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Subject- English Core

CLASS XI

ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATION

Question 1	What main point does the author want to convey through the examples of the police officer and the surgeon?
Answer Option 2	Option 4 is close. But the focus of option 4 is on <i>critical public roles</i> . The author, however, does not specifically focus on professions that are of crucial importance to the general public. The author’s argument is more broad-based; it is about how metric fixation encourages the propensity to game the system. Option 2 is better than option 4. Hence, the answer is Metrics-linked rewards may encourage unethical behaviour among some professionals.
Question 2	All of the following can be a possible feature of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, EXCEPT:
Answer Option 3	Options 1 and 2 tie test performance to high-stake rewards. Option 3 is about the focus on a less important goal at the expense of a more important one. These are problems associated with goal displacement, discussed in paragraph 3. They strengthen—not weaken—the author’s argument. Hence, the answer is assessment is dependent on the teacher's subjective evaluation of students' class participation.
Question 3	Which of the following is NOT a consequence of the ‘metric fixation’ phenomenon mentioned in the passage?
Answer Option 2	The passage focusses on the negative effects of metric fixation. Option 3 mentions ‘improved cooperation’ and ‘increased effectiveness in the long run’. The author <i>does not</i> mention these as a consequence of metric fixation in the passage. We know that option 1 is true from paragraph 4 which discusses

	<p>short-termism as a negative consequence of metric fixation. The problem mentioned in option 2 – finding a way to show better results without actually increasing performance—is discussed in paragraph 2. In paragraph 3, the author talks of the problem of deviation from organizationally important objectives to measurable yet less important objectives.</p> <p>Hence, the answer is Improving cooperation among employees leading to increased organisational effectiveness in the long run.</p>
Question 4	What is the main idea that the author is trying to highlight in the passage?
Answer	Option 3 captures this idea best.
Option 3	<p>Option 4 is incorrect and can be ruled out right away. Options 1 and 2 simply state one aspect of the passage; they do not highlight the main idea.</p> <p>Hence, the answer is Evaluating performance by using measurable performance metrics may misguide organisational goal achievement.</p> <p>Choice 3 is the correct answer.</p>
Question 5	<p>Silence surrounds us. I would have Him prodigal, returning to His father’s house, the home he knew, Rather than see him make and move. His world. I would forgive him too, Shaping from sorrow a new love.</p> <p>What does ‘silence surrounds us’ mean here?</p>
Answer	It means the silence due to no conversation happening between the father and the son
Option 4	(No explanation required)
Question 6	What does 'I' want?
Answer	‘I’ wants his son to reciprocate forgiveness and mend the relationship
Option 4	

Question 7	Find a word from the extract which means a person who spends money or uses resources freely and recklessly.
Answer Option 2	Prodigal son actually means: a man or boy who has left his family in order to do something that the family disapprove of and has now returned home feeling sorry for what he has done. In the Bible there is a story, where a father inherits property and gives it to his sons.
Question 8	How did you like living on ___ island for six months
Answer Option2	An- is an article which is used before vowel sounds
Question 9	The train was about to leave the station when we _____ there
Answer Option 2	Reached will be the correct answer Because we are reporting in the past tense
Question 10	No Clinical Studies _____ in this child disease so far
Answer Option 4	Have been completed will be the correct answer Only this option tells about present continuous tense