

PVG'S
Mukangan English School & Jr. College, Pune -9
Unit Test - I (2024-25)
STANDARD – XII

Subject – English
Date – 24/7/2024

Marks -25
Time – 8.30am to 09.45 am

Section A - Prose

Q1 A) Read the following extract and complete the activities given below. (10)

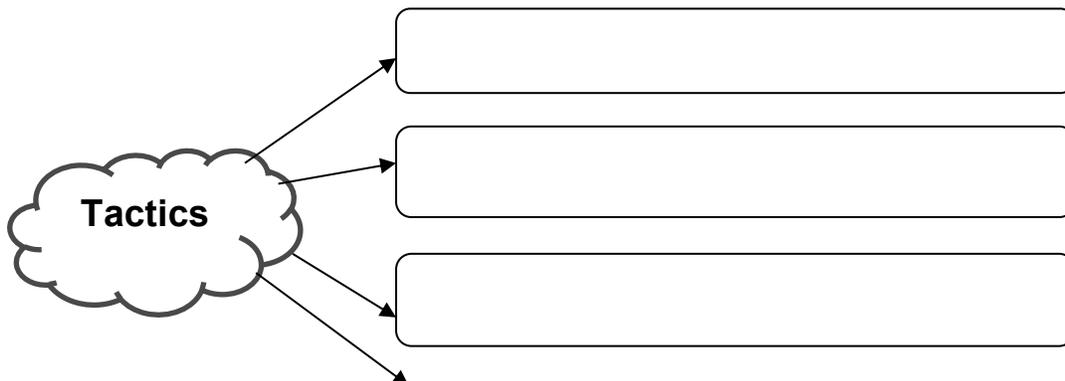
He had left his village without any previous thought or plan. If he had continued there he would have carried on the work of his forefathers namely, tilling the land, living, marrying, and ripening in his cornfield and ancestral home. But that was not to be. He had to leave home without telling anyone, and he could not rest till he left it behind a couple of hundred miles. To a villager it is a great deal, as if an ocean flowed between.

He had a working analysis of mankind's troubles: marriage, money, and the tangles of human ties. Long practice had sharpened his perception. Within five minutes he understood what was wrong. He charged three pies per question, never opened his mouth till the other had spoken for at least ten minutes, which provided him enough stuff for a dozen answers and advices. When he told the person before him, gazing at his palm, "In many ways you are not getting the fullest results for your efforts," nine out of ten were disposed to agree with him. Or he questioned "Is there any woman in your family, maybe even a distant relative who is not well disposed towards you?" Or he gave an analysis of character: "Most of your troubles are due to your nature. How can you be otherwise with Saturn where he is? You have an impetuous nature and a rough exterior." This endeared him to their hearts immediately, for even the mildest of us loves to think that he has a forbidding exterior.

A1 Global understanding

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Complete the given diagram with appropriate response.



A2 Complex Factual **2**
Choose two sentences from the extract.

- (a) The astrologer was efficient in his job.
- (b) The astrologer travelled a long distance.
- (c) The astrologer was a good listener and that helped him to read the minds of his customers.
- (d) The astrologer charged very less for giving his opinion.

A3 Analyse **2**
Why most of the astrologer's customers were satisfied with his answer. Give reasons.

A4 Personal Response **2**
Do you believe in astrology? Justify your answer.

A5 Vocabulary **2**
Give one word for the following.

- i) Cultivating a land for agriculture
- ii) Made likeable

Q1 B) Non-textual Grammar **(3)**

B1 Do as director. **2**

- i).....ATM is useful machine.
(Fill in the blanks with suitable articles and rewrite the sentence.)
- ii) The quiz master said, "When did Quit India Movement take place?"
(Given below are four options find out correct indirect speech of the given sentence and rewrite it.)
 - (a) The quiz master said that when Quit India Movement had taken place.
 - (b) The quiz master asked that when Quit India Movement had taken place.
 - (c) The quiz master asked when Quit India Movement had taken place.
 - (d) The quiz master asked when was Quit India Movement taken place.

B2 Spot the error. **1**
C V Raman's knowledge of all branches of physics are phenomenal

Section B - Poetry

Q2 Read the extract and complete the activities given below. **(8)**

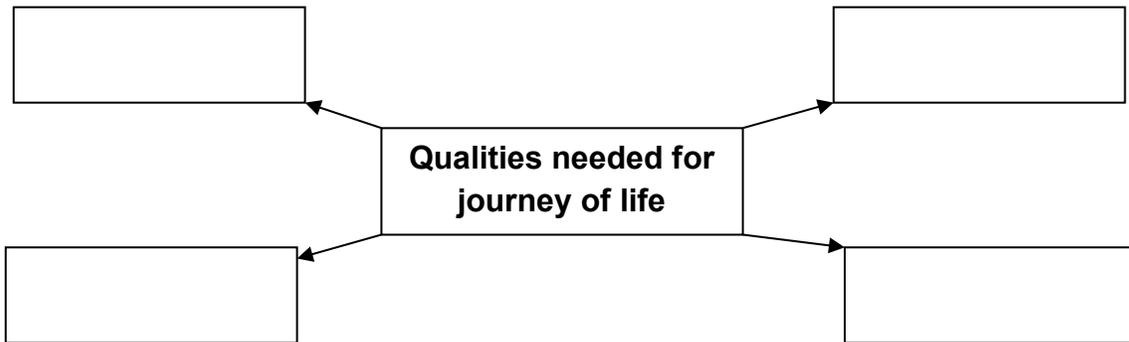
Afoot and light-hearted I take to the open road,
Healthy, free, the world before me,
The long brown path before me leading wherever I choose
Henceforth I ask not good fortune; I myself am good fortune,
Henceforth I whimper no more, postpone no more, need nothing.

Done with indoor complaints, libraries, querulous criticisms,
 Strong and content I travel the open road
 The earth, that is sufficient,
 I do not want the constellations any nearer,
 I know they are very well where they are,
 I know they suffice for those who belong to them.
 (Still here I carry my old delicious burdens,
 I carry them, men and women, I carry them with me wherever I go,
 I swear it is impossible for me to get rid of them,
 I am fill'd with them, and I will fill them in return

A1 Global Understanding

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Complete the web diagram about the qualities needed on the journey of life.



A2 Analysis

2

Analyse the line - I ask not good fortune, I myself am good fortune.

A3 Personal Response

2

Explain the importance of long path/road in man's life.

A4 Poetic Devices

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Identify and explain the figure of speech in the following line.

Still here I carry my old delicious burdens.

Section C- Writing Skills

Q3 Choose any recent book that you have read and give an account of it based on the following points. (4)

Name of the book – theme and plot of the book – critical appreciation – your opinion.
