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TEACHING AND LEARNING WORKSHEET-5
LEVEL -II

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

CLASS: IX

UNIT-1 : A Reading, Snake and the Mirror (Segment 4)

There are 20 MCQs in section I, II and III

(Reading Comprehension, vocabulary and grammar)

Section -IV is for Home Assignment (Creative Writing)

SECTION I
(READING COMPREHENSION)

(Q. No. 1-10) Read the following passage from the lesson "The Snake and the Mirror"

I did not know anything for certain. What sex was the snake, was it male or female? I will never know; for the snake unwound itself from my arm and slowly slithered into my lap. From there it crept onto the table and moved towards the mirror. Perhaps it wanted to enjoy its reflection at closer quarters.

I was no mere image cut in granite. I was suddenly a man of flesh and blood. Still holding my breath I got up from the chair. I quietly went out through the door into the veranda. From there I leapt into the yard and ran for all I was worth."

"Phew!" Each of us heaved a sigh of relief. All of us lit beedis. Somebody asked, "Doctor, is your wife very fat?"

"No," the doctor said. "God willed otherwise. My life companion is a thin reedy person with the gift of a sprinter."

Someone else asked, "Doctor, when you ran, did the snake follow you?" The doctor replied, "I ran and ran till I reached a friend's house. Immediately I smeared oil all over myself and took a bath. I changed into fresh clothes. The next morning at about eight-thirty I took my friend and one or two others to my room to move my things from there. But we found we had little to carry. Some thief had removed most of my things. The room had been cleaned out! But not really, the thief had left behind one thing as a final insult!"

"What was that?" I asked.

The doctor said, "My vest, the dirty one. The fellow had such a sense of cleanliness . . .! The rascal could have taken it and used it after washing it with soap and water."

"Did you see the snake the next day, doctor?" The doctor laughed, "I've never seen it since. It was a snake which was taken with its own beauty!"

Now, answer the following questions choosing the right option from A, B, C, or D

1. What was the gender of the snake?
(A) male (B) female
(C) can't say (D) none
2. Perhaps, the snake was engaged in...
(A) the reflection of the doctor (B) its own reflection in the mirror
(C) the smell of talcum powder (D) none of the above
3. While getting up from his chair, the doctor was _____
(A) holding his breath (B) breathless
(C) courageous (D) shivering with fear
4. Since the narrator was _____, all the listeners of the tale heaved a sigh of relief.
(A) beaten by the snake (B) not chased and bitten by the snake
(C) bitten by the snake (D) wounded by the snake
5. As a symbol of relief, all the listeners started _____
(A) drinking tea (B) reading newspapers
(C) leaving the place (D) lighting the beedis.
6. Where did the doctor run to?
(A) his owner's house (B) his relative's house
(C) his friend's house (D) his neighbour's house
7. Why did the doctor and his friends go to the room next morning?
(A) to catch the snake (B) to treat the patients
(C) to move his things (D) to clean the house
8. Someone entered the doctor's house before him the next morning. Who was he?
(A) a police man (B) a thief
(C) his neighbour (D) a snake charmer
9. The doctor felt insulted. Because _____
(A) the snake frightened him
(B) his things were stolen
(C) he had to run away from the snake.
(D) a thief had removed most of the things in his room except his dirty vest
10. What might have been taken away by the thief?
(A) white shirt (B) black coat
(C) sixty rupees (D) all the above

SECTION-II
(VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR)

(Q.No. 11-15) Answer the following questions as directed.

11. The movement of the snake is called _____.
(A) creeping (B) slithering
(C) toddling (D) A and B
12. I was suddenly a man of flesh and blood. What do the underlined words imply?
(A) full of flesh and blood (B) courageous
(C) frightened (D) sudden out flow of flesh and blood.
13. The sentence, "Somebody said to the doctor, "Is your wife very fat?" can also be written as:
(A) somebody told the doctor is his wife very fat.
(B) somebody asked the doctor is his wife very fat
(C) somebody asked if his wife was very fat.
(D) somebody asked if his wife is very fat.
14. In the line,with the gift of a sprinter. The meaning of the underlined word is.
(A) shooter (B) runner
(C) doctor (D) charmer
15. The room had been cleaned out. This sentence can be written as.....
(A) someone had cleaned out the room
(B) someone had been cleaned out the room
(C) no one had cleaned out the room
(D) someone had cleaned out by the room

SECTION III
(EDITING)

(Q.No. 16-20) Read the following passage, each of the numbered sentences from 16- 20 has an error. Choose the right answer to make it a correct sentence.

It was a hot summer night about ten O'clock. (16) I had my meal in the restaurant and returned back to mine room. (17) I heard any noise from above as I opened the door. (18) The sound had a familiar one. (19) One could say that I and rats shared the room. (20) I took out my box of matches as lighted the kerosene lamp on the table.

16. I had my meal in the restaurant and returned back to mine room.
(A) I had my meal in the restaurant and returned at my room.
(B) I had my meal at the restaurant and returned to my room.
(C) I had my meals in the restaurant and returned to my room.
(D) I have had my meal at the restaurant and returned back to me room.

17. I heard any noise from above as I opened the door.
(A) I heard the noise from above as I opened the door.
(B) I heard a noise from above as I opened the door.
(C) I heard an noise from above as I opened the door.
(D) I heard a few noises from above where I opened the door.
18. The sound had a familiar one
(A) The sound is a familiar one
(B) The sound were a familiar one
(C) The sound was a familiar one
(D) The sound has a familiar one
19. One could say that I and rats shared the room
(A) One can say that I and rats shared the room
(B) One could say that rats and I shared the room
(C) One would say that I and rats shared the room
(D) One could say that I and rats the room shared
20. I took out my box of matches as lighted the kerosene lamp on the table
(A) I took out my box of matches when lighted the kerosene lamp on the table
(B) I took out my box of matches while lighted the kerosene lamp on the table
(C) I took out my box of matches and lighted the kerosene lamp on the table
(D) I took out my box of matches and also lighted the kerosene lamp on the table

SECTION 1V
HOME ASSIGNMENT
CREATIVE WRITING (DISCOURSE)

Imagine, you heard that your doctor friend escaped from a snake's bite. Immediately, you rushed to his place and talked to him. Write a possible conversation between you and the doctor.

Hints:

- ❖ What happened?
- ❖ When?
- ❖ About the snake's entry
- ❖ Your escape

Note: The answer to this question is to be submitted to your teacher on whatsapp or in a notebook.
