

# Answers to REN/Set-3

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1. (a) Dogs are referred to as the ultimate companions because they look to alleviate stress and loneliness.  
(b) Dogs are great ice-breakers and conversation starters. They have a way of bringing people together. For young adults who feel isolated or disconnected from their peers, having a dog by their side can be a great way to connect with others and form new friendships.  
(c) (i) the reason dogs are the best companions for young adults as they do unconditional love.  
(d) explaining the benefits of owning a dog.  
(e) (ii) accept a responsibility  
(f) Dogs make fantastic companions for young adults whether you are looking for emotional support, social connection, increased physical activity, or simply someone to love and be loved by a dog can provide all these things and more.  
(g) Dogs are the best companion of mankind. The word 'struggling' here means – to fight in order to prevent something. It implies that whenever people face a lot of problems and can't cope up with that situation, they become the victim of anxiety and depression. At that time, the dogs provide them emotional support.  
(h) (ii) together  
(i) (iv) It is a source of unconditional love.  
(j) Dogs provide a sense of calm and comfort to those struggling with mental health issues because their presence is calming for the owner and they have the ability to sense their owner's emotions.
2. (a) the pollution caused by industries  
(b) (ii) Urbanisation leads to deterioration of air quality.  
(c) The main idea of the survey, highlighted in the given passage is to educate people about the threat of air pollution. It also discusses the causes of air pollution such as traffic and transportation problems, inadequate drainage facilities, lack of open spaces, carbon emission and the accumulation of waste, etc.  
(d) Sentence 1 is 'diseases' and sentence 2 is 'infections'.  
(e) (iv) Roshani - infection; Ciara – physical inaction; Hamid – disease  
(f) Around 4.6 million people lose their lives every year in India due to air pollution.  
(g) The researcher advises the readers to follow pollution averting activities seriously. He wants people to reduce vehicular emissions, which may help in reducing air pollution.  
(h) (i) Cause: traffic and transportation problems :: effect : aggravate the problem.

3. A.

17 October 20XX

S.K. Public School, Orai

NOTICE

Career Counselling

All the students of Class XII are informed that there will be career counselling by an eminent counsellor Dr R.S. Agarwal on Saturday, 20 October 20XX in the school auditorium from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Attendance of all the students is mandatory. For more information, contact the undersigned.

Rajan

(Head boy)

Or

B.

**Vasant Vihar Residents' Association, MGR Road, Chennai**

22 January 20XX

**NOTICE**

**Free Medical Camp**

All the members of the society are hereby notified that a free medical camp will be organised by Vasant Vihar Residents' Association in collaboration with Life Medical Hospital. It will include heart check-up and blood test. The following are the details:

Date : 29 January 20XX

Time : 10 a.m. – 5 a.m.

Venue : Life Medical Hospital

Members can attend the camp and take the benefit for family members too.

Mohit Saxena

(Secretary)

4. A.

**THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS WING OF**

**M. K. Sr. Sec. School, Patna**

is organising a Two-day Yoga Camp

in the school premises

from 25 May 20XX to 26 May 20XX

between 6 a.m. to 9 a.m.

**B. K. S. Ayengar of the International**

Yoga Foundation will conduct the sessions.

Your participation is necessary.

*RSVP*

Satya Prakash

(Student Head)

(Cultural Affairs)

Or

B.

G-7/140, C.P. Mission Compound

Gwalior

16 March 20XX

Dear Reena

You would be glad to know that I have passed the entrance for prestigious IIM Ahmedabad. My family is in seventh heaven and has decided to celebrate my selection with a party. It would be a privilege to have you at my residence on 20 March 20XX at 6.30 p.m.

Yours affectionately

*Mahesh*

(MAHESH)

5. A. 23-C, Koregaon

Pune

Maharashtra

10 October 20XX

The Editor

The Times of India

Pune

Sir

**Subject:** Need to have educational counsellors for the guidance of students

Through the columns of your esteemed newspaper, I wish to emphasise the need of having educational counsellors in each school for students who have just cleared class X Boards.

After passing class X, a candidate has to make a very difficult choice from a number of streams and a plethora of subject combinations available to him at the senior school level. There is no valid mechanism to assess the candidate's suitability for a particular stream except for aggregate percentage in the board exams. So, he and his parents get extremely confused and often make wrong choices due to societal and peer pressure without taking into account the student's aptitude and interest. The right choice at this level can help lay the right foundation for a sound career in the future. Appointing educational counsellors should be made mandatory as it will prove beneficial for all.

I hope the matter is brought to the notice of the concerned authorities and they can initiate timely action to help the students and parents avoid pitfalls.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully

*Rishi Negi*

(Rishi Negi)

Or

B. 112, Goal Choraha

Mumbai, Maharashtra

20 August 20XX

The Personnel Manager

Larsen and Tubro Ltd.

365, Badlapur

Mumbai, Maharashtra

Dear Sir

**Subject:** Application for the post of Marketing Assistant

This is in response to your advertisement in *The Times of India* dated 16 August 20XX for the requirement of Marketing Assistant in your company to market the manufactured products of your company in Mumbai. My qualification matches the profile and I have good communication skills too. Therefore, I can be a good fit for the Marketing Assistant position.

I have good command over English and Hindi languages and also good convincing power. It would be an honour for me to be connected with your prestigious organization. I have enclosed my bio-data for your kind perusal.

Waiting for a positive response from your side.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

*Ankush Raj*

Ankush Raj

**Encl:** Bio-data, copies of educational certificates, two passport-size photographs.

<b>Bio-data</b>	
Name	: Ankush Raj
Father's name	: Mohandas Raj
Date of birth	: 30 January 1993
Residential Address	: 112, Goal Choraha, Mumbai, Maharashtra
Gender	: Male
Marital Status	: Married
Nationality	: Indian
Educational Qualifications	: Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Marketing from IGNOU, Diploma in Japanese Language
Experience	: 3 years of working experience in Marketing at XYZ firm, Nagpur
Skills	: Excellent communication skills with team building skills
Hobbies	: Reading and travelling
Languages Known	: English, Hindi and Japanese
References	: 1. A.K. Diwan, Marketing Manager Apollo Pharma, Mumbai, M.No. – 92354XXXXX 2. C.K. Das, Admin Head J.K. Tyre Ltd., Mumbai, M.No. – 94352XXXXX

**6. A. India—The Evergreen Choice of Tourists**  
by Lakshya Sen

India is the chosen destination for the tourists all over the world. FTAs from Bangladesh, the US, UK top the list. From Russia to Europe to South Asia, our tourist industry today is seeing a new influx. There's a vigour in its promotion. However, some factors hinder its growth too like pollution, crimes against foreign tourists and our own lack of respect towards our collective heritage.

The government is leaving no stone unturned in mitigating these impediments but it is also the responsibility of every citizen to strengthen the efforts of the ASI, NGOs and government bodies to showcase and promote the rich cultural and geographical diversity of India.

To ease the arrival of visitors to India, the Indian government offers e-visa facility for a period of ninety to 180 days at a time. An e-visa can be obtained twice in a single calendar year.

ASI has identified 100 monuments to be developed as Model Monuments. These monuments would be provided with necessary tourist facilities including Wi-Fi, security, signage, encroachment-free surroundings, and interpretation centres for foreign guests.

India is also emerging as one of the most credible destinations for curative treatment. Medical tourism is boosting our foreign reserves. Eco-tourism and adventure tourism if implemented properly, will generate jobs for local people, boost awareness of local culture, food, handicrafts and bring about economic betterment at the grassroots level.

We need to capitalise on India as a destination where the Royal Bengal Tiger, common labourer, a few millionaires, religious dichotomies, exotic culinary treasures and some of the most expensive spas of the world co-exist.

*Or*

**B. BUDDING AUTHORS OF ST. MARY'S**  
by Saravani Gautam

New Delhi, 8 October, 20XX: The Senior Wing of St. Mary's School, Safdarjang Enclave, New Delhi, have collectively authored a book, '*School Memorabilia*' that recounts episodes from their school days, anecdotes and the legacy of the school alumni who achieved legendary success in their respective fields.

The written capsules interspersed with beautiful pictures, thoughtful quotes and colourful illustrations of artwork make this book a must have. It's to believe that the book from start to finish is the handiwork of high school pupils. Such is the phenomenal standard of creativity. It was released on the Founder's Day of the school. It was really an auspicious moment for the school and also added a new feather in its cap.

'It has been a great learning experience,' said one of the young authors. They have already their own page in the second edition of this book.

7. A. (a) The deeds of the mighty dead and the heroic tales are associated with the history of heroes and legend. It is the grandeur of the mighty dead that inspires one to do the heroic deeds.
- (b) (iii) The immortality of art and literature.
- (c) these are stories that are handed down the generations and thus acquire immortality
- (d) beauty
- (e) (iii) The assertion is true, but the reason is false.
- (f) 'Mighty dead' can be things of beauty as they do inspirational deeds in their lives which one reads and has heard. Their legends and tales keep enthusing the reader.

*Or*

- B. (a) wan and pale
- (b) (i) happy
- (c) fear of losing her mother or fear of separation from her
- (d) looked at
- (e) (iii) The assertion is true, but the reason is false.
- (f) The narrator's mother is old, frail and very pale like the moon in the late winter. Hence, she compared her mother's face with moon.
8. A. (a) Japan's Army General
- (b) Dr Sadao was not sent with the troops for two reasons. Firstly, he was perfecting a discovery which would render wounds entirely clean, and secondly, there was some danger that the old General might need an operation. So, the doctor would be required there.
- (c) (iv) Both (ii) and (iii)
- (d) The General assures Dr Sadao to help him in getting rid of the American soldier but due to his self-absorption in his ailment, he forgets. When Dr Sadao tells him about the escape of the white man, he takes the blame on himself and saves Dr Sadao.

*Or*

- B. (a) clarifying
- (b) The modern world is full of insecurities, fear, war, worry and all the rest of it.
- (c) (iii) it made her aware of Charley's delicate state of mind
- (d) Charley's grandfather didn't need refuge from reality because he lived in peaceful times.
9. A. (a) The child accepts the burden as naturally as his father.
- (b) web of poverty
- (c) their spring
- (d) (i) The web of poverty, burdened by the stigma of caste.
- (ii) The vicious circle of the sahkars, the middlemen, the bureaucrats, the policemen, politicians, etc.
- (e) (ii) trap made by the moneylenders for workers
- (f) (ii) legacy

Or

- B. (a) Gandhi's purpose in agreeing to the settlement, even at a lesser amount was that money was not important, but surrendering part of their prestige was more important.  
(b) unanimously  
(c) they were not bound by laws  
(d) As a result of the settlement, they realised that no body is above the law.  
(e) (iii) The landlords had to refund the money.  
(f) (ii) They realised that they too had courage.
10. (a) Young children symbolise youth, beauty and vitality. Looking at her mother she was filled with grief because of her age and frail condition. To divert her attention she looks outside towards the energetic children. The poet also presents a contrast between youth and old age.  
(b) The rattrap is a symbol of man's lust and greed. The rattrap is symbolic of the bait in the form of riches, wealth and comforts that attract man and trap him forever. Once the man gets attracted to the wealth and riches that life has to offer, he gets trapped in the rattrap from which he is never able to come out.  
(c) When the Lieutenant Governor appointed an official commission to inquire into the indigo sharecropper's situation, Gandhiji was the sole representative of the peasants. The official inquiry assembled a crushing mountain of evidence against the big planters, they agreed to make refunds to the peasants.  
(d) The images of disharmony are exemplified through man's massive campaign for wanton destruction of Nature. This destruction displays itself through argumentative and uncompromising proclamations, anti-green measures, destruction of natural resources, exploiting marine life, salt making from the sea, and the manufacture of nuclear arsenals and conventional armaments. These can be resolved through man's self-introspection and corrective action.  
(e) M. Hamel taught the last lesson so patiently and Franz, who always wished to be outdoors than be in the classroom, listened ever so attentively. Surprisingly, what seemed difficult until yesterday, he could understand easily and effortlessly today. Even the old men of the village were sitting in the last lesson feeling sorry for neglecting the learning of their mother tongue all their lives. They all realised the worth of French painfully well only after losing it to German.  
(f) Mukund felt that Eco's non-fictional work had a certain playful and personal quality about it – a marked departure from the heavy, dry, boring and depersonalised style which academics adopt. Umberto Eco resonates with this because from his dissertation to scholarly work, he likes to write in an easy-to-understand, informal manner. This is the key to his phenomenal success.
11. (a) Zitkala-Sa remembers that it was cold. There was snow outside. There was a rigid discipline imposed on the children. The teachers were emotionless and rigid. The entire school worked in a monotonous mechanical way. She was forced to get her hair shingled. She resisted a lot but finally had to give up. So, it was the most unpleasant day for her.  
(b) Mr Lamb is retired from the army. He has only one leg and has lost one leg in the war. But he has positive attitude towards life. He is helpful, compassionate and generous. He leaves his doors always open. Everybody is welcomed in his garden. There are no curtains on his windows. These are quite peculiar things for Derry.  
(c) Geological phenomena helps us to know more and more about the history of humankind as only through it we come to know about the present, past and future of the Earth. How life was then and gradually how it shaped now. Scientists admit that world's geological history is trapped under the layers of Antarctica.
12. A. Hi! I am Asokamitran, here to answer the most googled question about 'Poets and Pancakes'.  
Googled question : Who is Asokamitran?  
Asokamitran : Well, I point human foibles in gentle humour. I am a Tamil writer and have portrayed my experience in Gemini Studio humorously in the book 'My Years With Boss'.  
Googled question : Why is it 'Poets and Pancakes'?  
Asokamitran : The two most prominent departments associated with the Gemini Studio are poets, the script writers and the Pancakes, the make-up artists.

- Googled question : Gemini Studio?  
 Asokamitran : Set up in 1940 by founder S.S Vasan, the most influential film producing organization of India in early days of Indian film making.
- Googled question : List the ridiculous places and objects in ‘Gemini Studio’.  
 Asokamitran : Places: make-up department, objects: Pancakes, potions and lotions, large mirrors reflecting blazing heat.
- Googled Question : Sarcasm in ‘National Integration in Gemini Studio’.  
 Asokamitran : It refers to the make-up team: the gang of make-up artist from different states have come and left .
- Googled Question : Funny about the job of make-up men.  
 Asokamitran : The make-up team slapped make-up, turn any normal looking man into hideous monster.
- Googled Question : The only Genius of the Gemini Studio.  
 Asokamitran : Kothamangalam Subbu affluent exposure, quick in delegate, loyal, cheerful, and multitasker.

*Or*

- B. The poems “Keeping Quiet” and “My Mother at Sixty-six” focus on how the poems illuminate the different facets of human introspection and the significance of quiet reflection in understanding oneself. In “Keeping Quiet” the poet talks about the need for quiet introspection and to create a feeling of mutual understanding, love and respect in the human world. He tells that there must be feeling of mutual understanding, universal brotherhood among people. He tells us about the introspection for a better future.

In “My Mother at Sixty-six”, the poet explores the subtle complexity of human relationship. The poet realises that her mother has grown old. The poet emphasises on poignant reflection on ageing. It reveals the childhood fear of separation. She feels the same old pain and fear of her childhood as she bids goodbye to her mother at the airport but she hides all such emotions with a smile which consoles her mother.

13. A. The statement points out the fact that building up trivial habits and making insignificant changes can bring a substantial change in the world we live in. If every individual takes small steps, the total impact on the world will be massive. Antarctica was a part of Gondwana land. It, hence, has a mass of lands that have existed millions of years ago and is untouched by humankind. Its present state of melting and breaking apart tells us about the crisis the environment is going through now. Our neglect of the environment has led to an increase in global warming. If the ozone layer depletes further, the phytoplankton might get depleted and its contribution to the ecosystem will be depleted which, in turn would affect the globe on a large scale. The state of earth points out the fact that if the present state continues, the earth will not sustain for long and its end is near. We need to be conscious and take small steps to protect our Earth from the potential threat and halt its heading towards disaster.

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- B. Mr Lamb and Derry are poles apart as far as their attitude towards life is concerned. Derry is not only a victim of acid attack, he keeps himself being reminded of the tragic reality. On the contrary to it, Lamb looks at the positive side of life though he has lost his one leg in a bomb explosion in war. Derry is unable to come out of his terrible complex and even blames his mother:

“... She kisses me on the other side of my face, and I don’t like my mother to kiss me, she does it because she has to”. Lamb displays a mature attitude towards life and always believes in counting the roses without noticing the thorns. Derry alienates from the world and is not interested in meeting people. He is highly sentimental and can’t stand people’s remarks about his appearance. Thus Lamb and Derry differ a lot in their rights, traits and attitudes.