**STD IX – ENGLISH WORKSHEET 1**

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**Exercise 1 - Interchange of Degrees of Comparison**

Change the degree of comparison without changing the meaning

1. Lead is the heaviest of all metals.
2. Madras is one of the biggest of Indian towns.
3. Mahabaleshwar is cooler than Panchgani.
4. Shakuntala is the best drama in Sanskrit.
5. Australia is the largest island in the world.
6. No other man was as strong as Bhim.
7. Some beans are at least as nutritious as meat.
8. Tennyson is not greater than some other poets.
9. Bombay mango is the best in India
10. Very few boys are so industrious as Latif.

**Exercise 2- Active and Passive Voice**

Change the voice in following sentences

1. The mason is building the wall.
2. Why did your brother write such a letter?
3. The peon opened the gate
4. Some boys were helping the wounded man.
5. Mrs. Krishnaji teaches us grammar.
6. Someone has picked my pocket.
7. The manager will give you a ticket.
8. He handed her a chair.
9. The cruel boy killed the bird.
10. He told me to leave the room.

**Exercise 3- Tenses**

Identify the tense in the following sentences

1. He drinks tea every morning.
2. It has just struck ten.
3. I am going to the cinema tonight.
4. My uncle is arriving tomorrow.
5. She will be meeting us next week.
6. The steamer sailed yesterday.
7. When I get home, my children will be playing.
8. We were listening to the radio all evening.
9. She left school last year.
10. We have lived here for ten years.
11. I had done my exercise when Hari came to see me.
12. Before you go to see him, he will have left the place.
13. Don’t disturb me. I am doing my homework.
14. Abdul wants to be a doctor.
15. It started to rain while we were playing.

**Exercise 4 – The Infinitive**

Read the following sentences and pick out the infinitives

1. You will be compelled to do it.
2. I am able to swim.
3. He likes to play cards.
4. To respect our parents is our duty.
5. She loves to dance in her free time.
6. There was nothing for it but to fight.
7. The girls are anxious to learn.
8. It is delightful to hear the sound of the sea
9. They wanted to frighten the poor old woman.
10. To travel was her hobby and she loved to visit new places.

**Exercise 5 – Auxiliaries**

Use the correct auxiliary according to the condition given in the bracket.

1. ………………..I borrow your cycle? (permission)
2. Which pen ………………….I buy? (Suggestion)
3. I thought he ………………..be at home. (possibility)
4. I …………….. swim across the river when I was young. (ability)
5. We ……………..obey the laws. (duty)
6. ……………………you lend me your scooter? (Request)
7. We …………………. to love our neighbours. (moral obligation)
8. ………………….. you lift this box? (ability)
9. ………………… you live happily and long! (wish)
10. He ………………… not enter my house again. (command)

**Exercise 6 – Sentences**

Identify the main and subordinate clauses

1. You may sit wherever you like.
2. On his return, we asked him many questions.
3. She does not always speak as she thinks.
4. They were very grateful to her for her kindness.
5. If you eat too much, you will be ill.
6. Since you have already decided, why do you ask my opinion?
7. The work is too much for any man to do single-handed.
8. He replied that he would come.
9. You will regret the day when you did this.
10. Before I die I intend to see Venice.
11. I want to find the man who did this.
12. He made a vow that he would fast for a week.

**Exercise 7 – Simple, Compound and Complex sentences**

Identify the type of sentences

1. His courage won him honour.
2. The moon was bright and we could see our way.
3. They rested when evening came.
4. I shall do it now or I shall not do it at all.
5. He threw the stone but it missed the dog.
6. I went because I was invited.
7. Whatever you do, do well.
8. We could see our way well.
9. He tried hard but he did not succeed.
10. I can overtake his car.
11. She denied that she had written the letter.
12. When my mother died, I was very young.
13. She never tells the truth.
14. A guest is unwelcome when he stays too long.
15. God made the county and man made the town.

**Exercise 8 – Transformation of Sentences**

Rewrite the sentences by removing ‘too’

1. These mangoes are too cheap to be good.
2. The news is too good to be true.
3. He is too proud to beg.
4. He speaks too fast to be understood.
5. She is too clever not to see through your tricks.

Rewrite the sentences by converting into negative form.

1. I was doubtful whether it was you.
2. Alfred was the best king of England.
3. He is sometimes foolish.
4. He failed to notice me when I came in.
5. I care very little what he says about me.

Rewrite the sentences by converting into affirmative form.

1. He did not live many years in India.
2. There was no one present who did not cheer.
3. No one could deny that she was pretty.
4. We did not find the road very bad.
5. No man could have done better.

Rewrite the sentences as assertive sentences

1. How beautiful is the night!
2. What a wonderful creature an elephant is!
3. Alas, that youth should pass away!
4. What sweet delight a quiet life affords!
5. Ah, what a sight was there!

Conversion of simple sentences to compound sentences

1. He must work very hard to make up for the lost time
2. Throwing off his coat, he plunged into sea.
3. In this tower sat the poet gazing at the sea.
4. Through no fault of his own, he has become very poor.
5. The man, being very hungry, ate too much.

Conversion of compound to simple sentences

1. He finished his exercise and put away his books.
2. We must eat, or we cannot live
3. You must either pay the bill at once or return the goods.
4. He was a mere boy but he offered to fight the giant.
5. The men suffered all the horrors and not one of them complained at all.

Conversion of simple to complex sentences

1. His silence proves his guilt.
2. I expect to meet Rama tonight.
3. I shall be glad of your advice in this matter.
4. His father is not likely to punish him.
5. He bought his uncle’s library.

Conversion of complex to simple sentences

1. He died in the village where he was born.
2. The moment which is lost is lost forever.
3. He remarked how rude the boy was.
4. He ordered the police that they should imprison the rioters.
5. Youth is the time when the seeds of character are sown

Conversion of compound sentences to complex sentences.

1. Search his pockets and you will find the watch.
2. The lion was wounded but not killed.
3. He saw the danger and paused.
4. He aimed at winning the prize and worked hard.
5. He had to sign or be executed.

Conversion of complex to compound sentences

1. Although he saw the danger, he pressed on.
2. If you do not hurry, you will miss the train.
3. As soon as he got the telegram, he left in a taxi.
4. We can prove that the Earth is round.
5. I have found the book that I had lost.