

## Revision Test 4

### 1. Comprehension

i) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it.



Many years ago there lived a brave king named Robert Bruce in Scotland. He fought many battles and won them. But in one such battle he was badly defeated. He ran away from the battlefield to save his life. He hid himself in a cave near a mountain range. He was in great despair and he gave up all his hope.

One day he was sitting mournfully inside the cave. Suddenly he saw a spider. The spider was trying to climb up to the roof of the cave. But it was not an easy task for the tiny spider and it failed in its repeated attempts. Bruce was minutely observing the activity of the spider and he noticed that after six attempts, the spider finally succeeded in reaching the roof. Bruce learnt a great lesson from this incident. He got encouragement and gained new strength to face his enemy. With this inspiration and courage in his mind, he decided to gather his army one more time in order to fight his enemy away. This time he fought with new vigour and enthusiasm and was ultimately successful in making his country free.

### Questions :

- What was the name of the king ?
- Where did he rule ?
- Where did he take shelter ?
- What was the spider trying to do ?
- After how many attempts was the spider successful in reaching the roof ?

ii) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it.

The first great discovery that man had probably made was that of fire. We light a fire now by a match. But, of course, matches are quite recent things. In older times fire was made by rubbing two flints against each other, till a spark came and this spark set fire to a piece of dry straw or some other dry things. Fire sometimes occurs by themselves in the forest by friction between two flints or something else. The animals were not clever enough to learn anything from this. But man was cleverer. He saw the use of fire. It kept him warm in winter and frightened away his enemies, the big animals. So whenever a fire started, the men and the women must have tried to keep it by throwing dry leaves into it. They did not want it to go out. Slowly they must have found that they themselves could produce a spark and a fire by rubbing flints together. This was a great discovery for them and it gave them some power over the other animals.

*Questions :*

- a) What was the first great discovery that man had probably made ?
- b) How do we light a fire now ?
- c) How was the fire made in older times ?
- d) Whenever a fire started how did the men and women try to keep it ?
- e) How could they produce a fire ?
- f) Which discovery gave man some power over the other animals ?

2. Use the correct tense form of the verbs.

I — (**hear**) a noise outside now. I — (**be**) scared a little bit. I — (**sleep**) for two hours now. My mother — (**go**) to grandma's house. So now I — (**be**) alone in my room. My father — (**sleep**) in his room downstairs. But I — (**know**) that the noise I — (**hear**) is nothing serious. I — (**remember**) my mother say that at night we can hear many strange noises; but there is nothing to be — (**worry**) about. I — (**want**) to make a call to my mother. But I — (**wish**) not to disturb her at this hour. I — (**believe**) that if a person is mentally strong, nothing can harm him easily.

3. Report the following dialogues.

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i) (Direct Speech)

**Mrs Das** : Bikash, your grandparents are coming next week. You must spend time with them because your summer vacation starts tomorrow. You can take your grandfather to the park near your school for an evening walk. I will take your grandmother every evening to the *naamghar* of our colony.

**Bikash** : Sure, *ma*. I will take my grandfather for an evening walk every day. I will also play carrom with my grandfather. *Ma*, last month, when we went to my grandparents' house, my grandfather promised me that he would go to the planetarium with me. So I will remind him of that promise.

(Indirect Speech)

Mrs Das told her son Bikash \_\_\_\_\_.

Bikash replied \_\_\_\_\_.

(ii) (Direct Speech)

**Teacher** : My children, today I am going to tell you a few lines on Sir Isaac Newton. He was an English mathematician, physicist and astronomer. He is widely recognised as one of the most influential scientists of all time.

**Ritika** : Sir, my father once told me that he formulated the laws of motion and universal gravitation.

**Teacher** : Very good, Ritika.

**Ritika** : Thank you, Sir.

(Indirect Speech)

The teacher addressed his students as 'my children' and told them \_\_\_\_\_.

One of his students, Ritika, said \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Combine the following pairs of sentences into one using 'If' clause and rewrite them. (One is done for you)

i) You did not study regularly. You failed in the examination.

Ans: If you had studied regularly, you would have passed in the examination.

ii) He did not have money. He could not buy a car.

iii) I am not a bird. I can't fly.

iv) Go there. You will meet him.

v) Work hard. You will succeed.

vi) Don't neglect your studies. You will fail.

vii) You heat ice. It melts.

viii) I eat meat. But it gives me indigestion.

ix) You boil water. It changes into steam.

x) I did not know it. I made the mistake.

xi) You need help. Do not hesitate to tell me.

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5. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions.

I was born — 1980. My birthday falls — the month of July. Last year my birthday fell — a Sunday. We live — the ground floor. There is a fence — our garden. My cousin Anjana is famous — her singing talent. Anjana was congratulated — her remarkable achievement. We should take care — our grandparents. Yesterday our car skidded — the road. I received minor injury — my left arm. There were no other injuries — the accident.

My elder sister is married — a famous singer of Odisha. My cousin Arunabh has no taste — music. Arunabh is senior — me in school. One of our neighbours died — malaria yesterday.

6. Choose the appropriate determiners and rewrite the sentences.

i) An umbrella is — useful thing. (a / an / the)

ii) He will be back in — hour. (a / an / the)

iii) The workers decided to form — union. (a / an / the)

- iv) Do you have — book on Assam history ? (*some / any*)
- v) Is there — coffee left in the pot ? (*some / any*)
- vi) — rich are not always happy. (*a / an / the*)

7. Correct the following sentences and rewrite them.

- i) I *have visited* the zoo last week.
- ii) The girl *which* works here is from Kolkata.
- iii) Every *students* like that teacher.
- iv) I look forward to *meet* you.
- v) Where *I can* find this book ?
- vi) I've been here *since* eight months.
- vii) The boy doesn't *listen* me.
- viii) The police *is* coming.
- ix) *I and Jili* live here.
- x) He *had come* here two days ago.

8. Rewrite the following passage in respective past tenses making necessary changes wherever required.

The teacher of mathematics Mr Jiten Baruah teaches the students algebra and trigonometry. His students love and respect him very much. He is always very caring and loving while teaching the students theories and methods of mathematics. He takes great care of the students who are comparatively slow in learning. He teaches his students that nothing is difficult in study if we start loving the subject. He also says that it is very important that students are motivated first, before they are taught anything. This good-natured man is respected by his colleagues and other staff of the school.

9. Choose the correct alternative out of those given in brackets and rewrite the sentences.

- i) Riki's father (*considers / is considering*) Riki to be very intelligent.
- ii) My class teacher (*wants / is wanting*) to meet my parents.
- iii) We (*have watched / watched*) the movie yesterday.

- iv) I (**do not eat / have not eaten**) the chocolates yet.
- v) The students already (**have arranged / are arranging**) the stage for the debate competition.
- vi) She (**did / have done**) a lot of work today.
- vii) Look at those black clouds. It (**will rain / is going to rain**).
- viii) The bus (**will have left / has left**) before we reach the stop.
10. **Change the voice of the following sentences.**
- i) My father is drafting the letter.
- ii) The students are playing a friendly basketball tournament.
- iii) Richard was making some kites.
- iv) Radhika has done the work.
- v) My sister has just plucked some flowers for 'puja'.
- vi) Robin has already prepared the tea.
- vii) The naughty boys have just broken the window panes.
- viii) My cousin has already found his lost watch.
- ix) My uncle gave me a bicycle.
- x) We elected him our captain.
11. Write a letter to your uncle informing him about the annual function of your school.
12. Prepare a report for publication in a local newspaper on a bank robbery.
13. Write a notice to hang it on the 'Notice Board' of your school informing the students about a quiz competition.
14. Make a diary entry on the celebration of your birthday.
15. Amplify the following proverb.  
**A friend in need is a friend indeed**
16. Write an article on '**Importance of drinking sufficient amount of water to remain healthy**'.

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