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Reading

Test 01

Fill in the blanks with suitable words.

(1x10=10marks)

(used , something , back , equipment , address, spotted ,filled, permission, require, as)

It was early morning when I entered the gym. I took a deep breath as I looked around. The workout area was 1) _____ with the sound of clanking weights and energizing music. As I looked around, I 2) _____ sweaty handprints on the workout machines. My water bottle had been 3) _____ by someone else without my 4.) _____. These careless gym-goers had no regard for others using the5.) _____! What a disappointing start to my workout session. I shook my head. The machines would 6) _____ cleaning after every use. Getting 7) _____ into a clean and hygienic environment would take time. The gym staff would have to 8) _____ the issue promptly to maintain a positive gym experience. I had to do 9) _____ about it. I could not afford to compromise on my fitness routine 10) _____ it is crucial for my well-being.

Test 02

Cloze reading – Fill in the blanks with appropriate words from the words given below.

(1/2x20 =10marks)

(plains , occasionally ,displaying , body peacefully, what , among, brushing , head, across, through, darkness, of, reached, completely, animals, might, time, born , seek)

It was past midnight. We were walking 1) _____ Horton Plains, enjoying the cool mountain breeze 2) _____ against our faces. Then one of us spotted 3)

_____ we had come to witness. Emerging from the 4.) _____ of the plains came a majestic sambar deer, gracefully walking 5) _____ the grassland. It had magnificent antlers upon its 6) _____ and moved with a sense 7.) _____ tranquility. The deer 8) _____ a clearing and began grazing 9) _____ on the lush green grass. It lifted its head (10) _____, as if scanning the surroundings, (11) _____ at ease in its natural habitat. With its strong and agile (12) _____, it effortlessly moved through the landscape, 13) _____ a sense of grace and beauty. In the moonlit night, we could see other 14) _____ scattered across the 15) _____. In a year's 16) _____, new offspring will be 17) _____ 18) _____ them. These young ones will learn to navigate the plains and 19) _____ their own adventures. As they grow older, they too 20) _____ return to this sanctuary, continuing the cycle of life and preserving the beauty of Horton Plains.

Test 03

Read the poem and answer the questions.

(2x10=20marks)

A Caterpillar, on the Ground -
Unaware, I stood and stared,
It chewed a leaf with tiny mouth,
Ate, undeterred.

Then, it drank morning dew
From grass nearby,
And gracefully moved aside
For a passing beetle's fly.

Its eyes, darting to and fro,
Like shiny beads in retreat,
Shining with timid fear,
Its soft head discreet.

With caution, like in danger's grip,
I offered it a small piece,
Unfolding delicate threads,
Moving towards its dwelling.

Smoothly gliding through the earth,
Like shiny lines coming together,
Like butterflies at midday's shore,
Silently gliding they gather.

1. What creature was on the ground?

2. What did the creature chew?

3. What did the creature drink?

4. Where did the creature find the drink?

5. How did the creature's eyes look?

6. What did the person think the creature's head felt like?

7. What did the person offer to the creature?

8. Did the creature accept the offer?

9. How did the creature move through the earth?

10. Did the person mention any time of day in the poem?

Test 04

A) Read the different passages and write suitable sub headings for each of the paragraphs selecting from the list given.

(2x5 = 10marks)

(Components of the respiratory system beyond the lungs, The role of the lungs in gas exchange, Oxygen absorption and circulation in the body, Importance of the human respiratory system, The process of exhaling waste gases)

1.-----

The human breathing system is a complex network of organs responsible for taking in oxygen and getting rid of carbon dioxide. It is essential for our survival and overall health. Similar to how the brain controls the body, the breathing system ensures that oxygen is continuously supplied to all our cells.

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At the center of the breathing system are the lungs, which are the main organs for gas exchange. When we breathe in, air enters through either our nose or mouth and travels

down a tube called the windpipe, or trachea. The windpipe branches into smaller tubes called bronchi, which further divide into tiny air sacs called alveoli.

3.-----
Inside the alveoli, oxygen from the inhaled air enters the bloodstream, while carbon dioxide, a waste product produced by our cells, moves in the opposite direction. This exchange of gases happens because the walls of the alveoli are thin, allowing for efficient transfer. The oxygen-rich blood is then carried by the circulatory system to every part of the body, nourishing our organs and tissues.

4.-----
During exhaling, the process is reversed. Carbon dioxide, produced by our body's activities, is carried back to the lungs through the bloodstream. From the lungs, it is expelled when we breathe out. This rhythmic breathing of inhaling and exhaling creates a continuous flow of fresh oxygen and the removal of waste gases, maintaining a balanced breathing system.

5.-----
Alongside the lungs, other parts of the breathing system include the diaphragm, a muscle beneath the lungs that assists in breathing by contracting and relaxing. The breathing system works together with the circulatory system to deliver oxygen and eliminate waste gases effectively, ensuring the proper functioning of the body.

B) Write complete answers.

(2x10=20marks)

1. What is the human breathing system responsible for?

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2. Why is the breathing system essential for our survival and overall health?

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3. Which organ is at the center of the breathing system?

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4. What are the smaller tubes called that branch from the windpipe?

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5. What happens inside the alveoli?

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6. Why are the walls of the alveoli thin?

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7. What happens during exhaling?

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8. What does the rhythmic breathing of inhaling and exhaling create?

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9. Besides the lungs, what other part of the breathing system is mentioned?

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10. How does the breathing system work together with the circulatory system?

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C) Write a suitable word for each description choosing from the passage.

(2x5=10marks)

1. process of inhaling and exhaling air.
2. essential gas for our body's survival-
3. waste gas produced by our body-
4. organs for breathing and gas exchange-
5. group of organs working together for a specific purpose.

VOCABULARY

Test 01 - Underline the word with correct spelling.

(1x10 =10marks)

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| 1. commen | common | commun | komon |
| 2. masculine | masquilin | maskuli | musculin |
| 3. estara | xtra | extra | sxtra |
| 4. desition | disision | dishision | decision |
| 5. refuce | reffuze | refuse | rifuse |
| 6. height | hight | heiiit | height |
| 7. around | arownd | arovnd | around |
| 8. minite | minit | minute | miniute |
| 9. ajust | adjust | ajast | adjust |
| 10. benefit | benifit | benefite | binafit |

Test 02 - Give the opposites/antonyms of the following words.

(1x10=10 marks)

1. brave -
2. above -
3. narrow -
4. friend -
5. tall -
6. weak -
7. arrival -
8. input -
9. full -
10. solid -