

## Class VIII PT 2

### Language Revision

**I Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow**

When another old cave is discovered in the south of France, it is not usually news. Such discoveries are so frequent these days that hardly anybody pays heed to them. However, when the Lascaux cave complex was discovered in 1940, the world was amazed. Painted directly on its walls were hundreds of scenes showing how people lived thousands of years ago.



The scenes show people hunting animals, such as bison or wild cats. Other images depict birds and, most noticeably, horses, which appear in more than 300 wall images, by far outnumbering all other animals. They did not limit themselves to the easily accessible walls but carried their painting materials to spaces that required climbing steep walls or crawling into narrow passages in the Lascaux complex. Unfortunately, the paintings have been exposed to the destructive action of water and temperature changes, which easily wear the images away. Because the Lascaux caves have many entrances, air movement has also damaged the images inside. Although they are not out in the open air, where natural light would have destroyed them long ago, many of the images have deteriorated and unrecognizable.

1. Which title best summarizes the main idea of the passage?
  - a) Wild Animals in Art
  - b) Hidden Prehistoric Paintings
  - c) Exploring Caves Respectfully
  - d) Determining the Age of French Caves
2. Which animal appear most often on the cave walls?
  - a) Birds
  - b) Bison
  - c) horses
  - d) wild cats
3. All of the following have caused damage to the paintings EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) temperature changes
  - b) air movement
  - c) water
  - d) light
4. The word depict is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) Show
  - b) draw
  - b) hunt
  - d) count

**Read the poem and answer the questions that follow**

**The Wind and the Leaves - George Cooper**

“Come, little leaves,” said the wind one day,  
“Come over the meadows with me and play.  
Put on your dresses of red and gold;  
For summer is gone, and the days grow cold.”

Soon as the leaves heard the wind’s loud call,  
Down they came fluttering, one and all.  
O’er the brown field then they danced and flew  
Singing the soft little songs they knew.

Dancing and whirling, the little leaves went,  
Winter had called them, and they were content.  
Soon, fast asleep on their earthy beds,  
The snow laid a coverlet over their heads. !!

1. Who is speaking in the first stanza?

- a) Snow                      b) Wind
- c) Leaves                    d) Earth

2. What does the third line of the first stanza tell us about the season of the year? It is

- a) Summer                  b) Winter
- b) Spring                    d) Autumn

3. “Come, little leaves,” said the wind one day – what is the figure of speech used here?

- a) Metaphor                b) alliteration
- b) Simile                    d) personification

4. Identify the rhyme scheme of stanza 3

- a) AABC                      c) ABCB
- b) ABAB                    d) AABB

**Use appropriate form of the adjectives**

- 1. They live in a really ..... house. (beautiful)
- 2. She is the ..... Tennis player of the world. (good)
- 3. Hotels in London are ..... than in Vienna. (expensive)

**Complete these sentences with suitable conjunctions**

1. Listen to the story ..... answer the questions
2. You should stay away from bears ..... are dangerous
3. Stop at a petrol station \_\_\_\_ we run out of petrol
4. Have you made a decision about \_\_\_\_\_ to go to the movies \_\_\_\_\_ not?
5. \_\_\_\_\_ had I put my umbrella away, \_\_\_\_\_ it started raining

**Underline the adjectives and mark A for attributive or P for predicative**

1. The suitcase I bought for my trip is large.
2. I saw a black cat yesterday
3. I am afraid of flying
4. The movie I watched the day before yesterday was sad, , I cried a lot.

**In this story, decide which tense the verbs in brackets should be – past simple, past continuous or past perfect**

When I \_\_\_\_ (live) in London, a strange thing \_\_\_\_ (happen) to me. At that time, I \_\_\_\_ (have) a job as a receptionist in a hotel. I \_\_\_\_ (apply) for the job before I \_\_\_\_ (arrive) in London, which \_\_\_\_ (make) things a bit easier. The hotel \_\_\_\_ (be) in the centre, and \_\_\_\_ (be) always busy. One day, as I \_\_\_\_ (work) I \_\_\_\_ (hear) someone call my name. The voice was familiar – I \_\_\_\_ (think) I \_\_\_\_ (hear) it before. I \_\_\_\_ (look) up and \_\_\_\_ (see) to my surprise that the person standing in front of me \_\_\_\_ (be) .....

**Identify the error in each line and correct them**

		error	correction
Walt Disney was our hero. He	1		
left me a legacy that can	2		
be enjoy time and again. He	3		
knew who to entertain us so well.	4		
Disney develop a process	5		
In creating animated films.	6		