

Class Notes

Class: VIII

Subject: English

Topic: REVISION WORKSHEET

Reading Comprehension

Writing Skills

Grammar

Literature

Section – A (Reading)

I. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below by choosing the correct option

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Turmeric grows wild in the forests of South and Southeast Asia. It is one of the key ingredients in many Asian dishes. Indian traditional medicine, called Siddha, has recommended turmeric for medicine. In recipes outside South Asia, turmeric is sometimes used as an agent to impart a rich, custard like yellow colour. It is used in canned beverages, baked products, dairy products, ice cream, yoghurt, yellow cakes, orange juice, biscuits, popcorn colour, cereals, sauces, gelatines etc. It is a significant ingredient in most commercial curry powders.

Most turmeric is used in the form of rhizome powder. In some regions (especially in Maharashtra, Goa, Konkan and Kanara), turmeric leaves are used to wrap and cook food. Turmeric leaves are mainly used in this way in areas where turmeric is grown locally, since the leaves used are freshly picked. Turmeric leaves impart a distinctive flavour. Although typically used in its dried, powdered form, turmeric is also used fresh, like ginger. It has a numerous use in East-Asian recipes, such as pickle that contains large chunks of soft turmeric, made from fresh turmeric.

Turmeric is widely used as a spice in South Asian and Middle-Eastern cooking. Many Persian dishes use turmeric as a starter ingredient. Almost all Iranian *khoresh* dishes are made using onions caramelized in oil and turmeric, followed by other ingredients. In India and Nepal, turmeric is widely grown and extensively used in many vegetables and meat dishes for its colour; it is also used for its supposed value in traditional medicine. In Vietnamese cuisine, turmeric powder is used to colour and enhance the flavours of certain dishes, such as *banh xeo*, *banh khotand mi quang*. The powder is used in many other Vietnamese stir-fried and soup dishes. In Indonesia, turmeric leaves are used for Minangese or Padangese curry base of Sumatra, such as rending, sate padang and many other varieties. In Thailand, fresh turmeric rhizomes are widely used in many dishes, in particular in the southern Thai cuisine, such as the yellow curry and turmeric soup.

Choose the correct answer –

1. Most turmeric is used in the form of-
a) curry b) rhizome powder
c) yoghurt d) soup dishes
2. Turmeric leaves are used to wrap and cook food in which region?
a) Bihar b) Goa c) Delhi d) Hyderabad
3. Khoresh is one of the dishes from-

a) Vietnam b) Indonesia c) Iran d) India

4. The word 'antioxidant' means something that-
a) remove toxins b) oxidise c) full of growth d) adds toxins
5. Which recipe contains large chunks of soft turmeric -
a) mi quang b) padangese c) pickle d) none of these

II. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below –

A robot is a virtual artificial agent that is guided by a computer program or electronic circuitry. It is usually an electro-mechanical machine which can imitate or perform with a lifelike appearance. A robot may convey a sense of intelligence or thoughts of its own.

Robotics is a branch of engineering which involves mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, electronic engineering and computer science. It deals with the design, construction, operation and application of robots, as well as computer systems for their control, sensory feedback and information processing. These technologies deal with automated machines that can take place of humans in dangerous environments or manufacturing processes. The robots can resemble humans in appearance, behaviour and cognition in their mental ability to take decisions. The word robotics was first used in print by Isaac Asimov, in his science fiction short story 'Liar!', published in May 1941 in *Astounding Science Fiction*, according to the *Oxford English Dictionary*.

The idea of machines which could operate on their own or autonomously, began long back but researching into the idea of making them functional and be put to actual use grew in the 20th century. It had been often assumed that robot will be able to mimic humans and perform every task like human. Today, robotics is rapidly growing field, as technological advances continue; researching, designing and building new robots serve various practical purposes, whether domestically, commercially or militarily. Many robots do jobs that are hazardous to people such as defusing bombs, mines and exploring shipwrecks. Most of the research in robotics focuses on investigations into new types of robots, alternative ways to think about or design robots and new ways to manufacture them besides specific industrial tasks.

Robotics engineer designs robots, maintain them, develop new applications for them, and conduct research to expand the potential of robotics. Robots have become a popular educational tool in some middle and high schools, raising interest in programming, artificial intelligence and robotics among students. Computer science courses at several universities now include programming of a robot in addition to traditional software engineering-based coursework. Many schools are beginning to add robotics programmes to their after-school curriculum. The Lego Company began a programme for children to learn and get interested about robotics at a young age. Some schools use a robot system in which the pieces come in sets, and are made of plastic for middle schools, and are metal for high schools. Both can be constructed to perform simple tasks, or whatever the student would like the robot to do.

Answer these questions in 20 words-

- a) Define robotics?
- b) When was the term 'robotics' first used?
- c) What do robotics engineers do?
- d) How can the robots resemble humans?

Complete the statements –

- a) A robot is a _____ that is guided by a computer programme.
b) It had been often assumed that robots will be able to _____.

Choose the correct option-

- a) 'Cognition' means to –
i) think ii) think & process iii) register but not process iv) learn
- b) The antonym for 'autonomous' is –
i) dependent ii) independent iii) perform iv) automatic

SECTION-B (Writing)

Q.3	<p>Write a newspaper report on the National Book Fair that was organised by the Publishers' Core in Raigarh recently. Develop your report based on the following inputs: (80-100 words)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- organisers- dates and venue- inauguration- displays-national and international- public response <p style="text-align: center;">Or</p> <p>Design a poster for a tree plantation campaign being organised by the 'Nature Club' of your school. Provide all the relevant information. (50-60 words)</p>	
Q.4	<p>Develop the following outlines into a short story: (within 120 words) Back on the stage to perform.... recalled the incident.... lost confidence.....overcome the failure.....regained the confidence.....exceptional performance....huge round of applause....honoured by the principal.....became a hero overnight</p>	

Q.5	<p>As Vineet/Vidya of Nehru Nagar, Raipur, write a letter to your grandmother, asking her to come and live with you as your mother is suffering from ill health and your father is on a business tour. (120words)</p>	
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SECTION- C (Grammar)

Q.6	<p>The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correct answer in the blank provided.</p> <p>One field where China find India in a advantageous position is the availability of English speaking workforce.</p> <p>Nine states has already introduced English as a compulsory subject in China.</p> <p>Others will be postpone this decision only for their disadvantage.</p> <p>Let us played our part in this global society which is emerge from the 21st century.</p>	<p><u>Incorrect</u> <u>Correct</u></p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p>
Q.7	<p>Rearrange the jumbled words to form meaningful sentences -</p> <p>a) unbelievable/the/found/story/I</p> <p>b) put up/appreciated/the exhibition/class 8/Everybody/the students/of/by</p> <p>c) This/yesterday/which/burgled/is/the house/was</p>	
Q.8	<p>i) Choose the correct non-finite verb in the given sentence- 'Having finished his homework, John went to bed.'</p> <p>a) Past participle</p> <p>b) Perfect participle</p> <p>c) Gerund</p> <p>ii) Choose the correct finite verb in the given sentence- 'She danced gracefully at the opening ceremony.'</p> <p>a) She</p> <p>b) danced</p>	

<p>Q.9</p>	<p>c) opening</p> <p>iii) Identify the underlined word in the given sentence- I dislike <u>drinking</u> cold drinks.</p> <p>a) Infinitive b) Gerund c) Present participle</p> <p>I) Choose the correct type of Phrases in the given sentence –</p> <p>i) We manufacture furniture made of wood only.</p> <p>a) Adverb phrase b) Adjective phrase c) Verb phrase</p> <p>ii) Going to bed early is a habit with me.</p> <p>a) Noun phrase b) Adverb phrase c) Adjective phrase</p> <p>II) Choose the correct type of Clauses in the given sentences –</p> <p>i) Mr Kumar is the officer whom you have to go for the verification.</p> <p>a) Noun clause b) Adverb clause c) Adjective clause</p> <p>ii) It seems that he is a man of integrity.</p> <p>a) Adverb clause b) Adjective clause c) Noun clause</p>	
<p>Q.10</p>	<p>Identify the sentence as simple, compound or complex sentence-</p> <p>As I was walking down the road, I heard someone calling me.</p> <p>a) Simple b) Complex c) Compound</p> <p>Rewrite the given sentences as directed-</p> <p>i) Seeing the rainbow, the little girl smiled. (change to a complex sentence)</p>	

<p>Q.11</p>	<p>ii) We read a lot to learn. (change to a compound sentence)</p> <p>I) Choose the correct indirect speech for the given sentence-</p> <p>i) He says, "There is no sugar in the tea."</p> <p>a) He says that there was no sugar in the tea. b) He said that there is no sugar in the tea. c) He says that there is no sugar in the tea.</p> <p>ii) "Do you know him?" said he to me.</p> <p>a) He asked to me if I had known him. b) He asked me if I knew him. c) He asked me if he knew him.</p> <p>iii) Write the sentence in indirect speech- She said, "Kitty was drinking milk."</p> <p>II) i) Identify the type of conditional from the given sentence – If I were a poet, I would write an epic.</p> <p>ii) Write the sentence in the second conditional based on the information given- 'she had the key.....opened the door'</p>	
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SECTION – D (Literature)

Q.12

A) Read the extract (Prose) and choose the correct answer from the options –

'I have provided you the best possible school education...'

i) Who said these words and to whom?

a) Kiran's father to her b) Kiran to her father c) Her science teacher to her

ii) What was the profession of the speaker?

a) a teacher b) a master brewer c) a journalist

iii) Name the author of this autobiographical account?

a) Kalpana Chawla b) Indira Nooyi c) Kiran Mazumdar Shaw

B) Read the extract (Poem) and choose the correct answer from the options-

Peace watches us a consensus they reach

And hand in hand stand to bind one and all.

i) Who are they?

a) different countries b) different colours c) different sports

ii) Use 'Consensus' in a sentence of your own.

iii) Name the poet of the above poem?

- a) S P Balaraman
- b) Prema Reddy
- c) Prema Balasubramanian

Q.13

Answer these questions (20-40 words) – [Any four]

- a) How Sherlock Holmes concluded that Mr Wilson was in China in the recent past?
- b) Why did Mohsin laugh at Hamid's tongs?
- c) What is the Ice Stupa technique initiated by Mr Wangchuk?
- d) Why is an OT nurse respected by doctors and surgeons?
- e) What is the one disconnect that we face today?

Q.14

Answer these questions (60-80 words) – [Any two]

- a) When John Clay is caught, he has a strange interaction with Holmes. Why do you think he responds to Holmes in such a way?
- b) Do you think that Hamid really believed that toys were a waste of money? Justify your answer.
- c) How do Chakra and the Mighty Girl tackle the typhoon in the Philippines?

Q.15

Answer these questions (100-120 words) – [Any two]

- a) Write a character sketch of John Clay.
- b) How the poem 'Invictus' enlightens the unconquerable soul and attitude of the poet? Justify your answer.
- c) 'We must save our planet now for we have nowhere else to go.' Do you agree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer.

Q.16

i) Choose the correct meaning for the given foreign word- 'Angst'

- a) to infinity
- b) enthusiasm and will power
- c) dread and anxiety

**ii) Choose the correct word for the given meaning-
'the ability to make a decision'**

- a) discrimination**
- b) discrepancy**
- c) discretion**

**iii) Choose the correct phrasal verb for the given meaning-
'a disappointment'**

- a) let down**
- b) breakout**
- c) dropout**

**iv) Choose the correct prefix for the given meaning-
'a formal assessment or evaluation'**

- a) Rewrite**
- b) Review**
- c) Realign**

**v) Choose the correct foreign expression for the given meaning-
'total failure'**

- a) haute cuisine**
- b) fiasco**
- c) bona fide**

**vi) Choose the correct antonym for the given word-
'reckless'**

- a) resolute**
- b) prudent**
- c) decisive**

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