

DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL, JAMMU

SESSION (2021-2022)

FOUNDATION SHEET

Class: V

Subject - English

SECTION- A

Q1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.

The song of birds is one of the loveliest sounds in nature. Sometimes when we are out in the country and we hear birds singing, it seems to us they are calling back and forth and they're telling one another something. It is a fact that birds do communicate with one another, just as many other animals do. Of course, at times the sounds birds make are mere expressions of joy, just as we make cries of 'Oh!' and 'Ah!'. But for the most part, the sounds that birds make are attempts at communication. A mother hen makes sounds that warns her children of danger and causes them to crouch down motionless. Then she gives another call which collects them together. When wild birds migrate at night, they cry out. These cries keep the birds together and also help the lost ones return to flock. But the language of birds is different from the language we human beings use. We use words to express ideas and these words have to be learnt. Birds do not learn the language. It is an inborn instinct with them. In one experiment, for example some chicks were kept away from cocks and hens so that they could not hear the sounds they make. Yet when they grew up, they were able to make those sounds just as well as chicks that had grown up with cocks and hens. This does not mean that birds can't learn how to create new sounds or to sing. In fact, some birds can even learn the songs of other birds. This is how the mocking bird gets its name.

A. Choose the most appropriate answer:

1. _____ is one of the loveliest sounds in nature.

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| a) the cry of a hyena | b) the roar of a lion |
| c) the song of birds | d) the squeak of a mouse |

2. When wild birds migrate at night, they cry out _____.

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| a) to keep them warm | b) to keep awake |
| c) to keep the enemy away | d) to keep the birds together |

3. Birds don't learn their language as _____.

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| a) it is tough to learn | b) it is an inborn instinct with them |
| c) it is only a quality with humans | d) they can't learn |

B. What do we human beings use words for?

C. How does a mother hen help her children in danger?

D. Find words in the passage that are similar in meaning to the ones listed below.

a) still

b) village

Q2. Write a paragraph in 80-90 words on the given topic:

‘Spring- My Favourite Season’

HELP BOX:

Spring-----season of flowers-----pleasant -----mornings -----evenings-----clear
sky-----refreshing winds-----after winter-----beautiful view-----all around-----
fresh green trees-----lovely songs of birds----- happiness-----season of colours-
-----final exams-----over-----free time to relax-----have fun-----friends.

Q3. Fill in the blanks with appropriate subjects or predicates:

i. _____ is good for health.

ii. All the mountain peaks _____.

iii. _____ went for a movie last Sunday.

iv. The patient _____.

Q4. Make sentences as instructed in brackets, using the words given below:

i. cake (exclamatory)

ii. shoes (declarative)

iii. book (interrogative)

iv. window (imperative)

Q5. Identify the nouns and their kinds in the following sentences.

i. The postman delivers the letters.

ii. Our team won the match.

iii. Mr. Joseph is our principal.

iv. I felt a sudden pain in my knees.

Q6. Choose the correct options to complete the following sentences.

i. He has cut the apple into two _____. (halfs/halves)

ii. Pankaj is five _____ tall. (foots/feet)

iii. Nina bought a pair of _____. (short/shorts)

iv. There are many _____ in this shop. (mouses/mice)

Q7. Write the nouns given in the box below under suitable columns:

drake house host truck officer mare nun shorts duke enemy table
driver maid student niece poetess fox emperor bicycle dancer

MASCULINE	FEMININE	COMMON	NEUTER

Q8. Fill in the blanks with articles ‘a’, ‘an’ or ‘the’:

- i. _____ group of ants is called _____ army.
- ii. June is _____ hottest month of the year.
- iii. _____ Gateway of India is in Mumbai.
- iv. Suman will come back in _____ hour.
- v. He is _____ European, but his wife is _____ Indian.