

S.4 English Language - Comprehension Exercise

Extended Holiday Assignment (Week 5 – 2-6 March 2020)

Topic: Horoscope

Do you believe in horoscopes? If you do, horoscopes may help you learn more about the people around you. Each sign of the horoscope is occupied by the sun in a certain period of a year. Each sign has a set of personality and people who are born within the period. They are said to belong to that sign, and thus share common traits of personality.

- A. Aries—March 21 to April 19. People who belong to Aries are energetic. They are also dominant characters.
- B. Taurus—April 21 to May 20. They are materialistic and money-oriented. These people are good at management of money and struggling for power.
- C. Gemini—May 21 to June 20. People belonging to this sign are active, talkative and curious. They talk more than they act. They show interests in different areas but they are never specialised in any one of them. They have swift thoughts but have difficulty concentrating on a single issue.
- D. Cancer—June 21 to July 22. These people are passive but steady. They are afraid to take up challenges.
- E. Leo—July 23 to Aug 22. This sign is characterized by decisiveness and passion. People who belong to Leo are outspoken. They enjoy being the centre of attention. They are hasty and critical of those in power.
- F. Virgo—Aug 23 to Sept 22. These people are elegant yet pessimistic, emotional and depressed, and may hurt themselves to the extreme.
- G. Libra—Sept 23 to Oct 22. They emphasize balance and harmony in all aspects of life. They are detail-minded, sociable, devoted, and objective but nosy.
- H. Scorpio—Oct 23 to Nov 21. These people are smart but tend to be depressed easily. They have some hidden weaknesses and the result of which may hurt others.
- I. Sagittarius—Nov 22 to Dec 20. These people are outgoing, curious, adventurous and fun-loving. However, they may sometimes become reckless.
- J. Capricorn—Dec 21 to Jan 19. They are headstrong but kind and responsible. Once they have identified a goal, they will be determined to achieve it.
- K. Aquarius—Jan 20 to Feb 18. They are generous, open-minded and very curious.
- L. Pisces—Feb 19 to March 20. They advocate mysticism. They act according to their intuition. They are difficult people and when they back down they tend to avoid reality.

Answer the following based on information given in the passage.

Write the letter(s) (A-L) for your selection(s) next to each question. Each letter can be used more than once.

1. Which sign(s) of the horoscope symbolise(s) hasty people? _____
2. Which sign(s) symbolise(s) people good at managing money? _____
3. Which sign(s) symbolise(s) curious people? _____
4. Which sign(s) symbolise(s) people who are responsible? _____
5. Which sign(s) symbolise(s) people who tend to avoid reality? _____

6. A negative adjective is used to describe Libra, what is it?

7. Which of the following is NOT true about Leo?
- A. They like making decisions.
 - B. They are always too shy to speak.
 - C. They like attracting the attention of others.
 - D. They may not obey authority blindly.

8. Which of the following has the closest meaning to 'intuition'?
- A. misfortunate
 - B. supernatural power
 - C. sixth sense
 - D. ability

9. 'I don't like having meetings with Peter. He is always making all the decisions and won't let others decide.' Which sign of horoscope do you think Peter belongs to? Why?

10. 'Alex is very brave. He is the one who will point out the boss's mistakes. He's never afraid of those superior to him.' Which sign of horoscope do you think Alex belongs to? Why?

