

**Class: X**

**Subject: English**

**A. READ THE FOLLOWING EXCERPTS AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS:**

1. With a satisfied expression he regarded the field of ripe corn with its flowers, draped in a curtain of rain. But suddenly a strong wind began to blow and along with the rain very large hailstones began to fall. These truly did resemble new silver coins. The boys, exposing themselves to the rain, ran out to collect the frozen pearls. (A LETTER TO GOD)
  - (i) Who is 'he' in the passage?
  - (ii) What did it suddenly change?
  - (iii) What resembled new silver coins?
  - (iv) Why did the children run out?
  
2. The following Sunday Lencho came a bit earlier than usual to ask if there was a letter for him. It was the postman himself who handed the letter to him while the postmaster, experiencing the contentment of a man who has performed a good deed, looked on from his office. Lencho showed not the slightest surprise on seeing the money; such was his confidence—but he became angry when he counted the money. God could not have, made a mistake, nor could he have denied Lencho what he had requested. (A LETTER TO GOD)
  - (i) Why did Lencho come to the post office?
  - (ii) Why was the postmaster happy and content?
  - (iii) Why did Lencho show no surprise on seeing the money?
  - (iv) Why did Lencho get angry?
  
3. "Poor old lad", I said. "You haven't a kick in you but I think I know a cure for you". (A TRIUMPH OF SURGERY)
  - (i) Why does the speaker say "poor old lad".
  - (ii) What cure did the speaker know?
  - (iii) What is the meaning of 'a kick' in the extract?
  - (iv) Write a synonym of 'cure'.

B. **Prepare a poster** advising people to use mask, wash hands frequently and avoid crowded places to prevent spread of COVID 19. Your illustration should be in conformity with the theme provided to you.

C. **Fill up the blanks by using the correct tense form of the verbs given in brackets.**

- (i) We ..... (go) to Guwahati by Rajdhani Express last month.
- (ii) Rajdhani train ..... (be) a fully air-conditioned train.
- (iii) It ..... (provide) food, cold drinks, water, and the blankets at night.
- (iv) The journey ..... (be) cool.
- (v) It ..... (impart) solace to the soul and mind.
- (vi) Malaria ..... (be) caused by female Anopheles mosquito.
- (vii) They ..... (be) also called carriers.
- (viii) When a Mosquito ..... (bite) a person, the microbes enter into the bloodstream.
- (ix) We should ..... (keep) the surrounding clean to avoid the breeding of mosquitoes.
- (x) Disease-causing microbes ..... (be) called pathogens.

