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**ENGLISH**

Time : 3 Hours]

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**Section-A**

**(Literature)**

1. Answer the following questions :

Describe the character sketch of Gessler.

*Or*

Describe the character of Appa-Mam.

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2. Write the critical appreciation of the poem 'The Daffodils'.

*Or*

What kind of freedom does Tagore envisage for his country ?

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3. Answer any two questions :

- (i) What made Rafferty to realise that he had a story ? Who did he feel had built The Spaceship ?
- (ii) Why did the Gessler brothers lose customers even though they made the best shoes in town ?
- (iii) What, according to the writer, is 'Crucial for the success of democracy' ?
- (iv) Do you think Mr. Gupta was right in accepting the shelling from Maggie ? Why ? 2x5=10

4. Attempt any three questions :

- (i) Give an example of personification from the poem 'The Daffodils'.
- (ii) Identify the metaphors used in the poem 'The Listeners'.
- (iii) What is the central idea of the poem 'Where the Mind is Without Fear' ?

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

(v) Define Onomatopoeia with an example from 'The Listeners'. 3×3=9

5. Explain the following with reference to the context :

Where the mind is led forward by

thee into ever-widening thought and action-

Into that heaven of freedom, my father,

Let my country awake.

*Or*

'Well, well' he said as casually as he could.

'That looks to me like a very fine diamond.

Would you mind waiting a moment while I

examine it carefully in my office.'

1×6=6

**Section-B**

**(Reading Comprehension)**

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

Queer, what a big stain my sucked blood makes

Beside the infinitesimal faint smear of you !

Queer, what a dim dark smudge you have

disappeared into !

*Questions :*

- (i) Who is being addressed as 'you' ?
- (ii) What must have happened to him just before these lines ?
- (iii) Which *two* smears does the poet compare ?

(iv) What two things does the poet find queer ?

(v) The above lines have been written by .....

Or

Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way

Into the dreary desert sand of dead habits

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Where the mind is led forward by thee

Into ever-widening thought and action

*Questions :*

(i) How does the poet contrast reason and dead habit ?

(ii) Why does the poet use the expression 'dreary desert sand' ?

(iii) Who does the poet refer to as thee in these lines ?

(iv) Quote one example of visual imagery from the above verses.

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(v) The phrase 'ever-widening' means :

- (A) dynamic and progressive
- (B) dignity and self-respect
- (C) perfection in all walks of life
- (D) none of these

1×5=5

7. Read the following unseen passage/s carefully and answer the questions given at the end :

- (a) Good health is man's precious possession. One who enjoys good health can enjoy life in the real sense. There can be no real happiness in life if one does not have good health. Good health is the key to success in life and a source of true enjoyment. Good health means that man should be physically fit. He should have a disease free body. He should be capable of doing

physical as well as mental labour. Without health one can neither do great acts nor think great thoughts.

*Questions :*

(i) The most precious thing for any man in life is health.

(True/False)

(ii) Sound health is must for .....

(A) Physical labour

(B) Mental labour

(C) Both physical as well as mental labour

(D) To enjoy life

(iii) What is the antonym of 'Happiness' ?

(iv) Source here means .....

(v) Give the verb form of 'Possession'.

1x5=5

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- (b) Books are our true friends and never failing friends. They are a store of wisdom and knowledge. Good books add to our knowledge about the topics they contain. But there are books which we should read for pleasure; some books we should read and forget; some books are to be chewed and digested. Any how they keep us away from bad company and evil deeds. They occupy our leisure hours. They also develop our character and personality. Books of great thinkers and philosophers strengthen our will power and lead us to a better living and high thinking.

**Questions :**

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- (i) Books are our everlasting friends. (True/False)
- (ii) Give the synonym of 'Pleasure'.
- (iii) Suggest a suitable title to the passage.



(iv) Use the word 'chewed' in your own sentence.

(v) They keep us away from bad company. The word 'They'

refers to .....

1×5=5

### Section-C

#### (Writing Skills)

8. Write a paragraph in 60–80 words on any *one* of the following :

✓  
An Ideal Student

Or

A Good Neighbour.

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✓  
9. Write an essay in 100–150 words on any *one* of the following :

My Favourite Hobby

(Hobby—A pastime, Purpose not to earn money, Provides entertainment, Saves from dullness, Some common hobbies—reading books, gardening, painting, photography etc. Saves us from evil influences).

Or

Importance of Reading Newspapers :

(Brings news from all quarters. Allows to know about important events and comments thereon, Widens our outlook, Importance of press in a democratic state, Communicates between ruler and the ruled, Responsible journalism important for development).

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10. Write a letter to your Principal requesting him to make improvements in the Computer Lab of your school.

Or

Write a letter to your friend asking him to lend you the laptop for a day.

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11. Read the following passage carefully and make notes :

The modern age is an age of science. It has brought several benefits to man. It has also done greatest disservice to man in the field of

deadly weapons. It has produced horrible engines of war. The napalm bomb, the atom bomb and the hydrogen bomb are agents of death and destruction. The world is overtaken by an arms race. Too much of scientific knowledge has proved dangerous. The world powers are competing with one another in producing more weapons of destruction. Researchers and engineers in this industry think of only creating weapons of mass destruction. Industrial waste is responsible for making the atmosphere unhealthy. Machine, a product of science, has brought in its wake large scale unemployment. The modern age is the age of speed and is very fast. We have no interest for enjoying the beauties of nature. The cruel machine has thrown out the craftsmen.

**Section-D**

**(Grammar)**

12. Do as directed :

(i) Change the following sentences :

(A) It looks like rain. (Change into complex)

(B) You should eat fruits which are natural.

(Change into simple)

(C) We eat to live. (Change into compound)  
We eat to live.

(D) We were ashamed when we heard his words.

(Change into simple)

(E) They look for the enemy when they reached the top.

(Change into compound)

1×5=5

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

(A) I ..... for Shahid. Do you know where he is ?

(looks, am looking)

(B) He ..... Tennis daily after four.

(play, plays)

(C) Ram ..... his work honestly.

(do/does)

(D) She ..... to school everyday.

(go, goes)

(E) Haste ..... waste.

(make, makes)

1x5=5

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

(A) I ..... go there as soon as I am well.

(B) He ..... report for duty tomorrow.

(C) It is cloudy. It ..... rain any time.

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(D) ..... all your wishes come true!

(E) I ..... swim when I was young.

1×5=5

(iv) Join the following sentences using relative pronouns or by changing one of the sentences into a relative clause :

(A) This is my son Manzoor. He is a software engineer.

(B) The officer spoke to the workers. Their work was below standard.

(C) The boy threw the stones. He was caught.

(D) The lake is 30 feet deep. It is in the heart of city.

(E) Sham finally arrived. We had been waiting for him. 1×5=5

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

(A) If I see him I give him a lift.

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- ✓ (B) If I will have enough money. I will go to England.
- ✓ (C) If I were you, I can apologize.
- ✓ (D) If there is no oxygen, a fire should not burn.
- ✓ (E) If I were a bird, I will fly.

1×5=5