**SHIVALIK PUBLIC SCHOOL, MOHALI**

**SUMMER BREAK ASSIGNMENT XII, ENGLISH – Submit in separate folder- properly written answers.**

**THE LAST LESSON**

1. When you have sight you never realize the value of your eyes’ how far is this true with the story `The Last Lesson?’
2. Give a detailed description of the scene of the classroom.
3. Describe M. Hamel’s last day at school.
4. Bring out the difference in the environment of the classroom before and after the announcement.

**LOST SPRING**

1. Do you think the child labour law should be enforced? If the child labour law is enforced approximately how many rag pickers and how many bangle makers would be freed from Seemapuri and Firozabad? Envisage the life Saheb and Mukesh would enjoy if they were freed? How would it be different from the present condition?
2. Bring out from the lesson the pathetic condition of children working in inhuman conditions?
3. Saheb has lost all the joy and freedom by working in the tea stall where he is no longer his own master. Do you think his decision was wise or could he have made a better choice? Or was it still better to leave him at rag picking where he was his own master?
4. Describe the miserable plight of the people of Firozabad.
5. Bring out the irony and pathos in the story of Anees Jung.

**POEM- MY MOTHER AT SIXTY SIX**

1. My mother at sixty six, Kamala Das has pointed out at close relationships in an objective manner comment.
2. Why did the poet suddenly recall ‘the last Friday morning’?
3. “My parents’ home”. Was the poet possessive in her thought? If so why?
4. Why is human relationship subtle and complex? How is Kamala Das trapped in this maze?

**An Elementary School Classroom In A Slum.**

1. The poem begins on a very potent simile about the children’s faces. Explain.
2. Bring out the powerful imagery presented in the first stanza depicting despair and disease
3. Why is the class described referred to as ‘dim’?
4. Why is Shakespeare wicked and maps a bad example?
5. What picture comes to your mind with the phrases ‘slag heap’ and ‘skin peeped through by bones’?
6. Why is the mended glass referred to as ‘bottle bits of stones’?
7. Explain: “so blot their map with slums”
8. Why is the slum referred to as ‘catacombs’? What is the significance of the white and green leaves?
9. Bring out the various poetic devices used by the poet to drive home the point
10. How far does he succeed in presenting an allegorical representation of haves and have-nots?
11. How do the children of the elementary school classroom in a slum look?
12. What does the poet mean in ‘Shakespeare is wicked and the map is a bad example…’?
13. How does the poet draw out metaphorically the present condition of the slum school children indicating bleak and dreary features?
14. How does the poet begin the poem with all the despair and end with hope?

**THE TIGER KING -**

1. How did the chief astrologer react to the tiger king’s question about the manner of his death? How did the tiger king take it?
2. What did the Maharaja do when he stood in danger of losing his kingdom?
3. What plan did the Maharaja think of to fulfil his vow to kill hundred tigers after the tiger population became extinct in his state?
4. What caused the death of the Maharaja?
5. Where was the hundredth tiger finally found?
6. An interesting conversation took place between Crown prince Jung JungBahadur and the astrologers. What was it about? How did they react to each other?
7. How did the Dewan take his tiger into the forest?

**HOTS-**

1. Why is there no chance of fulfilment of meeting the man of indomitable courage face to face?
2. How did the Maharaja celebrate his victory over the killing of the 100th tiger?
3. Elucidate any two humorous or comic elements in the story.
4. Why did the British officer wish to hunt a tiger? How did the tiger king deal with the problem?
5. What exactly did the crown princess of all the other Indian states do?

**THE ENEMY- Average Students-**

1. How did Dr. Sadao tend the wound of the man?
2. Who was the white man whom Dr. Sadao and Hana found?
3. Why didn’t Dr Sadao put the wounded man back in the sea even though he was hisenemy?
4. What did Dr Sadao do to send off the man?
5. How did Hana show her great human sight to the soldier after the operation?
6. Why did the General not send the assassins to kill the soldier as he promised?
7. How did Hana help the wounded man?
8. What message does ‘The Enemy’ give?
9. While hatred against a member of the enemy race is justifiable, especially during war time, what makes a human being rise above narrow prejudices?
10. Dr. Sadao was compelled by his duty as a doctor to help the enemy soldier .
11. What made Hana , his wife sympathetic to him in the face of defiance from the domestic staff?
12. **HOTS-** What did Hana wonder about the cruelty of people in power?
13. What kind of relationship did Sadao share with his father?
14. A mature understanding is reflected in the relationship between Hanna and Dr.Sadao. Why does Dr. Sadao say they were perfectly happy?
15. What did Hana and Dr Sadao contemplate first?
16. What explains the attitude of the General in the matter of the enemy soldier?
17. Was it human consideration, lack of nation loyalty, neglecting of duty or simply self-absorption?
18. There are moments in life when we have to make hard choices between our roles as private individuals and as citizens with the sense of national loyalty. Discuss with the story.

**NOTICES-1**. You lost your pen drive in the school. Draft a notice to be put up on the school notice board. You are Pallavi/Piyush of Bal Nivas Vidyalaya.

2. You are the literary captain of Vivekanda school. Your school is celebrating grandparents’ day. Draft a notice to be put up on the notice board asking the students to invite their grandparents. Invent all the details.

**POSTER WRITING-**1.. You are Chandan / Chandrika a social activist .Design a poster for conservation of tiger.

2.. Your school plans to spread the message of the harmful effects of smoking . Draft a poster.

**CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENT-**1. You have lost your brief case while travelling to Chennai by bus. Draft an advertisement to be given in the local daily. Invent all the details. You are Shalini/Sunder.

2. You are setting up crèche in your area. You need a trained nurse for the crèche. Draft a suitable advertisement inventing all the details. You are Ashok/ Ashoka of Belgaum.

**COMMERCIAL/DISPLAY ADVERTISEMENT**.-1. You are working for an advertising agency. Draft an advertisement for a company Called Comfortable Electonics for marketing their new refrigerator ‘Eco Cold’.

2. Draft an advertisement for Solar Cooker launched by Surya Pvt. Ltd .

**REPORT WRITING-**1. You are Anil/Anita of class IX. Your school has organized a musical concert in the school auditorium on the occasion of the foundation day of the school. Write a report for the school magazine.

2. You are Ram/Ravina, a reporter of “Deccan Herald”. Recently the President of India visited Bangalore to inaugurate Cancer Research Institute. Write a factual report for the newspaper.

**ARTICLES-**1. You notice that even school going children are found busy with their mobiles. You feel that it has spoilt their relationship with the family members. It has also led to some undesirable developments in their life. Write an article on the same discussing the measures against the same practice.

2. Computer literacy has become the need of the hour. Write an article about the need of the same and what steps can be taken by government in this regard.

**LETTER WRITING-**

1. You are Karthik / Krithika of Chennai. Of late, chain‐snatching incidents are increasing in the city Write a letter to the Editor of The New Indian Express drawing the attention of the concerned authorities Also give suggestions

2..You could not visit your sister at Nepal due to certain unavoidable circumstances. Write a letter to your sister explaining and regretting your inability; you are Madhavan /Madhavi of Kochi, Kerala.

**SECTION A - BBC – Do first five Note Making and Comprehension exercises for each of these.**

**MATHS: Solve given assignment**

**CHEMISTRY**

* **To complete NCERT exercise of already discussed chapters.**
* **To prepare Chemistry Project Report as already discussed.**

**BIOLOGY**

* **Prepare a project file on the distributed theme individually to the students**
* **Complete the assignment in your notebook**
* **Complete practical experiments (No. 1 to 5) in practical file**
* **Revise Ch-1 to 5 Question answers and subject matter.**

**HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCTAION**

* **STRAND-1 (GAMES/SPORTS) ANY GAME**
* **STRAND-2(HEALTH & FITNESS) YOGA/MASS P.T/ AEROBICS**