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ENGLISH

Time Allowed—3 Hours Maximum Marks—80

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Marks allotted to each question are indicated against it.

Special Instructions :

(1) While answering your Questions, you must indicate on your Answer-book the same Question No. as appears in your Question Paper.

(2) Do not leave blank page/pages in your Answer-book.

(3) All the questions are compulsory. Internal choice is given in some questions.

SECTION—A

(Reading Skills)

1. Read the given passages carefully and answer the questions that follow :

(i) It was Rousseau who said that truth was not a road to fortune ? The fact is that no road to fortune is possible without real truth. There may be a few material gains with lies, but the loss in terms of personal peace of mind and values to our children is so great that the material benefit becomes an aberration.

(ii) What is Truth ? Is it what our elders tell us ? Or is it what is written is books ? or is it what religion teaches us ? It could be in these three; but then there may also be source of lies. An alcoholic father would sing virtues of alcohol, a lazy mother would glamorize gossip and endless spending at time. And one religion may say that all other religions are telling the lies. How does one establish the truth ? First, all of us even those who claim to discard material wealth, seek it.

(iii) We must seek undiluted joy in earth, which is constant and enduring, and not something which is transient. This may appear difficult to those who lack the ability. They would find life a bed of thorns. But to the truly creative and functional, this life is a constant bed of roses. The Bhagwad Gita has talked of the virtues of 'Karma' which has unfortunately been given some terribly anti-life definitions. 'Karma' means creativity and disciplined hard work in every dynamic that we live in. In order to remove the lies from truth, we must measure any fact against the above parameters, not as per our prejudices, but as per rational and intellectual evaluation.

(A) On the basis of your understanding of the above passage, answer the following questions by choosing the correct option : 4×1=4

(i) Telling lies may .....

(a) get us a few material gains

(b) make us lose peace of mind

(c) cause loss of values to children

(d) All the above.

(ii) What has been told about religion ?

(a) It may be a source of lies also

(b) It teaches absolute truth

(c) It is beyond questions

(d) It teaches us to hate material gains.

(iii) Which of the statements is not true, according to passage ?

(a) An alcoholic father sings virtues of alcohol

(b) A lazy mother would glamorize gossip

(c) One religion may call other religions bundle of lies

(d) All of us are against acquiring material wealth.

(iv) To the really creative man, this life is.....

(a) a bed of thorns

(b) a constant bed of roses

(c) a constant sorrow

(d) a life worth living.

(B) Find the words from the given choices that have the same meaning : 3×1=3

(i) Physical

(a) material

(b) universal

(c) constant

(d) keen.

(ii) Good features

(a) Handsome

(b) Active

(c) Virtues

(d) Values.

(iii) Temporary

(a) Smart

(b) Permanent

(c) Metaphysical

(d) Transient.

(C) Answer the following questions briefly : 3×1=3

(i) What does 'Karma' mean ?

(ii) What is constant on Earth ?

(iii) What did Rousseau say about truth ?

2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

Education ought to teach us how to be in love always and what to be in love with. The great things of history have been done by great lovers, saints, a man of science and artists, and the problem of civilization is to give everyman a chance of being a saint, a man of science or artists. And if they are to desire that continuously they must be taught what it means to be these things. We think of the man of science, or the artist if not of the saint, as a being with peculiar gifts who exercises more precisely and incessantly perhaps, activities which we all ought to exercise. It is a common place belief now that art has ebbed away out of our ordinary life, out of all the things which we use, and that it is practised no longer by

workmen but only a few painters ar sculptors. That has happened because we r longer recognize the aesthetic activities as a activity of the spirit and common to all mer We do not know that when a man buy anything he ought to demand beauty in it fo the sake of that beauty. We think of beauty, i we think of it at all, as a mere source o pleasure, and therefore it means to us ar ornament added to things for which we can pay extra as we choose. But beauty is not an ornament to life, or the things made by man. It is an essential part of both.

Questions :

(A) On the basis of your reading of the above passage make notes on it, in points only. Using recognizable abbreviations wherever necessary. 4

(B) Find from the passage words which convey the same meaning as : 3×1=3

(i) Constantly

(ii) Happiness.

(iii) Extremely important.

SECTION—B

(Writing Skills)

3. Describe in about 80-100 words the passage of 'How to make a Cup of Tea' ?

Or

Your school has celebrated 'Independence Day'. As the head boy/girl of your school, write a report on it in not more than 100 words to be published in your school magazine. 4

4. Write an application to the Principal of your school requesting him to grant you full fee concession.

Or

Write a letter of complaint to the Postmaster against the irregular delivery of your school letters. 6

5. 'A stitch in time saves nine' discuss in about 100 words.

Or

'Population Explosion' discuss in about 100 words.

Or

'The Evil of Corruption in India' discuss in about 100 words. 6

SECTION—C

(Grammar)

6. Do as directed : 4×1=4

(a) I wrote ..... letter to my father.
(Use Suitable determiner)

(b) It's (rain) since morning.
(Use Correct form of Verb)

(c) Work Hard. You are sure to pass the examination.
(Combine into a Compound sentence)

(d) You ..... take care of your parents. (Use suitable modal)

7. The following sentences have not been edited, there is one mistake in each sentence. Identify the error and write the correct sentence : 4×1=4

(a) Slow and steady win the race.

(b) I am tired from him.

(c) Ragini meet the Education Minister yesterday.

(d) Her hairs are black.

8. Re-order the words in the following sentences to form meaningful sentence : 2×1=2

(a) have/they/passed/resolutions/many

(b) saw/some/the/children/snake

SECTION—D

(Literature)

9. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : 4×1=4

The cardboard shows me how it was
When the two girl cousins went paddling,
Each one holding one of my mother's hands,
And she, the big girl-some twelve years or so

Questions :

(a) Name the poet and the poem from which these lines have been taken.

(b) Who is the big girl ?

(c) Where were they paddling ?

(d) What do you mean by 'Cardboard' ?

Or

I descend to lave the drought, atomies, dust-layers of the globe,

And all that is in them without me were seeds only latent, unborn;

And forever, by day and night, I give back life to my own origin, https://www.hpboardonline.com

And make pure and beautify it;

(For song, issuing from its birthplace, of the fulfillment, wandering Reck'd or Unreck'd duly with love returns)

Questions :

(a) Name the poem and it's poet.

(b) How does the earth benefit from rain ?

(c) How does rain become productive ?

(d) Where does the rain go ?

10. (a) Answer the following questions by choosing the correct option : 2×1=2

(i) After how many years did her mother laugh on seeing the photograph ?

(a) 21

(b) 23

(c) 12

(d) 25.

(ii) What is the meaning of 'Who art thou' ?

(a) Who are you

(b) What are you

(c) How are you

(d) Whose art is this.

(b) How is the cyclic movement of rain brought out in the poem ? Compare it with what you have learnt in Science ? 2

11. (a) Answer the following questions by choosing the correct option : 5×1=5

(i) How do you feel about the character of the Grandmother in the Chapter ?

(a) Emotional

(b) Strong

(c) Selfless

(d) Loving.

(ii) What does C.T. Scan stand for ?

(a) Computed Telegraphy

(b) Computed Tomography Scan

(c) Car Topology

(d) Computer Technology.

(iii) What is Kora ?

(a) Yoga Aasan

(b) Medication

(c) Name of a small town

(d) Revolution/circumambulation

(iv) What is the meaning of Holistic and Ecological view ?

(a) the preservation of the environment

(b) saving of the water resources

(c) saving trees

(d) rain water harvest.

(v) Where was the First Nationwide Green Party founded ?

(a) U.S.A.

(b) Australia

(c) New Zealand

(d) Canada.

(b) Answer the following questions briefly: 5×1=5

(i) "I didn't want to worry you when you were trying to save us all", said sue What has happened to her ?

(ii) Define Shanshui.

(iii) What is the effect on the overuse of Biological Systems ?

(iv) Who is Frank ? Does he know Taplove ?

(v) Give a brief description of Tibetan Mastiffs.

12. Answer any **one** of the following questions i about 100-125 words :

Comment on the attitude shown by Taplov towards Crocker Harris.

Or

How do the problem of overpopulation directly affects our everyday life ?

13. Why did the narrator of the story want to forget the address ?

Or

Indian Society has moved a long way from the way the marriage is arranged in the story. Discuss. 5

14. (a) Answer the following questions by choosing the correct option : 2×1=2

(i) What is the name of the narrator of the tale ?

(a) Rangappa

(b) Shastri

(c) Rama

(d) Shyama.

(ii) "Her face gave absolutely no sign of recognition". Who is her ?

(a) Mrs. S

(b) Mrs. Dorling's daughter

(c) Mrs. Dorling

(d) Mrs. S's daughter.

(b) Answer any **two** of the following questions in about 30 words each : 2½,2½

(i) Did the boys return the horse because they were conscience stricken or because they were afraid ?

(ii) The address is a story of Human predicament and follow war. comment.

(iii) Is drama a good medium for conveying a Social message ? Discuss.