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**Instructions -**

- (1) *Read all the questions carefully and answer them.*
- (2) *All questions are compulsory.*
- (3) *Marks are indicated in front of each question.*

**SECTION - A**

**(Reading)**

Q.1 Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below  
(Any ten) -

**[10]**

A person who is happy within is satisfied spiritually and finds peace within and is able to withstand the duality of material existence.

There are six enemies that exist within our own hearts and they are provoked by both circumstances within and without. They are lust, envy, pride, anger, greed and illusion. A great personality is one who is able to tolerate these urges. Lust, today, is actually quite fashionable, popular and it is considered even heroic to succumb to lust. This is what most of the movies are showing. In television too,

the great heroes are people who give in to their passions, perform tremendous heroic activities to fulfil their passionate desires. This is the sign of a degraded civilisation. We see throughout history that people in powerful positions are degraded by the provocation of lust. They are not able to endure their circumstances.

Anger is one of the most difficult of all provoking situations to control. We have to learn to control anger and one who is able to do so is a successful person.

Always be humble like a blade of grass and show forbearance and patience like a tree. A tree will stand in the scorching sun to give shade to you and me. A tree will bear the freezing cold of winter and give wood for you and me. A tree will give up its life silently to give its body to build a house for you and me. That is forbearance and we need to cultivate it within us.

**Questions -**

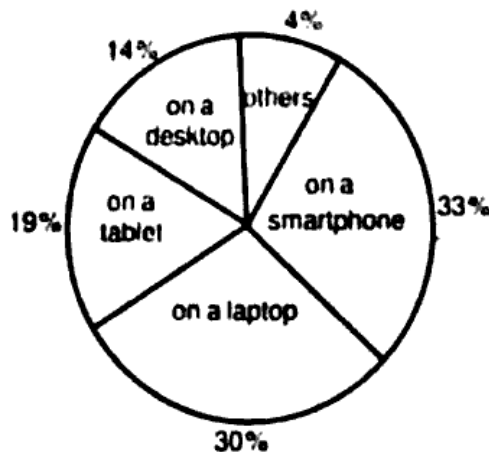
- (a) How many enemies exist within our own hearts?
- (b) What does a tree do to give us shade?
- (c) We should be humble like a.....
  - (i) tree
  - (ii) bird
  - (iii) blade of grass
  - (iv) hero
- (d) The noun form of 'tolerate' is.....
  - (i) tolerated
  - (ii) tolerance
  - (iii) tolerant
  - (iv) tolerantly
- (e) Find out the word from the passage which means "quietly".
- (f) We should show forbearance like a.....
  - (i) tree
  - (ii) bird
  - (iii) blade of grass
  - (iv) hero

- (g) What is the most difficult of all provoking situations to control?
- (h) According to the author which is not the enemy within our own hearts?
- (i) lust
  - (ii) envy
  - (ii) happiness
  - (iv) anger
- (i) Trees bear the freezing .....of winter.
- (i) cold
  - (ii) warmth
  - (iii) heat
  - (iv) fire
- (j) The adjective form of "anger" is.....
- (k) According to the author, who can be a successful person?

**Q.2** Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below

(Any eight)-

**[8]**



The above pie chart shows the result of a survey in which people aged 16 and above were asked about the preferred devices for using internet. The question referred to going online at home and other places. The participants mentioned four main devices in their answers: a smartphone, a laptop, a tablet and a desktop computer.

From the pie chart it is clear that the majority of the participants prefer to use smartphones and laptops, with just three percent difference between the two. Nearly a third of the participants prefer to go online with a smartphone. Thirty percent like to use laptop. A desktop computer accounts for fourteen percent of users' preferred devices. Only a small minority prefer a device other than these four main devices. In conclusion, since mobile and portable devices are the most popular choices, it is clear that many participants are accessing the internet outside their homes.

The desktop computer is the least popular of the four main devices. In future, we can probably expect to see more and more people accessing the internet with smartphones as their preferred choice.

**Questions -**

- (a) What is the percentage of the people who prefer tablet to go online?
- (i) 30%
  - (ii) 33%
  - (iii) 19%
  - (iv) 14%

- (b) What age groups of people were included in the survey?
- (i) 18 and above
  - (ii) 20 and above
  - (iii) 16 and above
  - (iv) 14 and above
- (c) Which is the most preferred device to access internet?
- (i) laptop
  - (ii) smartphone
  - (iii) desktop
  - (iv) tablet
- (d) Laptop is the least preferred device to access internet.  
(True/False)
- (e) Find out the word from the passage which is the opposite of "majority".
- (f) Majority of the participants prefer to use smartphones and laptops. (True/False)
- (g) Find out the word from the passage which is the synonym of "choose".
- (h) What does the pie chart show?
- (i) According to this survey, what could we expect in future?

**Q.3** Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below -

The coffee tree is a native of the highlands of Southern Ethiopia and the name coffee is derived from that of the highland district of "Kaffa" where it was found. From Ethiopia, it was taken across the Red Sea to Saudi Arabia.

The flavour and quality of coffee depends on many factors such as soil and climate but the greatest deciding factor is the species of the tree from which the coffee is obtained. There are some forty different species but three major types are commercially cultivated. Arabica is the most important in the world trade. Coffee trees need sunshine and water, so they grow well in hot countries like South America, South Africa, India and the far East. Coffee trees are very delicate and picking the beans is a long process.

There are millions of people who drink coffee in coffee bars or restaurants all over the world. Coffee bars are a good place to meet people for chatting and drinking coffee. People drink coffee to simply relax so that they can keep awake. Students drink it late at night because they want to study. Coffee has a bitter taste and people usually drink it with sugar or milk.

**Questions -**

- (a) Make notes on the basis of the above passage and supply a suitable title to it. [5]
- (b) Prepare a summary of the above passage. [3]

**SECTION – B**

**(Grammar)**

- Q.4 (1) Fill in the blanks by selecting the appropriate option (Any five) - [5]
- (a) I.....him yesterday.  
(meet/is meeting/met)
- (b) He.....his lunch yet.  
(has not taken/have not taken/not take)

- (c) There is not.....sugar in tea.  
(some/many/any)
- (d) How.....students are absent today?  
(some/any/many)
- (e) Sanjay is.....tallest player in the team.  
(a/an/the)
- (f) She.....English for three years.  
(i) is teaching  
(ii) has been teaching  
(iii) was teaching  
(iv) have been teaching

**Q.5 Do as directed (Any five) -**

**[5]**

- (a) He is too weak to lift this box.  
(Rewrite the sentence using 'so....that')
- (b) As soon as the sun rises, the fog disappears.  
(Rewrite the sentence using 'No sooner....than')
- (c) Ravi lives in Mumbai.  
(Change into Past Indefinite Tense)
- (d) Unless it rains, we shall go to school.  
(Use 'If' in place of 'Unless')
- (e) She hid my pen.  
(Change into negative)
- (f) Children like toffees.  
(Change into passive voice)

**SECTION - C**  
**(Literature Section)**

**Q.6** Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions given below -

All three stood still to smile through their hair  
At the uncle with the camera. A sweet face,  
My mother's, that was before I was born.  
And the sea, which appears to have changed less.  
Washed their terribly transient feet.

**Questions :**

- (1) Choose the name of the poem from which these lines have been taken. **[1]**
- (a) The Laburnum Top
  - (b) The Voice of the Rain
  - (c) Childhood
  - (d) A Photograph
- (2) Choose the word from the extract which is the antonym of "more". **[1]**
- (a) a lot of
  - (b) many
  - (c) less
  - (d) several
- (3) What has changed less? **[1]**
- (a) poetess
  - (b) mother
  - (c) sea
  - (d) feet



**OR**

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

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

And forever, by day and night, I give back life to my  
own origin,

And make pure and beautify it;

**Questions -**

- (1) Here, 'I' refers to the..... [1]
- (a) rain
  - (b) sea
  - (c) seed
  - (d) Earth
- (2) Choose the correct meaning of "drought" – [1]
- (a) heavy rain
  - (b) flood
  - (c) a shortage of rainfall
  - (d) excess of water
- (3) The poet of the poem from which these lines have been taken [1]  
is.....
- (a) Ted Hughes
  - (b) Walt Whitman
  - (c) Khushwant Singh
  - (d) Markus Natten

**Q.7** Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below .  
My grandmother always went to school with me because the school was attached to the temple. The priest taught us the alphabet and the morning prayer. While the children sat in rows on either side of the verandah singing the alphabet or the prayer in a chorus, my grandmother sat inside reading the scriptures. When we had both finished, we would walk back together. This time the village dogs would meet us at the temple door. They followed us to our home growling and fighting with each other for the chapattis we threw to them.

**Questions -**

- (1) Who taught the alphabet to the children? [1]
- (a) grandmother
  - (b) priest
  - (c) grandfather
  - (d) uncle
- (2) Who followed the writer and his grandmother to their home? [1]
- (a) sparrows
  - (b) children
  - (c) village dogs
  - (d) cows
- (3) What did the grandmother do in the temple while the children were singing the alphabet? [1]
- (a) read the scriptures
  - (b) taught the children
  - (c) fed the village dogs
  - (d) sang the alphabet

**OR**

"Look, Sire", said the painter, "in this cave, at the foot of the mountain, dwells a spirit." The painter clapped his hands, and the entrance to the cave opened. "The inside is splendid, beyond anything words can convey. Please, let me show Your Majesty the way." The painter entered the cave, but the entrance closed behind him, and before the astonished Emperor could move or utter a word, the painting had vanished from the wall. Not a trace of Wu Daozi's brush was left, and the artist was never seen again in this world.

**Questions -**

- (1) According to the painter, who lived in the cave? [1]
- (a) the Emperor
  - (b) the Minister
  - (c) the spirit
  - (d) none of these
- (2) Who entered the cave? [1]
- (a) the Emperor
  - (b) the painter
  - (c) the spirit
  - (d) the Minister
- (3) Who told the Emperor about the spirit? [1]
- (a) the Minister
  - (b) the painter
  - (c) the queen
  - (d) none of these

**Q 8** Answer any six of the following questions -

- (a) In the village, grandmother used to feed -
- (i) sparrows
  - (ii) dogs
  - (iii) cows
  - (iv) horses
- (b) "We Are Not Afraid to Die...." is written by -
- (i) Gordon Cook and Alan East
  - (ii) Toru Dutt
  - (iii) Alien and Herry
  - (iv) Shakespeare
- (c) Wu Daozi's last painting was a.....
- (i) market scene
  - (ii) landscape
  - (iii) ocean
  - (iv) pond
- (d) Margaret Thatcher was the former P.M. of.....
- (i) England
  - (ii) Russia
  - (iii) America
  - (iv) India
- (e) In the poem "A Photograph".....had clicked the photograph.
- (i) father
  - (ii) uncle
  - (iii) mother
  - (iv) brother
- (f) Laburnum is called.....in Hindi.
- (i) Keeda
  - (ii) Raatrani
  - (iii) Amaltas
  - (iv) Mogra

(g) In the poem "The Voice of the Rain", the rain gives..... ..back to the Earth.

- (i) life
- (ii) light
- (iii) loaf
- (iv) sand

Q.9 Answer the following questions (In 30 to 40 words) -

[2×2=4]

(a) Why did the author's grandmother carry chapattis with her?

**OR**

Who has written the lesson "Landscape of the Soul"?

(b) In the poem "A Photograph", what does the sea symbolize?

**OR**

What is the colour of Laburnum in September?

Q.10 Answer the following questions (Any four) -

[4×2=8]

(a) How did the grandmother used to spend time in the city in the afternoon?

(b) What did Gordon Cook decide to duplicate?

(c) What are the Earth's four principal biological systems?

(d) Who introduced the concept of "Art Brut" and when?

(e) What did the grandmother feed the village dogs?

Q.11 Answer the following question in about 120 words -

[5×1=5]

Explain why the author's grandmother was sad and disturbed when he started going to the city school?

**OR**

What is the provision in Article 48A of the Indian Constitution? Give your views on it.

Q.12 Answer the following question in about 120 words -

[5=1=5]

Write the central idea of the poem "The Voice of the Rain".

**OR**

What is the meaning of the phrase "Both wry with the laboured ease of loss"?

**SECTION - D**

**(Writing Section)**

Q.13 (a) You are the Sports Secretary of Govt. Higher Secondary School, Paganvisi, Gwalior. Draft a notice in about 60 words, inviting students to give their names for various events to be organized on the Annual Sports Day of the school.

[3]

**OR**

You are Anuj Gupta, a student of class XI of Govt. Boys' Higher Secondary School, Cantt, Guna. You have lost your calculator somewhere in the school premises. Write a notice in about 60 words, to be put up on the school notice board requesting the finder to return it to you.

(b) Prepare a poster on behalf of Madhya Pradesh Traffic Department asking people to obey the traffic rules to avoid accidents and traffic jams.

[3]

**OR**

Design a poster on "SAVE THE EARTH" on behalf of M.P. Pollution Board.

- (c) Write a short paragraph about the preventive measures for COVID-19. (In about 80 words) [4]

- Q.14 (a) You are Soniya Sharma, residing at A/13 Basant Baag, Guna. [5]  
Write an application to the collector of your district complaining about the malfunctioning in the Government Hospital.

Verbal inputs -

doctors don't come on time – busy in private practice – nurses are careless and rude – insanitation in rooms and wards – necessary action is requested

**OR**

You are Mayank Lodha, residing at Vivek Colony, Guna. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper about the scarcity of water in your locality, using the verbal inputs given below - [5]

sad arrangement of water supply – paying bills and taxes – authorities don't listen – one hour in morning – one hour in evening – low pressure – water supply poor in summer – authorities do the needful

- (b) You are Aman living at Main Road, Bina. Write a letter to your friend Sanket asking him to spend his summer vacations with you using inputs - going to hill-station, sight-seeing, fun with friends.

**OR**

Write a letter to your friend congratulating him on being selected as the Head Boy of the school. You are Sam, living at M/18, Kolar Road, Bhopal using inputs – his good qualities, his best performance, his popularity among students and teachers

- Q.15 (a) With the help of the hints given below, produce a write up on an accident that you saw last Sunday. (In about 120 words) **[5]**
- (i) time and place
  - (ii) bus of students and a bike
  - (iii) death and injury
  - (iv) first aid
  - (v) doctors and other people
  - (vi) role of the police
- (b) Write a paragraph on any one of the topics in about 120 words - **[5]**
- (i) Importance of English
  - (ii) Importance of Water Conservation
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