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**ENGLISH**

**Time : 2.30 Hours]**

**[Maximum Marks : 80**

**Section-A**

**(Reading Comprehension)**

1. Read the following passage. Make notes and write a summary with a suitable title :

Adulteration has become the order of the day. It has entered into the very root of the society. It is well high impossible to buy pure articles,

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The result is that the people are suffering from the diseases. Their health is also deteriorating. The nation as a whole is suffering terribly.

Unless the food-stuffs, medicines are pure, our health is not possible.

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imprisonment. If the crime is really heinous, they should be hanged.

No leniency should be shown to them. They are the traitors of the worst type. The need of the hour is that the food inspectors should not allow themselves to be bought by these enemies of the society.

In this gigantic task people's cooperation is equally necessary. 5+5=10

2. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

In a very big city, in which millions of people live and work fast, frequent means of transport are of the greatest importance. In London where most people live at long distances from their work, all offices, factories and schools would have to close if the buses; the trains and the underground stopped work. Originally the London underground and steam trains which were not very different from other English trains, except that they went along in big holes under the ground in order to

keep away from the crowded city above their heads. They could get from one place to another faster under the ground than above it, because there were no buses, trains, carriages and people on foot to get in their way the whole time.

The London underground was proposed by Charles Pearson, a city solicitor, as part of a city improvement plan shortly after the opening of the Thames Tunnel in 1843. After 10 years of discussion, parliament authorized the construction of 3.75 miles (6 km) of underground railway between Farring-dom Street and Bishop's Road, Pad-dington. Work on the Metropolitan Railway began in 1860 by cut-and-cover methods—that is, by making trenches along the streets, giving them brick sides, providing girders or a brick arch for the roof, and then restoring the roadway on top. On 10 January, 1863, the line was opened, using steam locomotives that burned coke and later, coal.

Steam trains used coal, however, which filled the underground stations with terrible smoke. As a result, the old engines were taken away, and electric ones put in their place. Now the London underground is very clean, and the electric trains make faster runs possible. As the traffic on the road above has also become greater and greater, the time which one saves by going by underground instead of by bus has increased year after year. Taxes are usually faster but they are very much more expensive. At every underground station there are maps of all the underground lines in London, so that it is very easy to see how to get to wherever one wants to go. Each station has its name written up clearly and in large letters several times so that one can see when one comes to where one must get out. At 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 accidents; the trains on the different lines are not on the same level. To change 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 and be carried up or down to where they wish. In fact, everything is done to make the underground fast and efficient.

*Questions :*

(i) Underground is :

- (A) a way of life
- (B) dug well
- (C) means of transport
- (D) a sweat fruit

(ii) A passenger could get from one place to another faster :

(A) under the ground

(B) by buses

(C) on foot

(D) by trains

(iii) Underground trains travel quicker than the traffic above because :

(A) There are no buses and trains

(B) There are no lights

(C) There are peoples on foot

(D) No crowd

(iv) Synonym of 'efficient' is .....

(v) Underground trains are fast and efficient.

(True/False)

(vi) The antonym of 'original' is .....

(vii) 'Clearly' is used in the passage as a/an noun/verb/adverb/  
adjective.

(viii) Use the phrase 'carry up' in a sentence.

(ix) Why were the original underground stations not clean ?

(x) . Give a suitable title to the passage.

1×10=10

### **Section-B**

#### **(Writing Skills and Grammar)**

3. Your school has decided to organise a 'Blood Donation Camp' to generate awareness about the cause. Draft a poster giving all the details. (50 words)

*Or*

Draft an advertisement for the newspaper for the sale of a shop at Lalchowk Srinagar, giving various details regarding dimension, facilities and cost. (50 words)

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4. Your friend Ali is in love with a Harijan girl. Write a letter to your friend giving your views on inter-religion/intercaste marriages. You are A.N. Chowdhuri, 125-Mani Road Kuchha Danga, Udhampur. (120–150 words)

*Or*

A room of your school collapsed when there was a function going on. Sugam, Head girl took command of the situation, provided first-aid to the injured and called ambulance. Imagine you are the Principal of JNM-Public School, write a letter to the Director of Schools, recommending your student's name for a bravery award. (120–150 words).

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5. Write an email to your aunt who has been ill and asking about her health and wishing her better health.

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6. Sales of readymade garments have touched an all-time high in the festive season this year in your city. Write an article for a newspaper giving an analysis of the trend.

Or

Write a newspaper report on traffic jam in your city, a common affair in the early hours of the day, causing lot of hardships for school going children, highlighting wrong driving as the main cause of this mess.

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Eight grammatical errors in the following passage have been underlined.

Write down the forms only against the respective underlined words.

The last time, I see Shahid is on 27 October, at his brother house in Amherst. He was intermittently able for converse and there was moments when we talked just as we have in the past. He was aware, as he had long been, of his approaching end he had made her peace with it.

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**Section-C**

**(Literature)**

8. Read the extract given below and answer any *two* of the questions

that follow :

"See Betty

And Dolly, she'll say "and look how they

Dressed us for the beach," The sea holiday.

Was her past, mine is her laughter.

*Questions :*

(i) How did she react whenever she looked at the snapshot ?

(ii) Explain 'The Sea Holiday' was her past.

(iii) Why is mother's laughter, "past" for the narrator ?

1×2=2

9. Answer any *five* of the following questions :

(i) Describe the changing relationship between the author and his grand mother. Did their feelings for each other change ?

(ii) Why is scientific intervention necessary to unearth buried mysterious ?

(iii) Does the poet talk of an exclusively personal experience or it is fairly universal ? (Father To Son).

(iv) What helped the writer to fulfil the pledge he made to Shahid ?

(v) Indian society has moved a long way from the way the marriage is arranged in the story. Discuss. (Ranga's Marriage)

(vi) What do you understand by the terms outsider art and art brut ?

2x5=10

10. How are the earth's principal biological systems being depleted ?

*Or*

The story is called "The Adventure". Compare it with adventure described in "We're Not Afraid To Die .....".

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11. 'The Address' is a story of human predicament that follows w  
Comment.

*Or*

How do you distinguish between information gathering and insight formation ?

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12. Give the character-sketch of Taplow.

*Or*

Discuss the sensitive behaviour of hill-folk with reference to "Silk Road".

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