SAINIK SCHOOL GOPALGANJ

HOLIDAY HOMEWORK 2021-22

Class X

(English)

1. “I wish I had the faith of the man who wrote this letter.” In the light of this statement describe Lencho’s character.
2. If you were Anil, would you have pardoned the thief? Justify your reason.
3. What ideas did we get about freedom, the oppressor and the oppressed from this lesson? How did Nelson Mandela get hunger for freedom?
4. But if it had to perish twice,  
   I think I know enough of hate  
   To say that for destruction ice  
   Is also great And would suffice.

Answer the following questions based on the above stanza from ‘Ice and Snow’.

(i) What does ‘Ice’ stand for?  
(ii) What does the poet believe?  
(iii) What is the another destructive force?  
(iv) Find a word in these lines that means opposite to ‘creation’.

1. Some say the world will end in fire

Some say in ice  
From what I’ve tasted of desire  
I hold with those who favour fire.

Answer the following questions based on the above stanza from the poem ‘Ice and Snow’.

(i)Name the poem and the poet.  
(ii) What are the two destructive forces?  
(iii) What do they stand for?  
(iv) What does he favour?

1. The way a crow  
   Shook down on me  
   The dust of snow  
   From a hemlock tree.

Answer the following questions based on the above stanza from the poem ‘Dust of Snow’

(i) Name the poem and poet.  
(ii) Where was the crow?

(iii) What did the crow do?  
(iv) What does a “hemlock tree’ represent?

7. Has given my heart  
 A change of mood

And saved some part  
 Of a day I had rued.

Answer the following questions based on the above stanza from the poem ‘Dust of Snow’

(i) Who is ‘I’ in these lines?  
(ii) What changed the mood of the poet?  
(iii) What did the poet decide?  
(iv) What was the mood of the poet before and after the incident?

8. Write the brief character sketch of Mrs Pumphrey.

9. What kind of a person do you think the narrator, a veterinary surgeon, is? Would you say he is tactful as well as full of common sense?

10. Read English newspaper/ magazine/book aloud for 30 mins everyday.

11. Using your own ideas and from the clue given in the box, write an article in 180 words, describing both the benefits and harms of using these high-tech devices

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| **Video games, Internet, Cell Phones and other high-tech gear are just part of growing up in a digital world. But parents are concerned about the amount of time their children spend with these and worry that it might be distracting and cramping academic and social development.** |

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1. Read any classic novel/ play of great authors of English and write book review of the same in minimum 250 words.
2. Pick up any three characters of your choice from the chapters from your text book and delineate their character in your words.
3. Write at least two short stories based on themes which have attracted you very much during summer vacation.

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