

**THE ICONIC SCHOOL**  
**SUMMER HOLIDAY ASSIGNMENT ( 2021-22)**  
**GRADE – XII**  
**SUBJECT – ENGLISH**



**NOTE:** *Solve the questions in your English notebook.*

**I- Answer the following questions in one word or one line:**

- (i) What had been put up on the bulletin board?
- (ii) What is the central theme of the story Lost Spring?
- (iii) According to the author what was garbage for the parents?
- (iv) What was the fear in Douglas' mind?
- (v) Which poetic device is used in "Trees sprinting-"?
- (vi) What do the words "Their future is painted with fog" convey?
- (vii) What does counting up to 12 signify and how will it help?
- (viii) What is the meaning of 'Waking dream wish fulfillment'?
- (ix) On which issue is the story The Tiger King a satire on?
- (x) Why is a visit to Antarctica important to understand the effect of global warming?

**II- Answer the following questions in 20-30 words:**

- (i) "What a thunderclap these words were to me!" What were those words and what was their effect on Franz?
- (ii) Where did the author see Saheb one morning? What was he doing there?
- (iii) Under what kind of environment are the children forced to work in the glass blowing industry?
- (iv) The author says, "The instructor was finished. But I was not finished." Why?
- (v) How does Kamala Das try to put away the thoughts of her ageing mother?
- (vi) Whom does the poet appeal to change the life of the children for better?
- (vii) Why does one feel 'a sudden strangeness' on counting to twelve and keeping quiet?
- (viii) What was Charley's vision about Galesburg town?
- (ix) What are Geoff Green's reasons for including high school students in the 'Students on Ice' Expedition?
- (x) How did the Maharaja deal with high ranking British officer who wanted to shoot a tiger?

**III- Answer the following questions in 80-100 words:**

- (i) Our native language is part of our culture and we are proud of it. How does the presence of village elders in the classroom and M.Hamel's last lesson show their love for French?
- (ii) The bangle-makers of Ferozabad make beautiful bangles and make everyone happy but they live and die in squalor. Elaborate.
- (iii) Describe the life of squatters at Seemapuri.
- (iv) Roosevelt said, "All we have to fear is fear itself." Do you agree? Why/why not?
- (v) Why did Kamala Das add the image of merry children to her poem?
- (vi) Write the central idea of the poem in detail. (An Elementary School Classroom in a Slum)
- (vii) How, according to Neruda, can keeping quiet change our attitude to life?
- (viii) Do you think that the third level was a medium of escape for Charley? Why?
- (ix) Even today so many among us believe in superstitions. An astrologer predicted about The Tiger King' that he would be killed by a tiger. He 'killed' one hundred tigers yet was himself 'killed' by a tiger. How did the superstitious belief 'prevail'?
- (x) How the programme, 'Students on Ice' was an attempt to equip future generation with knowledge to save Earth?