

**B-231080-B**

**Subject : English**

Time : 3 hours ]

[Maximum Marks : 75

**Note :** Attempt All questions.

**Q.1 (A)** Choose the correct alternative :

[1×5=5]

(i) She started off as a teacher. Here the phrase 'started off' means :

- (a) began
- (b) left out
- (c) raise up
- (d) come again

(ii) Akash was adamant and wished to work in India only. The word 'adamant' means :

- (a) very eager
- (b) adaptable
- (c) will definitely go
- (d) not willing to change one's mind

(iii) The Pharos was in ruins. Here 'in ruins' means :

- (a) repaired fully
- (b) completely destroyed
- (c) not taken care of
- (d) half built

(iv) Logs of wood tied together used as a means of water transport is a \_\_\_\_.

- (a) sail boat
- (b) canoc
- (c) raft
- (d) ship

(v) A group of people chosen to make decision is called \_\_\_\_.

- (a) meeting
- (b) seminar
- (c) panel
- (d) webinar

**Q.1 (B)** Fill in the blanks using correct alternatives :

[1×5=5]

- (i) It \_\_\_\_\_ rain today. (should / may / must)
- (ii) Bill works hard, \_\_\_\_\_ ? ( doesn't Bill / don't he / doesn't he)
- (iii) Meera is \_\_\_\_\_ only daughter of her parent. (a / an / the)
- (iv) Rajesh has been using this cycle \_\_\_\_\_ 2012. (since / till / for)
- (v) How \_\_\_\_\_ water is left in this tank?  
(much / some / many)

**Q.1 (C)** Match the columns to make meaningful sentences :

[1×5=5]

**Column A**

**Column B**

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|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| (i) The grass was yellow           | – (a) I went to sleep             |
| (ii) After I had completed my work | – (b) as it had not rained at all |
| (iii) The match had begun          | – (c) so I missed the first song  |
| (iv) Although I have to work late  | – (d) when we reached the stadium |
| (v) I reached the theatre late     | – (e) I will be there later       |

**Note :** Answer the following questions in 2 to 3 sentences each :

- Q.2 Why is the National Anthem not played in the cinema halls these days? [3]
- Q.3 What was the mood of the Headmaster when he entered the class-room? [3]
- Q.4 Why did the academy send the girl to the conference? [3]
- Q.5 What problems does Louie have? [3]
- Q.6 You are Adya Joshi, the Sports Secretary of your school, reading in Class X in Govt. Higher Secondary School, Durg. Write a notice for your school notice board about the annual sports to be held on 25th February at your school. [4]

**OR**

You have lost your pencil box. You are Vivek Thakur, studying in Govt. Higher Secondary School, Dhamtari. Write a notice for the 'Lost and Found' of your school notice board.

- Q.7 You are Neha/Anuj, living at Adarsh Nagar, Raigarh. Write a letter to your friend Durga Mishra who lives at Shanti Nagar, Raipur, inviting her on the inauguration ceremony of your new house. [4]

**OR**

You are Shivani Bhandari, studying in Govt. Higher Secondary School, Balod in Class X. The economical condition of your family is not good. Your father is unable to pay your full fees. Write an application to your Principal, requesting him/her to grant you full fees concession.

**Q.8** Write a paragraph on 'Benefits of Exercise', using the clues given below :

[4]

- (a) Exercise is important
- (b) Reduces stress
- (c) Protects against many diseases
- (d) Helps to control weight
- (e) Improves the energy level
- (f) Should be done regularly

**OR**

Write a paragraph on 'Importance of Plantation', using the clues given below :

- (a) Gift of nature
- (b) They give us shade, flowers, etc.
- (c) They provide fuel and timber
- (d) Great importance as trees
- (e) Trees are life of man

**Q.9** Write an essay on any one of the following topics :

[8]

- (i) My Hobby
- (ii) Value of Games and Sports
- (iii) Advantages and Disadvantages of Science
- (iv) Importance of Trees

**Q.10** Do as directed :

[1×5=5]

- (i) To walk is a good exercise. (Rewrite the sentence using 'gerund')
- (ii) I get up early in the morning.  
(Make the sentence emphatic using 'do / does / did')

(iii) Your sister won the race. (Add question tag)

(iv) My mother is cooking food.

(Change this sentence into passive voice)

(v) The teacher said, "The Earth moves around the Sun."

(Change into Indirect Speech)

**Q.11** Read the following passage carefully and answer the given questions :

A new picture would have come, and be standing in the dining-room, waiting to be put up; and Aunt Podger would ask what was to be done with it, and Uncle Podger would say :

"Oh, you leave that to me. Don't you, any of you worry yourselves about that. I'll do all that."

And then he would take off his coat, and begin. He would send the maid out for six-penny worth of nails, and then one of the boys after her to tell her what size to get; and from that, he would gradually work down, and start the whole house.

"Now you go and get me a hammer, Will," he would shout; "and you bring me the rule, Tom; and I shall want the step-ladder, and I had better have a kitchen-chair, too; and Jim, you run round to Mr. Goggles, and tell him, 'Daddy's best wishes, and hopes his leg is better; and will he let him have his spirit-level for the evening?' And don't you go, Maria, because I shall want somebody to hold the light; and when the maid comes back, she must go out again for a bit of picture cord; and Tom, -where is Tom? -Tom, you come here; I shall want you to hand me up the picture."

## Questions :

[1×3=3]

(A) Choose the correct options :

(i) How much penny worth of nails was to be brought by maid?

- (a) Ten penny
- (b) Six penny
- (c) Sixty penny

(ii) An instrument used to check the surface evenness :

- (a) Hammer
- (b) Step-ladder
- (c) Spirit-level

(iii) A room in a house of eating meals :

- (a) Bed-room
- (b) Dining-room
- (c) Sitting-room

(B) Answer the following questions :

[1×2=2]

(i) Find the antonyms of the following words from the passage :

- (a) Morning
- (b) Put down

(ii) Who was to go and get the picture cord?

Note : Answer the following questions in about 20-30 words each :

Q.12 How did the little kite feel when it sailed up in the sky? [2]

Q.13 Why was Beinkensopp absent the day before? [2]

- Q.14 Who are the 'bad guys' mentioned in the poem 'Including All My Friends'? [2]
- Q.15 What is the poet's demand in the poem 'About Me'? [2]
- Q.16 What creatures did Sumba imagine in the poem? Mention any two of them. [2]
- Q.17 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below :

Forests are called the 'green gold' of the country, because they are country's wealth. There are a number of advantages of having green forests. They give us a number of valuable products. We get timber for building our houses, wood for furniture and fuel for cooking food. Besides these many other useful products are got from them. They are honey, wax, gum, oil, herbs, lac and dyes. Think of the paper mills. Can they produce paper without getting wood from the forest? The industry of artificial silk depends on forests. Forests add to the beauty of country and provide shelter to wild animals.

**Questions :**

- (A) Choose the correct options : [1×2=2]
- (i) We cannot get \_\_\_\_ from the forests.
- (a) fuel
- (b) wood
- (c) timber
- (d) gold

(ii) The industry of artificial silk depends on :

- (a) gold
- (b) forests
- (c) oil
- (d) timber

(B) Find the synonyms of given words from the passage : [1×2=2]

- (i) Man made
- (ii) Benefits

(C) Choose the correct one : [1×2=2]

- (i) The paper mills produce papers without wood. (True/False)
- (ii) Forest gives us \_\_\_\_ products. (valuable /useless)

(D) Why are forests called 'green gold'? [2]

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