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Instructions -

- (1) Attempt all the questions.
- (2) Marks of each question are given against them.

**SECTION – A****(Reading)**

- Q.1 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below on the basis of comprehension of the passage –
- Robinson Crusoe lived all alone in the forest. For some time, Crusoe did not see any one on the Island. Then, one day he saw some wild men, enjoying a feast and dancing round the fire. He also saw two prisoners, one of whom ran away for his life. Two of the men chased him, as fast as they could, to catch him. Seeing this Crusoe fired his gun and frightened them away. The prisoner, who was now left alone came up to Crusoe and tried to thank him for his help. Crusoe took him home and called him Friday, as he was found on a Friday. The man expressed his desire to serve Crusoe so, Crusoe took him as his servant and taught him many things, and the two lived together happily.

[5]

Questions -

- (i) Where did Robinson live all alone?
 - (a) In a forest
 - (b) At a city
 - (c) On the road
 - (d) Beside the forest
- (ii) The wild men could not catch the prisoner because –
 - (a) he ran away fast
 - (b) he disappeared
 - (c) those men were frightened of firing the gun
 - (d) he went to Crusoe
- (iii) What were the wild men doing?
 - (a) They were playing with fire
 - (b) They were cooking food
 - (c) They were enjoying a feast and dancing round the fire
 - (d) They were searching for a tiger
- (iv) Whom did Crusoe address as Friday?
 - (a) The wild man
 - (b) The left man
 - (c) The departed man
 - (d) Robinson
- (v) Who became Robinson's servant?
 - (a) One of the wild men
 - (b) The prisoner
 - (c) Crusoe
 - (d) None of these

Q.2 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions below on the basis of the passage –

In an effort to produce the largest fastest and most luxurious ship afloat, The British built the S.S. Titanic. It was so superior to anything else on the sea that it was dubbed 'unsinkable'. So sure of this were the owners that they provided only twenty life boats and rafts, less than one half the number need for the 2,227 passengers on board. Many passengers were aboard the night it rammed an iceberg only two days at sea and more than halfway between England and its New York destination. Because the luxury liner was travelling so fast it was impossible to avoid the ghostly looking iceberg. An unextinguished fire also contributed to the ship's submersion. Panic increased the number of casualties as people jumped into the ice water or fought to be among the few to board the life boats. Four hours after the mishap, another ship, The 'Carpathia', rescued 705 survivors. The infamous S.S. Titanic had enjoyed only two days of sailing glory on its maiden voyage in 1912 before plunging into 12,000 feet of water near The Coast of Newfoundland where it lies today.

Questions -

- (i) Which word does not describe The S.S. Titanic?
 - (a) Largest
 - (b) Luxurious
 - (c) Fastest
 - (d) Breakable
- (ii) How many passengers boarded the ship?
 - (a) 705
 - (b) 2,227
 - (c) 1,912
 - (d) 12,000
- (iii) The Phrase 'maiden voyage' means –
 - (a) most beautiful ship
 - (b) longest ship
 - (c) inaugural sea journey
 - (d) final sea journey
- (iv) Which ship saved the lives of people?
 - (a) The British Ship
 - (b) The Carpathia Ship
 - (c) The S.S. Titanic Ship
 - (d) Boats and Rafts
- (v) What was the additional cause to submerge the ship?
 - (a) Iceberg
 - (b) Boats and Rafts
 - (c) Fire
 - (d) Water

SECTION – B

(Writing)

- Q.3 Read the following passage and make notes on it and also give a suitable title to it –

India is a land of unity in diversity. It is a vast country with numerous variations in races, cultures, languages and even geographical features. In many countries of the world, major geographical features divide international borders, e.g. Nepal and China separated by the Himalayas. However, in India we have learned to live in diversity, and our geographical features further solidify this bond..The Punjab region is known for being one of the most potent agricultural lands on earth, The Northern mountainous region has come across different people and different language, though all of them are closely related to India. In the Rajasthan desert, we come across Rajasthani language and culture, all part of India, yet distinct in their culture and language. To the further south come the people of Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Kerala, Karnataka, all distinctive language known for their local food based on coconut oil and a variation on the Hindu Religion.

India is a plural society its unity and diversity characterise it. Despite several foreign invasions, Mughal Rule and British Rule, the nation's unity and integrity have been maintained. It is this synthesis that has made India a unique mosaic of cultures. India fought against the British Raj as one unified entity. The existence of diverse languages, religions and cultures, foreign visitors and immigration from other part of the world have made India's Culture tolerant. The sources of diversity in India may be traced through a variety of ways.

- Q.4 You are Gudiya / Gourav studying in Govt. H.S.S. Sihoniya, Morena. Write an application to your Principal, requesting him to issue some books – English, Mathematics and Science from the Book Bank. [4]

OR

You are Anurag / Somya residing in Bihar Colony, Gwalior. Write a letter to your friend, inviting him to spend summer vacation with you.

- Q.5 Write an essay on any topic in 180 words – [5]
- Wonders of Science
 - Internet a Bane or Boon
 - My Hobby
 - Value of Games and Sports
- Q.6 On the basis of the picture given below, describe, how we can keep ourselves fit and healthy – (In about 75 words) [3]



SECTION – C

(Grammar)

Q.7 Fill in the blanks choosing the correct alternative given in the brackets – (Any five)

[5]

- (i) "I am not afraid" the woman.
(shouted, replied, ordered)
- (ii) He saw unicorn yesterday. (a, an, the)
- (iii) The Teacher's Day is celebrated 5th September.
(in, at, on)
- (iv) You lift 80 Kg of weight. (can, may, will)
- (v) How students are present today?
(much, many, little)
- (vi) iron / is / not / while / hit / it

(Arrange the jumbled words into a meaningful sentence)

Q.8 Do as directed – (Any five)

[5]

- (i) Raman knows the answer. (Make the Simple Past)
- (ii) She hit him on his head. (Change into the Negative Sentence)
- (iii) If you do not like reading, you will not learn the new thing.
(Combine the sentences using 'Unless' in the place of 'if')

- (iv) Everyone stood up when Rahul Dravid walked back.

(Identify the underlined clause)

- (v) Someone asked, "why has the thief left the vest behind?"

(Change the Narration)

- (vi) The chief guest unfurled the flag.

(Change into the Passive Voice)

SECTION – D

(Textbooks)

Q.9 Choose the correct option –

[4]

- (i) The phrase 'Generosity of Spirit' means.....
 - (a) was not able to tolerate
 - (b) person with power to make decision
 - (c) an attitude of kindness
 - (d) a helping hand
- (ii) What kind of a house does the doctor live in?
 - (a) A big house
 - (b) A small house
 - (c) An electrified rented house
 - (d) An unelectrified rented house
- (iii) What sound does yeats yearn to hear?
 - (a) Sound of bees
 - (b) Sound of aeroplanes
 - (c) Sound of pop songs
 - (d) Sound of classical music
- (iv) Kathmandu is the capital city of –
 - (a) China
 - (b) India
 - (c) Nepal
 - (d) Bhutan

Q.10 (A) Read the extract carefully and choose the correct option –

[3]

Intruder: Never mind my name. I like yours better, Mr. Gerrard.

What are your Christian names?

Gerrard: Vicent Charles

Intruder: Do you run a car?

Gerrard: No

Questions -

- (i) "I like yours better" from this sentence, what does the intruder like better?
 - (a) His place
 - (b) His name
 - (c) His fame
 - (d) His business

(ii) What can Gerrard not do?

- (a) Cannot hit a man (b) Can't fire a gun
(c) Cannot move (d) Cannot run a car

(iii) Which one of the following options is the possessive pronoun of the word 'my'?

- (a) I (b) Mine
(c) Thine (d) Me

(B) Read the following extract taken from your textbook and answer the questions below –

[3]

I will arise and go now, and go to Innisfree, and a small cabin
build there, of clay and wattle made: Nine bean – rows will I
have there, a hive for the honeybee and live alone in the
bee loud glade.

Questions -

(i) Name the poet who wrote the poem –

- (a) Robert Frost (b) William Butler Yeats
(c) Phoebe Cary (d) Coates Kinney

(ii) Where does the poet want to go?

- (a) Island (b) His home
(c) Innisfree (d) Desert

(iii) The word 'wattles' refers to –

- (a) cabin (b) hive
(c) clay (d) twisted sticks

O.11 Read the questions carefully and answer them in 30 words – [2×6=12]

(Any six)

(i) What subjects did Margie and Tommy learn?

(ii) How is a Shehnai different from a Pungi?

(iii) What did Einstein call his desk-drawer at the patent office?
Why?

- (iv) What do you think Dinamani is the name of? Why?
- (v) What did the two monkeys do?
- (vi) When did Santosh leave home for Delhi? Why?
- (vii) On what occasion did Kezia's grandmother ask her to present a gift to her father?

Q.12 Answer the questions in 30 words – (Any two) [2×2=4]

- (i) Who are the 'darling dreamers' the poet refers to?
- (ii) How did St. Peter punish the old lady?
- (iii) How does a tree become strong?

Q.13 Answer of the following questions in 30 words – (Any two) [2×2=4]

- (i) What were the drops of the rain actually?
- (ii) Who was Behrman?
- (iii) What work did Sergei offer to the beggar?

Q.14 Answer the question in about 75 words – [1×3=3]

What characteristics did Abdul Kalam inherit from his parents?

OR

How did Gerrard get rid of the intruder?

Q.15 Answer the question in about 75 words – [3]

Write the central idea of the poem "The Road Not Taken".

OR

Write the central idea of the poem "Wind".

Q.16 Answer the question in about 75 words – [3]

Who rescued the lost child? What did he offer to buy him?

OR

Discuss the character of Mahendra.
