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Class - IX



SECTION A (READING – 8 MARKS)

Q1. Read the following passage carefully:

Sooty smoke, once believed to help counteract the effects of other kinds of pollution by screening the planet from the sun rays, may actually sometimes worsen global warming by making clouds dissipate, scientists have said.

The surprise study by NASA and other climate experts suggested that haze seen over the Indian Ocean during the annual monsoon could in fact dry up clouds. Andrew Ackerman of the NASA Ames Research Centre in Moffet field, California and colleagues noted a thick haze over the tropical parts of the Indian Ocean during the monsoons there in February and March of 1998 and 1999.

While the general wisdom is that such a haze increases cloud cover – by giving water droplets little particles to gather on – they found that in fact cloud cover was sparse. So they ran a computer simulation. Writing in the journal Science which was published on Thursday, they said they found that the sun would heat up the dark – coloured haze which in turn would burn off the clouds. Clouds keep the earth cool by bouncing back solar radiation. And when they are supposed to occur as part of the trade wind circulation system, this can affect global climate patterns, the researchers wrote. But they noted that the local conditions vary and haze does not always cause clouds to burn off.

Answer the following questions:

(1 x 8)

- Why was sooty smoke considered beneficial?
- How did the sooty smoke act?
- Why do scientists think that soot has damaging effect?
- What was the effect of the thick haze over the Indian Ocean during monsoons?
- How does haze help in increasing cloud cover?
- What did the computer simulation prove?
- How do the clouds keep the earth cool?
- Why does the haze does not always cause clouds to burn off?

SECTION B (WRITNG + GRAMMAR – 20 MARKS)

Q2. You are Vipul / Vidushi. Write a diary entry expressing your feelings before the exams in about 100 – 120 words. (8)

Q3. In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and after it. The first one is done as an example. (4)

For migrating animals, setting at the right time is just important as ending up the right place. Their timing amazingly precise. Cuckoos arrive Britain during the second week of April.

	Before setting	Word off	After at
a)	_____	_____	_____
b)	_____	_____	_____
c)	_____	_____	_____
d)	_____	_____	_____

- Q4. Rearrange the words to form meaningful sentences: (4)
- one / fell / day / a / farmer's / will / donkey / into / down / a
 - the / farmer / know / to / didn't / do / cried / animal / the / and / what
 - invited / he / neighbours / all / help / his / to / him
 - what / donkey / the / didn't / at first / realize / was / happening.

- Q5. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet against the correct question number. The first one has been done as an example. (4)

Our earth have been blessed with a large variety of resource, like water forests or minerals. But only human beings can discovers, develop or convert this resources into wealth.

	Incorrect have	correct has
a)	_____	_____
b)	_____	_____
c)	_____	_____
d)	_____	_____

SECTION C (LITERATURE – 12 MARKS)

- Q6. Reference to the context: (4)
- Then the matter
Of scorching and choking
In sun and air,
Browning, hardening,
Twisting, withering,
And then it is done.
- What will happen to the tree after it is pulled out?
 - Why will the tree get choked?
 - Explain the last line of the stanza.
 - Give the antonym of 'softening' from the above stanza.

- Q7. Answer the following questions: (any four) (2 x 4)
- What did Kalam's Science teacher say to him?
 - What advice about the bear was given to the author's wife? Did she agree?
 - Why is the author enchanted by the flute seller?
 - What did the cyclone wrecked people in Orissa need immediately?
 - What did Sue tell Johnsy about Behrman after he died?
 - How did the people in the new school treat the author after the fire incident?