

## Sacred Heart CMI Public School, Thevara

Class: X

English Worksheet 2

Marks: 20

### 1. Reading Comprehension:

(8 marks)

#### The Tiger Trail at Mithunpur

1. It was around 4 am when, despite the biting cold, Vijay Singh from Mithunpur Mouza village in UP's Sambhal District had headed out to the fields. He never returned. Villagers found his slippers, pyjama, and mobile phone near a pond. Animal pug marks had led the villagers to Vijay or what was left of him, for when the villagers reached there, his half eaten body lay inside the thicket of a sugarcane field. Frenzied villagers had scoured the surroundings till they came in sight of the killer – a full grown tigress.

2. Experts were baffled by this occurrence for Mithunpur Mouza has no forest anywhere near the place. The closest tiger habitat to the village is the Jim Corbett National Park, a good 120 km away. Questions have thus been raised as to how it got there unseen.

3. The answers were partially revealed when officers got clues from more shocking events that followed. Tracked by forest officials and virtually cornered by villagers on two occasions, the hunted tiger began moving north towards the Corbett jungles. On the way it had claimed four more lives in the course of the next fortnight. According to the forest officials, it seemed the tigress was moving almost in a straight line, as if directed by a compass.

4. With GPS tracking devices, it was found that the tigress had moved 120 kms in fourteen days, and crossed not less than three national highways, three railway crossings and atleast one river, as also numerous village roads. That concludes that the tigress had travelled through 250 kms of human habitation and moved through sugarcane fields of the region quite undisturbed, till it was harvesting season, in December. For the tigress, the sugarcane had been like tall grasslands and as secure as the forest jungles. Besides, sugarcane also attracts wild pigs and other animals which become prey for the tiger. Confirming evidence of the tigress' presence in the sugar cane fields officials had found a clear spot in the middle of the cane field which they conclude was probably its base.

1.1 Based on your reading of the above passage, answer the following:

a. The tiger had moved 120 kms in .....

- (i) 10 days      (ii) 12 days      (iii) 14 days      (iv) 16 days

b. The sugarcane has been like tall grasslands and was as safe as the forest trees for .....

- (i) Vijay Singh      (ii) Villagers      (iii) The Tigress      (iv) Forest Officials

- c. The villagers found Vijay Singh's half eaten body inside the thicket of a sugarcane field. (True/False)
- d. The hunted tigress began moving south towards the Corbett jungles. (True/False)
- e. The tigress claimed four more lives over the next 14 days. (True/False)
- f. Vijay Singh, despite the biting cold had headed out ..... at 4 am.
- g. The tigress had trekked across ..... and ..... and atleast one river in 14 days.
- h. Find the word from the passage which means the same as 'perplexed'. (Para 2)

2. Accidents are caused almost every day by stray dogs and cows in the city. **Write a letter** to the Municipal Commissioner complaining about the danger posed by them. You are Amrita/Umang living at 25, Vikas Enclave, Delhi. (100-120 words) (8 marks)

3. **Correct the following sentences wherever necessary.** (1/4 x 4 = 1 mark)

- i. Two and two make four.
- ii. a number of questions were asked from me.
- iii. The accountant and the cashier has absconded.
- iv. The price of gold as silver fallen.

4. **Choose the correct alternative and fill in the blanks.** (1/4 x 4 = 1 mark)

- i. .... you show me the way to the station? (shall/might/could)
- ii. You ..... be punctual. (should/would/ought)
- iii. He ..... not pay unless he is compelled. (shall/will/there)
- iv. I ..... to be an atheist but now I believe in God. (would/used/ought)

5. **Change the voice from Active to Passive.** (1/2 x 4 = 2 marks)

- (a) The mischief maker will be punished by the teacher.
- (b) Cricket is played even in small villages.
- (c) Good manners must be learnt.
- (d) I have washed the clothes.

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