

**LABASA SANGAM (SKM) COLLEGE
LANGUAGE ACTIVITIES FOR WEEKS 1- 4
YEAR 13 ENGLISH 2021**

WEEK 1

- A. Write an expository essay of **240 to 260** words on any **one** of the following topics. (13 marks)
Write a plan (2 marks)

TOPIC: Pros and cons of globalization.

B. WORKING WITH WORDS

Senior Spelling Demons	Confusing pairs	People		Increase your word power
beginning absence hindrance prosperous vicinity answer piece receive island forty	Born borne recent resent human humane elicit illicit industrial industrious	amazement nuisance treacherous excellent conscious courageous doubtful callous passionate reconciliation	humility irresponsible similarity discretion disapprove deceive reprimand obstinate impulsive earnest	delude dissuade docile indulgent escapade replenish culprit pervade sedate divulge

1. Change to nouns
 - a. treacherous -
 - b. conscious
 - c. excellent
 - d. courageous
 - e. deceive
 - f. irresponsible
 - g. indulgent

3. Change to verbs
 - a. reconciliation
 - b. industrial
 - c. prosperous
 - d. hindrance
 - e. excellent
 - f. humility
 - g. indulgent

2. change to adjectives
 - a. absence-

4. Change to adverbs
 - a. conscious

- b. similarity
- c. pervade
- d. humility
- e. deceive
- f. resent

- b. similarity
- c. deceive
- d. amazement
- e. earnest
- f. pervade

- 5. change to people
 - a. industrial-
 - b. island
 - c. beginning

C. INCREASE YOUR WORD POWER

From the boxes accompanying each of the following sentences, select the word or phrase which best conveys the meaning of the word printed in heavy type.

- The doctor hoped that the infection would remain localized and not **pervade** the adjoining tissue.

circumscribe	Diffuse or extend through	cluster	Over- stimulate
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- The spy was induced to **divulge** the secret plans.

reveal	limit	perpetrate	oppose
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- Thorough training was needed before the animal was **docile** enough to be ridden.

powerful	stubborn	High- spirited	manageable
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- Letting down bicycle tyres is more than an irritating prank and I hope the **culprit** will not **delude** himself or herself about that.

Innocent victim	leader	Comedian	Guilty one	deceive	congratulate	Contradict
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- While away a tropical dream in the **sedate** surroundings of Palm brook.

ultramodern	Habitually calm	festive	ritual
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- The travelers were able to **replenish** their water- supply at the oasis.

purify	Take care	medicate	Fill again
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- The headmaster questioned the students closely about the **escapade** that had caused so much commotion during the assembly.

Mischievous adventure	Terrifying experience	Formidable confrontation	Personality clash
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WEEK 2

A. Write an expository essay of **240 to 260** words on any **one** of the following topics.

(13 marks)

Write a plan

(2 marks)

a) TOPIC: Impact of climate change on agriculture.

B. ANTONYMS

FIND ANTONYMS IN THE LIST (the table given on page 1) FOR EACH OF THESE WORDS:

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| a. give- | f. difference |
| b. cautious | g. impecunious |
| c. persuade | h. certain |
| d. separation | i. frivolous |
| e. cowardly | j. sensitive |

C. CONFUSING PAIRS

USE ONE OF THE WORDS IN BRACKETS TO REPLACE THE ITALICIZED WORD OR PHRASE.

1. The Olympic torch was carried by the marathon runner. (born/borne)
2. The students are likely to feel indignant about having to assemble and stand about in the hot sun for more than an hour. (recent/resent)
3. Nurses are members of a kind and merciful profession. (human/humane)
4. Arms and exxplosives are illegal imports. (elicit/illicit)
5. Insect life in the tropics becomes most active and diligent during the wet season. (industrious/ industrial)

ACTIVITY 3

A. PREPOSITIONS

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING BY SUPPLYING THE CORRECT PREPOSITIONS.

EXAMPLE: deceived by her smile

1. Dissuaded _____ trying
2. Replenish _____ supplies
3. Conscious _____ the temperature
4. Elicit _____ him
5. Vicinity _____ the church

6. Resented _____ the rest of the class
7. Disapprove _____ loud music
8. Absent _____ work
9. Hindered _____ the crowd
10. Irresponsible _____ her

WEEK 3

- A. Write an expository essay of **240 to 260** words on any **one** of the following topics.
(13 marks)
Write a plan (2 marks)
TOPIC: Students must be able to access equal and quality education

B. CIRCUMLOCUTION AND VERBOSITY

Circumlocution- means talking around the point.

Verbosity – means the use of an unnecessary number of words.

When sentences are longwinded and contain unnecessary words, the writer is guilty of circumlocution and verbosity.

Rewrite in simple sentences

The following sentences contain examples of circumlocution and verbosity. Rewrite the sentences in simple English.

EXAMPLE: Because of inclement weather conditions the builders desisted from their labours.

ANSWER: The weather was bad so the builders stopped working.

1. The traveler decided to fortify his constitution with good food.
2. The teacher was made the recipient of a new roll- book.
3. The severe injuries sustained by the motorist necessitated the summoning of a general practitioner.
4. The child was attacked near his place of residence by a savage member of the canine species.
5. The motorist was arrested by a law- enforcement officer because he had partaken of too much liquid refreshment.
6. No information is available from employers as to the likelihood of a reduction in working hours for union members in the near future.
7. After a nocturnal rest, we partook of the morning repast by the cook.
8. An early investigation by the company's director as to where the responsibility for the loss lies, is not beyond the bounds of possibility.

9. It is anticipated with reasonable certainty that there will be a cessation of hostilities between the two countries.
10. The listener found himself unable to believe his auditory faculties.

C. SUBJECT VERB AGREEMENT

CORRECT THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES, ALL OF WHICH COMMIT ERRORS OF AGREEMENT.

1. 'TV Times' are widely read.
2. Audio tape and the cassette is frequently used.
3. Her display of frenzy, hysteria and panic were distasteful to observe.
4. In economic terms the medium of radio have gone from strength to strength.
5. 'Laughs with the Ronnies' are back on air.
6. Compared with television costs, the costs of radio production is negligible.
7. Laziness and discouragement is not a solution to this problem.
8. The ratings takes place all next week.

D. PUNCTUATION

CAPITALIZE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES CORRECTLY.

1. the english rock fans have welcomed the fact that a pirate radio ship is anchored out in the english channel.
2. The west at least gives lip service to the idea of free speech in the media.
3. Roseville road runs south right past the mount pleasant studio.
4. The sanyo television set compares favourably with the rank- arena set.
5. Hire a datsun and travel to lake george, near byron bay.

WEEK 4

- A. Write an expository essay of **240 to 260** words on any **one** of the following topics.

(13 marks)

Write a plan

(2 marks)

TOPIC: 21st century parents face numerous challenges in their children's upbringing

B. PUNCTUATION- THE COMMA ,

INSERT COMMAS, WHERE NECESSARY, INTO THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES.

1. He swallowed knowing that if his wings unfolded at that speed he'd be blown into a million tiny shreds of seagull.

2. When they hear of it he thought they'll be wild with joy.
3. The sailor rushed to the side of the ship megaphone to his lips.
4. A single wingtip feather he found moved a fraction of an inch.
5. Diving down from one thousand feet Jonathan began his pullout.
6. It was a breakthrough the greatest single moment in the history of the flock.

C. REGISTER STUDY

Study the sample given below and answer the questions that follow.

Thank you all. Thank you so much. You know, it's hard to believe that it has been eight years since I first came to this convention to talk with you about why I thought my husband should be president.

Remember how I told you about his character and convictions, his decency and his grace, the traits that we've seen every day that he's served our country in the White House?

I also told you about our daughters, how they are the heart of our hearts, the center of our world. And during our time in the White House, we've had the joy of watching them grow from bubbly little girls into poised young women, a journey that started soon after we arrived in Washington.

When they set off for their first day at their new school, I will never forget that winter morning as I watched our girls, just 7 and 10 years old, pile into those black SUVs with all those big men with guns.

And I saw their little faces pressed up against the window, and the only thing I could think was, what have we done?

See, because at that moment I realized that our time in the White House would form the foundation for who they would become and how well we managed this experience could truly make or break them. That is what Barack and I think about every day as we try to guide and protect our girls through the challenges of this unusual life in the spotlight, how we urge them to ignore those who question their father's citizenship or faith.

How we insist that the hateful language they hear from public figures on TV does not represent the true spirit of this country.

QUESTIONS

- (a) What is the purpose of the above sample? (1 mark)
- (b) Explain the purpose of personal pronouns in the above sample.(2 marks)

- (c) Comment on the tone of the sample. (1 mark)
- (d) Identify two features typical of the register used in the sample and give an example of each from the sample. (2 marks)

THE END.