

Answers to REL–DS1/Set-3

1. (a) (iv) Forest restoration should be measured by tree cover alone.
- (b) The author emphasises and compliments the role of village assemblies in restoring degraded forests and using them in a sustainable manner in Central India and restoring grasslands by removing invasive tree species damaging the forests since the late 19th century.
- (c) for the government ‘forest’ encompasses single-tree species, orchards, and even bamboo which is grass.
- (d) (ii) Ecosystem and biodiversity and (iv) Indigenous and native
- (e) we allow forests to regenerate on their own.
- (f) The governments have adopted short-sighted policies like planting fast-growing trees because it demonstrates quick and obvious results of forest restoration. This not only generates timber but also helps the governments earn carbon credits.
- (g) (iii) It can eventually lead to the restoration of degraded forests and grasslands.
- (h) Some of the best practices on restoration implemented by communities such as Gadchiroli should be studied and scaled up and ecosystems in which trees are scarce should be revived too.
2. (a) has neither the originality nor the quality.
- (b) a fact, an objective detail
- (c) The global sales of counterfeit pharmaceuticals surged during the pandemic of 2020 and many companies were helpless because they had neither the staff nor the resources to control the damage. This diversion helped the counterfeiters.
- (d) (i) Complex shipping patterns are purposely created.
(ii) Convoluted documentation aids the process.
- (e) Fake goods are everywhere: on well-known e-commerce sites, social media platforms, and even on websites that have been set up to mimic real brands.
- (f) Images (i) and (iii)
- (g) As much as 31% of the customers willingly purchase spurious products and thus help in generating business for the retailer. The disadvantage is that the customers estimate the fake goods market to be 25-30% higher than the industry expectation.
- (h) (i) Counterfeit items are prevalent across all consumer goods.

3. (a) since

(b)

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(c) Ankit: May I drop you at the airport?

(d) (i) it had put her off to sleep.

(e) any

(f)

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Option no.	Error	Correction
(i)	affects	effects

- (h) (iii) were inflicted
 (i) her wings would believe what she believed
 (j) (iii) will be
 (k) (iv) have tried

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4. (A) Summer Fields School

Kailash Colony

New Delhi

10 September 20XX

The Manager

The Youth Hostel

Ooty

Dear Sir

Subject: Request for accommodation

The Youth Hostel was recommended to us by the Secretary, of AIPSA. A group of about 50 students of Summer Fields School has decided to visit Ooty and nearby places for sightseeing in the state of Karnataka from 25 to 28 September. Your hostel is renowned for providing requisite facilities to school students at a concessional rate.

Kindly share information about the following:

- Sizes of the rooms for both 3-sharing and 4-sharing basis
- Charges for both types of rooms
- Number of meals served to students
- Availability of vegetarian food
- Availability of hostel transport for sightseeing
- Discount for educational institutions

Once the queries are answered to our satisfaction, we will transfer ₹ 20,000/- via NEFT to cover the reservation charges for the rooms. The balance will be paid before checkout.

Yours faithfully

Samar Kohli

Organising Secretary

OR

(B) N-111, Tirupati Apartments

Jayanti Nagar

Bengaluru

12 April 20XX

The Hindu
Samachar Building
Bengaluru

Sir/Madam

Subject: Empowering Indian women

We are in the 21st century but women are still abused and exploited. Even educated working women are not able to stand up for their rights. The need of the hour is to change the patriarchal mindset. Women must be brought into the social and political mainstream for their economic, social, and political development. The gap between their legal rights and the attitude of society needs to be bridged.

The traditional mindset that gives preference to sons over daughters needs to change and so do practices like sex determination and female infanticide, even among the educated classes. Though women have been emerging as eminent writers, political leaders, High Court and Supreme Court advocates and judges, their ratio in comparison to men is negligible. Their representation and participation need to be better and this change needs to begin at home and at schools first.

Yours faithfully

Sudha/Sudhakaran Muralidharan

5. (A)

Red Alert in the North-East

The graphic shows that Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Odisha, Karnataka, and Jharkhand are the states with the highest increase in forest cover. The reasons for the increase in the forest cover in these states are afforestation, protection of forests, better conservation methods, and agroforestry. The northeast reported the biggest overall loss of forest cover at 1,020 sq km. Though the area has 23.75% of total forest cover, these states have consistently lost their green cover due to natural calamities, shifting agriculture, and deforestation. Arunachal, Manipur and Nagaland have lost 257, 249 and 235 sq km of forest between 2019-2021. Mizoram is deforested 186 sq km and Meghalaya has lost 73 sq km of lush forests. This will affect the region's water resources and accelerate landslides, erosion, and both local weather as well as climate in the long run. The north-east should follow in the footsteps of the southern states, Odisha, and Jharkhand to avert the crisis.

OR

(B)

Economic Growth and E-Waste

E-waste garbage list includes gadgets like smartphones, tablets, laptops, video game consoles, cameras, computers, TVs, stereos, copiers, fax machines, etc. With changing consumer behaviour and rapid economic growth, India is poised to generate 5.2 million tonnes of e-waste by 2020. The graph shows that the generation of electronic waste has grown exponentially between 2017-2022 going from 5000000 tonnes to 35000000 tonnes. However, the years between 2005 and 2015 registered static growth in this sector. But the last five years have seen e-waste generation jump 7 times. The metropolitan cities of Mumbai, Delhi-NCR region, Bengaluru, and Chennai are the biggest contributors of e-waste. With 2 million tons of e-waste generated annually, e-waste recycling is a source of income for many in India, but it also poses numerous health and environmental risks.

6. (A) (a) Tricki had become so obese that he could die of the deadly combination of excessive food and no exercise.
- (b) (ii) to sound firm
- (c) Mrs. Pumphrey was an incorrigible dog parent. She expressed her love for Tricki through food and over-pampering. The dog became a habitual glutton due to this. Both the owner and the dog were trapped in a vicious circle of harmful love.
- (d) All obese people were put on a regime of ‘no carbs, high protein’ diet.
- (B) (a) (ii) naturalness of the act of flying for the young gull.
- (b) The seagull’s mother was appreciative that her young one had finally overcome his fear. The author uses onomatopoeia (ga, ga, ga) in the sounds she makes and movement words like swooping, soaring, and flapping of her wings loudly to express her elation.
- (c) (iii) The young gull’s brothers and sister flew with darting movements, titled their wings, rose high, and plunged headfirst.
- (d) Onomatopoeia and alliteration have been used in ‘*shrieking shrilly*’.
7. (A) (a) Animals tend to cover large distances and burn a lot of their energy by hunting for prey, in their natural habitat. Zoos deprive them of such stimulation so they are restless and bored.
- (b) The poet has used the word ‘brilliant’ for contrast. The brilliant stars are free while the brilliant eyes of the tiger are raging quietly inside the cage longing for the lost freedom. The stars also reflect the tiger’s hope to run free in the wild one day while gazing at them provides him some sort of comfort.
- (c) (iii) He knows that none would help him out of captivity.
- (d) The poet has used visual imagery throughout the extract and also made use of auditory imagery in an implied manner– with words like ‘*patrolling*’ and ‘*last voice*.’ The tiger can hear these sounds from his cage.
- (B) (a) The speaker uses ‘*but*’ to challenge the ideas of the listener i.e. the poet by getting into an argument with him.
- (b) Anne Gregory vehemently opposes changing the colour of her hair to compel the young suitors to love her for herself. Since the speaker’s appearance due to her gorgeous yellow hair is largely the reason young men hope to get her attention, her argument is valid.
- (c) (iii) to be loved for her internal beauty.
- (d) The repetition of the consonant sound ‘*l*’ in ‘*love me for myself alone*’ and sound ‘*n*’ in ‘*And not my yellow hair*’ are examples of consonance.
8. (a) The ideals Mandela wished to set out for South Africa were to liberate the people of his country from the bondage of poverty, suppression, discrimination, deprivation of civil and human rights, etc. There would be justice, equality, and freedom for all. Mandela pledged to uphold the Constitution.
- (b) No, the words ‘*lept*’ and ‘*lep*’ are spelled incorrectly. The poet has used poetic licence to spell them like this in order to maintain the rhythm of the poem. When spelled this way, they rhyme with the first part of ‘leopard’, thus emphasising the attacking trait of a ‘leopard’ in each line.
- (c) Chubukov is surprised at Lomov’s wearing of a formal evening dress as there was no formal occasion known to him. He asked Lomov if he was going somewhere in such a nice dress. Lomov told him that he had come to his house to propose Natalya.

- (d) Mijbil discovered that if he placed a ball on the high end of the author's damaged suitcase, it would roll down the length of the suitcase. He would dash around to the other end to catch it, or hide from it, or jump up and grab it. Then he would trot off with the ball to the high end once more.
- (e) Difficulties leave one hopeless and shattered. If we take a clue from the poem and compare problems to the fog, we will find that just like fog, ups and downs in life are temporary. One need not be hopeless and lose courage when faced with obstacles, one should rather think of them as transient hindrances hitch like the fog.
9. (a) One Sunday, Matilda happened to see Mme Forestier. Matilda called her, but Mme Forestier could not recognise Matilda because she looked much older than her age. Mme Forestier was shocked to know that Matilda had suffered so much for losing her fake necklace and had spent the best years of her life paying for it thinking it was a real piece of jewellery that she had lost.
- (b) Animals do not need silk clothes, playful toys, and various utensils to stay happy. But Mrs. Pumphrey had provided these privileges to her pet, Tricki. These luxuries replaced the dog's actual needs for exercise, play, and healthy food and made him ill, obese, and dull because his owner pampered him silly like a child. So, it's true that 'Privilege often confuses actual needs for perceived ones.'
- (c) Ausable had not worked out his plan in detail right from the very beginning. He took advantage of the events as they happened. Ausable had just cooked up a story about the balcony outside the room and the moment there was a knock at the door, he seized the moment and confidently claimed that it would be the police. All these events threatened Max. He became restless and without seeing, jumped out of the window hurriedly.
10. (A) Anne believes that people are not interested in others' lives as they are stuck with their own problems so it is really hard to get someone who can give importance to her diary. People feel bored and become impatient when we talk about our problems. On the other hand, when we write our feelings and thoughts on paper, we can write as long as we want without thinking of anyone's attention span. Paper doesn't react. We can share our feelings, both sad and happy. Paper never gets bored or stops us to write. It behaves like a true friend who keeps our secrets and listens to us patiently. Lencho also expressed his deepest desire on paper when he wrote a letter to God. For him, God is his only friend and well-wisher who would not react or get impatient when reading about his problems. Both Anne and Lencho confided their feelings to paper.

OR

(B) Dear Ms. Seagull

Thank you for seeking me out. I'm humbled. Based on my limited experiences, I feel that what a human actually possesses in him can only be proven at times of utmost difficulty.

In my case, not only Belinda, but the other pets took me as a coward. But, I was unaware of my own courage. It was only when I saw Belinda crying for help at the sight of a pirate breaking in; I knew that I had to do something at any cost. So, without thinking, I charged at the pirate with all my strength.

Similarly, I believe that when your younger brother will face such a situation where he would be left with no choice but to fly, he would definitely take the plunge. All it takes is a moment that becomes a turning point. Your brother is also unaware of the courage he has in himself like me. But he would soon prove himself to everyone. Be patient and give him some time.

Warm regards

Custard – The Dragon

11. (A) The character Bholi in the story is imbued with strong moral values. It is her teacher's love and the education she receives that transforms Bholi totally. Bholi imparts great lessons to women at large. She is a symbol of the value of education, marriage and the general well-being of girls. Earlier, she was like a dumb cow. But education made her a woman of substance. In fact, her teacher was behind her self-confidence, self-respect and self-determination. She now has the capacity to know what is right and what is wrong. She is fully aware of her rights and so she rejects the proposal of the greedy man, Bishamber. She takes the right decision by telling her parents that she would serve them in their old age. In this way, she not only shows her love and affection for her parents but also becomes an inspiration for all the girls.

OR

- (B) Think Tank feels that Martians are more beautiful than the people on Earth. The Earthlings have smaller heads when compared to the Martians who have great and mighty balloon brains. Earthlings are fond of eating so they keep munching sandwiches. Think Tank mockingly calls the Earth a meaningless place where the people are not as intelligent and brave as the Martians and himself. So, he decides to colonise the Earth and give it the gift of a superior civilisation. Think Tank makes guesses that a library stacked with books is a kind of crude refreshment stand and calls it a sandwich, or a communication satellite. On Noodle's suggestion, chemical vitamins are taken by Omega which enable him to transcribe the code of nursery rhymes on 'Mistress Mary', 'Humpty Dumpty' and 'The Cat and the Fiddle'. All the poems make Think Tank come to the conclusion that Earthlings have a high level of civilisation and that the Martians will be soon targeted by them. So, he decides to escape from Mars and go to Alpha Century with the other Martians.