***HOLIDAY HOMEWORK (2018-19)***

***CLASS –VIII***

***ENGLISH***

**Q1. Make a beautiful bookmark for your Literature reader. Decorate it and write a famous quotation by a well know poet or author.**

**Q2. Make a poster on any of the following topics on an A-3 size pastel sheet**

 a) Donate blood b) Keep the earth green c) Save water d) Save girl child

 e) Stop violence against women

**Q3. Practice your grammar skills throughout the holidays in - Together With English.**

**Topic Page No.**

TenseC- 37 to 40

Determiners C- 5,6,14 &15

Preposition C – 30 to 34

**Q4. Interview your parents / grandparents to find out about the things they used to do when they were your age which no longer exist/ no longer followed or done.**

Eg. Leisure time activities

Games

Customs practiced etc.

Minimum 10 questions.

 **Make it interesting. Your interview must have a lot of details for the reader to understand the yesteryears clearly. Have fun!**

**Q5. Do the worksheet attached in your fair notebook.**

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**Class -8**

**ENGLISH WORKSHEET - 1**

**Q.1. Fill in the blanks with correct determiners.**

i) There are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ripe mangoes on the tree.

ii) I have been waiting for him for half \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ hour.

iii) English is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ foreign language.

iv) Please, give me \_\_\_\_\_ tips on how to improve my grammar.

v) . \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Child was given a present.

vi). His ideas are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ different from those of his peers.

vii). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ darkest cloud has a silver lining.

viii). Although she thought she knew\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the subject, the teacher asked a few details she hardly remembered.

**Q.2. Re-arrange the following sentences.**

a) for/the/body/sports/necessary/are/growth/of/the

b) their /they/tone/muscles/and/up/bones/strengthen/their

c) an/sports/part/important/are/of/society/every

d) sports/only/help/mind/child’s/developing/not/but/also/in/body/a/his

**Q.3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:**

We flew kites too; we loved to fly them .Made of colored paper and fine bamboo ,Indian kites are as brilliant as huge butterflies and almost as light .The gatekeeper ,Guru ,bought them for us in the bazaar and showed us how to glass our strings, how to run the fine thread through a mixture of flour paste and ground glass until the whole string was armored and then to wind the string round the polished bamboo roller that had a slim bamboo handle at each end and which our small hands could grasp. He showed us how to launch and fly our kites, how to send them higher and higher, standing with our legs well apart, holding our rollers in both hands bracing ourselves against the tug and pull. He taught us how to make our kite bob three times as a challenge to the other kites in the sky and then, as a distant cry of “Dhari, Dhari!” Rose from an invisible roof top, to cross strings with our opponent until the vanquished kite, cut loose, floated helplessly away over the river.

 Sometimes we heard a shrill commotion on the road below and looking over the parapet ,saw a crowd of boys running with bamboo poles after a drifting kite mended and patched ,could do battle again.

(i) Why does the author find flying kites an enjoyable hobby?

(ii) How was the string made into a lethal weapon?

(iii) What all did the gatekeeper Guru teach the students?

(iv) How did the sport of kite- flying become a battle?

(v) Find words from the passage which mean same as “contestant“.

**Q.4. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow –**

**M**an does not live by food alone. Water is vital to human health and fitness. Although it is not a nutrient per se as are carbohydrates, fats, proteins, vitamins and minerals. It, in fact, is a key nutrient in as much as no life is possible without it. Whereas we can do for weeks without food, we cannot live without water longer than a couple of days. Water approximates 60 per cent of the body weight of human adults. The total amount of water in a man weighing 70 kilograms is approximately a little over 40 liters. It is an excellent solvent – more substances are soluble in water than in any other liquid known so far. This makes it an ideal constituent of the body fluids which sustain life supporting chemical reactions. It dissolves varied products of digestion and transports them to the rest of the body. Likewise, it dissolves diverse metabolic wastes and helps drain them out of the body. Besides, it performs a variety of functions some well known and well understood while others not so well appreciated yet vital. The no less important role of water is to distribute/dissipate the body heat efficiently, thereby regulating the body’s temperature. Water accomplishes this role ideally because it has thermal conductivity ensuring rapid heat from one part to the other. Above all, water has a high-specific heat, implying that it takes a lot of heat to raise the temperature of water and likewise much heat must be lost to lower its temperature. Drinking a lot of water is an inexpensive way to stay healthy. Even excess of water is harmless. Water therapy drinking a liter or so the first thing in the morning is kidney-friendly. The water regulation in the body is affected by hypothalamus in two ways i.e.,(i) by creating the sensation of thirst which makes us drink water and (ii) by controlling the excretion of water and urine. If water regulation fails, medical emergency ensues.

**1. Man cannot live for more than a couple of days**

(i) Without food                     (ii) without water

(iii) Without oxygen                  (iv) without fruits

2. Water is an excellent solvent because

(i) it regulates excretion of urine (ii) it dissolves metabolic wastes

(iii) it drains wastes out of body (iv) more substances are soluble in it than in any other liquid

3. The high thermal conductivity of water helps to

(i) dissolve food (ii) dissolve metabolic wastes

(iii) regulate body temperature (iv) sustain life supporting chemical reactions

4. The total amount of water in a man weighing 70 kg is

(i) Approximately 70 liters (ii) approximately 60 liters

(iii) Approximately 40 liters (iv) approximately 50 liters

5. The word ideal means

(i) lazy (ii) most suitable

(iii) valuable (iv) good