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ENGLISH

Time Allowed : 3 Hours Maximum Marks : 80

Special Instructions :

(i) Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as possible. Marks allotted to each question are indicated against it.

(ii) All questions are compulsory. Internal choice has been given.

SECTION-A

(Reading) **Marks : 16**

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions : (10)

India is one of the fastest growing economics in 2020. Poverty with close to 44 Indians escaping extreme Poverty every minute according to the world Poverty Clock. According to the Brooking report, today India has 73 million people living in extreme Poverty which makes up 5.5% of total population.

Two-third of people in India live in Poverty. 68.8% of the Indian population live on less than $ 2 a day (Over 30% even have less then $ 1.25 per day and such people are considered Poor) Most than 800 million people in India are considered poor. Most of them live in the countryside and keep loat with odd jobs. The lack of employment which Provides a liveable wage in rural areas is driving many Indians into rapidly growing metropolitan cities such as Mumbai, Delhi, Kolkata and Bengalur.

In 2019, the Indian government stated that 6.7% of its Population is below its official Poverty limit. According Oxfam India's top 1% of the Population now holds 73% of the wealth while 670 million citizens, comprising the country's Poorest half, saw their wealth rise by just 1%. As per the Tendulkar Poverty line, Poverty line, Poverty reduced from 14.9% in 2011 to 7.0% in 2017 the fastest Pace the country has seen yet so 2020 is extremely challenging year not only government and business, but also for those who are on the borderline of poverty fiscal, Monetary and policies, have to be designed in a way that provides a safety for those living at the brink of poverty lifting people out of poverty ought to be on top of the governments priority.

(a) What percentage of the total Indian population is living in extreme poverty?

(b) Who are considered extremely poor in India?

(c) What does the study of Oxfam India focus on?

(d) What should be the top priority of government?

(e) Which state has the highest number of people living below poverty line?

(i) Rajasthan

(ii) Bihar

(iii) Madhya Pradesh

(iv) Utter Pradesh

(f) What percentage of the Indian population lives on less than Rs. 100 per day?

(i) 68%

(ii) 30%

(iii) 40%

(iv) 60%

(g) In the line of " ..... employment which provides a liveable wage." The word liveable does not refer to :

(i) good enough

(ii) acceptable

(iii) frugal

(iv) comfortable

(h) Chose the option that is not true :

(i) One third of people in India live in Poverty

(ii) Corruption contributes to Poverty

(iii) Chandigarh has the lowest number of people living below poverty line

(iv) Poverty may develop due to limited resources

(i) Poverty in India reduced at the fastest pace in :

(i) 2010

(ii) 2012

(iii) 2015

(iv) 2017

(j) The year 2020 is an extremely challenging year for :

(i) The government

(ii) The businessmen

(iii) The people living on the border of Poverty

(iv) All of these

2. Read the Passage given below and answer the questions : (6)

Novel Reading is good habit. Novels are a source of enjoyment and knowledge. No doubt they are based on imagination but they give us stories of human beings drawn from the various sections of the society. Novels are based on different themes. There are social, religious, historical and Psychological novels. Novels are found in different languages. They are translated from different languages. Novels have a variety of characters. They are tragic, comic and wooden characters. While reading novels. We come to know about the age in which they were written. Leo Tolstoy, Hardy Dickens, George Eliot and Jane Austim are world famous novelists.

Some people say that novel reading is a mere waste of time. There novels which are too long

to finish within a few days. In reality novel reading is a good hobby. It makes us familiar with unknown events of the Past. Novels enlarge our vision and enrich our knowledge.

(a) What are the sources of knowledge and enjoyment?

(b) What type of characters do we find in Novels?

(c) Novels are based on .....

(i) imagination

(ii) creativity

(iii) Doing

(iv) learning

(d) Which one is the world famous novelist.

(i) George Eliot

(ii) Jane Austin

(iii) Dickens

(iv) All of these

(e) Write the meaning of the word 'Mere'

(i) manner

(ii) only

(iii) tact

(iv) whether

(f) The opposite word of Tragic :

(i) Joyful

(ii) Horrid

(iii) Awful

(iv) Fierce

SECTION–B

(Writing) **Marks : 16**

3. Write a letter to your younger brother, advising him to avoid bad Company in the School. (7)

Or

Write an application to the principal of your school for full Fee-Concession.

4. Write a paragraph on any one of the following (80 words) : (5)

(a) House on fire

(b) My school library

(c) My Best friend

5. Write a paragraph in about 60 words of the following : (4)

(a) The importance of games

(b) Diwali

(c) An Ideal Teacher

SECTION–C

(Grammar) **Marks : 15**

6. Fill in the blanks with correct form of tense (any two) : (2)

(a) He .....(know) several persons here.

(b) The stars .....(shine) at night.

(c) We ..... (go) to the marked in the evening.

7. **Use the non–finite form of the given verb in each sentence :** (2)

(a) The book was easy ..... (read)

(b) I saw him ..... (leave) the office.

~~Combine the following sentences using the connectors given in the brackets~~. (2)

(a) He fell into bad habbits. He become poor. (because)

(b) You should wait here. I shall return soon. (until)

9. **Do as directed :** (5)

(a) How foolish I am !

(Change into assertive sentence)

(b) Water thicker is than blood.

(Rearrange the words)

(c) I said to the student, "The sum is stationary".

(Change into the narration)

(d) He is my friend (Change into Negative)

e Post this letter. (Change the Voice)

10. Fill in the blanks with suitable models. (4)

(a) I ..... appreciate your presence there.

(i) can

(ii) should

(iii) will have

(iv) Would

(b) I ..... wake up early to catch the flight tomorrow.

(i) must

(ii) can

(iii) could

(iv) Would have

(c) The class is dismissed. You ..... leave now.

(i) should

(ii) can

(iii) need to

(iv) ought to

(d) You ..... pay attention in the class.

(i) can

(ii) should

(iii) may

(iv) might

SECTION-D

(Literature) **Marks : 33**

11. Read the passage and answer the following questions: (5)

And then it was George's turn, and he trod on the butter. I didn't say anything, but I come over and sat on the edges of the table and watched them. It irritated them more than anything I could have said. I felt that it made them nervous and excited, and they stepped on things, and put things behind them and then couldn't find them when they wanted them;

and they Packed the Pies and the bottom, and put heavy things on top, and smashed the pies in.

(a) What did George do?

(b) What did the narrator fell when he was watching them?

(c) What could they not find and why?

(d) Who does 'they' in the Passage refer to?

(i) Jerome K. Jerome

(ii) George and Harris

(iii) Montmorency

(iv) Anonymous

(e) Give the Present form of the 'trod'

(i) trod–trodden–treads

(ii) treads–trod–to tread

(iii) Treading–trodden–trod

(iv) tread–trod–trodden

12. Read the stanza and answer the questions: (3)

And both that morning equally lay.

In leaves no step had trodden black.

Oh! I kept the first for another day!

Yet knowing how way Leads on to way!

I doubt if I should ever come back.

(a) What were the two roads covered with?

(b) What did the poet keep for another day?

(c) The meaning of 'trodden' is :

(i) Pathless

(ii) unknown

(iii) trampled

(iv) trackless

13. Answer the question in about 80 words: (5)

Who helped Evelyn to continue with Music? What did he do and say?

Or

Why does the world remember Einstein as a "world Citizen"?

14. Answer any two of the following: 2+2=4

(a) What three things the poet want to do? When he goes back to Innisfree?

(b) What did saint Peter ask the old lady for? What was the lady's reaction?

(c) What is the meaning of "bleeding bark"? Makes it bleed.

15. How does Abdul Kalam describe ? (8)

(a) his father

(b) his mother

(c) himself

Or

When was Evelyn's deafness first noticed? When was it confirmed?

16. In what way is Iswaran on asset to Mahendra? (4)

Or

How has Prashant, a teenager been able to help the people of his village?

17. What is Behrman's master piece? What makes sue say so? (4)

Or

Has Lushkoff become a beggar by circumstances or by choice?

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