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Subject : English

Time : 3 hours]

[Maximum Marks : 75

Note : Attempt All questions.

Q.1 (A) Choose the correct alternative :

[1×5=5]

- (i) "Need special tube to breath" in the poem 'Including All My Friends' means, they have problem with their _____ organs.
- (a) Excretory
 - (b) Circulatory
 - (c) Respiratory
 - (d) Digestive
- (ii) Beinkensopp missed the _____ test.
- (a) Science
 - (b) Maths
 - (c) English
 - (d) Physical Education
- (iii) What did the bad guys do to the poet and his friends in the poem 'Including All My Friends'?
- (a) Played and talked to them
 - (b) Said bad words about them
 - (c) Said that they are our friends
 - (d) Read and write with them

(iv) "Fences, gates and walls" in the poem 'Sumba's Adventure' refer to _____.

- (a) opportunities
- (b) challenges
- (c) bad luck
- (d) None of the above

(v) The speaker in the poem 'About Me' is :

- (a) an average and ordinary boy
- (b) a topper in the class
- (c) a good sportsman
- (d) a good singer

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

[1×5=5]

- (i) We saw _____ movie last Sunday. (a / an / the)
- (ii) Anil reaches home _____ 6.00 pm everyday. (at / on / in)
- (iii) My daughter has _____ knowledge about the world.
(a little / few / a few)
- (iv) It has been raining _____ a week. (since / for / of)
- (v) How _____ water is there in the jug? (much / many / any)

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

[1×5=5]

Column A

Column B

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| (i) I had never been abroad | – | (a) so she was nervous. |
| (ii) I had reached home | – | (b) before I reached the station. |
| (iii) The train had left | – | (c) before I visited Japan. |
| (iv) I had completed my work | – | (d) when the rain started. |
| (v) Suman had not studied for the test | – | (e) and then I went to sleep. |

Note : Question Nos. 2 to 6 are based on the following passage :

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below :

The Indian education system in the ancient time was truly world class, which attracted scholars from all over the world to come in search of knowledge. A Guru was the most respected intellectual resource, who truly earned that respect due to his/her caliber and value system. However the current scenario of education at least in terms of quality, value system and employability has been a cause of concern. Technology particularly information technology, has been a game changer in the process, in present time. Technology calls for a complete re-engineering of educational process and system both in content and style of delivery. This has made the access to knowledge very easy for example Google and YouTube can answer any query on any topic, anytime, anywhere with the help of latest gadgets.

Questions :

- Q.2** How was the Indian education system in ancient time? [2]
- Q.3** Why did a Guru earn respect? [2]
- Q.4** Choose the correct option : [1×2=2]
- (i) A Guru means :
- | | |
|-------------|--------------|
| (a) Teacher | (b) Doctor |
| (c) Lawyer | (d) Engineer |
- (ii) The term 'game changer' is used for :
- | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| (a) Gadgets | (b) Google |
| (c) Information Technology | (d) YouTube |
- Q.5** Write the antonyms of the given words from the passage : [1×2=2]
- (i) Modern
- (ii) Past

Q.6 Choose the word from the passage which means :

[1×2=2]

(i) Question

(ii) Person with highly developed intellect

Note : Answer the following questions (Question Nos. 7 to 10) in 2 or 3 sentences each :

Q.7 Why did Nanaji take Ajit and Naina to Himapet? [3]

Q.8 How did Swaminathan react to the question put by the Headmaster? [3]

Q.9 Who was Ibn Battuta and to whom is Ibn Battuta narrating his journeys? [3]

Q.10 Why was Kailash Satyarthi awarded the Nobel Prize for peace? [3]

Q.11 You are Mohan Kanwar, Head Boy of Govt. H.S. School, Dhamtari. Write a notice for your notice-board that you have lost your watch on the school playground. [4]

OR

You are Neera Verma, the Cultural Secretary of your school, D.A.V. Public School, Korba. Write a notice inviting students to participate in a dance competition.

Q.12 Write an essay on any **one** of the following topics : [8]

(i) Value of Games and Sports

(ii) My Hobby

(iii) Indian Festival

(iv) Wonders of Science

Q.13 You are Anu/Karan of Class X A in G.H.S. School, Sukuma. Write an application to your Principal requesting him to grant permission to your class to go on a picnic. [4]

OR

You are Seema Sinha, living at Shankar Nagar, Champa (C.G.). Your friend Roshni lives in Anup Nagar, Ambikapur. Write a letter inviting her to spend Summer Vacation with you.

Q.14 Do as directed :

[1×5=5]

(i) I sold my bicycle. (Change into passive voice)

(ii) He is still sleeping. (Add question tag)

(iii) He went to the market yesterday.

(Change into interrogative sentence)

(iv) Ravi goes to Mumbai.

(Change into past continuous tense)

(v) The food is tasty.

The restaurant is dirty.

(Combine the sentences into compound sentence using 'but')

Q.15 Read the following passage carefully and answer the given questions :

Daddy was a freelance writer, contributing short stories to Tamil magazines and scripts for films, although the film offers were few and far between. Before I was born, he'd once held a steady, well paying job in Trivandrum as Malayalam news reader, his name Nagarcoil K. Padmanabhan was known to 'All India Radio' listeners in Kerala. He'd suddenly resigned from AIR to pursue with relentless passion, his dream of being a writer. Among Daddy's early friends in Chennai were actors Gemini Ganesan and Nagesh, the comedian. Ganesan continued to visit us even after he became famous. I would look out, star stuck, as his blue Fiat drove in. He'd tease my handsome dad, calling him "Maapillai" (Tamil word for bridegroom) and the two would go on talking shop.

Questions :

[1×8=8]

(A) Complete the following sentences with correct options :

- (i) Before being a freelance writer, Daddy held a job in _____.
(a) Indian Railways
(b) All India Radio
(c) Film Theatre
- (ii) Daddy suddenly resigned from 'All India Radio' because _____.
(a) he wanted to pursue his dream of being a writer
(b) he wanted to be an actor
(c) he was not well paid in AIR
- (iii) Daddy's friend Nagesh was _____.
(a) a teacher
(b) a writer
(c) a comedian
- (iv) Daddy has a relentless passion for being _____.
(a) a writer
(b) an actor
(c) a doctor

(B) Answer the following questions :

- (i) What was Daddy's job before the birth of the narrator?
(ii) Why did he resign from AIR?
(iii) Who used to drive in the blue Fiat to meet Daddy?
(iv) What did Gemini Ganesan use to call Daddy to tease him?

- Q.16** Read the following poem carefully and answer the questions given below :

Not gold but only men can make
A nation great and strong.
Men who, for truth and honour's sake,
Stand fast and suffer long.
Brave men who work while others sleep,
Who dare while others fly.
They build a nation's pillars deep,
And lift them to the sky.

Questions :

[1×5=5]

- (i) Who can make a nation strong?
- (ii) What do brave men build?
- (iii) Find the word from the extract an antonym of 'lie'.
- (iv) We can lift the nation to the sky by :
 - (a) prayers
 - (b) hard work
 - (c) blessings
 - (d) fastings
- (v) Find the rhyming words for the following words from the given poem :
 - (a) Strong
 - (b) Fly

- Q.17** Write a paragraph on 'Covid-19 : a Pandemic', using the clues given below :

[4]

- (a) Respiratory system
- (b) Maintain social distancing
- (c) Hand wash
- (d) Mask, sanitizer
- (e) Stay at your home
- (f) Yoga and meditation

[8]

OR

Write a paragraph on 'Smoking is Dangerous', using the clues given below :

- (a) Injurious to health
- (b) It causes cancer, lung infection, etc.
- (c) Posters and other awareness programme
- (d) Awareness against its harm
- (e) Silent killer, nicotine
- (f) Anti-smoking campaign

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