

DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL JAMMU

SESSION: 2025-26

Assignment-2

CLASS: VIII

SUBJECT:

ENGLISH

SECTION- A (READING)

Q1. Read the following passage carefully.

Cardamom, the queen of all spices, has a history as old as the human race. It is the dried fruit of a herbaceous perennial plant. Warm humid climate, loamy soil rich in organic matter, distributed rainfall and special cultivation and processing methods all combine to make Indian cardamom truly unique in aroma, flavour, size and it has a parrot green colour. Two types of cardamom are produced in India. The first type is the large one, which has not much significance as it is not traded in the future market. It is cultivated in north-eastern area of the country. The second type is produced in the southern states and these are traded in the future market. These are mainly cultivated in Kerala, Tamilnadu and Karnataka. As per the future market rules, only 7 mm quality was previously traded in exchanges. But later, it relaxed its norms and now 6 mm quality is also traded in the exchanges. Cardamom is an expensive spice, secondly to saffron. Indian cardamom is known in two main varieties : Malabar cardamom and Mysore cardamom. The Mysore variety contains leaves of cineol, limonene and hence is more aromatic. India is the world's largest producer and exporter emerged as the leading producer and exporter of cardamom.

a) Mysore variety contains leaves of :

(i) Limonene

(iii) Both (a) and (b)

(ii) Cineol

(iv) None of these

b) The synonym of the word 'fragrance' given in the passage is-

(i) Aroma

(ii) Variety

(iii) Contain

(iv) Hence

c) State True or False

Cardamom is an expensive spice, secondly to saffron. _____

d) What are the two types of cardamom produced in India ?

SECTION-B (GRAMMAR)

Q2: Fill the blanks with the correct form of tenses:

a) Have you ever _____ such a beautiful scene? (see)

b) The moon _____ yet. (appear)

c) I _____ English for ten years. (teach)

d) What _____ your father feel about Resonance? (do)

Q3: Go through the sentences and change their tenses as directed.

a) I will talk to him. (Change into simple past tense)

b) She works as a receptionist. (Change into past continuous tense)

c) I will help you. (Change into future continuous tense)

SECTION-C (LIERATURE)

Q3. Read the extract and answer the following questions:

*When the jet rose six miles high,
it was clear the earth was round
walls across cities and to kill*

From that height, it was not clear why.

a) What was clear to the poet when the jet reached six miles high?

b) During his flight, the poet felt that the hatred between men on the earth was _____

Q4. Answer the following questions:

a) How are Meghna and Almas's stories similar?

b) What does the phrase mean "scaled six inches to the mile" in the Geography Lesson?

Q5. Why is the poem titled geography lesson?

OR

Sanjeev's actions were more heroic than Almas' father's. Do you agree? Justify your answer.