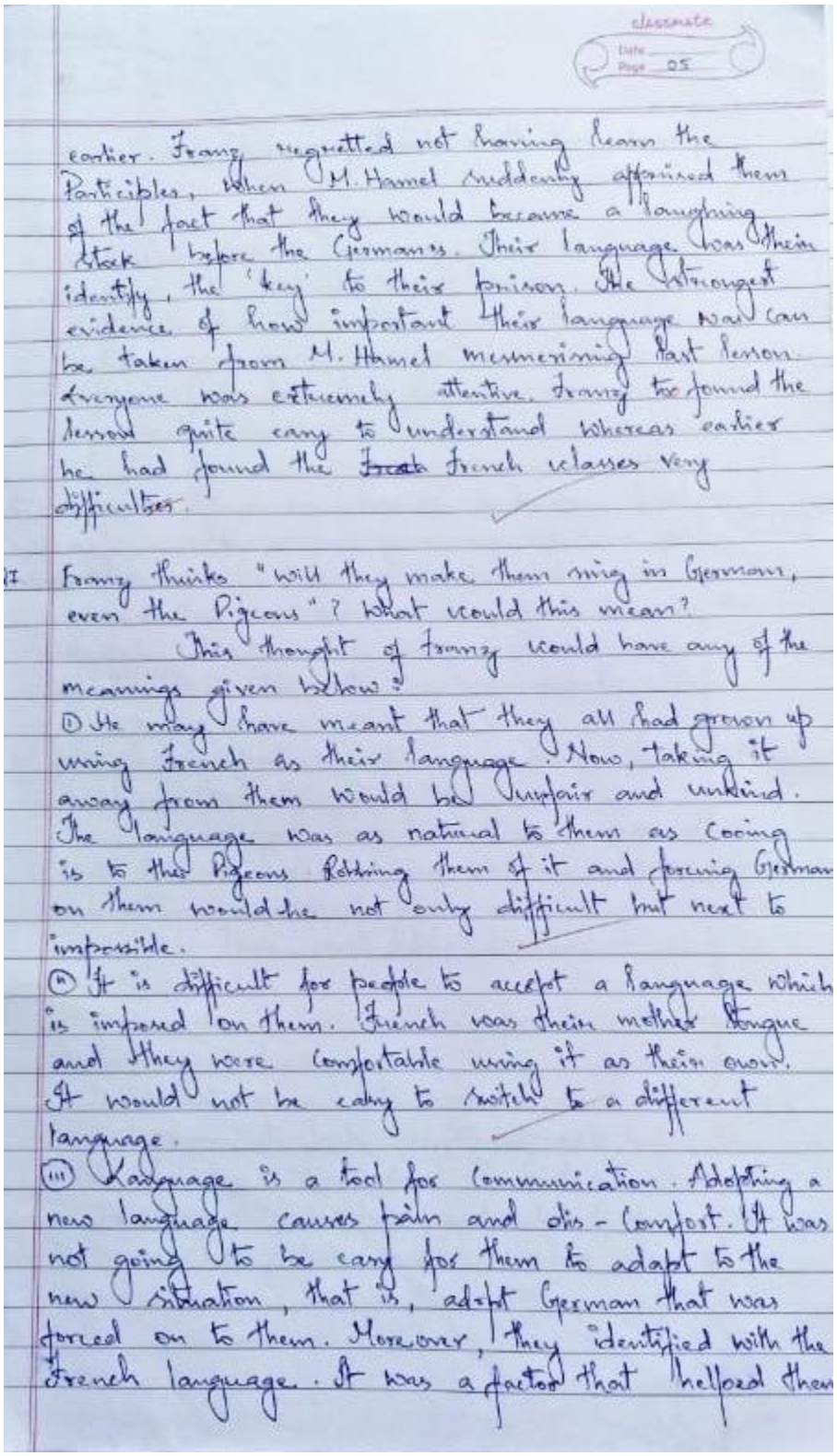


earlier. Franz regretted not having learn the Particibles, when M. Hamel suddenly apprised them of the fact that they would become a laughing stock before the Germanss. Their language was their identity, the 'key' to their prison. The strongest evidence of how important their language was can be taken from M. Hamel mesmerising last lesson. Everyone was extremely attentive. Franz too found the lesson quite easy to understand whereas earlier he had found the ~~Frach~~ French classes very difficultes.

II Franz thinks "will they make them sing in German, even the Pigeons"? What would this mean?

This thought of Franz would have any of the meanings given below:

(i) He may have meant that they all had grown up using French as their language. Now, taking it away from them would be unfair and unkind. The language was as natural to them as cooing is to the Pigeons. Robbing them of it and forcing German on them would be not only difficult but next to impossible.

(ii) It is difficult for people to accept a language which is imposed on them. French was their mother tongue and they were comfortable using it as their own. It would not be easy to switch to a different language.

(iii) Language is a tool for communication. Adopting a new language causes pain and dis-comfort. It was not going to be easy for them to adapt to the new situation, that is, adopt German that was forced on to them. Moreover, they identified with the French language. It was a factor that helped them

lies, injustice and greed reign supreme.

8. Can you relate instances of game-hunting among the rich and the powerful in the present times that illustrate the callousness of human beings towards wildlife?

In recent times wildlife laws have been strictly enforced. No leverage is being given even to people with influence. A few Indian film stars were in the news for killing a black buck in Rajasthan during the shooting of a film there. The black buck is an endangered species and is covered under the wildlife act.

Another instances is of a former Test Cricket Captain who killed an antelope. Antelope are a rare species protected under the wildlife act. Despite strict regulations enforced by the government to safeguard wildlife, such incidents keep on happening. It is also obvious that there are many more cases involving the rich and powerful killing animals for sport than are publicised. These instances illustrate people's insensitivity and their lack of concern and compassion towards wildlife, and also bear testimony to their conceited and eccentric ways of deriving pleasure by killing and destruction.

9. We need a new system for the age of ecology — a system which is embedded in the sense of all people and also in the case of the earth and all life upon it.
Discuss.

Being the finest Creation of God, man, on the basis of his intelligence, has dominated all other forms of life on earth. In a bid to satisfy his innumerable needs, man has altered the symbiotic relationship between him and nature. Man's needs have