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Summative Assessment II ENGLISH – Std. 9

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M. Marks : 70

Time : 3 hrs.

Roll No:

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Total printed pages :	10
Total printed questions :	11

The question paper is divided into three sections:

Section A	Reading	20 Marks
Section B	Writing & Grammar	25 Marks
Section C	Literature	25 Marks

General Instructions:

- All questions are compulsory.
- You may attempt any section at a time.
- All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.

Section – A (Reading)

1 a. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

- I was in Hyderabad giving a lecture, when a 14-year-old girl asked me for my autograph. I asked her goal in life. She replied, "I want to live in a developed India." For her, you and I will have to build this developed India. You must proclaim: India is not an under developed nation; it is a highly developed nation.
- Allow me to come back with vengeance. YOU say that our government is inefficient. YOU say that our laws are too old. YOU say that the municipality does not pick up the garbage. YOU say that the phones don't work, the railways are a joke, the airline is the worst in the world and mails never reach their destination. YOU say that our country has been fed to the dogs and is the absolute pits. YOU say, say and say.
- But when you go to Singapore, YOU walk out of the airport and you are at your International best. In Singapore you don't throw cigarette butts on the roads or eat in the stores.
- YOU come back to the parking lot to punch your parking ticket if you have overstayed in a restaurant or a shopping mall irrespective of your status or identity. In Singapore, you don't say anything, DO YOU? YOU wouldn't dare to eat in public during Ramadan, in Dubai. YOU would not dare to go out without your head covered in Jeddah. YOU would not dare to speed beyond 55 mph (88 kph) in Washington and then tell the traffic cop, "Do you know who I am? I am so and so's son. Take your two bucks and get lost." YOU wouldn't chuck an empty coconut shell anywhere other than the garbage pail on the beaches in Australia and New Zealand. We are still talking of the same YOU.
- YOU, who can respect and conform to a foreign system in other countries but cannot in your own. You who will throw papers and cigarettes on the road the moment you touch Indian ground.
- We go to the polls to choose a government and after that forfeit all responsibility. We sit back wanting to be pampered and expect the government to do everything for us whilst our contribution is totally negative. We expect the government to clean up but we are not going to stop chucking garbage all over the place nor are we going to stop to pick up a stray piece of paper and throw it in the bin. We expect the railways to provide clean bathrooms but we



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are not going to learn the proper use of bathrooms. We want Indian Airlines and Air India to provide the best of food supplies even to the staff who is known not to pass on the service to the public. When it comes to burning social issues like those related to women, dowry, girl child and others, we make loud protests and continue to do the reverse at home. Our excuse? "It's the whole system which has to change, how will it matter if I alone forego my sons' rights to a dowry." So, who's going to change the system? What does a system consist of? Very conveniently for us it consists of our neighbors, other households, other cities, other communities and the government. But definitely not me and YOU.

- 7 When it comes to us actually making a positive contribution to the system, we lock ourselves along with our families into a safe cocoon and look into the distance at countries far away and wait for a Mr. Clean to come along and work miracles for us with a majestic sweep of his hand. Or we leave the country and run away. Like lazy cowards hounded by our fears, we run to America to bask in their glory and praise their system. When New York becomes insecure we run to England. When England experiences unemployment, we take the next flight out to the Gulf. When the Gulf is war struck, we demand to be rescued and brought home by the Indian government. Everybody is out to abuse the country. Nobody thinks of feeding the system. Our conscience is mortgaged to money.

Dear Indians, the article is highly thought inductive, calls for a great deal of introspection.

Answer the following questions briefly:

(1 x 5 = 5 marks)

- i) What are the negative remarks we make about our country?
- ii) List two deeds an Indian would not dare to do while travelling abroad.
- iii) What is our attitude towards elections?
- iv) What do people do when asked to make any positive contribution to the system?
- v) Find a word from the passage which means the same as 'self analysis'.

- 1b. Read the following passage carefully:

INSUFFICIENT sleep is the new obesity villain and plagues over 30 per cent of Indians, claimed doctors at a recent conference of Association of Physicians of India in Delhi. From breaking up marriages, to lethargy and early heart attack, lack of sleep can catch up in many ways.

In her 20s, Riya almost split with her husband Hiten after his snoring was compounded by problems like extreme lethargy, high cholesterol and finally temper outbursts. Says sleep specialist, Dr. Sanjeev Mehta at Lilavati Hospital, Mumbai, "Snoring is an indicator of inadequate sleep and not sound sleep as is believed. Maintains Dr. Sanjay Manchanda, senior consultant and founder of department of sleep medicine at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital in New Delhi, "When one has less sleep, there is an increase of the hormone called Ghrelin which increases appetite. The rate of metabolism too comes down. This results in lethargy and affects performance." Ravi, 35, a builder recalls, "I worked almost 24X7, hardly slept and fought deadlines. I would get angry and irritated easily. I hardly interacted socially. I gained weight rapidly. When I started getting violent outbursts, my family compelled me to see a doctor. With adequate sleep, I now feel fresh, light and focused."



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Here are some signs that can tell that you need to hit the pillow. "If you're constantly tired, unable to focus, having coffee and tea to keep awake, and find you're gaining weight too, then lack of sleep could be the cause", says Mumbai-based psychiatrist Dr. Anjali Chhabria. Obstructive Sleep Apnoea (OSA) and insomnia are some common sleep disorders. The association between sleep deprivation and obesity appears to be strongest in young and middle, age adults.

If you have trouble sleeping, try removing wall clocks from your bedroom, avoid heavy exercises in the evening and stick to fixed time for sleep.

It is seen that six-eight hours sleep is ideal with the average being about seven hour, Reason enough to hit the sack!Based on your reading of the passage, answer the following questions briefly: (1 x 5 = 5 marks)

- i) What is considered the new obesity villain?
- ii) How can lack of sleep affect a person?
- iii) What does snoring indicate?
- iv) Why does a person become lazy due to lack of sleep?
- v) Find a word from the passage which means the same as 'lazy'.

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Theme-2: Prepare & Prevent Don't Repair & Repent

Don't be a by Stander; Stand by the Victims of Accidents

Abstract

What is a Hazard?-It refers to a dangerous situation or event that threatens or has the potential of causing injury to life or damage to property or the environment. They can be categorized in various ways but, based on the origin; hazards worldwide are basically grouped in two broad headings:

1. *Natural Hazards (hazards with meteorological, geological or even biological origin)*
2. *Man made Hazards (hazards with human-caused or technological origin).*

Man made hazards are more serious as they are a result of human acts of omission and commission. Accidents are one of them. With advancement in technology and better connectivity, the world has shrunk; but at the same time the number of accidents is also on the rise. The main causes are the violation of traffic regulations, speeding, drunk driving and poor maintenance of the vehicle and the roads. All these reasons add to the rising number of accidents and road fatalities. India has one of the highest accident rates in the world. Every year more than 300.000 accidents are reported. Fatality rate is as high as 60,000. Studies on accidents, the world over, have shown that the human factor is responsible for a majority of accidents.





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In India, vehicle users are the causative factor, in 70% of the road accidents. Pedestrians are responsible for 4.1% of the road accidents and poor condition of the roads accounts for about 0.4% of the accidents. It

is evident, that nearly 80% of the accidents occur due to bad driving habits and human error. Road safety is emerging as a major social concern in our country as the rate of road accidents is among the highest in the world.

The Times of India, New Delhi, 24, June-2014

Delhi sees most road deaths in India^{user}

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: About 40 busloads of citizens die on the capital's roads every year but the deaths do not shock anyone and governments over the years have done little to stop it. From 2008 to 2013, more than 12,300 people died in road accidents here. Last year alone, there were a total of 1,820 deaths.

An assessment of road accidents done by the Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) reveals that not only does Delhi have the most dangerous roads in the country but pedestrians and bikers are at the greatest risk on them. On average, five people

MUMBAI TOPS IN ACCIDENTS

ACCIDENTS	ROAD DEATHS
Mumbai 25,000	Delhi 1,850
Chennai 9,000	Chennai 1,300
Delhi 7,000	Bangalore 650
Bangalore 6,000	Mumbai 500
Indore 6,000	Patna 500
Kolkata 4,000	Kolkata 500

All figures for 2012

500 deaths in Kanpur & Lucknow too

die in road accidents every day, and four of them are either pedestrians or two-wheeler riders.

The traffic police have identified 128 accident hot-spots — places where three or

more fatal accidents, or 10 accidents have occurred in a year — and the CSE assessment shows that northwest and southwest Delhi have the most such spots. Taken design-wise, signal-free arterial

roads are the most dangerous. Ironically, roads that have received the maximum government attention and resources for widening and signal-free movement have the highest accident rates.

"These features have, in fact, turned arterial roads into death traps. Especially dangerous are spots where flyovers begin, such as Dhaura Kuan, AIIMS, Sarita Vihar, Mahipalpur, Rajokri, ITO or IP, and Moti Bagh," says the report released on Monday. Eight key arterial roads, designed to be high-speed corridors, record nearly 75% of all deaths in Delhi alone.

► 1,820 lost their lives, P 6



Here are some of the road accidents that turned fatal due to the callous attitude of the bystanders:

(a) April 5, 2007, Kanpur: It was a big day for Shivam Bajpai as he had turned 16. As the chirpy lad was walking back from his school around 3.30 pm, a vehicle hit him and sped away. Seconds later, as he lay on the road bleeding, another car ran over him. He crawled to the side of the road asking for help, but to no avail. People stopped to stare, but nobody came forward to help or call the police. Forty-five minutes later, Shivam died.

(b) May 2, 2013, Amritsar: Karan Arora, a 24-year-old who was studying economics in the US, had come down to India for his summer vacation. Along with three friends, Karan set out on a road trip. On the outskirts of Amritsar, he spotted a crowd gathered on the highway, where a mangled



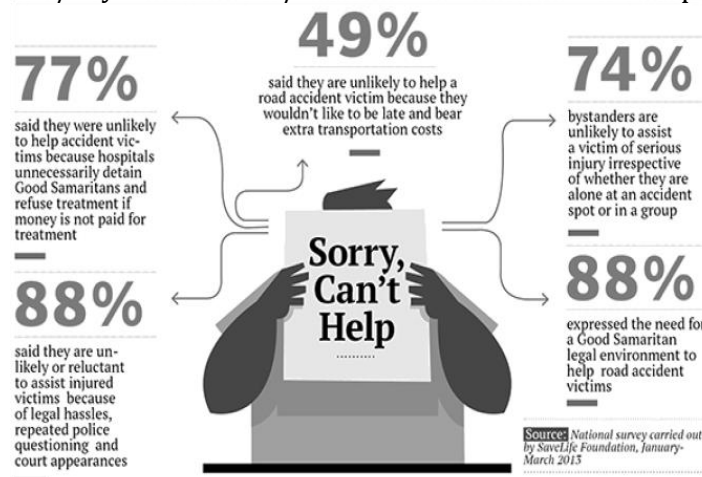
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car and a bleeding man were lying next to each other. When Karan and his friends decided to take the victim to the hospital, the crowd warned them against it. "Don't do it, it's an accident case," one of them said. Karan soon found out why, as the emergency room refused to take the "police case" in. While Karan called the police, his friends persuaded the doctor to administer the victim first aid. Almost 20 minutes later, the doctor agreed.

The police arrived another 15 minutes later and started to grill the youths. It went on for 90 minutes till the four called their parents to vouch for their identity. "The victim survived, but the cops and the hospital staff made us feel as if we were criminals. I am not sure if I would ever want to do this again," Karan says. His story perhaps reflects the dilemma every common man faces while helping an accident victim: Dodge police harassment or save a life. Piyush Tewari chose the latter. Not just because he was Shivam's cousin, but because he wanted to build a social ethos that wouldn't make humane actions a liability.

<http://forbesindia.com/article/beyond-business/savelifes-wants-citizens-to-help-accidentvictims/35733/0#ixzz460dLmgIN>



The problem

India records one of the highest number of road accidents in the world. In 2011, there was one accident every minute and one life lost every 3.7 minutes. Statistics released by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways in 2011 say there were 4,97,000 road accidents that left 1,45,485 people dead. Equally appalling is the chain of events after an accident. Every bystander wants to take a peek, but nobody wants to help even though at least 50 percent of the lives can be saved if the victim is administered basic care within the golden hour (60 minutes after an accident). That's about 70,000 lives saved every year.

<http://forbesindia.com/article/beyond-business/savelifes-wants-citizens-to-help-accidentvictims/35733/0#ixzz460dLmgIN>

(c) A 26-year-old woman and her eight-month old daughter have died after being fatally hit by a truck and ignored by passing cars on the side of the road. The family of four was traveling on a two-wheeler through the Ghat Ki Guni tunnel in Jaipur, India. The woman's husband and their four-year-



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old son also sustained injuries following the accident. CCTV footage has now revealed that motorists continued to travel past the victims of the collision without stopping to help, despite the cries for assistance from the husband. Reports suggest the woman and child could have been saved if they had received medical help in time. The two-wheeler was hit by a speeding truck as it entered the tunnel. Two-wheelers are banned from using the tunnel, but many use them as a shortcut, according to Indian media. Mamta Sharma, chairperson of India's National Commission for Women (NCW) told NDTV: "There was CCTV in the tunnel...People in the CCTV control room didn't inform the police. There was a delay of one and a half hours." "If she was given medical attention on time she would have been saved. "This claim was disputed by traffic officer Lata Manoj Kumar, who said the pair had died instantly.

<http://www.ibtimes.co.uk/woman-daughter-die-jaipur-tunnel-ignored-motorists-457288>

Here are some of the pages of the diary of Arjun Pratap, a 14 year old boy, studying in class-9 in one of the reputed schools of Delhi. Arjun belongs to an affluent family; his father being an exporter, a great business tycoon and mother an interior designer.

Monday, 15 July 11:10 p.m.

Dear Diary

What a fabulous day it was! Finally mom and dad gifted me a bike that I had been asking for so long. None of my friends own it; not even my elder cousins. Lucky to have it in class 9! It's a heady feeling. I am going to ride it to school from tomorrow onwards.

Hope it would leave an indelible impression on all my classmates!!

Arjun

Wednesday, 17 July 10:25 p.m.

Dear Diary

I'm having the time of my life!! My new hairstyle goes perfectly well with my new bike. It looks fabulous

without the helmet. Even my friends vouch for it. Mom initially refused but still took Aditya and Asif, my classmates on a ride today.

Arjun

Friday, 11 November 11:05 p.m.

Dear Diary

Our world is shattered! It has come to a standstill. Aditya, my dear friend lost his leg in a road accident two weeks ago. It was my fault entirely. I had taken him for a ride along with Asif, to a nearby market, like any other day with no helmets. It was Asif's birthday. As the three of us neared the main road, I could see the Green light of the traffic signal. 7...6....5...the seconds were passing away; RED.....it was now. I raced up and jumped the signal; feeling like a superhero straight out of the Hollywood movie. A speeding bus came from the opposite side. My heart pounded...CRASH...!! The collision threw me on the footpath; Aditya was lying in a pool of blood, breathing heavily. I tried to get up, but couldn't. I shouted for help, requested and begged; but the curious onlookers did not lend a helping hand. I could see Aditya slipping away from us...he was sinking.....and....Oh!!!...there he was.....lying unconscious!!! Asif was thrown on the other side of the road. His face smeared with blood. I could see passers-by clicking pictures and discussing about the accident; but none came



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*forward. Everything started fading away; my vision getting blurred....and then I lost consciousness. Had I stopped the bike at the signal, it would not have happened!! Had we worn helmets, our injuries would not have been that severe!! Or in the first place, had I not forced my parents to get me a bike (before 18) irrespective of their continuous refusal, all this would have been hypothetical!!! It hurts...it hurts badly! I have to carry this burden forever. I cannot face my parents. I feel like a culprit in front of Aditya's and Asif's parents. No amount of comforting words can take away their pain. All because of me!! Their sobs echo in my mind day in and day out. The proverbial albatross is hung around my neck forever.
Wish I could go back in the past and erase all my mistakes!
Arjun*

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Friday, 11 November 11:25 p.m.

Dear Diary

Here is a tribute to Asif, as he celebrates his 16th birthday today. He still is in vegetative state at home.

ONLY IF....!!

Sweet Sixteen!!

Yes, you are sixteen today.

Of course, we would have dined at hotel FUN DAY,

And invited all your cousins too.

What a day it would have been for you,

When all your wishes would come true.

Only if that bystander could rush you to the hospital,

That could have made the impact minimal,

Only if that bystander could arrange for an ambulance,

And would have tried saving you at first instance.

Then we would have celebrated your birthday,

Only if....Only if you weren't in that pathetic state today!!

NOW I'VE VOWED TO WAGE A WAR,

TO PROMOTE RESPONSIBLE ROAD BEHAVIOUR,

AND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF 'GOLDEN HOUR'!!

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Later, Aditya lost his left leg to fatal injuries. The amputation could have been avoided if the onlookers had come forward in time to provide the crucial first aid. Arjun suffered from multiple fractures and internal bleeding. He was discharged in a month; while Asif bore the brunt of the accident. His skull was fractured and face disfigured. He laid in coma for 6 months, followed by multiple surgeries of the face. His mother went into depression and father had to borrow money to meet the never-ending medical expenses. Their only son was lying in a vegetative state. It was heart-wrenching tragedy for the three families.

Completely avoidable!

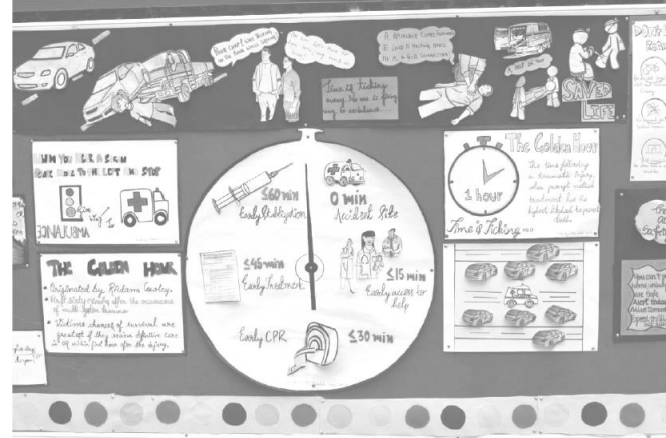
Arjun, now a student of class -10, is an active member of the Road Safety Club of his school. The club works with an NGO that spreads awareness about road safety measures in school, arranges visits to Traffic Training Parks, holds Talk Shows with traffic experts and presents street plays on related issues. He is the most voiced member in propagating the latest Road Safety Bill, 2016; highlighting offences committed by Juveniles. According to Section 199, the Guardian / owner shall



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be deemed to be guilty in cases of offences by the Juveniles and Juvenile to be tried under JJ Act with Rs. 25,000 with 3 yrs imprisonment. Registration of Motor Vehicle must be cancelled.



Arjun is the most vocal member of the club, propagating the significance of the crucial Golden Hour that can save lives of hundreds of road accident victims. He makes sure to reiterate the fact that the first responders must act promptly and swiftly so as to not let the precious time slip by. Injury and trauma represent a major health problem all over the world. Almost 16,000 people die from various injuries every day in road fatalities. 90% of the global burden of road accidents take place in the developing and the under developed countries. It is saddening as well as alarming to note that **such fatalities affect the productive youth of the country**; that leads to tremendous burden of disability from extremity, head, and spinal injuries. India stands out miserably in the latest World Health Organization's (WHO) "Global Road Safety Report-2015" with an estimated 207,551 deaths on roads. Studies show that 80 per cent of the road accident victims could be saved provided medical **treatment is made available within one hour (golden hour)** of the accident. However, due to lack of knowledge and awareness among citizens this important amendment has not come to the rescue of accident victims. There are other reasons why citizens hesitate to help accident victims. It is not because they do not want to, but due to the fear of being involved in other hassles. A survey revealed that if a supportive legal system is in place, a majority of 88 per cent would come forward and help injured trauma patients on the road.

<http://www.deccanherald.com/content/484923/protect-people-help-accident-victims.html>

Who is a trauma patient? A trauma patient is someone who has suffered a serious or life threatening injury as a result of an event such as a car accident, gunshot wound or fall. Traumatic injuries may affect many parts of the body, including the brain, the extremities and internal organs. So, what ails the Indian mindset? It is the basic reluctance to get involved in any kind of mishap that leads to unnecessary hassles. We must realize that during any such kind of mishap; every second counts, literally. It is a well-established fact that the patient's chances of survival are greatest if they receive care within a short period of time after any severe injury. That short time period of one hour is the most crucial one. It is termed as the 'golden hour'.



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According to the Merriam Webster Dictionary, GOLDEN HOUR is the hour immediately following traumatic injury in which medical treatment to prevent irreversible internal damage and optimize the chance of survival is most effective. In any road accident case, those sixty minutes or the golden hour can mean the difference between life and death. It is usually **this first hour of definitive medical care where the patient's medical fate is sealed**. The faster that medical care is rendered, the better the medical outcome will be. All this can have a profound impact on a patient's survival and ultimate ability to function. One must understand the gravity of such a situation and need to understand the importance of the Golden Hour.

It is the need of the hour to wake up to this problem and be a vigilant Indian, who knows of his rights and duties. Most of the times, it is the sheer lack of responsibility and knowledge about one's basic rights that forces a person to not come forward for help. There are good Samaritans everywhere. They just need to come forward and lend a helping hand to the needy. Let us see the brighter side of this whole scenario. The good Samaritans must share their empathetic attitude with others so that it kindles a feeling of sympathy in each one of us. One must not shy away from one's duty just because others don't come forward for the same. According to the Law Commission of India, 50% of those killed in road accidents could have been saved had timely assistance been rendered to them. A World Health Organization report claims that "skilled and empowered bystanders play a crucial role in saving lives" and "in order to enable bystanders to come forward and help injured persons, a supportive legal and ethical environment is needed." The Supreme Court, this year, approved the guidelines issued by the Centre for the protection of Good Samaritans at the hands of the police or any other authority. This is expected to significantly change the attitude of bystanders in assisting road accident victims – and thus should result in saving many more lives. A bench comprising justices V. Gopala Gowda and Arun Mishra directed the Centre to give wide publicity to the guidelines, which clearly stipulate that people who help victims of road accidents or other calamities are not harassed in any way.

The guidelines lay down the following:

1. The Good Samaritan will be treated respectfully and without any discrimination on the grounds of gender, religion, nationality and caste.
2. Any individual, except an eyewitness, who calls the police to inform them of an accidental injury or death need not reveal his or her personal details such as full name, address or phone number.
3. The police will not compel the Good Samaritan to disclose his or her name, identity, address and other such details in the police record form or log register.
4. The police will not force any Good Samaritan in procuring information or anything else.
5. The police will allow the Good Samaritan to leave after having provided the information available to him or her, and no further questions will be asked of him or her if he or she does not desire to be a witness. The guidelines also specify that the concerned Superintendent or Deputy Commissioner of Police are responsible in ensuring that all the above-mentioned procedures are implemented throughout their respective jurisdictions.

<http://thewire.in/2016/03/30/sc-guidelines-now-protect-good-samaritans-who-help-roadaccident-victims-26680/>

Who is a Good Samaritan? A Good Samaritan is someone who is a compassionate person who unselfishly helps others, especially strangers. It is a Biblical term that refers to a figure in one of Christ's parables, who is an example of compassion towards those in distress. Current research suggests that humans may also have a biological urge, an impulse, to help each other. Most of the



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people come out to help out of impulsion. Well, there had been several good Samaritans who have helped save many lives of accident victims. Here is the news report about one of them.

NAVI MUMBAI: A friend, who died for want of medical help in a highway accident nine years ago, inspired Pen resident Kalpesh Thakur (30) to help victims of road mishaps. Since then, Thakur, who is hotelier by profession, has helped many accident victims and also spends his own money to send bodies to far-off places like Karnataka. He has also helped in removing a large number of bodies from the accident spot.

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/navi-mumbai/pen-samaritan-has-been-helping-accidentvictims-since-9-years/articleshow/51846180.cms>

HOW CAN I BE A GOOD SAMARITAN?



Many Indians, NGOs, and NRI doctors and surgeons have come forward to contribute in their own little way to create awareness regarding the importance of well-equipped **first responders**. Dr. Dinesh Vyas, MD, Asst. Professor, Deptt. Of Surgery, Michigan State University, U.S.A. has researched on trauma-related injury in fast-developing countries. *According to him, properly trained medical first responders – offering the quickest care in both urban and rural settings-have demonstrated significant trauma outcome improvement in countries with poorly-developed emergency medical services.*

Dr. Vyas is involved in a successful first responder training programme targeted towards these global outcomes, with India as a test case. He, along with his team of experts have **specially designed a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) for training of first responders. They seek to build trauma management capacity in a manner that is globally scalable in the native languages of under-resourced nations**, many of which now have Internet access. Thus, our MOOC design provides a no-cost, high-quality education, targeted for an expansive audience of laypersons. Always remember that instant and proper first aid given to road accident victims during golden hour increases the chance of survival manifold and reduce the severity of injuries. First aid is the initial care given to an injured person. This timely care prior to the arrival of the medical help



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means the difference between life and death as it is not always possible that proper medical care reaches the victim within an hour. In that case the passerby, onlookers and other people involved can provide the first aid to serious victims. However, improper handling to victims sometime worsens the situation. Though providing proper first aid to an accident victim is not so complicated but one should be aware of the procedures and precautions. One of the misconceptions about road accidents death is that most of them happen due to sever injury and` loss of blood. But in reality the most common cause of death in road accidents is due to loss of oxygen supply. Most of the times, it happens because airway gets blocked due to great impact and shock to body. Normally it takes less than four minutes for a blocked airway to cause death.

Always cultivate the habit of caution as carefulness costs nothing while carelessness might cause you your life.

2. Imagine you are Mrs. Rohini, Arjun's mother. Write a diary reflecting on what happened and how this could have been avoided. Mention the importance of Golden Hour and why it has to be a part of life skills for students. (150 – 200 words) (10 marks)

Section – B (Writing & Grammar)

3. Every individual has a responsibility to contribute to protect the environment and reduce the rate of depletion of natural resources. This can be accomplished only by adopting the '3Rs' of Reduce, Reuse and Recycle'. Write an article on the role of youth in protecting environment in 150-200 words expressing your views on this issue. You are Radhika/Naresh. (5 marks)
4. Given below is the beginning of a story. Complete it in about 150 to 200 words. (10 marks)
(Also provide a suitable title)

Sahil was around fifty years of age. One day he decided to do something very unusual

5. Complete the following passage by filling in the blanks with one word only: (1/2x6 = 3 marks)

The role of (a) _____ citizens becomes extremely important (b) _____ a democracy. They (c) _____ to be aware of their rights and know what they should expect (d) _____ their elected representatives. The citizens should (e) _____ aware of the problems of their region as well as the whole country. Only then (f) _____ they understand whether the government is taking the right steps for their welfare or not.

6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the error and its correction as shown in the example: (1/2x8 = 4 marks)

	Error	Correction
There is some truth in a common	e.g., a	the
saying that dogs became attached to	a) _____	_____



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persons, cats are general attached to places. A dog will follow their master anywhere, so a cat keeps to the house it was used to. Even then the house changes hands, the cat will remain here, as long as that is kindly treated by the new owners

- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____
- g) _____
- h) _____

7. Rearrange the following words/phrases to form meaningful sentences: (1x3 = 3 marks)
- a) more easily / windows are / when / transmitted / kept closed / germs are
 - b) can be /easily / viruses / the spread / prevented / of these
 - c) hands / good / hygiene / and / one should / maintain / wash / frequently

Section – C (Literature)

8. Read the extract below and answer the questions that follow: (1x3 = 3 marks)

*I am beautiful pearls, plucked from the
Crown of Ishtar by the daughter of Dawn
To embellish the gardens"*

- a) What has been compared to the beautiful pearls?
- b) What does "embellish the gardens" imply?
- c) Identify the figure of speech used in the stanza.

(OR)

Persome: Monseigneur the Bishop is a ... ahem!

- a) Whom is Persome talking to?
- b) The speaker does not complete the sentence. Why?
- c) What does the statement show about Persome?

9. Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each: (2x4 = 8 marks)

- a) Why did Harold's parents keep his father's profession a secret from him?
- b) Why has the poet called the rain a "messenger of mercy" in the poem, 'Song of Rain'?
- c) What was John A. Pescud's opinion about best- sellers?
- d) Mention two signs of degeneration that takes place in the sixth stage of life according to Shakespeare's view of life.

10. Answer any one question in about 80-100 words: (4 marks)

Write a paragraph on the topic: 'Prevention is Better than Cure'.
(Ref. Chapter: Oh I Wish I looked after me teeth.)

(OR)

"Excess exhibition of knowledge turns a man into virus and infects one". Explain.
(Ref. Chapter: The man who knew too much).



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11. Answer the following in about 100 words each: (10 marks)

Write a note on the satire in Voyage III in Gulliver Travels?

(OR)

The good Qualities of the Houyhnhnms are depicted in voyage IV in such a way that the Houyhnhnms become models for human beings to emulate. Comment.

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