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Section-A

(Reading Comprehension)

1. Read the following passage. Make notes and write a summary with a

suitable title :

If you looked at earth from up in space, you would see a planet that is mostly blue. This is because more than two-thirds of earth is covered with water. You know that this is what makes our planet

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different from the others, and what makes life on earth possible. Most of this water is in the four great oceans : Pacific, Atlantic, Indian and Arctic. The Pacific is by far the largest and the deepest. It is more than twice as big as the Atlantic, the second largest ocean. The water in the ocean is salty because rivers are always pouring water into the oceans. Some of its water picks up salt from the rocks it flows over it is not enough salt to make the rivers taste salty. But the salt in the oceans has been building up over millions of years. The oceans get more and more salty every century. The ocean provides us with huge amounts of food, especially fish. There are many other things we get from the ocean, including sponges and pearls. The oceans are also great 'highways' of the world. Ships are always crossing the oceans, transporting many goods from country to country.

The science of studying the ocean is called oceanography

Oceanographers have special equipment to help them learn about the oceans and seas. Electronic instruments can be sent deep below the surface to make measurements. The newest equipment uses sonar or echo-sounding systems that bounce sound waves off the sea bed and use the echoes to make pictures of the ocean floor.

5+5=10

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

Sea lions are friendly looking animals. Their round faces and whiskers remind people of the faces of small dogs. The almond shape of their eyes gives them a look of intelligence. Whether it is true or not, sea lions often look as though they are thinking.

Sea lions behave like playful children. They push each other off rocks.

They slide into the water. Sometimes they body surf ! like people, they often ride the crest of waves. They let the waves carry them near the

shore. Then they swim back out to ride more waves. Although sea lions do not have real toys, they like to play with seaweed. They toss it in the air. They catch it in their mouths. Sea lions can be taught many tricks. They can balance balls on their noses. They can jump through hoops. Their trainers give them fish to reward them for doing tricks. Sea lions look very pleased with themselves when they perform. They love fish, and they grow to love applause.

Most sea lions are not picky eaters. They will feed on a wide variety of sea-food, including squid clams, salmon, dogfish etc. California sea lions have also been known to co-operate with other species while feeding including dolphins and sea birds. California sea-lions are the

first non-human mammals to show ability to maintain a musical beat.

A study by University of California Santa Cruz tested a California sea lion's ability to 'bob' to the beat of a song. The sea lion, named Ronau, was trained to bob her head to the rythm of a song. Once trained, Ronan was even able to mantain the rythm of songs she had never heard before. Interestingly, sea lions and humans are capable of interesting cohesively in a zoological settings. They can be taught some behaviors through a process called 'training husbandry behaviours'.

Questions :

(i) The word 'Applause' here means :

(A) Pause

(B) Food

(C) Approval ✓

(D) None of these

(ii) What ability of sea lions was tested by the University of California Santa Cruz ?

(iii) Give the antonym of 'Capable'.

(iv) As a reward, trainers give sea lions :

(A) Fish

(B) Hugs

(C) Applause

(D) All of these ✓

(v) Sea lions are picky eaters and hence eat only some specific sea-foods.

✓
(True/False)

(vi) What tricks can sea lions be taught to do ?

(vii) Write an antonym of often.

(viii) Sea lions have :

(A) Round faces ✓

(B) Oblong faces

(C) Flat faces

(ix) As high is to low, crest is to bottom.....

(x) Write an appropriate title of the passage.

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Section-B

(Writing Skills and Grammar)

3. As a medical Superintendent of a Hospital, Srinagar, you need two pulmonologists (a specialist in respiratory diseases) in your hospital as an emergency in the wake of third wave of Covid pandemic. Draft an advertisement for 'situation vacant' column of a local newspaper stating the pre-requisites. (50 words)

Or

You are a member of an animal rescue centre-'The animal care'. You have organised a free camp to vaccinate pet animals against deadly disease of rabies. Draft a poster giving the necessary details.

(50 words)

4. The best country for education ranking number one in the world is the U.S.A. As a Principal of a school, write a letter to the Commissioner Secretary of Education to organise a student exchange programme with a Higher Secondary School in the U.S. for fifteen days to acquaint the students about the different system of teaching and learning methods and to adopt them for the betterment of your teaching learning in your school. (120–150 words)

Or

There is a dire need to impart moral education in schools. Write a letter to the Director Education requesting him to introduce moral education as a compulsory subject in the schools. Suggest ways to introduce books in schools that are secular in nature to promote common brotherhood among students. (120–150 words)

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5. Write an e-mail to your friend thanking him/her for the gifts he/she has sent you on the festival of Eid.

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6. Eve teasing is a punishable offence. You witnessed eve teasing on a street today and the public was indifferent because of the fear created by the perpetrators. As a reporter with 'Cleaner Kashmir' write a report for the newspaper. (200–250 words)

Or

A lot of measures have been taken by the government to aware people about the importance of Covid vaccination. Despite that, a big chunk of population considers vaccination a business gimmick and refuse it. Write an article for a newspaper giving an analysis of the situation. (200–250 words)

1×8=8

7. Eight grammatical errors in the following passage have been underlined and numbered 1 to 8. Correct them and write down the correct forms only against the respective number.

When Paul Bunyan grow (1) up, he was tall (2) than other men by about 50 feet or so. Because of his size he could do almost anything.

One of the things he did best was to cut down trees and turn them of (3) lumber. For (4) only four strokes of his axe he can (5) cut off all the branches and bark. After (6) he turned all the trees for miles off (7) these tall square posts, he tied a longer (8) rope to an axe head.

1×8=8

Section-C

(Literature)

8. Read the extract given below and answer any *two* of the questions that follow :

And who art thou, said I to the soft

falling showers.

Which, strange to tell, gave me an

answer, as here translated

I am the Poem of Earth, said the voice of the rain

(i) Why did the writer find it strange to receive an answer ?

(ii) Which poetic device has been used in these lines ?

(iii) Why did the writer translate the answer given by rain ? 1×2=2

9. Answer any *five* of the following questions :

(i) Why has been the planet called 'The Ailing Planet' ?

(ii) Is the son responsible for his father's helplessness in the poem
'Father to Son' ?

(iii) Write two instances in the poem which highlight its humour and
irony in "The Tale of Melon City".

(iv) Why was Howard Carter's investigation about King Tut resented
by some people ?

(v) Write briefly the narrator's attitude to English in Ranga's marriage.

(vi) What confused Andrew ? How did he save Susan ? 2×5=10

10. We shall leave behind a devastated earth for our future generations
if we do not attend to it now and respect and obey the laws on
betterment and safety of our environment. Discuss. (120–150 words)

Or

The bonds between the old and the young family members have changed with the fast changing world. What reasons do you think has brought this change ? Can it be averted ? Discuss. (120–150 words)

1×6=6

11. After reading the play 'Mother's Day', do you think the status of your mother in your family needs to be changed ? What do you think she lacks the most, that needs to be addressed to ? (120–150 words)

Or

What opinion of the king do you form after reading 'The Tale of Melon City'. (120–150 words)

1×6=6

12. After reading the lesson 'We are Not Afraid to Die..... If We can All Be together', is it sensible enough to undertake such adventurous expeditions as going to a vast ocean risking one's life and his/her family ? Discuss. (120–150 words)

Or

How do you differentiate between Chinese view of art and the European view of art ? Discuss. (120–150 words)

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