

SAINIK SCHOOL GOPALGANJ

SUB: ENGLISH

CLASS - XI

ASSIGNMENT- 2

Q1. Given below are four options against each question. Choose the option which you consider the most appropriate as your answer.

- (i) ----- the poet of 'A Photograph'.
- (a) Khushwant Singh (b) Shirley Toulson
(c) AK Ramanujan (d) HomenBorgohain
- (ii) What does the word 'cardboard' denote in the poem?
- (a) a hard paper material (b) clipboard
(c) Photograph of poet's mother (d) wooden frame
- (iii) ----- were the three girls captured in the photograph.
- (a) Poet and her two girl cousins (b) Poet's mother and her two girl cousins
(c) Poet and her two sisters (d) Mother and her two sisters
- (iv) Where had the three girls gone for outing?
- (a) forest (b) zoo
(c) sea beach (d) river bank
- (v) ----- would have laughed at the photograph.
- (a) Poet (b) Poet's mother
(c) Poet's sisters (d) Poet's uncle
- (vi) 'Terribly transient feet' refers to ----- .
- (a) mortal man and ageless sea (b) mother's feet
(c) poet's feet (d) waves of the sea
- (vii) 'Its silence' refers to ----- .
- (a) silent situation at home (b) silence of the poet
(c) death of the mother (d) stillness of the uncle taking photograph
- (viii) 'Wry' means ----- .
- (a) feeling extremely happy (b) very disappointed
(c) showing anger and sadness (d) showing happiness and disappointment
- (ix) 'at this circumstance' refers to ----- .
- (a) the time when the poet was photographed
(b) the situation when the uncle was taking snaps
(c) the situation when the poet's mother is no more
(d) stillness of three girls for being photographed
- (x) The last stanza of the poem 'A photograph' depicts ----- .
- (a) the poet has lost her mother and she has no words to express her grief
(b) the poet's mother has lost her past and she has no words to express
(c) the situation when the poet's mother is in her childhood
(d) stillness of three girls for being photographed

- Q.2 What is the meaning of the line “Both wry with the laboured ease of loss”?
- Q.3 The poet’s mother laughed at the snapshot. What did this laugh indicate?
- Q.4 What does the word ‘cardboard’ denote in the poem? Why has this word been used?
- Q.5 The three stanzas of the poem ‘A Photograph’ depict three different phases. What are they? Explain.
- Q.6 Explain. “The sea holiday was her past, mine is her laughter.”
- Q.7 ‘Bothe wry with laboured ease of loss.’ What loss has been referred here? Describe the ironical situation.
- Q.8 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

“All three stood still to smile through their hair
 At the uncle with the camera. A sweet face,
 My mother’s that was before I was born.
 And the sea, which appears to have changed less,
 washed their terribly transient feet.”

- a. What does the poet mean by “smile through their hair”?
- b. What has not changed over a period of time & why?
- c. Explain “terribly transient feet”.
- Q.9 In the question below, there are jumbled up parts. Rearrange these parts, which are labelled A, B, C and D to produce the correct sentence. Choose the proper sequence.

9.1 One cannot recall any movement.....

- A) which has gripped the imagination of the entire human race
 B) in world history
 C) which started nearly twenty-five years ago
 D) so completely and so rapidly as the Green Movement

a. CBAD b. CDBA c. ADCB d. BADC

9.2 It is possible that he thinks his

- A) job is to be a clerk
 B) and to read the results out loud as he stands at the cash register
 C) to keep people from stealing things
 D) to type letters into a computer

a. ABCD b. DCAB c. BCAD d. ACDB

9.3 I have been sharing Roger’s

- A) production curve for a long time
 B) what’s actually happening
 C) but I realize that it doesn’t
 D) viscerally explain

a. ABCD b. DCAB c. BCAD d. ACDB

9.4 Once reluctant to be

- A) seems to have
- B) Congress vice president Rahul Gandhi
- C) seen with Lalu Yadav
- D) turned the page

a. DCAB b. CBAD c. ADCB d. DCBA

9.5 Stung by years of criticism that it has coddled

- A) Wall Street criminals, the Justice Department issued new policies
- B) to turn over evidence against their executives
- C) on Wednesday that prioritize the prosecution of individual employees
- D) not just their companies, and put pressure on corporations

a. ABCD b. DCAB c. BCAD d. ACDB

Q.10 You are Anuj, staying in Kanishka Co-operative Group Housing Society, Indira Nagar, Lucknow. There are no street lights on the main road leading to this colony. The road gets so dark after seven in evenings in the winter that the possibility of some major accidents can not be ruled out. Write a letter to the editor of a national daily drawing attention of the government to this serious problems of the residents of Indira Nagar in about 200 words.