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Time : 3 Hours] **[Max. Marks : 100**

Note : (i) This question paper is divided into Four **Sections-A, B, C** and **D**.

(ii) **All** questions are **compulsory**. Marks are indicated against each question.

SECTION - A (Reading)

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow-

Today there is a lot of talk about the environment. All nations are coming to an agreement to save earth. Like we pollute the earth, we pollute the water; we also pollute the subtle environment through our negative feelings and emotions. We have become a victim of our environment. We are not in control of our mind, we hear a lot about other things in life but we spend very little time to hear about ourselves. How to handle our mind? How to be in the present moment? How to be happy and grateful? This we have not learnt. This is the most unfortunate thing. Then what is the solution? This is where we miss a very Fundamental principle that governs our environment, our mind and our life in general.

Our body has the capacity to sustain much longer the vibration of bliss and peace than it does negative emotions because positivity is in the centre of our existence. Just like in the structure of atom, protons and neutrons are in the centre of the atom and electrons are only the periphery, same is with our lives; the centre core of our existence is bliss, positivity and joy but it is surrounded by a cloud of negative ions. Through the help of the breath we can easily get over our negative emotions in a short period of time. Through meditation and certain breathing techniques, we can clear this negative cloud.

Everyone wants to be successful in life. But you want to be successful without knowing what success is. What is the sign of success? Just having a lot of money, is that success? Why do you think money means success? Because

money gives you freedom so that you can do what you want. You may have a big bank balance, but you have stomachache, ulcers, you may have to go bypass surgery; Can't eat this, can't do that. We spend half our health to gain wealth and spend half our wealth to gain back the health. Is this the success? It is very bad Mathematics and can't rejuvenate the soul.

(a) How do we pollute our environment? 2

(b) What is the most unfortunate thing? 2

(c) What is the centre core of our existence? 2

(d) How can we get rid of our negative emotions? 2

(e) Choose the correct option and write in your answer book- 1×2=2

(i) Find the word from passage which means 'prey'-

(A) Weak (B) Victim (C) Poor

(ii) Find the word from passage which is opposite in meaning of 'Fortunate'-

(A) Lucky (B) Unfortunate (C) Faithless

(f) Select the correct option and write in your answer book- 1×2=2

(i) In given passage, the word 'handle our mind' means-

(A) Control our anger (B) Control our thinking

(C) Control our kindness

(ii) The opposite of the word 'success' given in passage is-

(A) Dis-success (B) Successful

(C) Unsuccess

2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

The earth without water is difficult to imagine. It is believed that the life on the earth began in water. Water covers nearly 70% of the globe, but most of it is salt water, that fills the ocean. In quantity, less than 3% of all the water on earth is fresh water, most of which lies frozen in Antarctica and Greenland in polar ice and is unavailable to humanity. Less than 1% of all water on earth is in the form of fresh water found in lakes, rivers and underground in shallow aquifers.

Water gives life to thirsty cities and dried crops and is used in industries, but the amount of fresh water available on earth today is no more than what was available 2000 years ago. At that time the population was less than 3% of its current size. Water shortage is a routine feature today. Rising demands for water in agriculture, domestic sector and industry are difficult to be met. India receives more than 350 million hectare metres of rainfall every year. There is also a vast network of rivers, ponds and lakes but still there is a shortage of drinking water. It is shocking to note that Cherapunji, which is one the world's wettest places, is facing a serious shortage of drinking water.

(a) How much fresh water is available for us? 2

(b) Which Indian place is one of the world's wettest place? 2

(c) Why was there no scarcity of water nearly 2000 years ago? 2

(d) How much area of the globe does water cover? 2

SECTION - B (Writing)

3. You are Kishore/Kirti living in Anand Vihar Haridwar. Write a letter to your friend Kamal/Neeta about the pollution in the sacred river Ganga. 8

OR

You are Ashok/Asha living at Main Bazar, Haldwani. Write a letter to the municipality officer complaining against the irregular electricity supply in your locality.

4. Write a paragraph on any **one** of the following in about 60 words: 4

(a) Health is wealth

(b) Importance of games

(c) Your Hobby

5. On the basis of hints given below, write a paragraph in about 80 words on 'A Cricket Match' . 8

Hints : Toss _____ win/loss _____ decides to bat _____ overs _____ scored _____ won_____ exciting.

SECTION - C (Grammar)

6. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of **non-finites** given in the brackets: ½×4=2

(a) _____ is a good physical exercise. (swim)

(b) You are too young _____ this tree. (climb)

(c) We saw a bird _____ in the garden. (sing)

(d) He could save a _____ child. (drown)

7. Combine the following pairs of sentences using sentence connectors given in the brackets- 1×2=2

(a) This is the village. I was born here. (where)

(b) He was unwell. He did not go to school. (because)

8. Join the following pair of sentences as directed- 1×2=2

(a) The earth revolves round the sun. The teacher said. (Begin with, The teacher ____)

(b) Where does she live? Can you tell me? (Begin with, Can you_____)

9. Fill in the blanks with correct form of verbs given in the brackets- 1×3=3

The teacher _____ (leave) the room. The class room _____ (become) like a busy market. All the students _____ (talk) to each other.

10. Complete the following sentences using modals : 1×2=2

(a) She was so old that she _____ not run.

(b) _____ I come in please?

11. (a) Rearrange the following words and phrases to form meaningful sentences- 1×2=2

(i) The/was/day/hot/very.

(ii) early/you/get/should/up.

(b) Transform the following sentences into passive voice 1×2=2

(i) He praised me.

(ii) Mr. Sharma teaches us English.

SECTION - 'D' (Text Book)
(Prose)

12. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :

Writing in a diary is a really strange experience for some one like me. Not only because I have never written anything before, but also because it seems to me that later on neither I nor anyone else will be interested in the musings of a thirteen-year-old school girl. Oh well, it doesn't matter. I feel like writing, and I have an even greater need to get all kinds of things off my chest.

'Paper has more patience than people'. I thought of this saying on one of those days when I was feeling a little depressed and was sitting at home with my chin in my hands, bored and listless, wondering whether to stay in or go out.

(a) What makes writing in a diary a strange experience for the writer? 1

(b) Why does the writer want to keep a diary? 1

(c) When did the writer think of the saying 'paper has more patience than people'? What does this saying mean? 2

(d) Which word in the passage means 'Low in spirit'? 1

13. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

She was eight years old and very curious about things. Her favourite pastime was standing in the front doorway of her house, watching what was happening in the street outside. There were no playmates of her own age on her street, and this was about all she had to do.

But for Valli, standing at the front door was every bit as enjoyable as any of the elaborate games other children played. Watching the street gave her many new unusual experiences.

The most fascinating thing of all was the bus that travelled between her village and the nearest town. It passed through her street each hour, once going to the town and once coming back.

(a) What was Valli's favourite pastime? 1

(b) Why did Valli not play with children on her street? Why did she feel standing at the front door enjoyable? 2

(c) What was the most fascinating thing for Valli? 1

(d) Which word in the passage means 'rare'? 1

14. Answer the following question in about 80 words : 6

Do you feel sympathy with Lencho? Describe his simplicity and innocence from the story 'A Letter to God'.

OR

Write a character sketch of Wanda Petronski.

15. Answer the following question in about 30-40 words. 4

Explain the title of the play 'The Proposal' in your own words.

OR

Why did Lomov quarrel with Natalya?

(Poetry)

16. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow :

Some say the world will end in fire
Some say in ice.
From what I've tasted of desire
I hold with those who favour fire.

(a) How will the world end in ice? 1

(b) Why does the poet side with those who believe that the world will end in fire? 2

(c) Name the poem and the poet. 1

OR

Don't bite your nails, Amanda!
Don't hunch your shoulders, Amanda!
Stop that slouching and sit up straight,
Amanda!

(a) Who is Amanda and what is she biting? 2

(b) How is Amanda sitting? 1

(c) Name the poem and the poet. 1

17. Answer any **two** of the following questions in about 30-40 words each:

$2 \times 3 = 6$

(a) What do the 'crow' and 'hemlock' represent in the poem 'Dust of Snow'?

(b) Why does the poet Whitman want 'to live with animals'?

(c) What does the poem tell you about 'Amanda'?

(Supplementary Reader)

18. Answer the following question in about 100 words : 8

Why does Mrs. Pumphrey think the dog's recovery as a triumph of surgery?

OR

How did Griffin enter a big London store and spend the night there?

19. Answer the following question in about 30-40 words : 4

Why is the Lawyer sent to New Mullion? What does he first think about the place?

OR

Who supported Ebright to get interested in science? What was Ebright's collection for research?

20. Answer the following questions in about 20–30 words : 3

Who is the narrator of the story 'The Thief's Story'? Why did he change his name every month?

OR

Why did Bholi's parents accept Bishamber's marriage proposal?

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