

**DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL JAMMU
SESSION (2024-25)**

ASSIGNMENT - 1

Subject: English

M.M: 10

Class: VII

Topics: MCB: Three Questions, The Squirrel (poem), Grammar: Jumbled sentences

READING

Q1 Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

Malala- The Voice Of Justice

It was a day like any other for millions of school children around the world- cramming books into satchels, looking for lost homework and running for the school bus. Except for one young girl, whose routine school day would end with her life shattered and changed forever.

Fifteen- year old Malala Yousafzai from the Swat Valley in Pakistan was on the school bus returning home when a gunman attempted to murder her by shooting her in the head. The single bullet entered her head, passed through her neck and lodged in her shoulder close to her spine. She wasn't expected to live.

Malala's 'crime' was speaking against the denial of education, particularly to girls. In the Swat Valley, where the fanatics had blown up school and had banned girls from attending schools, Malala, with her blog and passionately held views about the right of girls to be educated, stood out and she had to be silenced- permanently. Malala was just fifteen then.

The global reaction to this extreme cruelty was a mixture of outrage, horror and disbelief. How could an activity so innocent, so normal like going to school attract the murderous intent of a pack of callous coward- grown men who think that gunning down children is OK? Fortunately, Malala survived.

1. What was Malala's 'crime'? **(1 mark)**

- a) Speaking against denial of education
- b) Speaking against dowry system
- c) Speaking against Child labour
- d) All of above.

2. Complete the statement. **(1 mark)**

Malala's views with her blog was about the..... .

3. Which word in the passage is an antonym of 'Never'? **(1 mark)**

- a) Clever
- b) Super
- c) Forward
- d) Forever

4 .Find a word from the passage that can replace the underlined phrase make an effort to achieve in the given passage. (1 mark)

- a) Corrupted
- b) Supported
- c) Attempted
- d) Attached

GRAMMAR

Q2. Rearrange the following words to make meaningful sentences. (0.5×4=2 marks)

- a) light up/ in every home/ good/ the lamp/ books/ magazines/ and/of/ knowledge
- b) ice cream/ a good way/ a hot day/ eating/ on/ can/ be/ cool off/ to
- c) is/ country/ our/ of the/ one/ nations/ generating/ electricity/ largest
- d) send/ an/ about/ email/ plans/ your/ me

LITERATURE

Q3. Answer the following questions: (2 marks)

- a) Why was the king advised to go to magicians?
- b) Why does the poet says “the squirrel wore a question mark for tail?”

Q4. Read the following extract taken from the poem ‘The Squirrel’ and answer the questions that follows. (2 marks)

He wore a question mark for tail,
An overcoat of gray.
He sat up straight to eat a nut,
He liked to tease and play.

1. Find the rhyme scheme of above stanza.
2. Give an example of personification from above lines.