

DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL, JAMMU
SESSION 2020-21
FOUNDATION WORKSHEET

CLASS- X

SUBJECT—ENGLISH

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. This worksheet is divided into two sections- **Section A (Reading)** and **Section B (Writing and Grammar)**.
2. The students are required to read the paragraphs given in **Section A** by carefully skimming followed by thorough reading of the passages and then answering the questions that follow according to the instructions given with them.
3. The formats required for **Section B**, writing portion, are given below with solved examples for the understanding of the students.

SOLVED EXAMPLES WITH FORMATS:

1. Letter to the Editor

FORMAT

Sender's address:

Date:

Receiver's address:

Salutation:

Subject:

Content (in three paragraphs- 1-Introduction

2- Main idea

3- Conclusion)

Complimentary close

Name

Designation (if any)

SOLVED EXAMPLE

Q. You are Radha G, member of NGO AWAAZ. Write a letter to the editor of a national daily for a public movement to clean the Yamuna river. (You must introduce yourself, describe how the people are to be blamed for polluting the river and suggest the need for installing water treatment plant to clean the river).

Examination Hall
ABC

23 March, 2020

The Editor
Hindustan Times
New Delhi

Sir

Subject: Need for people's movement for a clean Yamuna

Through the esteemed columns of your widely read newspaper I want to highlight the deteriorating condition of river Yamuna.

The city of Delhi is getting contaminated water from river Yamuna. The residents are to be blamed for this. They pollute the river with garbage, sewage and filth. The river water is full of bacteria, plastic, chemicals and other waste materials which makes it unfit for consumption. The people have been demanding a Water Treatment plant for a very long time now but the authorities have not yet responded to the repeated requests.

I request you to highlight the problem in your newspaper and arouse public interest as well as the interest of the concerned authorities. We all need to get together in order to get the plant set up in the area.

Yours Truly

Radha G
Member AWAAZ

2. Letter of Placing Order

FORMAT

Sender's address:

Date

Receiver's address:

Salutation

Subject:

Content (in three paragraphs- 1-Introduction

2- Table giving details

3- Conclusion)

Complimentary close

Name
Designation

SOLVED EXAMPLE

Q. You are Ankit, the Sports In charge of Blossom Public School, Ghaziabad. Write a letter to the Manager, Sharma and Sharma Group, placing order for some sports items for the new academic session 2020-21.

Blossom Public School
Ghaziabad

23 March, 2020

The Manager
Sharma and Sharma Group
New Delhi

Sir

Subject: Purchase of Sports Items

It is my pleasure to communicate to you that our school wishes to place an order for sports items in bulk with your company. These items will be used in the activities room, gym, and sports ground of the school starting from the academic session of the year 2020-21. List of the items along with their quantity is given below:

S.no.	Name of the product	Quantity
1	Wicket keeping pads	25
2	Footballs	30
3	Tennis balls	36
4	Volleyballs	20
5	Cricket bats	18

Kindly deliver the order on time by ensuring that all the items are taken from the fresh lot. Payment of the entire purchase will be done digitally. It would be great if you could share the time when all the items will be delivered at our address.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours Truly
Ankit
Sports Incharge

3. Letter of Complaint

FORMAT

Sender's address:

Date

Receiver's address:

Salutation

Subject:

Content (in three paragraphs- 1-Introductions

2- Main idea giving 2-3 defects

3- Conclusion)

Complimentary close

Name

Designation

SOLVED EXAMPLE

You are Sanjeet of 122, Arjun Nagar, New Delhi. A number of scooters and cars are parked in your locality haphazardly, causing blockage and traffic jams on the streets. Write a letter to the local Secretary of the Resident's Association complaining against this problem.

122, Arjun Nagar
New Delhi

23 March, 2020

The Secretary
Resident's Association
New Delhi

Sir

Subject- Complaint regarding the issue of haphazard parking in the locality

I would like to draw your attention to the bad parking habits of residents in our locality. It is resulting in a lot of chaos leaving no place for parking for those who come back late.

Despite defining the area assigned to each vehicle, cars are parked amidst two parking spots. One vehicle occupies the space for 2-3 vehicles which leads to mismanagement. Two-wheelers are placed nowhere near the allotted zone. This creates problem for other people as they have to then spend a lot of time finding parking spots in other localities. It induces frustration and tension for safety of vehicles.

Various notices and warnings have been given to the rule-violators, but to our dismay, no betterment can be seen. I request you to take strict action as this is leading to fights between the residents. An effective and speedy action is expected considering the depth of the situation.

Yours Sincerely
Sanjeet

4. Article Writing

FORMAT

HEADING

By line

Content (in three paragraphs- 1-Introduction
2- Main idea
3- Conclusion)

SOLVED EXAMPLES

Q: By 2050, India will be amongst the countries which will face acute water shortage. You are highly alarmed and terrified of the future world without water. So, write an article on “Save water- are we doing enough?”

SAVE WATER- ARE WE DOING ENOUGH?

By XYZ

Paragraph 1 – Many people are living with less water than they need, whether in the world’s most prosperous cities or in its bountiful agricultural heartlands. Droughts have also become more frequent, more severe, and affecting more people around the world. As many as four billion people already live in regions that experience severe water stress for at least one month of the year. With populations rising, these stress levels will only mount.

Paragraph 2 – Water is the precious gift of God on earth. Life exists on earth because of the availability of water. Itself being tasteless, odourless and colourless, it adds taste, colour and nice smell in the life of living beings on the Earth.

Paragraph 3 – Here are different methods we can follow to save clean drinking water and deal with the water scarcity. Rainwater harvesting is one of the most effective and suitable method among save water techniques.

Conclusion – Aforestation is also a good method as it reduces surface runoff and recharges the groundwater. It promotes underground water conservation. By practising such methods we can conserve more water naturally and ensure the availability of it for future generations. We should take a pledge and make it a lifelong motto to preserve water because, “If you conserve water, it means you conserve life.”

5. Story Writing

FORMAT HEADING

Content

SOLVED EXAMPLES

Q: Write a story in 150-200 words with the help of the following outline. Give it a suitable title also.

Bunya was a foolish boy, who was an attention seeker. He was a woodcutter and would go deep into the jungle to cut trees. One day he wanted to do an act of mischief. He shouted at the top of his voice, “There’s a tiger, tiger, there’s a tiger ...”

THE FALSE ALARM

Bunya was a foolish boy, who was an attention seeker. He was a woodcutter and would go deep into the jungle to cut trees. One day he wanted to do an act of mischief. He shouted at the top of his voice, “There’s a tiger, tiger, there’s a tiger ...” even when there was no trace of it. The villagers came running hurriedly thinking that Bunya was in danger. Bunya’s mother had tears in her eyes. The villagers came ready with their safety weapons and upon reaching, they saw no tiger but just Bunya laughing on playing them. The villagers were hurt and they started swearing out of disappointment. Bunya had no realization as to what he had done and he continued laughing stealthily. A week passed by and everyone was ignoring Bunya. One fine day, his friend and he went into the woods. Just like any other day, they started doing their job while chatting with each other. Suddenly, they heard a roar nearby. The tiger was towards his friend’s side of the jungle. Bunya went running to the villagers asking them for help. No one listened to him as they thought it was one of his pranks. He cried for help, but no one trusted him. He ran towards the tea vendor and told him the entire story. The tea vendor gave him the benefit of doubt and went with him. Till the time they reached there, his friend could be seen nowhere. They called out his name and looked in the woods, but it was too late. Bunya realized and accepted that it was all his mistake.

WORKSHEET:

SECTION A (READING)

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

A bookshop is not something you find in every gali or mohalla these days. Books, which were once a staple diet for youngsters in their formative years, are fading out of their list of managements.

Ask any youngster which is the latest book he has read and he will be baffled. Apart from a few consistent readers, other just befool themselves with a best-seller's name or lament the curriculum load for justifying themselves, like this seventeen year old school goer who says, "I just read my physics book".

Television has been blamed much for this calamitous situation, which is producing square – faced people and a bookless society. Furthermore, today's children are under pressure to be smart and popular, to succeed on a social level. Moreover, the computers, video games, Internet, swimming lessons, cricketing and every youngster's passion for hour long tete-e-tete or telephone with friends eat up all their leisure time.

A child who is constantly under pressure to live up to his parent's expectations, at time unreasonable, does not like to throw himself into another set of books after the laborious school work unless the child comes from a family of readers where intoxicating works of Shakespeare and Dickens are just a matter of pulling them out from the shelves.

Many parents also believe that today's children have become aware and demand logical reasoning for everything. They can no longer be fooled by fairy tales or animal stories, as they have seen no fairies, no animals except for those old tired ones in the city zoo.

Answer the given questions:

(i) Today's child is mostly interested _____.

- (a) being smart and popular (b) playing games
(c) reading latest books (d) fairy tales and animal stories

(ii) The reason for being in such situation is _____.

- (a) best sellers (b) internet
(c) bookless society (d) television

(iii) Parents' expectations have resulted in _____.

- (a) calamitous situation (b) pressuring children
(c) logical reasoning (d) intoxicating children

(iv) Today children have become aware and demand _____ reasoning .

- (a) flamed (b) logical
(c) faulty (d) illogical

(v) What is the correct order of the information given in the passage ?

- (A) Children are under pressure to be smart
(B) Television has been much blamed for calamitous situation
(C) Books were once staple diet for youngsters
(D) They can no longer be fooled by fairy tales

- (a) C,D,B,A (b) C,B, A, D (c) A, B,C,D (d) D,C,B,A

(vi) Today's children are under pressure due to be _____.

- (a) smart and popular (b) aware
(c) successful (d) baffled

(vii) Children are no longer interested in fairy tales because they have been seen fairies.
(true/false)

(viii) The leisure time of youngsters has been replaced by _____.

Q2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.

1. Albert Einstein was one of the greatest scientists the world has ever known. He was truly a fascinating man. Once this great physicist was caught in a downpour. He took off his hat and held it under his coat. When he was asked , he explained with admirable logic that the rain would damage the hat but his hair would be none the worse for its wetting.
2. 2. Once he was given a magnetic compass by his dad when he was four and sick in bed. Albert practised turning the compass every way, soon he became fascinated by the new toy. No matter which way he turned, the needle would always point in the same direction much in the way Einstein's genius and fascination with nature pointed him towards a life of scientific discovery.
3. Einstein's mother introduced him to music and he became a fine violinist. He also excelled in mathematics.
4. At eleven, he studied physics of the university level .But he was an independent thinker and hated the regimentation of the German School system. Schools were like barracks and teachers were like military commanders for Albert. When he was sixteen, he renounced his citizenship in order to avoid joining the German army , and moved to

Switzerland. He spent four years studying maths and physics at the renowned Zurich Polytechnic.

5. In 1933, while he was in USA ,Hitler came to power in Germany.That same year Einstein accepted a permanent appointment at the Institute of Advanced Study at Princeton , and in 1941, he became a citizen of the USA
6. Einstein surrendered his lifelong pacifism in 1939 when he wrote a letter to Franklin D Roosevelt , encouraging the President to begin atomic weapon research. He felt uneasy about the rise in power of Nazi Germany and was told that German Physicist had split the uranium atom.

A. On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions in 30-40 words.

- i. Why did Albert Einstein take off his hat in a downpour?
- ii. What did Albert Einstein notice when he was given a compass?
- iii. In order to avoid the German army, what did Albert Einstein do?
- iv. Why did Albert Einstein feel uneasy?

B. On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following

- i. In para 1 the word which means the same as ‘captivating ‘ is
a. Shabby b. mesmerizing c. fascinating d. ferocious
- ii. In para 1 the word similar in meaning to ‘ heavy rain ‘ is
- iii. The antonym of ‘stupidity’ as given in para 2 is
a. Fascination b. genius c. sick d. compass
- iv. The antonym of ‘insisted’ as given in para 6 is

SECTION –B (WRITING & GRAMMAR)

Q3.We all know that health is wealth but we seldom remember to apply this truth in our fast paced lives. Write an article highlighting the importance of healthy body and healthy mind. (100-150 words)

Q4.You are Jiya Gulati of E-5, Kirti Nagar. You purchased an electric heater which started giving trouble after one month .Write a letter to the manufacturing company, Toshi Electrical Products, complaining about the product and asking for the refund. (100-120 words)

Q5. There are so many municipal taps of drinking water installed in your city. For the lack of maintenance, most of them are either leaking or are left running by careless members of the public. Write a letter to the editor of a local newspaper drawing the attention of the authorities for the proper maintenance and urging the people to be careful while using them.

Q6. Write a letter to the Manager of Hari Travels asking various details about their tour packages. You are Naman/Namrita of 432, Greater Kailash, Noida.

Q7. Develop a story in 120-150 words, using the given visual:



Q8: You are Raghubir Singh, Sports Incharge of Dayanand Public School, Bhera Enclave, New Delhi. Write a letter to M/s Royal Sports. Karol Bagh, New Delhi, requesting them to supply some sports items for your school.

Q9. Edit the given passage:

The room in which the boys were feed
was a large stone hall with a copper in
one end : out of what the master , dressed
in the apron for the purpose and assisted .

	Error	Correct
a.	_____	_____
b.	_____	_____
c.	_____	_____
d.	_____	_____

Q10. One word is missing in each line. Write the missing word along with the word which comes before and the word which comes after it.

This poem brings the foolishness of
Following someone blindly describing a
Contest between a frog and nightingale
Both claim to the best singers .It
Is true that the nightingale sang melodious songs .

	Before	Missing	After
a.	_____	_____	_____
b.	_____	_____	_____
c.	_____	_____	_____
d.	_____	_____	_____

Q11. Complete the paragraph given below with appropriate words.

Life (a) _____ our planet earth began with sea ; it is the birth place of life on the earth .The earth is the only planet of (b) _____ solar system so far known which contains plenty (c)

_____water and this water has made our earth colourful , pulsating with life of a vast variety .Earth is the third (d) _____ the sun

(a) (i)in (ii) on(iii)for (iv) is

(b) (i) their (ii) your (iii)our (iv)its

(c) (i) on (ii) in (iii) with (iv) of

a. E(i) in (ii) on (iii)with (iv)from

Q12. Rearrange the following words and phrases to form meaningful sentences.

(a)backbone/are / youth /nation /the/of

(b) casual / careless/ but /more/ become / today/ they / and / have

(c)energy /pursuits/ they / youthful/ meaningless/ waste their/in

(d)our/they/makers/policy/future/are