weeps over the miseries of his people. In the context of the story, explain the significance of the title.
 4. Describe the small boy in refugee.
 5. Describe the violent storm from the story 'The Tempest'.
 6. Why did the refugees pass as in a dream seeing nothing?
 7. Why did the Mayor decide to pull down the statue of the Happy Prince?
- Q11 Reference to context. (2)
'If we let them in, they will steal our daily bread.'
- 1) Who says these words?
 - 2) Who do they refer to?
 - 3) What does this tell us about people's attitude to refugees?

Value Based Question

- Q12 If land is a symbol for a nation and seed is symbol of growth, what message does the author want to give through it? (3)