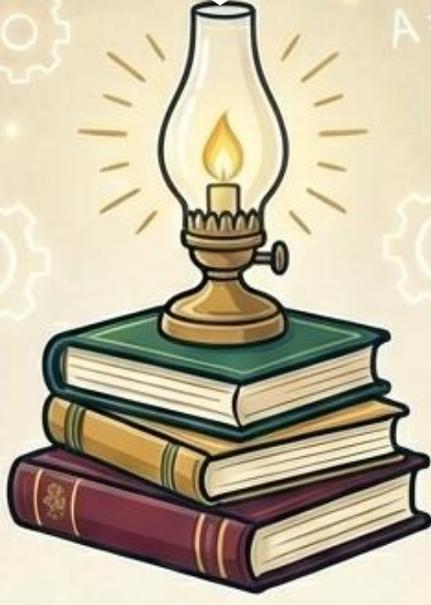




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PART - A SECTION - A : READING

Passage:

Mowgli grew up with the wolf cubs, though they, of course, were grown wolves almost before he was a boy. Father Wolf taught him the meaning of things in the jungle, until he understood every rustle in the grass, every note of the owls above his head and every splash of every little fish.

When he was not learning, he sat out in the sun and slept, and ate and went to sleep again. When he felt dirty or hot, he swam in the forest pools-when he wanted honey, he climbed trees the way Bagheera the panther showed him to do. He took his place at the Council Rock too, when the Wolf Pack met. There, he discovered that if he stared hard at any wolf, the wolf would be forced to drop his eyes and so he used to stare for fun. At other times, he would pick the long thorns out of the pads of his friends, for wolves suffer terribly from thorns and burrs in their coats.

He would go down the hillside into the cultivated lands by night and look very curiously at the villagers in their huts. He loved better than anything else to go with Bagheera into the dark warm heart of the forest at night and to sleep through the drowsy day.

Q1. Based on your understanding of the above passage, write True or False of any three.

(i) Mowgli grew up with the bear cubs in the forest. (True/False)

Answer - False (Mowgli grew up with the wolf cubs)

(ii) When Mowgli felt dirty or hot he swam in the forest pool. (True/False)

Answer - True

(iii) Bagheera showed Mowgli how to climb trees. (True/False)

Answer - True

(iv) Mowgli would look at the villagers in their huts during the day. (True/False)

Answer - False (Mowgli would go down the hillside into the cultivated lands by night and look very curiously at the villagers in their huts.)



Q2. Answer the following questions in one word.**(i) Who was Bagheera ?****Answer -** Panther**(ii) Other than thorns what did wolves suffer terribly from ?****Answer -** Burrs

("Burrs" refer to rough or spiky seed cases or parts of plants that stick to the fur of animals, such as wolves.)

(iii) Where did Mowgli take his place with the wolf pack ?**Answer -** At the Council Rock.**(iv) What did Mowgli get when he climbed trees ?****Answer -** Honey**Q3. Pick out the correct word as instructed from the above passage.****(i) Opposite of 'wakeful'****(A) rustle** **(B) drowsy****(C) burrs** **(D) warm****Answer - (B) Drowsy****(ii) Meaning of 'sound of leaves or grass moving'.****(A) rustle** **(B) splash****(C) stared** **(D) curiously****Answer - (A) rustle**

SECTION - B : WRITING



Q4. Answer the following questions, with reference to the context below :

Write a letter to the Chief Minister of your state, Bihar, drawing his/her attention to the urgent need of a government hospital in your district.

(i) The letter will be addressed to :

- (A) Chief Minister, Bihar**
- (B) Bihar Chief Minister**
- (C) The Honourable Chief Minister Government of Bihar**
- (D) The Honourable Chief Minister Bihar Government.**

Answer - (A) Chief Minister, Bihar

OR

(ii) The date should be written :

- (A) after the receiver's address**
- (B) after the sender's address**
- (C) after the subject**
- (D) before closing the letter**

Answer - (B) after the sender's address

(In formal letter writing, the date is typically placed after the sender's address and before the receiver's address.)

(iii) Choose the correct subject :

- (A) Urgent need of a Government Hospital in Ganganagar, Bihar.**
- (B) Urgent need of a hospital in Ganganagar, Bihar.**
- (C) A hospital needed in Ganganagar, Bihar.**
- (D) A Government hospital needed in Ganganagar, Bihar.**

Answer - (A) Urgent need of a Government Hospital in Ganganagar, Bihar.

(This is the most formal and specific subject line, which clearly mentions the urgency and specifies the location and type of hospital.)



(iv) Your letter will carry the concern that :

- (A) Ganganagar is devoid of primary healthcare facilities.
- (B) Ganganagar is well equipped with too many hospitals.
- (C) There are too many mosquitoes in Ganganagar and people are falling ill.
- (D) Ganganagar people have their own quack doctors and do not need any government hospitals.

Answer - (A) Ganganagar is devoid of primary healthcare facilities.

(v) Your letter will note that with no government hospitals nearby the poor people will have to rely on :

- (A) herbs and other plants for their cure
- (B) private clinics
- (C) quack doctors
- (D) all the above

Answer - (D) all the above

(vi) Your letter will also add the problem that when there are serious cases :

- (A) it is easy to transport people to big cities.
- (B) it is difficult and risky to take the patient to a far off government hospital.
- (C) the villagers know how to treat such patients.
- (D) the doctors around are well equipped with adequate facilities.

Answer - (B) it is difficult and risky to take the patient to a far off government hospital.

Q5. Answer the questions given reference to the context below :

You are Prem/Priya Head boy/girl of Government senior secondary school, Raipur. You have to write a notice as your school is going to celebrate its Annual Day on 16th May 2024.

(i) Select the appropriate subject for the notice.

- (A) Annual Function Celebrate
- (B) Annual Function
- (C) Celebrating Annual Function
- (D) Celebrate Annual Function

Answer - (B) Annual Function



OR

(ii) What information will be provided to the readers through this notice ?

- (A) number of school children participating.
- (B) number of faculty members helping out.
- (C) number of classrooms in the school.
- (D) when and where the annual function will be held.

Answer - (D) when and where the annual function will be held.

(iii) How will the name of the institution be written ?

- (A) Government Senior Secondary School, Raipur.
- (B) government senior secondary school, Raipur
- (C) Government senior secondary school, Raipur.
- (D) government Senior Secondary School, Raipur.

Answer - (A) Government Senior Secondary School, Raipur.

(The name of the institution should be properly capitalized and formatted.)

(iv) Where is the word 'NOTICE' placed ?

- (A) above the name of the institution
- (B) below the name of the institution
- (C) below the subject
- (D) after the date

Answer - (B) below the name of the institution

(v) Which of the following things should a notice include ?

- (A) The word 'NOTICE'
- (B) Designation
- (C) Heading
- (D) All the above

Answer - (D) All the above

Name of the issuing agency/authority NOTICE
Date of issue/Release of the notice
Title/Subject of the Event
BODY (Date/time/duration/Place/Venue)
Authorized signatory (Name, Designation and signature)



Q6. Questions given below are based on the given text. Read the text carefully and answer the questions.

You are Akshita/Akash. You want to write an article about the increasing use of cell phones by people. You write about the risks they are facing like potential health hazards, the threat of brain tumors and brain cancer, accidents that occur on the roads due to cell phones.

(i) Select the appropriate title for the article ?

- (A) Cell phones are a danger
- (B) Cell phones cause potential health hazards
- (C) Accidents are caused due to cell phones
- (D) Cell phones should not be used

Answer - (B) Cell phones cause potential health hazards

(This title accurately reflects the focus of the article on health hazards associated with cell phones.)

OR

(ii) To whom should this article be addressed ?

- (A) The Government
- (B) No one in special
- (C) Parents
- (D) The Public

Answer - (D) The Public

(iii) What does a by-line mean in an article ?

- (A) a useless piece of information
- (B) a specific piece of information
- (C) the name of the writer
- (D) the subject or title

Answer - (C) the name of the writer

(iv) What points should you keep in mind while coining a title for an article ?

- (A) Explain the subject matter in a few words.
- (B) It should be eye-catching.
- (C) It should be short and relevant.
- (D) All the above

Answer - (D) All the above



(v) What data would you provide in this article ?

(A) increasing use of cell phones in the last twenty years.

(B) increasing number of deaths by accidents due to the usage of cell phones in the last ten years.

(C) increasing number of health hazards due to cell phones in the last five years.

(D) all the above

Answer - (D) all the above



SECTION - C : GRAMMAR

Q7. Fill in the blanks :

(A) Salim Ali was a great ornithologist. As a child he (i) of a sparrow. He (ii).

He decided (iii) to the preservation of birds.

- (i) (A) was seeing the death (B) saw the death
(C) see the death (D) seeing the death

Answer - (D) seeing the death

- (ii) (A) is shocked (B) is being shocked
(C) was being shocked (D) was shocked

Answer - (D) was shocked

- (iii) (A) to devote his life (B) to devotion his life
(C) to devoted his life (D) devoted his life

Answer - (A) to devote his life

OR

(B) Mr. Winston sold all his property. He (i) his small house. He (ii) a trust. He (i) the living condition of the tribals.

- (i) (A) would not sell (B) did not sell
(C) could not sell (D) need not sell

Answer - (B) did not sell

- (ii) (A) was creating a trust (B) wanted to creating a trust
(C) created a trust (D) should create a trust

Answer - (C) created a trust

- (iii) (A) want to improve (B) wanted to improve
(C) willing to improve (D) will want to improve



Answer - (B) wanted to improve

Q8. Fill in the blanks to complete the note.

(A) As I was (i) **(wait)** at the bus stop, I saw a balloon (ii) **(carry)** the Pepsi advertisement (iii) **(float)** in the air.

Answer - (A) As I was waiting **(i)** at the bus stop, I saw a balloon carrying **(ii)** the Pepsi advertisement floating **(iii)** in the air.

OR

(B) When Mr. Subramanian (i) **(suffer)** heavy losses in business he (ii) **(get)** a shock and never (iii) **(recover)** from it.

Answer - When Mr. Subramanian **(i)** suffered heavy losses in business, he **(ii)** got a shock and never **(iii)** recovered from it.

Q9. Choose the correct options to fill in the blanks to complete the passage.

Dina told her friend Ragini that she was in a terrible shape. Ragini agreed and asked (i) **do?** Dina replied that since she was putting on weight she (ii) **a healthy diet,** Ragini agreed and said that she (iii) **so many chocolates and junk food.**

(i) (A) what she should (B) what could she

(C) what can she (D) what need she

Answer - (A) what she should

(ii) (A) must plan (B) would plan

(C) can plan (D) will plan

Answer - (A) must plan

(iii) (A) cannot eat (B) could not eat

(C) would not eat (D) shall not eat

Answer - (C) would not eat

Q10. Fill in the blanks of any FOUR with correct preposition.

(i) Send these candidates for the interview one _____ one.

Answer - By ("By" is used to indicate a unit or measure, such as one at a time.)



(ii) Would you like to go _____ a swim ?

Answer - For ("For" is used to express purpose or intention, indicating that the activity is the reason for going.)

(iii) I bought this lovely dress _____ only two hundred rupees.

Answer - For ("For" is used to express price or exchange, indicating the cost of the dress.)

(iv) Someone threw a stone _____ the speaker.

Answer - At ("At" is used to indicate direction or target, showing that the stone was aimed towards the speaker.)

(v) The child ran _____ his father.

Answer - Towards ("Towards" is used to indicate direction or movement in the direction of something or someone.)

Q11. Fill in the blanks of any TWO with correct conjunctions.

(i) Mr. Nitin is the proprietor _____ manager of the firm.

Answer - And ("And" is used to connect two or more items or ideas, indicating that Mr. Nitin holds both positions.)

(ii) I am afraid _____ this action will backfire.

Answer - That ("That" is used to introduce a subordinate clause, explaining the reason for the speaker's fear.)

(iii) I want to see _____ you can solve this paper in three hours.

Answer - If ("If" is used to introduce a conditional clause, asking a question about the possibility of something happening.)

(iv) You must switch off all the lights _____ you retire for the night.

Answer - Before ("Before" is used as a conjunction to indicate that one event happened before another)



SECTION – D : LITERATURE

Q12. Complete the following sentences.

The Indian Weavers are weaving a garment which is blue in (i). It looks like the wings of a (ii). They are weaving it at (iii) of day. The garment is the robes of a (iv).

Answer - (i) Colour

(ii) Halcyon

(iii) Break

(iv) New-born child

Q13. Identify any three sentences as True or False.

(i) When the smallest athlete fell none of the other athletes even looked at him. **(True / False)**

Answer - False

(ii) The athletes came from all over the country. **(True / False)**

Answer - True

(iii) The hundred-yard race had eight winners as all eight athletes reached the finish line together. **(True / False)**

Answer - False

(iv) When the smallest athlete fell, the eight other runners turned around and went back to help him. **(True / False)** **(Nine Gold Medals)**

Answer - True

Q14. Read the following passage :

When he returned to India, he joined the Government Dairy at Anand in Gujarat as a Dairy Engineer. But he felt it was not a challenging job for him. So, he agreed to help Mr. Tribhuvandas Patel in setting up a milk processing plant. This was how the Amul Dairy came into existence in Gujarat. **(Co-operate and Prosper)**



Based on your understanding of the passage fill in the blanks of any three questions given below.

(i) When Dr. Kurien returned to India from the U.S.A. he joined the Government Dairy at _____.

Answer - Anand

(ii) Soon he found that the job was not _____ enough.

Answer - Challenging

(iii) He then agreed to help Mr. Tribhuvandas Patel set up a _____.

Answer - Milk processing plant

(iv) _____ came into existence in Gujarat.

Answer - Amul Dairy

Q15. Read the following passage :

Bismillah Khan religiously practised the Shehnai and attained perfection in a very short time. The flowing waters of the River Ganga inspired him to improve and invent 'ragas' that were earlier considered to be beyond the range of Shehnai. He often played the Shehnai at the Vishwanath Temple on the banks of River Ganga. (Ustad Bismillah Khan)

Based on your understanding of the passage, identify True or False sentences of any three questions given below :

(i) Bismillah Khan religiously practised the violin in order to attain perfection. (True / False)

Answer - False

(ii) The waters of the River Ganga inspired Bismillah Khan to invent ragas beyond the range of the Shehnai.

Answer - True

(iii) Bismillah Khan often played the Shehnai at the Hanuman Temple.

Answer - False



(iv) The Vishwanath Temple was situated on the banks of the River Ganga.

Answer - True

Q16. Match the character with the story.

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| (A) (i) Soysbai | (a) The Return of the Lion |
| (ii) Ali Baksh | (b) The Parrot who Wouldn't Talk |
| (iii) A bird catcher | (c) Ustad Bismillah Khan |

OR

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| (B) (i) The grey haired man | (a) A Birthday Letter |
| (ii) Headmaster | (b) Snake Bite |
| (iii) Indira | (c) A Tiger Comes to Town |

Answer - (A)

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| (A) (i) Soysbai | → | (a) The Return of the Lion |
| (ii) Ali Baksh | → | (b) The Parrot who Wouldn't Talk |
| (iii) A bird catcher | → | (c) Ustad Bismillah Khan |

OR

Answer - (B)

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|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| (B) (i) The grey haired man | → | (a) A Birthday Letter |
| (ii) Headmaster | → | (b) Snake Bite |
| (iii) Indira | → | (c) A Tiger Comes to Town |



PART - B SECTION - A : READING

Read the following passage carefully :

One day, a Brahmin by the name of Sevaram asked Birbal for help. He said that his forefathers had been great Sanskrit scholars and that people used to respectfully refer to them as Panditji. He said that he had no money nor need for wealth; he was content living a simple life, but he had just one wish. He wished people would refer to him as Panditji. He asked Birbal how he could achieve this. Birbal said that the task was fairly simple. If the Brahmin were to follow his advice word for word, this task could be achieved. Then Birbal advised the Brahmin to shout at anyone who would call him Panditji from then on. Now, the children who lived on the same street as the Brahmin did not like him since he scolded them often. They were just waiting for an opportunity to get back at him. Birbal told the children that the Brahmin would get really irritated if they were to start calling him Panditji. The children started calling him Panditji and the Brahmin, as advised by Birbal, started shouting at them. The children spread the word to all the other children in the neighbourhood that Sevaram hated being called Panditji, so they in turn all started calling him Panditji. After a while, Sevaram got tired of scolding them, but by then, everyone was already used to calling him Panditji. Hence, the game was over, but the name stuck.

Based on your understanding of the passage, answer the following questions.

Q17. What did Sevaram tell Birbal about his forefathers ?

Answer - Sevaram told Birbal that his forefathers were great Sanskrit scholars and that people used to respectfully refer to them as Panditji.

OR

Q18. What did Sevaram want Birbal to do for him ?

Answer - Sevaram wanted Birbal to help him be referred to as Panditji by people.

Q19. What advice did Birbal give Sevaram ?

Answer - Birbal advised Sevaram to shout at anyone who would call him Panditji from then on.

OR

Q20. Why did the children start calling Sevaram 'Panditji' ?

Answer - The children started calling Sevaram "Panditji" because Birbal told them that the Brahmin would get really irritated if they were to start calling him Panditji.



Q21. How did the name 'Panditji' get stuck to Sevaram ?

Answer - The name 'Panditji' got stuck to Sevaram because the children spread the word to others in the neighborhood, and everyone started calling him Panditji. Eventually, Sevaram got tired of scolding them, but by then, everyone was already used to calling him Panditji.

Q22. Pick out the words that mean the same as :

(a) ancestors

(b) vexed

Answer - The words that mean the same as:

(a) **ancestors:** forefathers

(b) **vexed:** irritated



SECTION - B : WRITING



Q23. Your school is holding a Musical Drama for the upcoming Annual Day. Write a letter to the Director of the Delhi School of Dance and Drama inviting him/her to be the chief guest for the occasion. You are Santosh/Sabina the cultural president of your school.

OR

Your brother was out of station when your school held a Musical Drama where you were the leading character. Write an email to him telling him about the drama and how you enjoyed performing in it, and how much he was missed by you.

Answer -

ABC International School

45, Green Valley Road, Sector-9

New Delhi

Date: 15/09/2024

To,

The Director,

Delhi School of Dance and Drama,

10, Connaught Place

New Delhi

Subject : Invitation to be the Chief Guest for the Annual Day Musical Drama

Respected Sir/Madam,

I am Santosh/Sabina, the Cultural President of ABC International School. We are organizing our Annual Day celebration on [date of the event], which will feature a Musical Drama showcasing the talents of our students. We would be honored if you could grace the occasion as the Chief Guest.

Your presence would greatly encourage our students and add immense value to the event. The program is scheduled to begin at [time] and will be followed by a short interaction with the students. We sincerely hope you will accept our invitation and make this event memorable for everyone involved. Please let us know if you are available for this date so we can make the necessary arrangements.

Thank you for considering our invitation.



Yours sincerely,
Santosh/Sabina
Cultural President
ABC International School

OR

Answer -

To: xyz@gmail.com

Hi karan,

Subject: Missed You at the Musical Drama!

I hope you're doing well! I wanted to tell you about the musical drama our school held recently. I played the lead character, and it was such an amazing experience! The crowd was so lively, and I really enjoyed performing on stage. It was one of those moments where everything just clicked. However, it wasn't the same without you there. I really missed having you in the audience cheering me on. I wish you could have seen it, but I'll make sure to fill you in on all the details when you're back.

Take care and see you soon!

Love,

kajal

Q24. Read the telephonic conversation given below :

Yash : Hello! May I speak to Sanjeev ?

Sangeeta : Sanjeev is not at home. I am Sangeeta, his sister. Is there a message for him ?

Yash : Yes. I am Yash, his schoolmate. I called to tell him that today's cricket coaching is cancelled as our coach had a family emergency. The class will now be held on Sunday at the same time. Please inform him.

Sangeeta : I will certainly let him know.

Yash : Thank you.



Sangeeta had to go out to meet her friend. She leaves a message for her brother. As Sangeeta write out the message.

Answer -

15th September 2024 **5:pm**

Dear Sanjeev,

Yash, your schoolmate, called to inform you that today's cricket coaching is cancelled because the coach had a family emergency. The class has been rescheduled to Sunday at the same time. Please note this change.

Sangeeta

Q25. You read in the newspaper about a baby girl found abandoned near the garbage heap of a nearby locality. You cannot understand why people still consider the girl-child a burden on them. Write an article for the newspaper on the topic, "Saving the Girl Child." You are Naveen/Naveena. You may use the hints given below.

- value and worth of each child
- number of female foeticides in our country
- importance of balancing the boy girl ratio
- create awareness in society

Answer -

Title - Saving the Girl Child: A Call for Change

By Naveen / Naveena

The recent heart-wrenching incident of a newborn girl being abandoned near a garbage heap has once again brought to light the deeply rooted social bias against the girl child. It is disheartening to witness such a cruel act of neglect towards an innocent life simply because of her gender. Every child, irrespective of gender, is a precious gift and deserves to be nurtured and loved. The belief that a girl child is a burden on her family is harmful and outdated and must be eradicated. Each child brings unique value and worth to the world, and gender should never determine a child's well-being.

The alarming number of female foeticides in our country is a stark reminder of the discrimination faced by girls even before birth. This grave injustice robs countless young lives of their right to exist.



To build a more just and equal society, it is essential to address this issue and strive to maintain a balanced boy-girl ratio.

Raising awareness about the importance of saving the girl child is crucial. We must challenge harmful stereotypes and promote gender equality. By educating communities about the value of every child, we can create a more inclusive and compassionate society. It is time to break free from the shackles of discrimination and recognize the inherent worth of every individual. Let us work together to create a world where every child, regardless of gender, is cherished, protected, and given the opportunity to achieve their full potential.

OR

You are Sachi/Sanju of Intelligence Academy. Your school conducted a seminar on the topic, "Increasing Obesity in Children". Today there is an increasing problem of obesity among school children. Write a report on the seminar bringing out the points discussed about obesity and how to overcome it. Use the hints given below with your own.

- **Sedentary life style**
- **Watching T.V.**
- **Very little physical exercise**
- **Social networking**
- **Eating junk food**

Answer -

Title: "Increasing Obesity in Children"

15th September 2024

Reported by: Sachi/Sanju,

Intelligence Academy

Obesity among school children has become a significant health issue in recent years. To address this growing concern, our school conducted a seminar on the topic, "Increasing Obesity in Children." The seminar highlighted several key factors contributing to childhood obesity and provided valuable insights into potential solutions. One of the primary causes of obesity identified during the seminar is a sedentary lifestyle. Children today spend a considerable amount of time indoors, engaged in activities such as watching television, playing video games, and using computers. These sedentary habits limit physical activity and contribute to weight gain.



Another factor contributing to childhood obesity is excessive consumption of junk food. High-calorie, nutrient-deficient foods, such as fast food, chips, and sugary drinks, are readily available and often marketed to children. The appeal of these unhealthy options can lead to poor dietary choices and weight gain. Social networking and the constant pressure to fit in can also contribute to childhood obesity. Children may engage in unhealthy eating habits or avoid physical activity to conform to societal norms or peer pressure.

To combat the rising rates of childhood obesity, the seminar emphasized the importance of promoting a healthy lifestyle. Encouraging regular physical activity, such as participating in sports, playing outdoors, or taking dance classes, is crucial. Schools can play a vital role by incorporating physical education into the curriculum and creating opportunities for students to engage in sports and recreational activities.

Furthermore, it is essential to educate children and their families about the importance of a balanced diet. Limiting the consumption of junk food and sugary drinks while emphasizing the intake of fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and lean proteins can help prevent obesity. Parents and caregivers can also set a positive example by making healthy choices themselves.

In conclusion, the seminar on "Increasing Obesity in Children" provided valuable information about the factors contributing to this growing health issue and offered potential solutions.

Sachi/Sanju,



SECTION - C : GRAMMAR

Q26. Complete the following dialogue by filling in the blanks with suitable words. The first one has been done as an example.

System : How may I help you ?

User : I have a question

System : Ok, what is your question ?

User : I _____ like to know my account balance.

System : I _____ help you with that, what is your account number ?

Answer -

System : How may I help you ?

User : I have a question

System : Ok, what is your question ?

User : I **would** like to know my account balance.

System : I **can** help you with that, what is your account number ?

"Could," "may," and "would" are all modal verbs, which are a type of auxiliary verb used to express different things, such as ability, possibility, obligation, and necessity.

Q27. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions :

Mr. Kumar works _____ the furniture department _____ the second floor.

(A) in, at

(B) at, on

(C) in, on

(D) on, at

Answer - (C) in, on

Q28. Change to reported speech :

(i) The captain said, "The aircraft will be taking off in a few minutes".

(ii) She said, "This letter gave me a pleasant surprise yesterday".

(iii) The teacher said to Shivani, "which lines of this poem have you not understood?"

Answer - (i) The captain said that the aircraft would be taking off in a few minutes.

(ii) She said that the letter had given her a pleasant surprise the previous day.

(iii) The teacher asked Shivani which lines of the poem she had not understood.



Q29. Complete the passage given below with conjunctions :

A war was raging all around ___ (i) ___ the entire village was in panic ___ (ii) ___ the two children slept soundly on a cot. The old lady spent the whole night trembling with fear, ___ (iii) ___ the morning came, she realised she was without food ___ (iv) ___ she had money with her, there was no possibility of getting anything to eat.

Answer - "A war was raging all around (i) while the entire village was in panic (ii) yet the two children slept soundly on a cot. The old lady spent the whole night trembling with fear, (iii) But when the morning came, she realised she was without food (iv) although she had money with her, there was no possibility of getting anything to eat."

Q30. Complete the following passage by filling in the blanks using correct form of verbs given in brackets.

Someone should have ___ (i) ___ (nurture) her talent. It could have ___ (ii) ___ (blossom). She could have ___ (iii) ___ (touch) great heights in the tinsel world. She had the potential of ___ (iv) ___ (become) a very sensitive artist.

Answer - Someone should have nurtured her talent. It could have blossomed. She could have touched great heights in the tinsel world. She had the potential of becoming a very sensitive artist.

How to solve this type of question:

- **Identify the tense:** This will help you choose the correct verb form.
- **Apply the verb rule:** Use the appropriate verb rule for the given tense.

Sentence 1: "Someone should have nurtured her talent." The sentence is about something that should have happened in the past, so we use the **past perfect tense**.

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Sentence 4: "She had the potential of becoming a very sensitive artist." the tense used is past perfect ("had"). The structure "had the potential" indicates that we are discussing a past possibility or capability.

The correct form of the verb "**become**" should be in its infinitive form, because after the word "**of**," we use the **gerund form (verb + ing)**. "A gerund is used after a preposition or certain expressions that end in a preposition"



SECTION - D : LITERATURE

Q31. Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each.

(i) What can't the children rebuilt ? (My Only Cry)

Answer - The children cannot rebuild a better world without the adults. This is because the adults are the ones who hold the power and influence to make significant changes in society.

OR

(ii) What should humans do to make the world a better place to live in ? (A Prayer For Healing)

Answer - Humans should work together to protect and preserve the earth, making it a better place to live in and leaving it in good condition for future generations.

(iii) Why are words referred to ghosts in the poem ? (Truth)

Answer - Words are referred to as ghosts in the poem because they can be haunting and have a lasting impact, even after they are spoken.

(iv) How did the race in the poem 'Nine Gold Medals' end ? (Nine Gold Medals)

Answer - In the poem "Nine Gold Medals," the race ended with all nine runners crossing the finish line together, showing unity and support instead of competition. The spirit of cooperation and unity led to everyone receiving a gold medal.

Q32. Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each.

(i) What message did the Attendant give Rani Jijabai ? (The Return of the Lion)

Answer - The Attendant informed Rani Jijabai that Shivaji had been killed, but she refused to believe the news.

OR

(ii) What did Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel determine to bring into the lives of the farmers of Gujarat and why ? (Co-operate and Prosper)

Answer - Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel aimed to bring cooperative farming practices into the lives of Gujarat's farmers to improve their economic conditions and ensure better agricultural productivity.



(iii) Why did Kondiba take to begging even though he hated it ? (Kondiba - A Hero)

Answer - Kondiba took to begging because the severe famine in Maharashtra had left him with no other means to support himself, even though he hated it.

(iv) What did the master have to say about words like 'beast' and 'brute' ? (A Tiger Comes To Town II)

Answer - The master said that words like "beast" and "brute" should not be used for anyone. He said that the tiger did not do anything to deserve such harsh words. He did not harm anyone nor did he try doing anything bad. Humans find everyone a beast if they are not like them. This made the master angry.

Q33. Answer any one question in 30 - 40 words each :

(i) What was the magic cure that the grey old man performed on Raja ? (Snake Bite)

Answer - The grey old man performed a ritualistic cure for Raja by reciting mantras while holding some water in a brass vessel. He then washed Raja's finger and gave him water to drink, pretending it was a snake bite.

OR

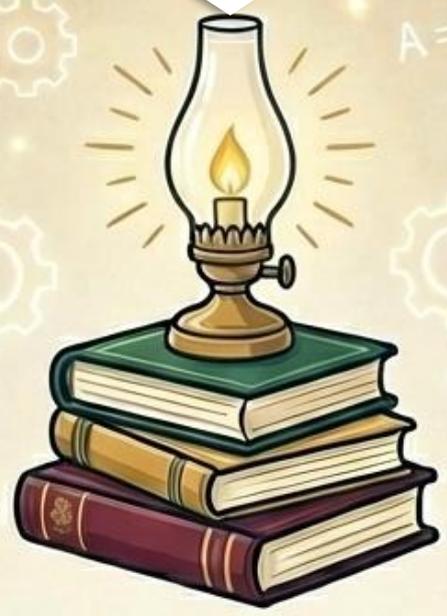
(ii) What made Aunt Ruby go ruby red ?

Answer - When Aunt Ruby entered the mango orchard, the parrot saw her and shouted, "You're not pretty! You can't talk, sing, or dance!" Aunt Ruby felt embarrassed and turned red, so she quickly ran inside.





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(ii) Defence mechanism of a person would help the animals protect oneself.

Answer - False

(iii) Many non-poisonous snakes have colours different to poisonous snakes.

Answer - False

Q3. Answer the following questions in one word.

(i) Name a rabbit which changes colour with the season.

Answer - Snow-Shoe Hare

(ii) What is a common type of camouflage among the fishes.

Answer - Counter Shading

(iii) What type of defence mechanism does non-poisonous snakes follow?

Answer - Mimicry



SECTION - B : WRITING



Q4. Answer the following questions, with reference to the content below:

You are Prabha. You have a younger brother who spends hours and hours confined to his room watching web-series and playing online games. You have to write a letter to him drawing primary concern towards the negative impact of excessive screen time on your brother's physical and mental well-being.

Choose the correct alternative of the following questions.

(i) Choose the most appropriate concluding sentence for the letter from the options given below :

- (A) 'I'm taking away your device until you learn to control yourself'.
- (B) 'I hope you can find a healthier balance and prioritize your well-being'.
- (C) "You need to stop watching web series and playing games immediately".
- (D) 'You're wasting your life away on screens, snap out of it'.

Answer - (B) 'I hope you can find a healthier balance and prioritize your well-being'.

(ii) What suggestion should Prabha include in the letter to help the brother address his excessive screen time ?

- (A) Set a daily time limit for screen time and stick to it.
- (B) Avoid screens altogether and focus on outdoor activities.
- (C) Limit screen time to only weekends and holidays.
- (D) Replace screen time with reading books or watching educational videos.

Answer - (A) Set a daily time limit for screen time and stick to it.

(iii) Select the appropriate tone the writer would adopt when writing the letter to the younger brother:

- | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| (1) Authoritative | (2) Concerned |
| (3) Indifferent | (4) Supportive |
| (A) (1) and (4) | (B) (2) and (4) |



(C) (2) and (3)

(D) (1) and (3)

Answer - (B) (2) and (4)

(iv) What should the writer include to make the message more effective?

(A) Personal attacks and blame.

(B) General warnings and threats

(C) Technical jargon and statistics

(D) Specific examples and consequences.

Answer - (D) Specific examples and consequences.

(v) What is the main concern to be expressed in the letter by Prabha to the younger brother?

(A) His choice of web series and online games.

(B) His lack of interest in outdoor activities.

(C) The excessive amount of time spent on screen-based activities.

(D) His poor performance in school.

Answer - (C) The excessive amount of time spent on screen-based activities.

Q5. Answer the questions given with reference to the context below:

Write a notice as Saavvi of Sunshine Public School, Jammu informing the students from classes IX to XII about a tree plantation week going to be observed by the school. Create all relevant information and write a notice for the school notice board.

Choose the correct alternatives of the following questions :

(i) Choose suitable activities planned for tree plantation week :

(A) Environmental workshops

(B) Eco-friendly poster making competitions

(C) Tree Planting Drives

(D) All of the above

Answer - (D) All of the above.

(ii) Point out the main purpose of Tree Plantation Week .

(A) To promote environmental awareness and responsibility

(B) To organize sports activities.

(C) To celebrate a special occasion



(D) To conduct exams and assessments

Answer - (A) To promote environmental awareness and responsibility

(iii) Select the most appropriate title for the notice :

(A) Environmental Conservation Efforts

(B) Sustainable Living : A Collective Responsibility.

(C) Tree Plantation Week : A Step Towards Sustainability.

(D) Go Green : Plant a Tree Today.

Answer - (C) Tree Plantation Week : A Step Towards Sustainability.

(iv) Select the most appropriate conclusion for the notice :

(A) "Together, we can make a difference and create a better future for our planet".

(B) "Only some students are invited".

(C) "Let's take a break and relax".

(D) "We'll see you next time".

Answer - (A) "Together, we can make a difference and create a better future for our planet".

Q6. The questions given below are based on the given text. Read the text carefully and answer the questions.

You are Ruchika Singh. You are deeply distressed as you feel that the present education system overburdens the students not in senior classes but at the beginning. Write an article stressing on the need to make the education stress free as well as less expensive.

(i) Which of the following should not be included in an article ?

(A) A clear thesis statement

(B) Supporting evidence and examples.

(C) Irrelevant anecdotes and stories.

(D) Contrary viewpoints and counter arguments.

Answer - (C) Irrelevant anecdotes and stories.

(ii) Choose the best suitable opening sentence for Ruchika's article:

(A) Education is only for the rich and the privileged.

(B) I love studying for exam. It's so much fun.



(C) "Education is a fundamental right, but it is becoming a luxury for many".

(D) The education system has always been perfect; no need for changes.

Answer - (C) "Education is a fundamental right, but it is becoming a luxury for many".

(iii) Choose the most appropriate logical order to organize ideas in the article:

(A) I Solution, II Problem, III Conclusion

(B) I Conclusion, II Solutions, III Problem

(C) I Introduction, II Problems, III Solutions, IV Conclusion

(D) I Problem, II Conclusion, III Solutions

Answer - (C) I Introduction, II Problems, III Solutions, IV Conclusion

(iv) Select the option that lists an appropriate title for Ruchika's article:

(A) "Education : A Source of Stress or Success".

(B) "From Burden to Benefits : Transforming Education".

(C) "Stress free Education : A Distant Dream".

(D) "The Burden of Learning : Why Education Needs a Revamp" ?

Answer - (C) "Stress free Education : A Distant Dream".



SECTION - C : GRAMMAR

Q7. Fill in the blanks to complete the note :

If you ___(i)___ (observe) good speakers you will see that they make frequent eye contact with listeners in order to keep them ___(ii)___ (involve). Just as you would greet someone by ___(iii)___ (look) into the eyes, you need to look the audience in the eye in order to convey a message of relating to them during your speech.

Answer - If you **observe** good speakers, you will see that they make frequent eye contact with listeners in order to keep them **involved**. Just as you would greet someone by **looking** into the eyes, you need to look the audience in the eye in order to convey a message of relating to them during your speech.

Q8. Fill in the blanks to complete the note on 'A Rainy Day'

It is raining heavily today and the streets ___(i)___ soon. The rain has been pouring down since morning, and it may continue throughout the day. The children ___(ii)___ to school because they cannot play outside in the weather. The weather forecast says it will clear up by tomorrow, but it ___(iii)___ now.

- (i) (A) are flooded (B) will be flooded
(C) has flooded (D) have flooded

Answer - (B) Will be flooded

- (ii) (A) is not going (B) was not going
(C) were not going (D) are not going

Answer - (D) are not going

- (iii) (A) is still gloomy (B) are still gloomy
(C) is still gloom (D) was still gloomy

Answer - (A) is still gloomy



Q9. Choose the correct option to fill in the blanks to complete the passage :

Dr. Herriot (i) to see an overweight Tricki. He (ii) that Tricki (iii) huge, like bloated sausage and his tongue lolled from his jaws.

- | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| (i) (A) was shocked | (B) was shock |
| (C) is shocked | (D) were shocked |
| (ii) (A) cannot believe | (B) cannot believed |
| (C) could not believed | (D) could not believe |
| (iii) (A) had become | (B) has become |
| (C) have become | (D) was become |

Answer - (i) (A) was shocked

(ii) (D) could not believe

(iii) (A) had become

Q10. Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions.

- (i) The information _____ this booklet is out of date.
- (ii) She works _____ Marks and Spencer.
- (iii) He just swept the dust _____ the carpet.
- (iv) She won the first prize. She's _____ the moon!

Answer - (i) The information **in this booklet is out of date.**

(ii) She works **at** Marks and Spencer.

(iii) He just swept the dust **off** the carpet.

(iv) She won the first prize. She's **over** the moon!

Q11. Fill in the blanks with the correct conjunction.

- (i) Always speak the truth _____ people respect you.
- (ii) She must weep _____ she will die.

Answer - (i) so that

(ii) or



SECTION - D : LITERATURE

Q12. Complete the following sentences.

- (i) When his _____ saw him as a baby he uttered the word 'Bismillah'.
- (ii) His father was a musician in the court of _____ Dumraon. (Ustad Bismillah Khan)
- (iii) Bismillah Khan was earlier named as _____.

Answer - (i) grandfather

(ii) Maharaja Dumraon

(iii) Qamaruddin

Q13. Identify the following sentences as True or False :

- (i) According to the poet, the children are interested in politics because it brings people together.
- (ii) The poem 'My Only Cry' is written by Leila Ibrahim Semaan.
- (iii) The child asks the arms makers to continue producing weapons and to work to prolong wars.

Answer - (i) False

(ii) True

(iii) False

Q14. Identify the following sentences as True or False :

- (i) The police call the Magistrate to stop the circus master from going into the Headmaster's room.
- (ii) The Magistrate forbids the circus master from entering the room.
- (iii) The master's attempt to enter that room is compared to war.

Answer - (i) False

(ii) True

(iii) false



Q15. Match the characters with the story :

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|-----------------|----------------------------|
| (i) Salim | (A) The Return of the Lion |
| (ii) Ram Das | (B) Ustad Bismillah Khan |
| (iii) Ali Baksh | (C) The Last Stone Mason |

Answer -

- | | |
|-----------------|------------------------------|
| (i) Salim | → (A) The Return of the Lion |
| (ii) Ram Das | → (B) Ustad Bismillah Khan |
| (iii) Ali Baksh | → (C) The Last Stone Mason |

Q16. Read the following passage carefully:

When the old man opened his eyes he found himself on a cot in his bedroom covered by a light blanket. From the workshop the chipping around of the chisel reached his ears. He listened. Had he heard correctly ? He could hear it again, strong blow of the hammer on the top of a chisel. Gopal ! He was back. (The Last Stone Mason)

Based on your understanding of the passage fill in the blanks given below :

- (i) When the old man opens his eyes he finds himself _____.
- (ii) He thought that his son Gopal _____.
- (iii) The old man heard the sound of strong blows _____.

Answer - (i) When the old man opens his eyes he finds himself **on a cot in his bedroom covered by a light blanket.**(ii) He thought that his son Gopal **was back.**(iii) The old man heard the sound of strong blows **of the hammer on the top of a chisel.**

PART - B SECTION - A : READING

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

Close your eyes. Imagine the vast blue ocean and think of your favourite sea creature. Did you see the face of cute bottle-nosed dolphin with a wide grin spread across his face ? Fun-loving, gentle and sensitive, the dolphin is an amazing mammal said to possess unusually high intelligence. Recent research suggests that the mammals' squeaks and clicks may be a form of communication and that some signature whistles could also be ways for the dolphin to identify itself and call out to each other. What does this mean ? It implies that dolphins, much like humans, name each other and call out to each other using these names!

Dolphins are truly out of the ordinary because of their intelligence. And, among the many creatures that share the earth with us, they come closest to humankind in terms of familial traits, emotions and learning. Just like us, dolphins live in groups called pods that they consider family. The feeling of community within a pod is intense. The dolphins in a pod care for the sick, elderly or injured and grieve just like humans. Like us, they are also social mammals who enjoy the company of dolphins from other pods, and sometimes even tease the sea creatures in their vicinity. Dolphins nurse their babies like humans and young ones remain with their mothers for almost three years, before swimming off to start their own family.

Amazing as it is to imagine that dolphins and other cetaceans could soon be entitled to their own rights. Mythology tells us that these creatures enjoyed a will of their own. The dolphin is depicted in many Greek stories as a seafaring creature that guided ships and helped sailors on long, treacherous journeys. According to one particular Greek myth, dolphins have "human" qualities because they were once humans themselves. The story goes that the Greek God Dionysus was travelling the oceans when he was captured by pirates who mistook him for a royal member. The pirates chained the God to the ship's mast and rowed towards Turkey dreaming of rich ransom. Unobserved Dionysus broke out of his chains and started playing his flute.

As he played his song, grape vines entwined the ships' mast and the oars turned into serpents. Frightened, the pirates threw themselves overboard and started to drown. However, Dionysus took pity on them and turned them into dolphins, blessing them with the ability to help and guide other seafarers in the future.



Based on your understanding of the passage, answer the questions:

Q17. Who has captured by Pirates? Why?

Answer - The Greek God Dionysus was travelling the oceans when he was captured by pirates who mistook him for a royal member.

Q18. Pick out the words that mean:

(i) Deceptive

Answer - Deceptive - Treacherous (Likely to give a false impression or to make somebody believe something that is not true)

(ii) Money asked for releasing someone

Answer - Money asked for releasing someone- Ransom (The money that you must pay to free somebody who has been captured illegally and who is being kept as a prisoner)

Q19. The feeling of community within a pod is intense. Justify giving two facts.

Answer - The feeling of community within a pod is intense because:

1. The dolphins in a pod care for the sick, elderly, or injured and grieve just like humans.
2. Dolphins nurse their babies like humans, and young ones remain with their mothers for almost three years before swimming off to start their own family.

Q20. Mention any two qualities of a dolphin which make it an amazing mammal.

Answer - The two qualities of a dolphin which make it an amazing mammal:

1. Dolphins are **fun-loving, gentle, and sensitive**.
2. They possess **unusually high intelligence** and can communicate using squeaks and clicks.



SECTION - B : WRITING



Q21. Increasing number of vehicles on the road makes Nivedita of 06-Curzon Road, Kolkata worried. Draft a letter to the editor of a local daily urging the readers to make collective efforts to reduce the number of vehicles on road. Draft that letter for her.

Answer -

06-Curzon Road,

Kolkata – 700001

Date: 12-jan-2024

To,

The Editor,

Hindustan Times,

Kolkata

Subject: Need to Reduce the Number of Vehicles on Roads

Respected Sir/Madam,

Through the esteemed columns of your newspaper, I want to share my concern about the increasing number of vehicles on the roads of Kolkata. The heavy traffic causes pollution, accidents, and long delays. It makes daily travel difficult and harms our health.

To solve this issue, we must take collective action. People should use public transport, carpool, and walk or cycle for short distances. The government should also improve the public transport system and encourage eco-friendly travel options.

I request you to publish this letter to spread awareness among citizens. Together, we can make Kolkata's roads safer and less crowded.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Nivedita

OR



Yasodha had a wonderful experience in the Deer Park in the early hours of the day. Write an e-mail as Yasodha to her friend Apoorva describing the experience and urging her to come along with her for a morning walk.

Answer -

To: apoorva456@gmail.com

Subject: A Beautiful Morning at Deer Park – You Should Join Me!

Dear Apoorva,

I hope you're doing well! I just wanted to share the amazing experience I had this morning at Deer Park. The air was so fresh, and the atmosphere was so peaceful. I arrived just as the sun was rising, and it was such a magical sight. The park was filled with gentle mist, and I could hear the soft rustling of the trees.

I also got to see a group of deer grazing peacefully it was so calm and relaxed. I couldn't help but feel at one with nature. The whole experience was so refreshing, and I felt so energized after the walk.

I think you'd love it too! How about joining me tomorrow morning for a walk? It will be so much fun, and the morning air is just perfect for a peaceful stroll.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon!

Warm regards,

Yasodha

Q22. Read the telephone conversation given below :

Deepak : Hello! May I speak to Raj ?

Ritu : Sorry, my brother is not at home.

Deepak: This is Deepak, I am Raj's classmate. Can you tell Raj that the cricket match at school tomorrow is postponed to the next Monday.

Ritu : Sure ! I wil pass on your message.

As Ritu has to visit her friend, she leaves a message for Raj as per her conversation with Deepak.

Write a message on her behalf.



Answer -**Date: 11-sep-2024****Time: 6:00**

Dear Raj,

Deepak called while you were out. He wanted to inform you that the cricket match at school, scheduled for tomorrow, has been postponed to next Monday.

See you soon!

Ritu

Q23. Write an article for the school magazine urging your readers to shun the practice of bursting crackers on festive occasions. You are Som. Use the following clues :

- **bursting crackers**
- **age old practice**
- **Air pollution**
- **Waste of money**
- **Health hazards**
- **Shun crackers**
- **Public display of fire works can be arranged.**

Answer -**Say No to Crackers: A Step Towards a Cleaner Future****By: Som**

Bursting crackers has been an age-old practice in our society, especially during festivals. People believe that it brings joy and celebration. However, in reality, crackers cause more harm than good. The air gets filled with smoke, making it difficult to breathe. The loud noise disturbs animals, elderly people, and small children. While we celebrate, we forget about the harmful effects of crackers on our environment and health.

Crackers release harmful gases, which lead to air pollution. The thick smoke causes breathing problems, especially for asthma patients and elderly people. Crackers also lead to a waste of money, as they burn out in seconds, leaving behind pollution and waste. Additionally, the risk of accidents, burns, and injuries is high, especially among children. Festivals are meant to bring happiness, not health hazards.

It is time we shun crackers and celebrate festivals in an eco-friendly way. Instead of bursting crackers, we can light lamps, share sweets, and spend time with family. Schools and societies can organize a



public display of fireworks in a controlled manner, reducing pollution and risk. If we truly care about our environment and health, we must take action now. Let's pledge to say no to crackers and make our celebrations safe and pollution-free!

OR

Shubham of Class XII has been told to write a report to be published in the school magazine about a rally taken out by students of class X and XI. The purpose of the rally was to promote awareness about the harmful effects of bursting crackers. Draft the report on his behalf.

Answer -

Rally for a Pollution-Free Diwali

Date: October 25, 2024

Reported By: Shubham (Class XII)

On October 25, 2024, the students of Class X and XI of Sunshine Public School organized a rally to spread awareness about the harmful effects of bursting crackers. The rally started from the school premises and covered nearby localities. The main objective of this rally was to educate people about air and noise pollution caused by firecrackers and to encourage an eco-friendly Diwali. Many students enthusiastically participated, carrying placards and chanting slogans like **"Say No to Crackers, Yes to Life"**. The rally began with an inspiring speech by the school principal, highlighting the need to celebrate a green Diwali. Students carried banners with messages about air pollution, waste of money, and health hazards caused by crackers. They also interacted with local residents, distributing pamphlets and explaining the importance of avoiding firecrackers. The energy and dedication of the students made the rally a great success.

The rally concluded on a positive note, with many people pledging to avoid crackers this Diwali. The efforts of the students were appreciated by teachers and local citizens. The event successfully spread awareness, proving that small steps can lead to a big change.

Shubham



SECTION - C : GRAMMAR

Q24. Fill in the blanks with appropriate preposition:

- (i) Take turn _____ your left.
- (ii) The cat is sleeping _____ the floor.

Answer -

- (i) To
- (ii) On

Q25. complete the following dialogue by filling in the blanks with suitable words:

Ansh: The Taj in full moon looks fabulous.

Akram: When (i) _____ you visit the Taj?

Ansh: We (ii) _____ there last week.

Answer -

Ansh: The Taj in full moon looks fabulous.

Akram: When did you visit the Taj?

Ansh: We went there last week.

Q26. Change to reported speech :

- (i) She says, "I am ready".
- (ii) He said, "I will write a letter",
- (iii) She said to me, "You are a clever boy".

Answer - (i) She said that she was ready

(ii) He said that he would write a letter.

(iii) She told me that I was a clever boy

Q27. Complete the following sentences with proper use of conjunction:

- (i) Are you sure _____ you have the right address?
- (ii) She lives _____ your aunt lived earlier.
- (iii) Let us wait _____ the matter is decided.
- (iv) She is more beautiful _____ her sister.

Answer - (i) Are you sure **that** you have the right address?

(ii) She lives **where** your aunt lived earlier.



(iii) Let us wait **until** the matter is decided.

(iv) She is more beautiful **than** her sister.

Q28. Complete the following passage by filling in the blanks using the correct form of verbs given in brackets :

Arteries of the heart blocked by plaque _____ (could / can) reduce the flow of blood to the heart, possibly resulting in heart attack or death. Plaque _____ (are / is) actually a fat and cholesterol that accumulates on the inside of the arteries.

The arteries of the heart _____ (are / were) small and _____ (can be/ can) blocked by such accumulations.

Answer - Arteries of the heart blocked by plaque can reduce the flow of blood to the heart, possibly resulting in a heart attack or death. Plaque is actually a fat and cholesterol that accumulates on the inside of the arteries. The arteries of the heart are small and can be blocked by such accumulations.



SECTION - D : LITERATURE

Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each.

Q29. Why was Pt. Nehru not able to send gift to Indira on her birthday? (A Birthday Letter)

Answer - Pt. Nehru was not able to send a gift to Indira on her birthday because he was imprisoned in Naini Jail at that time. Being in prison, he could not send any material or solid gift, so he sent her a letter as a gift of the mind and spirit instead.

Q30. What task was assigned to Mr. Tribhuwandas Patel? (Co-operate and Prosper)

Answer - Mr. Tribhuwandas Patel was assigned the task of organising the scattered cattle farmers of Gujarat into a co-operative and starting a co-operative dairy so that they could get a regular income and be saved from exploitation by middlemen.

Q31. How did Kondiba suddenly become a hero? (Kondiba - A Hero)

Answer - Kondiba suddenly became a hero when he bravely saved a young boy, Arvind, from drowning in a deep well. Though he was blind and weak, he jumped into the well, dived several times, and finally found the boy trapped in mud and weeds. He held the boy by his belt and pulled him out safely. His act of courage and selfless bravery was reported in newspapers, and people praised him for saving a life. That is how Kondiba suddenly became a hero.

OR

What pets did Indians and Europeans have in those distant days and what were the specialities of the birds?

Answer - In those distant days, both Indians and Europeans commonly kept parrots or parakeets as pets. Some people also kept small lovebirds. The speciality of these birds was that they were very good at copying human words and sounds. They could be trained to chant mantras, repeat instructions, or even scold children by speaking the same words again and again after hearing them many times from the people in the house.



Q32. Why did the Master scold the crowd for using the words 'beast' or 'brute'? (The Tiger Comes to Town - I)

Answer - The Master scolded the crowd because the words 'beast' and 'brute' are ugly and rude words made by humans in their arrogance. He believed that human beings wrongly think all other creatures are less important. According to him, the tiger was harmless and noble, so it was wrong to use such insulting words for him.

Q33. How did the author and his relative became fond of smoking? (Stealing and Atonement)

Answer - The author and his relative became fond of smoking by imitating the author's uncle, who had the habit of smoking. They did not find smoking good or enjoy its smell. Instead, they imagined pleasure in blowing out clouds of smoke from their mouths. As they had no money to buy cigarettes, they first collected the cigarette stubs thrown away by the uncle, which gradually led them to develop the habit of smoking.

Q34. What must we do if we want fresh air and water in the future? (A Prayer for Healing)

Answer - If we want fresh air and water in the future, we must work together to care for the earth. We should reduce pollution, plant more trees, and keep rivers, lakes, and oceans clean. By protecting nature and using resources wisely, we can help the earth heal and ensure clean air and water for future generations.

Q35. Why are words referred to ghosts in the poem 'The Truth'?

Answer - Words are referred to as ghosts in the poem "The Truth" because hurtful words stay in the mind and heart for a long time. Just like ghosts, they keep haunting a person again and again. Physical wounds heal with time, but the pain caused by cruel words does not easily disappear and continues to trouble a person emotionally.





Thank you!



We hope you found this material helpful. We wish you the very best for your examination.



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