



## Olympiad Aptitude Test English- Grade VIII

Fill in the blanks with suitable active or passive verb forms using the correct options.

- This house \_\_\_ in 1970 by my grandmother.  
a built                      b was built  
c were built                d has built
- She----- for a while.  
a are ailing                b is been ailing  
c has been ailing        d have been ailing

Transform the following Interrogative Sentences into Assertive Sentences by selecting the correct option.

- Can anybody bear such an insult?  
a) Nobody can bear such an insult,  
b) Who will bear such an insult?  
c) Anyone can bear such an insult,  
d) There is no one who can bear such an
- Will we ever forget the good old days?  
a) We will never forget the good old days,  
b) Good old days will always be remembered,  
c) We will always remember good old days,  
d) Good old days are to be cherished always.

In each of the following questions, select the best option which is closest in meaning to the underlined word in the sentence

- Many of us have ambivalent feelings about our politicians, admiring but also distrusting them.  
a approving                b critical  
c disturbing                d mixed
- Mundane activities such as washing clothes or dishes, going shopping for groceries or reading the daily newspaper, all help me relax.  
a exciting                b painful  
c routine                d spiritual

In the given questions, the first and last sentences are identified and you have to arrange the middle order of the sentences

- A) Last Saturday, Nalini and Kamal walked to their Nani's house nearby.

P) While crossing through the park, Kamal picked some roses for Nani.

Q) They jumped over a fence and left the park. Nalini waved hello to Mr. Sharif and helped him catch his newspaper, which the wind had blown away.

R) On the way, they stopped by the fruit shop and bought an apple each, and ate them as they walked.

S) Finally, Nalini and Kamal arrived at Nani's house.

Z) She came out and welcomed them both a warm embrace,

a) PQRS                b) RQPS  
c) RPSQ                d) RPQS
- A) Best friends Ramesh and Suresh were arguing while taking a walk along a fast flowing river in the hills, of Uttarakhand. Enraged by a remark by Suresh, Ramesh gave him a tight slap on his cheek.

P) Ramesh, seeing his friend's plight, ran down the river, caught Suresh's hand and pulled him out of the river to safety.

Q) Suresh was hurt, but instead of saying something, took a twig and wrote on the rivers and, "Today my best friend slapped me."

R) After recovering, Suresh used a stone to write on a rock nearby, "Today my best friend saved my life." Ramesh was puzzled by this and asked Suresh, "Earlier, when I hurt you, you wrote on the sand, but now you write on a rock. Why?"

S) After sometime, Suresh was tired and felt like bathing in the river. As soon as he stepped in, the strong current swept him away.

Z) Suresh replied, "When anyone hurts us, we should write it on sand so that the winds or currents of forgiveness will erase it very soon. However, if somebody does something good for us, we should engrave it in stone where no current or wind will erase it."

a) PSQR                b) SRQP  
c) QSPR                d) QRPS

Read the comprehension based on a poem and select the correct option in the given questions:

### Did I Ever Stop?

Did I ever stop to make you smile  
When your day was hard or your road was long?  
When your light stopped shining for a while.  
Did I sing for you a happy song?

Did I ever try to make you laugh  
When your eyes held tears and you couldn't  
speak?  
When your world seemed almost tom in half,  
Did I hold your hand or kiss your cheek?

Did I ever pause to hear your voice  
When you needed just a moment's ear?  
When you'd lost your way or missed a  
choice,  
Did I let you know that I was near?

Did I ever stop to say I care  
When I didn't seek to hear it too?  
When you weren't so sure that I'd be  
there,  
Did I ever show my love for you?

#### Questions

9. \_\_\_\_\_ The poet sings-----song.

- a a happy    b an unhappy  
c a sad      d a melancholy

10. \_\_\_\_\_ The poem is about-----

- a. Unimportant things like laughter  
b. making others unhappy

- c being compassionate to others  
d one's own selfish interests

11. Which word in the poem means the same as 'ripped apart'?

- a Stop            b Pull  
c Broken        d Tom