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Only Question Paper

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Time : Three Hours 15 Minutes] [Max. Marks : 70*Instructions : First 15 minutes are allotted for the candidates to read the question paper.***Note :**

- (i) *This question paper is divided into two sections – A and B.*
- (ii) *All questions from both the sections are compulsory.*
- (iii) *Marks are indicated against each question.*
- (iv) *Read the questions very carefully before you start answering them.*

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SECTION A

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it :

Socrates lived in Athens about four-hundred years before Jesus Christ was born. As a boy he was ugly, undersized and had a flat nose and bulging eyes. His father was a poor stone-cutter, so he was always rather shabbily dressed. This strange creature with the short neck and plain face was a thoughtful child. He watched his companions all the time and allowed very few things to escape his notice.

Socrates did not have a big house or fine furniture. He did not seem to want either wealth or beautiful possessions. As he grew older he began to think very little of bodily comfort and pleasure. He gave his mind to all that was noble, honourable and just.

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- (a) Write the name of the lesson from which the above passage has been taken. Who is the author of the lesson ? 2
- (b) What do we come to know about Socrates after reading the above passage ? 2

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2. Answer any **one** of the following questions in about 60 words : 4

- (a) Who was Lencho ? What circumstances forced him to seek help from God ?
 (b) What did Brahma create in the Universe ? Why was he sad ?

3. Answer any **two** of the following questions in about 25 words each : 2+2=4

- (a) Who in reality was the Yaksha and why did he come ?
 (b) What was Nehru unable to repay to the Indian people ? UPBOARDONLINE.COM
 (c) How did the second son prove that he was wiser than his elder brother ?

4. Match the words of List A with their meanings in List B : 4×1=4

List A

List B

- (a) Forsake – took pleasure
 (b) Scattered – to distant places
 (c) Far and wide – thrown here and there
 (d) Delighted – leave alone in a helpless condition

5. Read the following lines of poetry and answer the questions given below it :

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.

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- (a) Write the title of the poem from which the above lines have been taken. Who is the author of the poem ? 2
 (b) What type of people lay the foundation of a strong nation ? 2

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6. Give the central idea of any **one** of the following poems : 3

- (a) The Fountain
 (b) The Perfect Life

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OR

Write four lines from one of the poems given in your textbook. (Do not copy out the lines given in this question paper) 3

7. Answer any **two** of the following questions in about 25 words each : $2+2=4$

- (a) Why did Edison decide to take up a job in the railway ?
- (b) What were the feelings of Jesse Owens for Luz Long ?
- (c) What was the judgement seat of Vikramaditya made of ? Why did it disappear from the Earth for ever ?

8. Point out *True* and *False* in the following statements : $4 \times 1 = 4$

- (a) The invention of his talking machine made Edison famous all over America.
- (b) The judgement seat of Vikramaditya was lying buried in the pasture.
- (c) Jesse Owens was an admirer of Adolf Hitler. UPBOARDONLINE.COM
- (d) The essential thing in life is not conquering but fighting well.

9. Select the most suitable alternative to complete the following statements : $4 \times 1 = 4$

- (a) Edison told his teacher, "But the kites have no wings and still we can fly them in the sky." It was _____ .
 - (i) an intelligent answer
 - (ii) a doubtful answer
 - (iii) a silly answer
 - (iv) a wrong answer

(b) Electric lights shone for the first time in America in _____ .

- (i) 1878 UPBOARDONLINE.COM
- (ii) 1880
- (iii) 1882
- (iv) 1884

(c) The King of Ujjain could not sit on the judgement seat of Vikramaditya because _____ .

- (i) he was afraid of the cowherd boy
- (ii) every time he was pushed aside by an angel
- (iii) he thought himself unworthy of it
- (iv) he had given up the idea of sitting on the throne

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(d) The founder of the modern Olympic Games was _____ .

- (i) Adolf Hitler
- (ii) Pierre de Coubertin
- (iii) Jesse Owens
- (iv) Luz Long

SECTION B

10. Do as indicated against each of the following sentences :

- (a) Monday to Sunday from out on a tour was he. 2
(Frame a correct sentence by re-ordering the words) UPBOARDONLINE.COM
- (b) Everyone loves him. 2
(Change into passive voice)
- (c) Ashok said to his sister, "Please put these papers on my table." 2
(Change into indirect speech)
- (d) Do not go out until your father _____ back. 2
(Use the correct form of the verb 'come') UPBOARDONLINE.COM

11. (a) Choose the correct preposition from the ones given below the sentence to fill in the blank : 2
I am very sorry _____ being late.
(to, on, for)

- (b) Complete the following sentence : 2
I do not know why _____ .
- (c) Complete the spellings of the following words : $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$
(i) Con ey
(ii) C r y
- (d) Punctuate the following sentence using capital letters wherever necessary : 2
what is your name asked my senior i replied my name is saurabh

12. Translate the following into English : 4
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कलिंग युद्ध का भयानक रक्तपात देखकर अशोक का हृदय शोक एवं पश्चाताप से भर गया । उसने शान्ति एवं अहिंसा का मार्ग अपना लिया और भविष्य में युद्ध न करने की शपथ खाई । वह बौद्ध धर्म का अनुयायी हो गया । उसने बौद्ध धर्म का प्रचार भारत में ही नहीं विदेशों में भी किया ।

13. Write an application to the Principal of your college requesting him to allot you a room in the college hostel. (Do not write your Name and Roll number)

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OR

Write a letter to your friend expressing your inability to join the wedding ceremony of his brother. (Do not write your Name and Roll number)

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14. Write an essay on *one* of the following topics in about 60 words. Points are given below for each topic to develop the composition.

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(a) A Wedding that you have attended :

- (i) Introduction
(ii) Place of assembly
(iii) Marriage procession – lights, music, dance and fireworks
(iv) Reception at bridegroom's place, drinks and snacks
(v) Jaimala and photography
(vi) Dinner

(b) Your Favourite Player :

- (i) Name
(ii) Game with which he is associated
(iii) His achievements
(iv) Your reasons for liking him

(c) The Film you like the most :

- (i) Name of the film
(ii) Name of the cinema hall
(iii) Story, music, cast, photography and dialogues
(iv) Its message

15. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions set thereon :

One day at school, Newton was kicked by a bigger boy, who was higher up in the class than he was. The kicking made Newton very angry and he turned on the bigger boy and gave him a good beating. He also decided to beat him at lessons, and this made him start to work harder. After that, he improved at his studies, and later made many discoveries. So perhaps, the big boy, who kicked Newton did a service to the world.

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- (a) What was Newton's immediate reaction when he was kicked by a bigger boy? 3
- (b) Why is it said that the boy, who kicked Newton did a service to the world? 3

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