

**THE INDIAN HIGH SCHOOL**

**WEEKEND WORKSHEET**

**ENGLISH**

**Date: 29-11-2008**

**Grade:8 (boys)**

**POEM COMPREHENSION**

What is this life, if, full of care

We have no time to stand and stare.

No time to stand beneath the boughs

And stare as long as sheep and cows.

No time to see when woods we pass

Where squirrels hide their nuts in grass.

No time to see in broad day light

Streams full of stars like skies at night.

No time to turn at Beauty's glance

And watch her feet, how they can dance

No time to wait till her mouth can

Enrich that smile her eyes began

A poor life this, if, full of care

We have no time to stand and stare.

**On the basis of your reading of the poem, complete the following sentences as briefly as possible.**

- a. Leisure means \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. The poet needs leisure because \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. According to the poet life is worthless if \_\_\_\_\_.
- d. The poet sees stars in daylight in the \_\_\_\_\_.
- e. While passing through the woods the poet would like \_\_\_\_\_.
- f. The poet does not favour a life \_\_\_\_\_.
- g. The poet has written beauty with a capital 'B' to suggest \_\_\_\_\_.
- h. The smile born in eyes is \_\_\_\_\_.

### **EDITING**

**The passages given below have one error in each line. Underline the error and write the correct word in the blanks provided.**

1. In Japan there lived the old couple \_\_\_\_\_  
which had a dog called Shiro. The \_\_\_\_\_  
old man or the woman were poor and they \_\_\_\_\_  
lived a simple life. All they wanted is \_\_\_\_\_  
enough money for buy rice for \_\_\_\_\_  
them and Shiro. But year after year \_\_\_\_\_  
their saving grew smaller. They worry \_\_\_\_\_  
that soon there will be no money for \_\_\_\_\_  
rice and they would starve for death. \_\_\_\_\_
  
2. The value of music as the important source of \_\_\_\_\_  
healing has often being ignored by most in the \_\_\_\_\_  
recovery of self heal from serious or minor \_\_\_\_\_  
ailments. Most forms of music by its very essence \_\_\_\_\_  
are uplifting, energise and soothing. Hence \_\_\_\_\_  
we must always, whether we were undergoing mental \_\_\_\_\_  
or physical lows, use music so often as possible \_\_\_\_\_  
to healing ourselves. The power of music is \_\_\_\_\_  
known by us all, but its capacity to improve our \_\_\_\_\_

holistic health is perhaps underestimated.