

St. Mary's School Dwarka
Holiday Homework
Class XII
Subject: English
Week 3
Worksheet 3

No. of questions:9

M.M: 25

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow. (½ x6=3)

Donated Organs and their Transportation

(1) Once an organ donor's family gives its consent and the organs are matched to a recipient, medical professionals are faced with the onerous challenge of transporting organs while ensuring that the harvested organ reaches its destination in the shortest possible time. This is done in order to preserve the harvested organs and involves the police and especially the traffic police department.

(2) The traditional method of transporting organs by road is referred to as a "green corridor". This process entails police escorting an ambulance, so as to move around traffic - usually a specific traffic lane is chosen and all signals on the route stay green to ensure it reaches its destination in the shortest possible time. A 'green corridor' is a route cleared and cordoned off by the traffic police to ensure the smooth and steady transportation of harvested organs, on most occasions, to those awaiting a life-saving transplant. Organs tend to have a very short preservation time, such as the heart which has to be harvested and transplanted within four hours or the lungs which can be preserved for only six hours once they are harvested.

(3) The first green corridor in India was created by Chennai Traffic Police in September 2008 when they accomplished their task of enabling an ambulance to reach its destination within 11 minutes during peak hour traffic. That organ saved a nine-year-old girl whose life depended on the transplant.

(4) Similarly, such green corridors have been created by traffic police of various cities such as Pune, Mumbai, Delhi NCR etc. Personnel are stationed at selected points to divert, control and clear the traffic giving way to the ambulance. Apart from this, a motorcade of police vehicles accompanies the ambulance ensuring that it does not face any problems. Delhi Traffic Police provided a green corridor from IGI Airport to Institute of Liver and Biliary Sciences in Vasant Kunj for transportation of a liver. The distance of 14 kms was covered in 11 minutes.

(5) Experts point out the lack of a robust system to transport organs to super-speciality hospitals in the least possible time. National Organ & Tissue Transplant Organisation (NOTTO), the country's apex organ donation agency, is now framing a proposal to airlift cadaver organs and will send a report to the Union Health Ministry. "Cadaver organs have a short life and so transplant should be done within a few golden

hours.” Director (NOTTO) expressed, “Therefore, we are preparing a proposal for airlifting organs at any given moment.”

(6) Most states do not have enough well-trained experts to retrieve or perform transplant procedures. Also, there is an acute shortage of advanced healthcare facilities to carry out a transplant. So, it is referred to other big centres in metropolitan cities. Organs retrieved from Aurangabad, Indore, Surat, Pune are sent to Mumbai as these cities do not have super-speciality healthcare centres, informed officials.

(7) “In India, about fifty thousand to one lakh patients are suffering from acute heart failure and need heart transplant at any point of time. In a private set-up, a heart transplant costs ` 15-20 lakhs, which is followed up by postoperative medication of about ` 30,000 per month lifelong.”

i) The first green corridor in India was created in :

- a. New Delhi
- b. Chennai
- c. Mumbai
- d. Pune

ii) The organization which is framing a proposal to airlift cadaver organs is:

- a. Union Health Ministry
- b. Regional Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation
- c. National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation
- d. State Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation

iii) The onerous task the author is talking about in para 1 is :

- a. finding organ donors.
- b. finding doctors capable of performing transplants.
- c. to carry the harvested organ in the shortest possible time.
- d. to arrange the requisite facilities for the transplant.

iv) Most of the people do not go for the heart transplant as :

- a. it is very risky.
- b. it is very painful.
- c. it may cause the death of the recipient.
- d. the cost is prohibitive.

v) Most states refer organ transplant cases to big hospitals because

- a. they don't have well-trained experts.
- b. the patients don't trust local doctors.
- c. the state hospitals are very crowded.
- d. they don't have a pool of harvested organs

vi) Heart retrieved from a body is alive only for _____ hours.

- a. two
- b. three
- c. four
- d. five

2. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

($\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2$)

Driving from my parent's
home to Cochin last Friday
morning, I saw my mother, beside me,
doze, open mouthed, her face ashen like that
of a corpse and realized with pain
that she was as old as she looked...

- I. Where was the poet driving to?
 - a. Parents home
 - b. Cochin airport
 - c. Poets home
 - d. Port

- II. Why was her mother's face looking like that of a corpse?
 - a. Grown old
 - b. Dozing
 - c. Tired and weak
 - d. Death was imminent

- III. What did the poet notice about her mother?
 - a. Sleeping
 - b. Looking at the sprinting trees
 - c. Dozing with open mouth
 - d. Sad to be separated

- IV. What pain did the poet experience?
 - a. Astonishment
 - b. Pain of permanent separation
 - c. Pain to say goodbye
 - d. Pretending to be happy

3. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

(½ x 4 =2)

“M.Hamel stood up, very pale, in his chair. I never saw him look so tall.”

- I. Why did M.Hamel look very pale?
 - a. He will be no more teaching French
 - b. His sister was packing his things
 - c. Learning French was taken for granted
 - d. Prussian soldiers were drilling

- II. Why did M.Hamel stand up in his chair?
 - a. The church clock struck 12
 - b. It was the end of his last lesson
 - c. Time for Angelus
 - d. Prussian soldiers returning from drill

- III. Who saw him looking so tall?
 - a. The village elders
 - b. The German teacher
 - c. M.Hamel's sister
 - d. The narrator, Franz

- IV. What does it mean to say “looking so tall” ?
 - a. M.Hamel was very tall
 - b. Standing in his chair
 - c. Standing with pride and respect
 - d. Looking smart

4. Research on advertisement writing, learn about advertisements on sale and purchase of property for classified columns of a newspaper and answer the following question.

At Rohini, in Delhi you have a three-bedroom flat with all modern amenities. It is fully air conditioned and has a power backup. For the sale of this flat, draft a suitable advertisement in not more than 50 words to be published in the local daily. Give necessary details. Your contact number is 9800223312. **(3)**

- 5. You are Kamini/Kamal of 10 Civil Lines Extension, Chanakyapuri, Agra. The main road leading to your locality has three open manholes causing frequent accidents at night, especially during the rainy season. Write a letter to the editor of 'The Times of India' drawing attention of the municipal commissioner to this problem of the residents, requesting him to take appropriate action.**

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6. In spite of the best efforts of the government, all children of the school-going age do not go to school. Write an article describing why such children do not attend school, why parents do not send them to school and what society can do in such a situation. You are Raman/ Roshni. (3)

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7. **Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each:** (3 x 1=3)
- a. How was M.Hamel's class different the day Franz went late to school?
 - b. How does M.Hamel prove to be an ideal teacher?
 - c. Why did Kamala Das promise to her mother of a meeting in the near future?
8. **Answer the following question in 150 words:** (3)
- Why was the poet brought in the image of merry children spilling out of their homes?
9. **Answer the following question in 150 words:** (3)
- "We've all a good deal to reproach ourselves with."
- Why does M.Hamel say this?