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| | ENGLISH Keeping Quiet MCQ-Class Test | |
| Name: _____ | Date: _____ | Class: XII |

Read the questions and circle the correct option:

1. What is always alive even when everything seems to be dead or still?
A) mountains
B) rivers
C) Sun
D) Earth and nature

2. What is the essence or message of the poem?
A) introspection and retrospection to be more peaceful and be in harmony
B) to prosper by earning lots of money
C) to be happier by creating big families
D) to reach out to more people

3. Why does the poet want us to walk about with our brothers doing nothing?
A) he wants to promote laziness
B) then we will have peaceful discussions instead of wars
C) he wants us to involve in social networking
D) he is promoting gossip

4. According to the poet, what creates barriers?
A) interactions
B) reactions
C) fighting
D) languages

5. Why does the poet ask people not to speak?
A) because it creates noise
B) he doesn't like noise
C) it makes things unpleasant
D) because he wants people to ponder over the result of their activities

6. How is keeping quiet related to life and can change our attitude?
A) it makes us inactive
B) it makes us introspect
C) helps to develop new thinking process
D) All of these

7. Why does war lead to a victory with no survivors?
A) everyone dies fighting
B) people are so busy
C) people are indifferent
D) none of these



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8. In the sentence – “Perhaps the Earth can teach us”, the Earth has been _____.

- A) immortalised
- B) revered
- C) condemned
- D) personified

9. What does number 12 represent?

- A) hours of the day and months of a year
- B) earth
- C) clock
- D) cricket players

10. What does the poem Keeping Quiet teach us?

- A) how to maintain silence
- B) not to make noise
- C) speaking creates noise
- D) To have feelings of brotherhood

11. ‘Not move our arms’ what does this expression refer to?

- A) sit quietly
- B) stand quietly
- C) stop talking
- D) stop working

12. Identify the figure of speech used –

“Now we will count to twelve”

- A) Alliteration
- B) Oxymoron
- C) Metaphor
- D) All of these

13. What should not be confused with total inactivity?

- A) no war
- B) a statue
- C) talking people
- D) Stillness and silence

14. What is the sadness in the poem that the poet speaks about?

- A) violence because of unthoughtfulness of the people
- B) unnecessary movement
- C) speaking aloud
- D) injuring one’s hands

15. Identify the figure of speech-

*“Let’s not speak in any language,
Let’s stop for one second”*

- A) Onomatopoeia
- B) Metaphor
- C) Anaphora
- D) All of these