

## 9th STD SECOND TERM EXAMINATION 2023-24

### English Answer Key

1.	She was very tired and everything was dizzily before her.
2.	It was soaking wet and revolting.
3.	She probed the ground to avoid snakes, poisonous spiders and ants.
4.	It is not the big animals that are the most dangerous, but the snakes and the insects.
5.	Peril
6.	The rain
7.	Rain compared to dotted silver threads dropped from heaven/beautiful pearl
8.	dotted silver threads dropped/pearls plucked/daughter of dawn
9.	Nature then takes me, to adorn her fields and valleys /To adorn her fields and valleys
10.	<p>Gieve Patel's poem "On Killing a Tree" is deeper than the title would leave one to believe. While the depiction of a tree being killed is provided, it is justifiable that Patel is speaking about something very different. Therefore, the poem would be a metaphorical one. The poem, overall, speaks to the fact that it is harder to kill a tree than "a simple jab of the knife."</p> <p>In the end, killing a tree is very difficult. One must pull the tree out by the roots, expose "the strength of the tree," and allow the sun and the air to choke the life out of it. Therefore, in a critical analysis, one must understand that Patel is not only speaking about killing a tree. Instead, the poet is showing the difficulties one must face when trying to bring out feelings or emotions which lie deep inside. It is not until one can expose the emotions, for what they really are, that one can "kill" them. The poem is beautifully written. It provides a metaphorical image for the strength that it takes to rid one's self of deeply buried feelings and emotions. Scratching the surface of the "tree" will not kill it. Patel's poem provides beautifully honest language and imagery, while also providing beautifully conscious literal and figurative meanings. Critically, the poem speaks to the true meaning of what the poet wished to convey to the reader without being blatant with the message. Lear Patel, obviously, wants to connect to readers who read more than just the surface</p>
11.	Ben jumped from bed as soon as the first rays of sun peeped through his window.
12.	Stomach rumbling
13.	Because grandpa would take him out for fishing and for playing basketball.
14.	Ben learnt from grandpa, how to replace a broken doorknob and how to repair a leaky tap
15.	Ben's grandpa loves him very much. (Any possible answers)
16.	<p>Climate change is one of the most pressing issues of our time, and its impacts on the environment are becoming increasingly apparent. Despite this, many people still doubt the existence of climate change, calling it a hoax or a conspiracy. However, it is a fact, backed by scientific evidence, that human actions are causing the planet to warm up at an alarming rate, leading to extreme weather events, melting glaciers, rising sea levels, and loss of habitats for many species of plants and animals.</p> <p>Another impact of climate change is the acidification of the ocean, which is caused by the increased</p>

	<p>absorption of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. The excessive acidification is causing harm to the marine life, especially to the reefs and shellfish, which are important to the ecosystem.</p> <p>The rise in global temperatures is also leading to the melting of glaciers, which is putting pressure on the seas and adding to the rising sea levels. This is causing floods in coastal areas and affecting millions of people around the world.</p> <p>The global economy is also facing the brunt of climate change. The collapse of the ecosystem is another major concern due to climate change. The loss of habitats for many species is affecting the biodiversity of the Earth, which is essential for the survival of all living things.</p> <p>The climate crisis is one of the biggest threats facing humanity today, and it is important that we take immediate action to mitigate its effects. We need to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels and embrace renewable energy sources like solar and wind power. It is also essential to protect the natural habitats of plants and animals and reduce deforestation, which is a major contributor to carbon emissions. We must also encourage sustainable practices in agriculture, transportation, and construction to reduce the impact of human activities on the environment.</p>
<p>17.</p>	<p>I have to share this unbelievable story with you - it's about Juliane Kopeck, the only survivor of a plane crash in the Amazon. So, she's sitting next to the window, just a regular flight, and out of nowhere, there's this invisible force shaking the plane. Chaos breaks loose, and the next thing she knows, she's plummeting to the ground.</p> <p>Juliane somehow survives the crash, but when she regains consciousness, it's like a nightmare come true. She's all alone in the heart of the dense Amazon rainforest. Can you even fathom the perils she faced? The jungle is nothing like what we see on TV - it's wild, unpredictable, and every step could be a potential danger.</p> <p>Now, get this - for nearly ten days, she's out there, navigating the tangled mess of trees and foliage. And it's not like she's just taking a stroll; she's severely wounded, with a broken collarbone and deep cuts from the crash. But what keeps her going is this incredible willpower and determination to survive.</p> <p>At night, it's a different kind of horror. The jungle comes alive with strange sounds, and Juliane is all alone, nursing her wounds. Yet, she presses on, looking for streams because, you know, basic survival instincts. Water is life, even in the heart of a hostile jungle.</p> <p>Just when it seems like all hope is lost, she stumbles upon a group of Mestizo men - locals who find her and provide the help she so desperately needed. It's like a twist in a movie, only this is real life.</p>
<p>18.</p>	<p>In the lesson "The Tolstoy Farm," we witness Mahatma Gandhi's unwavering belief in the importance of vocational education, reflected in his insistence on teaching every youngster a useful manual vocation. Gandhiji's philosophy was grounded in the understanding that practical skills and manual labor not only contribute to self-reliance but also foster a deeper connection to one's work and surroundings. Through the acquisition of vocational skills, individuals gain a tangible means of livelihood, empowering them economically. Additionally, Gandhi believed that such education instills a sense of dignity and humility in individuals, breaking down societal hierarchies and promoting equality. The Tolstoy Farm, with its emphasis on self-sufficiency and communal living, becomes a microcosm of Gandhi's vision for a society where every individual, regardless of background, is equipped with the ability to contribute meaningfully through their acquired vocational skills. In essence, Gandhiji's advocacy for vocational education stems from his commitment to creating a society that values the inherent worth of every individual and recognizes the dignity in labor.</p>
<p>19.</p>	<p>Grandmother, in Kavery Nambisan's play 'Listen to the Mountain' is the representative of the old generation who believes that man should live in harmony with Nature. She was born at the turn of the century on the slopes of Dharmagiri where she lives. She thinks that she can hear the voice of the</p>

	streams,rivers, the birds and the mountain. She is happy with the tough life of village. When she hears about the construction of hotel in her village she becomes sad. She talks about pollution,the noise and the loss of habitat of animals and birds. The picture of filthy river frightens her. She believes that tomorrow's world is the children's world. She is very wise and practical. When she asks Narayan to talk to the children she tells him to talk to them, find out what they feel about the plan and not to put ideas into their heads. She instructs him to tell them everything and let them think for themselves. Any how she is an important character and the playwright conveys the message through her words.
20.	<p style="text-align: center;">XYZ School Calicut NOTICE</p> <p style="text-align: right;">22nd February 2024</p> <p>Dear friends,</p> <p>The national science day is going to be celebrated under the guidance of the science club of our school. The programme will be held on 28th February . Our chief guest is famous writer 'MT Vasudevan Nair' . All of you are kindly requested to join us and make this programme a successful one.</p>
21.	<p style="text-align: center;">Gibran Khalil</p> <p>Gibran Khalil Gibran is usually referred to in English as Khalil Gibran, (January 6- 1883 and died April 10,1931). He was a Labanes author, poet and artist and philosopher which he himself rejected to be called. Gibran's best known works are The prophet (1923),a book composed of 26 poetic essays.The madman (1918),The broken wings (1912) These are some of his must read books. Gibran was also battling with alcoholism and becoming more of a recluse .one final completed book "the earth Gods "hit shelves in early 1931 and he finished a manuscript of what became The wanderer (1932).shortly before his death on April 10,1931</p>
22.	<p>From : Abhi XYZ School Calicut 123</p> <p>To : John Honay New Delhi 123</p> <p>Subject : Invitation to Inaugurate Science Exhibition at XYZ School</p> <p>Dear Dr.John Honay</p> <p>I trust this letter finds you in good health and high spirits. My name is Abhi and I am honored to serve as the Secretary of the Science Club at XYZ School. As we prepare to host our annual Science Exhibition, we are thrilled to extend an invitation to you to be our esteemed guest and inaugurate this exciting event.</p> <p>Your outstanding contributions to the field of ecology have not only left an indelible mark on the scientific community but have also inspired countless individuals, especially our budding scientists at XYZ School. We believe that your presence would add immense value to our Science Exhibition and serve as a beacon of inspiration for our students.</p> <p>The exhibition is scheduled to take place on 12/1/2023 at 10 am at our school premises. The event will feature a diverse range of innovative projects and experiments showcasing the scientific curiosity and creativity of our students. We are confident that your expertise and insights would greatly enrich the experience for both participants and attendees.</p>

	<p>We understand the demands on your schedule, and we would be more than willing to accommodate any date and time that suits your convenience. Your participation will not only contribute to the success of our Science Exhibition but will also provide our students with a unique opportunity to interact with and learn from a distinguished ecologist like yourself.</p> <p>Please find enclosed more details about the Science Exhibition, including the agenda for the day. We sincerely hope that you will consider our invitation and join us in making this event a memorable and enriching experience for everyone involved.</p> <p>Kindly confirm your availability at your earliest convenience. If you have any specific requirements or if there are additional details you would like us to consider, please do not hesitate to let us know.</p> <p>Thank you for considering our invitation. We eagerly look forward to the possibility of welcoming you to XYZ School.</p> <p>Warm regards, Abhi Secretary, Science Club XYZ School</p>
<p>23.</p>	<p><b>Dharmagiri Villagers Rally Against Star Hotel Construction, Express Strong Opposition</b></p> <p>Date: 13/1/2024</p> <p>Dharmagiri, In a display of unified resistance, the residents of Dharmagiri took to the streets yesterday to vehemently oppose the proposed construction of a star hotel in their tranquil village. The widespread discontent found expression in passionate rallies that echoed through the village streets, marking a significant moment in the ongoing dispute.</p> <p>The peaceful yet powerful demonstration saw a large turnout of villagers, young and old, converging at the main square to voice their concerns about the potential impact of the hotel project on the unique charm and identity of Dharmagiri. Banners and placards with slogans denouncing the construction dotted the rally, illustrating the depth of community sentiment. The villagers argued that such development could disturb the delicate balance of their eco-friendly lifestyle and lead to irreparable damage to the natural beauty that defines Dharmagiri.</p> <p>Local leaders and activists spearheaded the rally, emphasizing the need for a transparent dialogue between the villagers and the authorities involved in approving the hotel project. As the news spreads beyond Dharmagiri, the fate of the proposed star hotel remains uncertain, caught in the crossfire between local opposition and the broader economic considerations that often accompany such projects. The villagers' rally serves as a poignant reminder of the ongoing challenges faced by communities striving to maintain their cultural and environmental integrity in the face of modern development pressures</p>
<p>24.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Can you take us back to the moment of the crash? What was going through your mind as the events unfolded, and how did you manage to survive the impact?</li> <li>2. Being alone in the dense Amazon rainforest for almost ten days must have been incredibly challenging. Can you share some of the most difficult moments you faced and how you summoned the strength to persevere during that time?</li> <li>3. Your father, a biologist, had shared knowledge about the jungle with you before the crash. How did this prior understanding of the environment play a role in your survival, and did it influence your decisions while navigating through the jungle?</li> <li>4. Nighttime in the jungle can be especially daunting. Can you describe the emotional and psychological challenges you encountered during the nights, and how did you cope with the fear and isolation?</li> </ol>

	<p>5. After days of being alone in the wilderness, you eventually stumbled upon a group of Mestizo men. Can you recount the moment of your rescue, and how did it feel to finally connect with others after such a solitary and perilous journey?</p> <p>6. Your story is one of incredible resilience and determination. Looking back, what do you believe were the key factors that enabled you to survive, both physically and mentally, and what lessons do you think others can draw from your experience?</p>
25.	<p>Juliane : Dad, is that really you? I can't believe it.</p> <p>Father : Juliane, my dear, I'm here. I'm here. I've been so worried. How are you feeling?</p> <p>Juliane : It's a miracle I'm even alive. The crash was like a nightmare. But I managed to survive in the jungle for days. Dad, I thought I'd never see you again.</p> <p>Father : I can't express how relieved I am that you're safe now. You've shown incredible strength. Tell me, how did you manage to survive in the jungle?</p> <p>Juliane : Dad, your teachings, your knowledge about the jungle, they saved me. I remembered what you told me about finding streams for water and the basic survival instincts. It made all the difference.</p> <p>Father : (with tears in his eyes) I'm so proud of you, Juliane. You used that knowledge to save yourself. You're stronger than you know.</p> <p>Juliane : (smiling weakly) I had to be. It was like a test of everything I ever learned from you. But Dad, I was so scared, especially during the nights. The jungle is a terrifying place when you're all alone.</p> <p>Father : (embracing her) I can only imagine, sweetheart. But you're safe now. We're together, and that's what matters. You've faced the unimaginable with courage.</p> <p>Juliane : It's so good to be with you again. I was starting to lose hope.</p> <p>Father : We found each other, and that's what counts. We'll get through this together.</p> <p>Juliane : Dad, I don't know how to thank you. If it weren't for you, I might not have made it.</p> <p>Father : You don't need to thank me. I'm just grateful you're here. We'll take it one step at a time, and you'll recover.</p>
26.	E.J Obiena
27.	Javelin Throw-Men
28.	Palak Gulia
29.	Singapore
30.	Weight Lifting
31.	<p>a. Grandmother asked Narayan how he planned to stop the construction of the hotel.</p> <p>b. Narayan replied that they would stage a peaceful procession and submit a petition.</p>
32.	<p>a. Flows</p> <p>b. we have ever seen</p> <p>c. breathtakingly</p> <p>d. is planning</p>
33.	<p>a. made up his mind</p> <p>b. called on</p>

	c. put across d. turned down
34.	a. when b. and c. with d. whom
35.	Noun phrase in subject position. a. The climate change b. Protecting our future on this planet
36.	a. Why can't we tech them shoe making? b. don't they? c. You had better go there to learn the skill. d. Would you mind teaching our students carpentry?

