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(Communicative)

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4. Write a short story in 150 – 200 words on the basis of the hints provided : 10 There was a lot of excitement in the air. The sound of crackers could be heard all around. Manu rushed out

OR

Before starting the journey, he made sure that he hadn't forgotten anything. He got into the train, settled in his seat and looked around

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SECTION C – (Literature) 25 marks 8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : 1×3=3

For he seemed to me again like a king, Like a king in exile, uncrowned in the underworld, Now due to be crowned again. And so, I missed my chance with one of the lords Of life. And I have something to expiate: A pettiness.

(a) Why is the snake called a king in exile ? 1

(b) What is the pettiness referred to in these lines ? 1

(c) What does the word 'underworld' mean ? 1

OR

I only waved denial and gurgled in my throat. She went on 'It's bad enough to have you flirt over the Ouija board with that hussy – .'

(a) What was John denying ? 1

(b) What does the word 'hussy' mean ? 1

(c) Why did Lavinia think that John was flirting ? 1

9. Answer any four of the following questions in 30 – 40 words each : 2×4=8

(a) What was the crime committed by the mariner ?

(b) Why did the news about Sebastian Shultz shock Michael ?

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And immediately I regretted it. I thought how paltry, how vulgar, what a mean act! I despised myself and the voices of my accursed human education.

- (a) What was the mean act ? 1
- (b) Why did the poet despise himself ? 1
- (c) What does the word 'accursed' mean in the above context ? 1

OR

“Well, you needn't be, because I just came to tell you to stop bothering us for assistance; you ain't going to get it. We're going on strike!”

- (a) Who speaks these words and to whom ? 1
- (b) What was the 'assistance' that was denied ? 1
- (c) What does the word 'bothering' mean ? 1

9. Answer any four of the following questions in 30 – 40 words each : 2×4=8

- (a) Why was the Albatross considered as a 'Christian Soul' ?
- (b) Why couldn't Michael help Sebastian the first time ?
- (c) How did Decius Brutus interpret Calpurnia's dream ?
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SECTION – A 20

(READING)

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : 1 × 8 = 8

One of the greatest advances in modern technology has been the invention of computers. They are widely used in industries and in universities. Now there is hardly any sphere of human life where computers have not been pressed into service of man. We are heading fast towards the day when a computer will be as much part of man's daily life as a telephone or a calculator.

Computers are capable of doing extremely complicated work in all branches of learning. They can solve the most complex mathematical problems or put thousands of unrelated facts in order. These machines can be put to varied uses. For instance,

they can provide information on the best way to prevent traffic jams. This whole process by which machines can be used to work for us has been called 'automation'. In the future 'automation' may enable human beings to enjoy more leisure than they do today. The coming of automation is bound to have important social consequences.

Some years ago an expert on automation, Sir Leon Bagrit, pointed out that it was a mistake to believe that these machines could 'think'. There is no possibility that human beings will be "controlled by machines". Though computers are capable of learning from their mistakes and improving on their performance, they need detailed instructions from human beings to operate. They can never, as it were, lead independent lives or "rule the world" by making decisions of their own.

Sir Leon said that in future, computers would be developed which would be small enough to carry in the pocket. Ordinary people would then be able to use them to obtain valuable information. Computers could be plugged into a national network and be used like radios. For instance, people going on holiday could be informed about weather conditions. Car drivers can be given alternative routes when there are traffic jams. It will also be possible to make tiny translating machines. This will enable people who do not share a common language to talk to each other without any difficulty or to read foreign publications.

- (a) What is the greatest advancement in modern technology ? 1
- (b) What complicated works are computers capable of doing ? 1
- (c) Write one use of computers. 1
- (d) Explain : automation. 1
- (e) Why can't computers lead independent lives or rule the world ? 1

(f) How would computers as translating machines help people ?

1

(g) What was the prediction of Sir Leon about computers in future ? 1

(h) How can computers help people going on holiday ? 1

2. Read the passage given below : 12

(1) Why does a person become overconfident ? The reason lies in over assessment of his capabilities. Sometimes people over assess their competence and jump into situations that are beyond their control.

(2) Napoleon Bonaparte who became Emperor of France would say that the word 'impossible' was common only amongst fools. The overconfident Napoleon invaded Russia in the winter of 1812. This proved to be a big disaster.

(3) Overconfidence generally leads people into misadventures, endangering their chances in life. It is wisely said that, any achievement is a result of two factor some's personal planning and support from the external world. People, take into account only their planning, generally ignoring external factors. They become unable to foresee future developments. Hence the great risk of failure.

(4) Then there is the question : how can one manage overconfidence ? The formula is very simple. Before taking a decision discuss the matter with other informed people with an objective mind and when it is proved that you are about to go off the path, accept reality and say without delay, "I was wrong."

(5) Overconfidence is a flaw characterizing people who lack the virtue of modesty. Modesty makes you a realist; you become a person who is cut down to size. People of this kind become very cautious; before taking an action they assess the whole

situation. They adopt a realistic approach.

(6) Overconfident people live within their own thoughts. They know themselves but they are unaware of others. Living inside their own cell they are unable to make use of the experiences of others. This kind of habit is highly damaging to all concerned.

(7) There is a saying that the young man sees the rule and the old man sees the exception. With a slight change, I would like to say that the overconfident person sees the rule and the confident person sees the exception. Overconfident people are always at risk. It is said that taking risk is good but it must be well calculated otherwise it becomes very dangerous.

(2.1) Answer the following questions : 2 × 4 = 8

- (a) Why does a person become overconfident ?
- (b) What does overconfidence generally lead people into ?
- (c) How can one manage overconfidence ?
- (d) What kind of person does 'modesty' make you ?

(2.2) Find meanings of the words given below with the help of the options that follow : 1 × 4 = 4

(a) Misadventure (para 3)

- (1) Mishap
- (2) Unlucky
- (3) Unhappy
- (4) Unpleasant

(b) Endangering (para 3)

- (1) Reckless

(2) Imperil

(3) Risky

(4) Threatening

(c) Assess (para 5)

(1) Assemble

(2) Acquire

(3) Evaluate

(4) Accept

(d) Objective (para 4)

(1) Obedient

(2) Servile

(3) Honest

(4) Impartial

SECTION – B 25

(WRITING AND GRAMMAR)

3. Including sports in the syllabus and giving marks for it has not made it an attractive career option. Write a letter in 100-120 words to the editor of a national daily discussing what can be done to encourage students to take up sports. You are Arun / Aruna 24, Mall Road, Agra.

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OR

The pledge taken by school children of a cracker free Diwali did not meet with much success. Write an article in 100-120 words giving reasons for this. Suggest measures to curb the

use of crackers to make it a cracker free and green Diwali.
You are Arun / Aruna.

4. Write a story in 150-200 words based on the input given below : 10 The train gathered speed – all settled – a group of youngsters pushed in – looked threatening – sudden silence...

OR

At the start of the journey – eight people – in the boat – number now reduced to six – the storm...

5. Complete the following paragraph by filling in the blanks with the help of the given options : $1 \times 3 = 3$

When we read (a) _____ a happy person we smile, (b) _____ if the character (c) _____ angry, we frown.

(a) (i) off (ii) about (iii) from (iv) on

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(READING)

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SECTION – B 25

(WRITING AND GRAMMAR)

3. Including sports in the syllabus and giving marks for it has not made it an attractive career option. Write a letter in 100-120 words to the editor of a national daily discussing what can be done to encourage students to take up sports. You are Arun / Aruna 24, Mall Road, Agra.

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OR

The pledge taken by school children of a cracker free Diwali did not meet with much success. Write an article in 100-120 words giving reasons for this. Suggest measures to curb the use of crackers to make it a cracker free and green Diwali. You are Arun / Aruna.

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SECTION – B 25

(WRITING AND GRAMMAR)

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QUESTION PAPER CODE 1/1/1

SECTION A

(READING) 20 MARKS

Note : Section A tests the candidate's ability in reading only. Therefore, no deductions are to be made for errors in spelling, grammar or punctuation. Marks should be awarded if the answer can be clearly understood.

Objective: This section evaluates the reading and comprehension skills of the students and their ability to infer and evaluate the given information. 1.

COMPUTERS

MARKS—8

Objective: To identify the main points of a text Marking: 8 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

1.1 Sentence Completion

Answers :

- a) invention of computers
- b) solve mathematical problems / put thousands of unrelated facts in order
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2 OVERCONFIDENCE TOTAL MARKS-12

Objective : To identify the main points of a text

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2.1 Answers :

a) because of over assessment of his capabilities and competence ; jumps into situations that are beyond his control. 2

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2.2 Vocabulary Marking : 4 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

Answers :

a) i) mishap

b) iv) threatening

c) iii) evaluate

d) iv) impartial

SECTION B

(WRITING & GRAMMAR)

TOTAL MARKS – 25

3. LETTER TO THE EDITOR –ACCIDENTS MARKS – 5

Objective : To use the given input in a short sustained piece of writing

Marking : Content – 3 marks – (the given information in the question paper to be included) Format – includes date, subject, addressee and closing Format to be treated as part of the content Expression – 2 marks (fluency and accuracy to be taken into account)

Suggested Value Points:

Problems – Road Accidents

Reasons

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1. thrill of speed
 2. not following traffic rules
 3. always in a hurry to reach the destination
 4. stress leading to loss of concentration
 5. drunken driving
 6. distractions – mobile phone, music
 7. youth – impatient
 8. under age drivers
 9. increase in traffic / more vehicles on the road
- Solutions: □ more policemen to act as deterrents
10. stricter punishment for even a small violation of rule
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 12. while issuing licence there should be comprehensive classes for traffic rules parents to be held responsible for underage drivers
 13. use of public transport / car pool

ARTICLE WRITING – INDISCIPLINE AMONG SCHOOL CHILDREN

Objectives : To plan, organize and present ideas coherently To write in a style appropriate for communicative purposes

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Suggested Value Points:

Reasons

students not supervised at home

- both parents working
- money in plenty
- school
- peer pressure
- students from varied backgrounds
- drugs – exposure to TV and social media
- consider rules too harsh
- wrong upbringing
- rebellious nature
- tendency to show off/ to seek attention

Solutions

- counsel children
- importance of rules to be taught
- rules made for their benefit, not to harass them
- parents should keep all channels of communications open with children – parents should supervise children at all times
- adequate help should be provided if child lags behind in studies so that he does not lose interest or gets distracted –

should not give them more money than required / monitor the money given to them

- keep a check on their friends / peers
- should be involved in productive work
- stringent punishment to defaulters

4. STORY WRITING MARKS – 10

Objective : To plan, organize and present ideas coherently

Marking : Relevance of content + creativity – 6 marks

Fluency – 2 marks Accuracy – 2 marks

Story completed in any suitable way using the hints provided should be accepted

5. GAP FILLING –STUDENTS MARKS-3

Objective : To use grammatical items correctly

Marking : 1 mark for each correct answer

Answers:

- a) (iii) among
- b) (ii) those
- c) (i) more

6. EDITING – OVER EATING MARKS-4

Objective : To use grammatical items correctly

Marking : $\frac{1}{2}$ a mark for each correct answer

Answers :

ERROR CORRECTION

- a) which who
- b) that it
- c) near nearly
- d) he they
- e) peoples people
- f) the a
- g) can could
- h) improving improve

7. REARRANGEMENT OF WORDS –GEOMETRY MARKS- 3

Objectives : To reorder words /phrases to write grammatically accurate sentences

To test their knowledge of syntax

Marking : 1 mark for each correct answer

For a partially correct answer, no marks are to be allotted.

Answers:

- a) He taught me algebra and geometry twice a week. / Twice a week he taught me algebra and geometry.
- b) I was very poor in these subjects earlier. /Earlier I was very poor in these subjects. (any other correct structure may also be accepted)
- c) I have become very proficient in them now. / Now I have become very proficient in them. / I have now become very proficient in them.

SECTION C (LITERATURE) TOTAL MARKS 25

General Instructions:

This section is meant to test the student's familiarity with and appreciation of the set texts. However, if the expression prevents clear communication, $\frac{1}{2}$ a mark may be deducted. 8

(a) Objective : To identify the correct answer on the basis of inference, interpretation and comprehension.

PROSE – VIRTUALLY TRUE MARKS- 3

Marking : 3 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

Answers :

a) Michael

b) the motor accident in which Sebastian went into coma

c) terrible / awful / pathetic / lousy (any other appropriate word)

(OR)

POETRY – SNAKE MARKS- 3 Answers :

a) throwing a log at the snake

b) It prompted him to harm the snake.

c) hated / loathed

9. Answer any four. TOTAL MARKS 2×4 =8

Objective : To test the ability to infer and evaluate

Marking : 2 marks for each correct answer

(a) POETRY- THE RIME OF THE ANCIENT MARINER MARKS – 2

Answer : Fog lifted, icebergs split, favourable south wind blew (any two)

(b) PLAY- JULIUS CAESAR MARKS- 2

Answer :

Vision misinterpreted-vision actually fair and fortunate, a good sign;

Caesar, a source of inspiration for all the Romans; citizens will keep

his hair and their handkerchieves dipped in his blood as relics for their

children and grandchildren; people would inherit Caesar's nobility

and greatness (any two)

(c) PROSE –PATOL BABU MARKS – 2

Answer :

reminds him of his past; not being successful; feels overconfident; over excited; day-dreaming (any two)

(d) PROSE- SHADY PLOT MARKS – 2

Answer : stories instant hits, Jenkins always called him to write ghost stories for him; managed to get good ideas for ghost stories (any two)

(e) POETRY: SNAKE MARKS- 2

Answer : the snake had come there first; narrator a thorough gentleman

a good host- treated the snake as an honoured guest; majestic; royal creature (any two)

10. Answer any one in 80 – 100 words TOTAL MARKS – 4

Objective : To help students relate the values in the text to their own lives and understand their importance

Marking : Content – 2 marks

Expression – 2 marks

PROSE – SHADY PLOT

Answer : Lavinia hosted a Ouija Board party, all the boards spelt out 'traitor', pointing towards Hallock by indicating 'Ask Him', suspected him of infidelity, marriage on the verge of a break-up realized Helen was not a real person, only a spirit Hallock could not be having an affair with a ghost.

OR

POETRY – OZYMANDIAS

Answer:

Irony: nothing left to show his greatness trunkless legs remained in the wilderness forgotten by people

Lesson: wealth, power and position do not last forever time is the ultimate leveler / time conquers all

LONG READING TEXT (NOVELS)

11. Answer any one in 150 – 200 words TOTAL MARKS- 10

Objective : To understand and relate to the prescribed text and be able to make an analysis of events and characters.

Marking : Content : 5 marks

Expression : 5 marks

Answers : HELEN'S RELATION WITH DR. BELL

Dr. Bell exposed her to a new world, new sensations, discoveries, travels etc.

interacted with nature and people more than before inculcated scientific curiosity- visit to Niagara Falls

OR

ROLE OF HELEN'S TEACHER

- Anne Sullivan, Helen's teacher, helped her to understand the world around her
- taught her words, related to sense, smell and language
- helped her to read and communicate – developed language and removed frustration OR ANNE'S GROWING YEARS
- spent in the shadow of fear
- restricted life/ didn't have friends
- had to make adjustments
- took away her childhood
- isolated from the world
- lacked education

OR

THE ANNEXE- A PRISON

- limited her contact with the outside world
- restricted her experience and exposure
- it became her whole life
- had to remain quiet
- food was rationed as in a prison
- deprived of basic, proper facilities
- not allowed regular baths etc

(Any other relevant points in respect of answers to the novels' questions may be accepted)

QUESTION PAPER CODE 1/1/2 SECTION A (READING) 20 MARKS

Note : Section A tests the candidate's ability in reading only. Therefore, no deductions are to be made for errors in spelling, grammar or punctuation. Marks should be awarded if the answer can be clearly understood.

Objective: This section evaluates the reading and comprehension skills of the students and their ability to infer and evaluate the given information.

1. COMPUTERS

MARKS—8

Objective: To identify the main points of a text

Marking: 8 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

1.2 Sentence Completion

Answers :

- a) invention of computers
- b) solve mathematical problems / put thousands of unrelated facts in order
- c) provide information on the best way to prevent traffic jams / used in industries / used in universities / carry out complicated work in all branches of learning (any one).
- d) the process by which machines can be used to work for us
- e) need detailed instructions from human beings to operate/ cannot make decisions of their own (any one)
- f) will enable people who do not share a common language to talk to each other without any difficulty / to read foreign publications (any one)
- g) computers would be developed which would be small enough to carry in the pocket . / Ordinary people would be able to use

these pocket computers to obtain valuable information . / Computers could be plugged in to a national network and be used like radios (any one) h) can be informed about weather conditions / car drivers can be given alternative roads when there are traffic jams / make tiny translating machines (any one)

2 OVERCONFIDENCE TOTAL MARKS-12

Objective : To identify the main points of a text

Marking : 8 marks – 2 marks for each correct answer

2.1 Answers

a) because of over assessment of his capabilities and competence ; jumps into situations that are beyond his control.

2 b) misadventures /endangering their chances in life / putting them at great risk of failure

2 c) by discussing the matter with other informed people with an objective mind and accepting reality, when proved wrong.

2 d) modesty makes you a realist ; you become a person who is cut down to size ; people of this kind become very cautious before taking any action. (any two)

2.2 Vocabulary

Marking : 4 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

Answers :

a) i) mishap

b) iv) threatening

c) iii) evaluate

d) iv) impartial

SECTION B

(WRITING & GRAMMAR) TOTAL MARKS – 25

3. LETTER TO THE EDITOR –ACCIDENTS MARKS – 5

Objective : To use the given input in a short sustained piece of writing

Marking : Content – 3 marks – (the given information in the question paper to be included) Format – includes date, subject, addressee and closing Format to be treated as part of the content Expression – 2 marks (fluency and accuracy to be taken into account)

Suggested Value

Points: Problems – Road Accidents

Reasons

- thrill of speed
- not following traffic rules
- always in a hurry to reach the destination
- stress leading to loss of concentration
- drunken driving
- distractions – mobile phone, music
- youth – impatient
- under age drivers
- increase in traffic / more vehicles on the road
- – Solutions:
- more policemen to act as deterrents
- stricter punishment for even a small violation of rule
- traffic rules to be taught at schools
- while issuing licence there should be comprehensive classes for traffic
- rules
- parents to be held responsible for underage drivers
- use of public transport / car pool

(OR)

ARTICLE WRITING – INDISCIPLINE AMONG SCHOOL CHILDREN

Objectives : To plan, organize and present ideas coherently To write in a style appropriate for communicative purposes

Marking : Content – 3 marks Format to be treated as part of the content Expression- 2 marks (fluency and accuracy to be taken into account)

Suggested Value Points:

Reasons

students not supervised at home

- both parents working
- money in plenty
- school
- peer pressure
- students from varied backgrounds
- drugs
- exposure to TV and social media
- consider rules too harsh
- wrong upbringing
- rebellious nature
- tendency to show off/ to seek attention

Solutions

- counsel children
- importance of rules to be taught
- rules made for their benefit, not to harass them
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children

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4. STORY WRITING MARKS – 10

Objective : To plan, organize and present ideas coherently

Marking : Relevance of content + creativity – 6 marks Fluency – 2 marks Accuracy – 2 marks Story completed in any suitable way using the hints provided should be accepted

5. GAP FILLING – UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

MARKS-3 MARKS-3

Objective : To use grammatical items correctly

Marking : 1 mark for each correct answer.

Answers:

Answers:

- a) (i) on
- b) (iii) the
- c) (ii) meant

6. EDITING – OVER EATING MARKS -4

Objective : To use grammatical items correctly

Marking : $\frac{1}{2}$ a mark for each correct answer

ERROR

CORRECTION

a) which

who

b) that

it

c) near

nearly

d) he

they

e) peoples

people

f) the

a

g) can

could

h) improving

improve

7. NARRATION- DOCTOR AND PATIENT MARKS- 3

Objectives : To be able to change from direct into indirect speech. To test the knowledge of grammar rules

Marking : 1 mark for each correct answer For a partially correct answer, no marks are to be allotted.

Answers:

- a) that he hoped he could read
- b) he might think it was funny but he could not read
- c) then why he should treat his eyes

SECTION C

(LITERATURE)

TOTAL MARKS 25

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8 (a) Objective : To identify the correct answer on the basis of inference, interpretation and comprehension.

PROSE – VIRTUALLY TRUE MARKS- 3

Marking : 3 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

Answers :

- a) Michael
- b) the motor accident in which Sebastian went into coma
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POETRY – SNAKE MARKS- 3

Answers :

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9. Answer any four.

Objective : To test the ability to infer and evaluate . TOTAL MARKS 2×4 =8 Marking : 2 marks for each correct answer

(a) POETRY- THE RIME OF THE ANCIENT MARINER MARKS-2

Answer fair breeze blew, icebergs split, fog lifted, passage cleared; after a long time-saw a living being other than the crew members; found pleasure in feeding and playing with it (any two)

(b) DRAMA-JULIUS CAESAR MARKS- 2

Answer :

nightmare- Caesar's statue spouting blood, Romans dipping hands in Caesar's blood, a lioness giving birth to cubs in the street, conflict in the heavens, graves giving up the dead (any two)

(c) PROSE- PATOL BABU MARKS-2

Answer :

no role beneath dignity; every role equally important; only an actor can convey the real essence of the character to the audience; give your hundred percent (any two)

(d) PROSE-SHADY PLOT MARKS-2

Answer

to warn him, would discontinue help; to tell him that they were going on strike, troubled by Ouija Board users; to tell him to stop his friends and family from using the Ouija Boards. (any two)

(e) PROSE – VIRTUALLY TRUE MARKS- 2

Answer

for the past one and a half months he had been interacting with Sebastian through the psycho drive games, on seeing the newspaper he was shocked that Sebastian was a real life person and he was instrumental in bringing him out of coma and this shocked him

10. Answer any one in 80 – 100 words TOTAL MARKS – 4

Objective : To help students relate the values in the text to their own lives and understand their importance

Marking : Content – 2 marks Expression – 2 marks

PROSE – SHADY PLOT

Answer :

Lavinia hosted a Ouija Board party, all the boards spelt out 'traitor', pointing towards Hallock by indicating 'Ask Him', suspicion of infidelity, marriage on the verge of break up realized Helen was not a real person, only a spirit Hallock could not be having an affair with a ghost.

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LONG READING TEXT (NOVELS)

11. Answer any one in 150 – 200 words TOTAL MARKS- 10

Objective : To understand and relate to the prescribed text and be able to make an analysis of events and characters.

Marking : Content : 5 marks Expression : 5 marks

Answers :

HELEN'S RELATION WITH DR. BELL Dr. Bell exposed her to a new world, new sensations, discoveries, travels etc. interacted with nature and people more than before inculcated scientific curiosity- visit to Niagara Falls

OR

ROLE OF HELEN'S TEACHER

- Anne Sullivan, Helen's teacher, helped her to understand the world around her
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- developed language and removed frustration

OR

ANNE'S GROWING YEARS

- spent in the shadow of fear
- restricted life/ didn't have friends
- had to make adjustments
- took away her childhood
- isolated from the world
- lacked education

OR

THE ANNEXE

- A PRISON

- limited her contact with the outside world
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(Any other relevant points in respect of answers to the novels' questions may be accepted)

QUESTION PAPER CODE 1/1/3

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1. COMPUTERS MARKS-8 Objective: To identify the main points of a text Marking: 8 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

1.1 Sentence Completion

Answers :

a) invention of computers

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Objective : To identify the main points of a text

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2.1Answers :

a) because of over assessment of his capabilities and competence ; jumps into situations that are beyond his control.

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2.2 Vocabulary

Marking : 4 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

Answers :

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- d) iv) impartial

SECTION B

(WRITING & GRAMMAR)

TOTAL MARKS – 25

3. ARTICLE WRITING – ART AND MUSIC

Objectives : To plan, organize and present ideas coherently To write in a style appropriate for communicative purposes

Marking : Content – 3 marks Format to be treated as a part of the content Expression- 2 marks (fluency and accuracy to be taken into account)

Suggested Value Points :

art and music help students relax after the hectic academic schedule □ known fact

– community singing in the morning gives a good start to the day

- art enhances the creativity and imagination of students
- students get a chance to express their thoughts/ feelings through art
- music boosts the confidence of students; helps them fight stage fright
- helps in shaping a career in art and music
- helps one to give vent to one's emotions
- a unifying force, cuts across cultures
- art and music have no language

(OR)

LETTER TO THE EDITOR – TIME MANAGEMENT MARKS-5

Objective : To use the given input in a short sustained piece of writing

Marking : Content – 3 marks – (the given information in the question paper to be included) Format – includes date, subject, addressee and closing

Format to be treated as part of the content

Expression – 2 marks (fluency and accuracy to be taken into account) Suggested Value Points:

Reasons:

- habit of postponing things
- value of time not taught in childhood
- easy going attitude
- a cultural phenomenon
- not taught the advantages of being on time
- people take a lenient view of it

Solutions:

General Instructions : This section is meant to test the student's familiarity with and appreciation of the set texts. However, if the expression prevents clear communication, $\frac{1}{2}$ a mark may be deducted.

8 (a) Objective : To identify the correct answer on the basis of inference, interpretation and comprehension.

DRAMA-JULIUS CAESAR MARKS- 3

Marking : 3 marks – 1 mark for each correct answer

Answers :

a) Mark Antony

b) fears that he may also be killed by the conspirators / tries to win their trust for the moment

c) harsh / rude / rough / cruel / unkind

(OR)

PROSE-PATOL BABU MARKS- 3

Answers :

a) opportunity to act in a film

b) ambitious/ optimistic/ confident

c) better days/ got a job/role in a film/improvement in financial condition/recognition/ good luck

9. Answer any four

Objective : To test the ability to infer and evaluate **TOTAL MARKS 2 x4 =8** **Marking : 2 marks for each correct answer**

(a) POETRY – THE RIME OF THE ANCIENT MARINER MARKS – 2

Answer :

- glittering eyes- hypnotic effect
- hailed the albatross in God's name- sudden arrival from nowhere and guided the ship
- water like a witch's oil burnt green and blue and white
- convinced that their suffering was caused by the spirit of the Albatross (any two)

(b) POETRY- SNAKE MARKS- 2

Answer :

- as a response to the voice of education which said that such snakes were dangerous
- to stop him from going into the hole / from escaping

(c) PROSE- PATOL BABU MARKS-2

Answer : carrying a newspaper while making the collision/ to make the scene look more authentic / natural The director agreed/ appreciated and handed him a newspaper

(d) PROSE-SHADY PLOT MARKS -2

Answer : participates in the Ouija Board party against his promise to Helen to dissuade others from using the Ouija Boards

(e) DRAMA- JULIUS CAESAR MARKS -2

Answer : her nightmare and other omens scared her; felt there was a threat to Caesar's life

10. Answer any one in 80-100 words TOTAL MARKS : 4

Objective : To help students relate the values in the text to their own lives and understand their importance.

Marking : Content – 2 marks

Expression – 2 marks

POETRY- THE RIME OF THE ANCIENT MARINER

- situation they are in- silent sea, very hot and humid, everything rotting, parched throats, no water to drink, scene as silent and still as in a painting □ regrets having approved the act of the Ancient Mariner
- Albatross had brought them luck- south wind blew, fog lifted, icebergs split punishment for the crime committed by the Ancient Mariner
- no hope of survival- future doubtful
- sad, desperate and scared OR PROSE -VIRTUALLY TRUE

Answer :

- rescuing Sebastian a challenge- took it as his responsibility
- filled with remorse when he could not rescue him three times
- encouraged to try again and again
- was relieved when he received the message after a few days
- succeeded at last

LONG READING TEXT (NOVELS)

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Answers :

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SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT-II

ENGLISH

(Communicative)

Time allowed : 3 hours

Maximum marks : 70

General Instructions :

(i) The question paper is divided into three sections :

Section A : Reading 20 marks

Section B : Writing & Grammar 25 marks

Section C : Literature 25 marks

(ii) All questions are compulsory.

(iii) You may attempt any section at a time.

(iv) All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.

Section-A (Reading)

20 marks

Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : 1×8=8

1. One of the greatest advances in modern technology has been the invention of computers. They are widely used in industries and in universities. Now there is hardly any sphere of human life where computers have not been pressed into service of man. We are heading fast towards the day when a computer will be as much part of man's daily life as a telephone or a calculator.

Computers are capable of doing extremely complicated work in all branches of learning. They can solve the most complex mathematical problems or put thousands of unrelated facts in order. These machines can be put to varied uses. For instance, they can provide information on the best way to prevent traffic jams. This whole process by which machines can be used to work for us has been called 'automation'. In the future automation may enable human beings to enjoy more leisure than they do today. The coming of automation is bound to have important social consequences.

Some years ago an expert on automation, Sir Leon Bagrit, pointed out that it was a mistake to believe that these machines could 'think.' There is no possibility that human beings will be "controlled by machines." Though computers are capable of learning from their mistakes and improving on their performance, they need detailed instructions from human beings to operate. They can never, as it were, lead independent lives or "rule the world" by making decisions of their own

Sir Leon said that in future, computers would be developed which would be small enough to carry in the pocket. Ordinary people would then be able to use them to obtain valuable information. Computers could be plugged into a national network and be used like radios. For instance, people going on holiday could be informed about weather conditions. Car drivers can be given alternative routes when there are traffic jams. It will also be possible to make tiny translating machines. This will enable people who do not share a common language to talk to each other without any difficulty or to read foreign publications

- (a) What is the greatest advancement in modern technology? **1**
- (b) What complicated works are computers capable of doing? **1**
- (c) Write one use of computers. **1** (d) Explain automation? **1**
- (e) Why can't computers lead independent lives or rule the world? **1**
- (f) How would computers as translating machines help people? **1**
- (g) What was the prediction of Sir Leon about computers in future? **1**
- (h) How can computers help people going on holiday? **1**

2 **Read the passage given below.**

Why does a person become overconfident? The reason lies in over assessment of his capabilities. Sometimes people over assess their competence and jump into situations that are beyond their control.

Napoleon Bonaparte who became Emperor of France would say that the word 'impossible' was common only amongst fools. The overconfident Napoleon invaded Russia in the winter of 1812. This proved to be a big disaster.

Overconfidence generally leads people into misadventures, endangering their chances in life. It is wisely said that any achievement is a result of two factors- one's personal planning and support from the external world. People, take into account only their planning, generally ignoring external factors. They become unable to foresee future developments. Hence, the great risk of failure.

Then there is the question : how can one manage overconfidence? The formula is very simple. Before taking a decision discuss the matter with other informed people with an objective mind and when it is proved that you are about to go off the path, accept reality and say without delay, "I was wrong.

Overconfidence is a flaw characterizing people who lack the virtue of modesty. Modesty makes you a realist; you become a person who is cut down to size. People of this kind become very cautious; before taking an action they assess the whole situation. They adopt a realistic approach.

Overconfident people live within their own thoughts. They know themselves but they are unaware of others. Living inside their own cell they are unable to make use of the experiences of others. This kind of habit is highly damaging to all concerned.

There is a saying that the young man sees the rule and the old man sees the exception, with a slight change, I would like to say that the overconfident person sees the rule and the confident person sees the exception. Overconfident people are always at risk. It is said that taking risk is good but it must be well calculated otherwise it becomes very dangerous.

2.1 Answer the following questions :

2×4=8

- (a) Why does a person become overconfident?
- (b) What does overconfidence generally lead people into?
- (c) How can one manage overconfidence?
- (d) What kind of person does 'modesty' make you?

2.2 Find meanings of the words given below with the help of the options that follow : 1×4=4

(a) Misadventure (para 3)

- (i) Mishap
- (ii) Unlucky
- (iii) Unhappy
- (iv) Unpleasant

(b) Endangering (para 3)

- (i) Reckless
- (ii) Imperil
- (iii) Risky
- (iv) Threatening

(c) Assess (para 5)

- (i) Assemble
- (ii) Acquire
- (iii) Evaluate
- (iv) Accept

(d) Objective (para 4)

- (i) Obedient
- (ii) Servile
- (iii) Honest
- (iv) Impartial

Section-B

(Writing and Grammar) 25 marks

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Or

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(a) algebra and / a week / me / geometry / twice / he taught

(b) very poor / subjects / I was / in these / earlier

(c) very / now / proficient / have become / in them / I

Section-C

(Literature : Textbook and Long Reading text)

25 marks

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : 1×3=3

O, pardon me, thou bleeding piece of earth,

That I am meek and gentle with these butchers !

(a) By whom have the above lines been spoken?

(b) Why is the speaker meek with the butchers?

(c) Write the antonym of the word, 'gentle.'

Or

"This is only the first step on the ladder, my dear better-half! Yes ... the first step that would God willing ... mark the rise to fame and fortune of your beloved husband!"

(a) What was "the first step on the ladder"?

(b) What characteristic does the speaker display here?

(c) What does the word, 'fortune' mean?

9. Answer any four of the following in 30-40 words each :

2×4=8

(a) Give two examples of the use of supernatural in The Rime of the Ancient Mariner.

(b) Why did the poet throw the log at the snake?

(c) What idea did Patol Babu have while rehearsing? What was the director's reaction?

(d) Why did the spirit in the Ouija Boards call Hallock a traitor?

(e) Why did Calpurnia not want Caesar to go to the Senate?

10. Answer the following in 80-100 words :

4

You are one of the crew. After the mariner kills the albatross, you have to suffer and there is no hope of survival. Write a diary entry of your feelings of regret and remorse.

Or

Imagine you are Michael. Write a diary entry describing your

spirit of fellow feeling with which you finally rescued Sebastian.

11. Answer the following in 150-200 words :

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Time Allowed:3 Hrs

Max. Marks 70

Section-A

(Reading) 20 marks

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : 1×8=8

One of the greatest advances in modern technology has been the invention of computers. They are widely used in industries and in universities. Now there is hardly any sphere of human life where computers have not been pressed into service of man. We are heading fast towards the day when a computer will be as much part of man's daily life as a telephone or a calculator.

Computers are capable of doing extremely complicated work in all branches of learning. They can solve the most complex mathematical problems or put thousands of unrelated facts in order. These machines can be put to varied uses. For instance, they can provide information on the best way to prevent traffic jams. This whole process by which machines can be used to work for us has been called 'automation'. In the future automation may enable human beings to enjoy more leisure than they do today. The coming of automation is bound to have important social consequences.

Some years ago an expert on automation, Sir Leon Bagrit, pointed out that it was a mistake to believe that these machines could 'think.' There is no possibility that human beings will be "controlled by machines." Though computers are capable of learning from their mistakes and improving on their performance, they need detailed instructions from human beings to operate. They can never, as it were, lead independent lives or "rule the world" by making decisions of their own. Sir Leon said that in future, computers would be developed which would be small enough to carry in the pocket. Ordinary people would then be able to use them to obtain valuable information. Computers could be plugged into a national network and be used like radios. For instance, people going on holiday could be informed about weather conditions. Car drivers can be given alternative routes when there are traffic jams. It will also be possible to make tiny translating machines. This will enable people who do not share a common language to talk to each other without any difficulty or to read foreign publications.

- (a) What is the greatest advancement in modern technology? 1
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2 Read the passage given below.

12

Why does a person become overconfident? The reason lies in over assessment of his capabilities. Sometimes people over assess their competence and jump into situations that are beyond their control.

Napoleon Bonaparte who became Emperor of France would say that the word 'impossible' was common only amongst fools. The overconfident Napoleon invaded Russia in the winter of 1812. This proved to be a big disaster.

Overconfidence generally leads people into misadventures, endangering their chances in life. It is wisely said that any achievement is a result of two factors-one's personal planning and support from the external world. People, take into account only their planning, generally ignoring external factors. They become unable to foresee future developments. Hence, the great risk of failure.

Then there is the question : how can one manage overconfidence? The formula is very simple. Before taking a decision discuss the matter with other informed people with an

objective mind and when it is proved that you are about to go off the path, accept reality and say without delay, "I was wrong."

Overconfidence is a flaw characterizing people who lack the virtue of modesty. Modesty makes you a realist; you become a person who is cut down to size. People of this kind become very cautious; before taking an action they assess the whole situation. They adopt a realistic approach.

Overconfident people live within their own thoughts. They know themselves but they are unaware of others. Living inside their own cell they are unable to make use of the experiences of others. This kind of habit is highly damaging to all concerned.

There is a saying that the young man sees the rule and the old man sees the exception, with a slight change, I would like to say that the overconfident person sees the rule and the confident person sees the exception. Overconfident people are always at risk. It is said that taking risk is good but it must be well calculated otherwise it becomes very dangerous.

2.1 Answer the following questions :

2×4=8

- (a) Why does a person become overconfident?
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2.2 Find meanings of the words given below with the help of the options that follow : 1×4=4

(a) Misadventure (para 3)

- (i) Mishap

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(iii) Unhappy

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(b) Endangering (para 3)

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(iii) Risky

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Section-B

(Writing and Grammar)

25 marks 3.

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Or

(b) Many children feel tempted to break rules in school. They find pleasure in doing so. Write an article in 100-120 words discussing reasons for it. Suggest measures to make children respect rules. You are Arun/Aruna.

4. Write a story in 150-200 words based on the input given below : 10

She finally had it – the key to the treasure – the map – she trembled – excitement – anticipation

Or

Truth always pays – spoke truth – got in trouble – upset – changed mind – later realised – better in the long run ...

5. Complete the following paragraph by filling in the blanks with the help of given options : 1×3=3

Authorities settled (a) _____ 32 pages in (b) _____ next answer book (c) _____ for the undergraduate courses.

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7. Read the dialogue given below and complete the paragraph that follows : $1 \times 3 = 3$

Doctor : I hope you can read.

Patient : You may think it is funny but I can't.

Doctor : Then why should I treat your eyes?

Patient : I believe illiterates too need eyes to see.

The doctor told the patient (a) _____. The patient said that (b) _____. The doctor asked (c) _____. The

patient replied that illiterates too need eyes to see.

Section-C

(Literature : Textbook and Long Reading text) 25 marks 8.

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9. Answer any four of the following in 30-40 words each : 2×4=8

- (a) How did the mariners enjoy the arrival of the albatross?
- (b) Describe the superstitions which scared Calpurnia?
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