

# Kendriya Vidyalaya NDA

Periodic Test- I

class IX

subject –English

Max Marks-40 set-1

## Section-A

**(READING: 8 MARKS)**

Read the Passage given below carefully:

( 8 Marks)

Man's dependence on plants is indispensable. It is this dependence for food, shelter and clothing that has led him to explore all possible ways to preserve plants from being lost to the ravage of natural and man-made calamities. Accordingly, man has used different methods to overcome these calamities. While doing so, scientists hit upon a technique where by plants can not only be restored from being lost, but can also be developed into a complete plant from a small plant part. This technique, called 'tissue culture', subsequently proved to be a boon for mankind. Basically, tissue culture is a technique, by which small pieces of different parts of a plant body are grown on a nutritional media under completely sterile conditions. These plants divide and gradually develop either into unorganized mass of cells called callus or after a few cell divisions differentiate to form full-fledged plants. (The concept of tissue culture dates back to 1878 when a German botanist, Gottlieb Haberlandt said, "from a small plant piece, a whole plant can be regenerated".) Later, other scientists like Haberlandt in 1902 postulated that cultivation of artificial embryos is possible depending on the nutritional media.

Answer the following questions:

- i) Why has man tried all the methods to Preserve Plants?
- ii) What is significant about the scientific technique to save plant
- iii) What is the technique by which a new plant is developed from a small part
- iv) When was the idea of tissue culture first introduced and by whom?
- v) Pick out the word from the paragraph which means 'assumed to be true'
- vi) Find out the word from the paragraph which means 'damage'
- vii) Pick out the word opposite to the meaning of 'contaminated'
- viii) Pick out the word which is opposite to 'crude'.

## **Section-B**

**(Writing skills and Grammar :16 marks)**

2. You are Rashmi/Rohan. Recently, you came across a news item about the lack of fitness and stamina among children. They fall down or faint during assembly and games period. Write an **Article** for a newspaper highlighting the importance of games, sports and physical fitness for students in about 100-150 words

( 5 marks)

Q.3. Suppose you are a student of class IX. Today you passed a very bad day of the session as you lost the school fees in the morning. Moreover, one of your teachers also rebuked you in the classroom for a petty mistake of yours. Write a **Diary page** expressing your pathetic condition and your feelings about the same in about 120 words.

**4. In the following passage one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word in the space provided along with the words which come before and after it.**

( $\frac{1}{2} \times 8 = 4$  marks)

**Before Word    After**

Man's Practice increases hard work	(a) ----
If He does not it, his Practice	(b) ----
Suffers. The lawyer is judged the	(c) ----
cases he wins. The writer's	(d) ----
success examined by the opinion	(e) ----
of the readers critics; whereas	(f) ----
the typist's efficiency is tested by speed	(g) ----
and the accuracy his work.	(h) ----

**5)Rearrange the given words and the Phrases to form meaningful sentences.**

**(1x3=3)**

Write the correct sentences.

(a)pay/the/had to/ poor Indian farmers/high taxes/very

(b) natural disasters/farmers/arrears/ of taxes/even/pay/their/in the times of/the/had to

(c)starvation/ between/ 1822 /died of/Indians/ fifteen lakh/ and 1836

**Section- C                    (LITERATURE)                    (16 MARKS)**

**6) Read the extract and answer the questions that follow in one or two lines.    ( 1x4=4 marks)**

***"What did god makes father for?" She sobbed."***

i)Name the lesson and its author.

ii) Who is:"she"? Why was she sobbing?

iii)What kind of a man did she think her father was?

iv) What impression do you get of the speaker?

**7)Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each.(Any Three) ( 3x2=6 marks)**

i)Who helped Evelyn to continue music? What did he do and say?

ii)How does Tommy describe the old kind of school?

iii)Write the message of the poem 'Wind' in your own words.

iv)Why does the author say ' Toto was not the sort of pet we could keep for long'?

**8)Answer the following questions in about 150-200 words(Any one) ( 4 marks)**

What is the central theme of the Poem 'Road not Taken'? Explain.

**OR**

Give a character-Sketch of Bismillah khan.

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