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Section-A

(Reading Comprehension)

4. Read the following poetic passage/s carefully and answer the given questions :

And his horse in the silence chomped the grasses

of the forest's ferny floor,

And a bird flew up out of the turret,

Above the traveller's head.

Questions :

- (i) Who does 'his' refer to ?
- (ii) What has disturbed the bird from its nest in the turret ?
- (iii) The traveller is travelling in the area of the country.
- (iv) What is he doing there ?
- (v) The above lines have been written by

Or

Where the world has not been broken up into fragments

By narrow domestic walls

Where words come out from the depth of truth

Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection.

Questions :

- (i) Explain the meaning of the phrase 'narrow domestic walls'.

(ii) What evil can be perpetrated by these walls ?

(iii) What suggestion is being given to the people ?

(iv) How can people achieve perfection ?

(v) The above lines have been written by 1×5=5

2. Read the following unseen prose passage/s carefully and answer the given questions :

(a) At every underground station there are maps of all the underground lines in London, so that it is easy to see how to get to wherever one wants to go. Each station has its name written up dearly and in large letters several times, so that one can see when one comes to where one must get out. If some stations one can

change to a different underground line, and in some places, such as Piccadilly, there are actually three lines crossing each other, so that there should not be accident. The trains on the different lines are not on the same level. To change the trains one has to go up or down some stairs to a new level. It would be tiring to have to walk up these stairs, so the stairs are made to move themselves, and all that the passengers have to do is to stand and be carried up or down to where they wish.

Questions :

- ✓(i) There are some stations where one can change to different underground lines.

(True/False)

(ii) What is the antonym of 'up' ?

(iii) 'Tiring' means

(iv) 'Carried' is the past form of

(v) To travel through underground lines in London is :

(A) Very risky

(B) Enjoyable

(C) Troublesome

(D) Easy

1×5=5

(b) It is true that we cannot bring about social equality by law alone
and that, therefore, there are still inequalities in Indian Society.

This is a problem common to many countries. In the United

States of America, for instance negroes have equal rights in the

constitution, but unfortunately these rights are not always given to them freely by the white majority. It takes time for people to change their thinking.

Questions :

- (i) Inequalities still exist in our societies. (True/False)
- (ii) Give the synonym of 'Thinking'.
- (iii) Use the word 'freely' in your own sentence.
- (iv) Find any collocation from the above passage.
- (v) Suggest a suitable title to the passage. 1x5=5

Section-B

(Writing Skills)

3. Write a paragraph in (60–80 words) on any one of the following /

An Ideal Citizen

Or

A Picnic.

4. Write an essay in (100–150 words) on any *one* of the following :

Blessings of Science :

Science is good; Science is bad. It depends on the way we use it.

Science – helped medical faculty to find out cure of diseases.

provided electricity, medicines for suffering millions, provided comfortable

transport and means of communication.

Or

Pleasures of Reading :

Reading – a pleasant hobby, escape from dullness – form of recreation

– our best companion and increase our knowledge – provides moral

strength.

1×7=7

5. Write a letter to the Principal of your school requesting him to allow you to change your subjects.

Or

Write a letter to your friend, congratulate him on his winning a scholarship.

1×4=4

6. Read the following passage carefully and make notes

It is very easy to acquire bad habits, such as eating too much or eating too many sweets or smoking or drinking too much fluids. The more we do a thing, the more we like doing it and if we do not **continue to do it, we feel unhappy. This is called the force of habit** and the force of habit should be fought against. Things which may be good when only done from time to time tend to become harmful when done too often. This applies even to such good things as work or rest.

Some people form a bad habit of working too much or others of idling

too much. The wise man always remembers that this is true about

himself and checks any bad **habit.**

1x5=5

Section-C

(Grammar)

7. (i) Do as directed :

(A) To avoid punishment he ran away.

(Change into compound sentence)

(B) We must eat to live. (Change into compound sentence)

(C) He tried hard but he did not succeed.

(Change into simple sentence)

(D) The man near me is my brother.

(Change into complex sentence)

(E) I was the first to arrive. (Change into complex sentence)

1×5=5

- (ii) Use the right tense forms of the verbs, if required, to complete the sentences :

(A) I home after the party last night. (walk)~~ed~~

(B) The sun in the east. (rise/~~ris~~es)

(C) Bees honey. (make/~~mak~~es)

(D) The police two men in connection with the robbery. (arrest/~~has~~ arrested/~~have~~ arrested)

(E) Mike is looking for his keys perhaps he his keys.

(lost/~~has~~ lost/loss)

1x5=5

- (iii) Fill in the blanks with the correct auxiliaries :

(A) You respect your teachers.

(B) you speak any foreign language.

(C) You have left your bag in the office.

(D) You look tired, you go to bed.

(E) You look for another job.

1x5=5

(iv) Join the following sentences using relative pronouns or by

changing one of the sentences into a relative clause :

(A) Here is the pencil. You lost it yesterday.

(B) We got into a bus. It was full of people.

(C) I met my uncle. He has just arrived.

(D) The men are repairing the road. They need water to drink.

(E) This is the building. It was built in a single month. 1x5=5

Turn Over

(v) Correct the following sentences using appropriate conditional clause :

(A) If I has been hungry, I would have eaten something.

(B) If you heat wax, it will expand.

(C) If riches were horses, beggars will ride.

(D) I will help him if I were rich.

(E) If it rains, I would stay at home.

1×5=5

Section-D

(Literature)

8. Answer the following questions :

Describe the character sketch of Gessler. (The Shoe Maker)

Or

Give the character sketch of Robert Sandy.

1×8=8

9. What is the central idea of the poem 'Where the Mind is Without Fear' ?

Or

Discuss the theme of supernatural in 'The Listeners'.

1x7=7

10. Answer any two questions :

- (i) In what state was Pyotr when he went to meet Kondrashkin ?

How do you know ?

- (ii) What made Refferty change his mind about the visitors being fraud ?

- (iii) Why was the narrator shocked to receive the bill of his shoes ?

What did he do ?

- (iv) What according to the writer is crucial to the success of democracy ?

2x5=10

11. Attempt any three questions :

(i) Pick out some examples of similes and metaphors from the poem 'The Daffodils'.

(ii) Give the examples of alliteration from the poem 'The Listeners'.

(iii) Identify the similes used in the poem 'The Mosquito'.

(iv) Pick out the words from the poem 'The Season of the Plains'

which have been used to convey aural impact.

(v) List the imagery used in the poem 'Where the Mind is Without Fear'.

3×3=9

12. Explain the following with reference to the context :

Burned incense all night

Waiting for answers, My mother

Hummed Heer's lament

but never told me if she

also burned sticks

of Jasmine that, dying.

Or

'Now listen', the theatre sister said, still angry, would someone for

God's sake tell me how that patient came to swallow a diamond like

this without knowing he had done it ?

1x6=6