

SUCCESS KEY TEST SERIES

WORKSHEET

Std: VIII (E.M)

Subject: English (First Language)

Time: 1Hrs

Date :

Ch-1.1 & 1.2

Max Marks: 30

Activity Sheet

SECTION I : LANGUAGE STUDY

Q.1 Do as Directed;

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(1) Praising all alike is praising none.

(Say whether the -ing forms given in the following sentences are gerunds or present participles)

(2) She is interested in _____ a doctor. (become)

(Fill in the correct form of Gerund or Infinitive)

(3) good morning to one and all present today (Punctuate the sentence)

(4) (i) Great (ii) Explain (Write the synonymous)

(5) (i) turn (ii) board (Give Prefix)

(6) Can

(Make two sentences of your own, using them as a noun in one and a verb in another)

(7) know, no

(Make sentences of your own to show the difference of usage of the following Homophones)

(8) No news is good news. (Spot the error and write the correct sentence)

(9) Mr McGuinness is from Ireland. (Add a question tag)

(10) She left without paying _____ the meal.

(Fill the blanks to make a meaningful sentence, choosing an appropriate preposition)

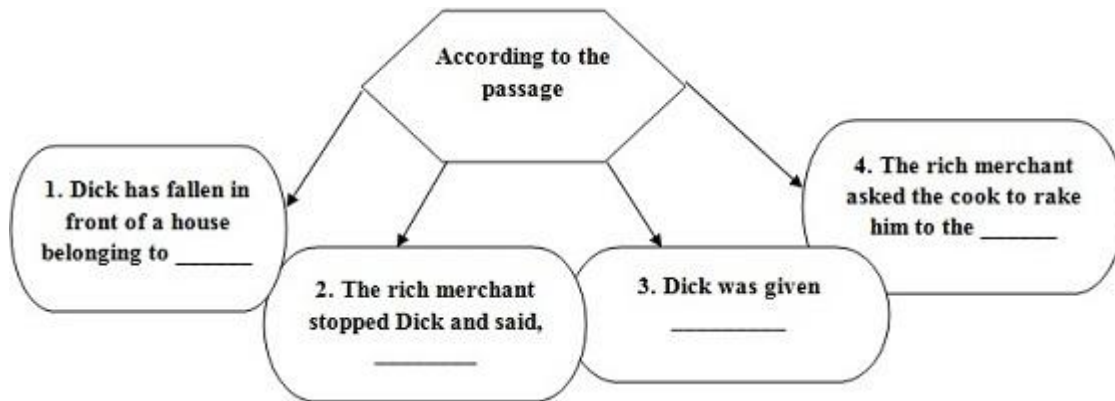
SECTION II : Textual Passage

(Reading Skills, Vocabulary and Grammar)

Q.2 Read the following passage carefully and complete the activities:

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1. Complete the web diagram: (2)



By chance, Dick had fallen in front of a house belonging to a rich merchant called Mr Fitzwarren. The cook was trying to drive Dick away, when Mr Fitzwarren returned home from inspecting his ships. He stopped and said to Dick, "Why don't you work if you need food?"

"I would work," said Dick, "but I know nobody who will give me anything to do."

"Take him into the kitchen," Mr Fitzwarren ordered the cook. "Feed him first and then find some work for him."

So Dick was given a home and a living. He had a small corner of the attic to sleep in and his job was to help the cook with all the pots and pans in the kitchen. Dick's life should have been much better than before, but he still had two difficulties to face.

The first was that the attic he slept in was overrun by rats and mice. At night they scampered all over him and kept him awake. After a time he solved this problem by saving the few pennies he was paid, and buying himself a cat. In no time at all, the cat chased away all the rats and mice, and Dick was able to sleep peacefully.

The other difficulty, which was not so easy to overcome, was the cook's bad temper. She shouted and screamed all day, and would scold Dick and hit him with a wooden spoon, even when he was working as hard as he could.

2. Fill in the blanks:

- i. Dick's job was to _____.
- ii. The attic he slept in was overrun by _____.
- iii. Dick wanted to buy a _____.
- iv. The other difficulty, which was not so easy to overcome, was the cook's _____.

3. Provide noun forms of the following words: (2)

- i. Inspecting
- ii. Scold
- iii. Shout
- iv. Solved

4. 1. Change the speech of the following sentences from direct to indirect: (1)

"Take him into the kitchen," Mr Fitzwarren ordered the cook.

2. Rewrite the following statement using "only when". (1)

"Why don't you work if you need food?"

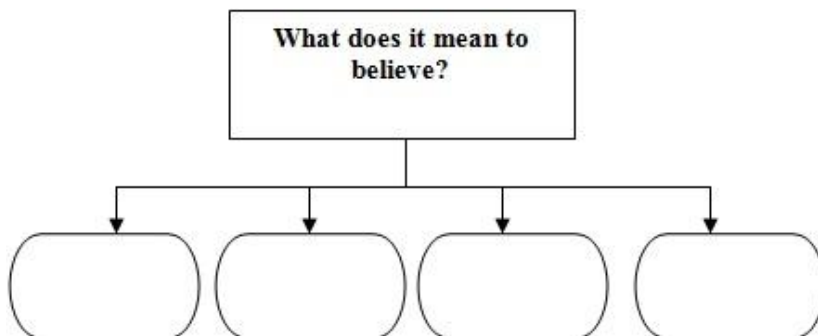
5. Do you have a pet and how has it changed your life? (2)

SECTION III : Poetry

Q.3(A) Read the following poem carefully and complete the activities:

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1. Complete the web diagram: (2)



"To believe is to know that
everyday is a new beginning.
Is to trust that miracles happen,
and dreams really do come true.
To believe is to see angels
dancing among the clouds.
To know the wonder of a stardust sky
and the wisdom of the man in the moon.
To believe is to know the value of a nurturing heart,
The innocence of a child's eyes
and the beauty of an aging hand,
for it is through their teachings, we learn to love.

2. State whether the following statements are true or false. (2)

- i. To believe it means to distrust.
- ii. To believe it means to not see the beauty in an ageing hand.
- iii. To believe is to disbelieve in angels.
- iv. One must believe that dreams come true.

3. Pick out example of Alliteration from the extract: (1)

(B) Analyse the following poem and answer any five points from those given below:

“To believe is to know that
 everyday is a new beginning.
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 and dreams really do come true.
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 To know the wonder of a stardust sky
 and the wisdom of the man in the moon.
 To believe is to know the value of a nurturing heart,
 The innocence of a child’s eyes
 and the beauty of an aging hand,
 for it is through their teachings, we learn to love.
 To believe is to find the strength
 and courage that lies within us,
 When it is time to pick up
 the pieces and begin again.
 To believe is to know
 we are never alone,
 That life is a gift
 and this is our time to cherish it.
 To believe is to know
 that wonderful surprises are just
 waiting to happen,
 And all our hopes and dreams are within reach.
 If only we believe.”

1. Poem and Poet: _____
2. Tone: _____
3. Structure and Stanzas: _____
4. Rhyme and Rhythm: _____
5. Figures of Speech: _____
6. Theme: _____
7. Language and Imagery: _____

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