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ENGLISH

Time : Three hours 15 minutes]

[Max. Marks : 100

**Instructions :**

- (i) First 15 minutes are allotted to the candidates for reading the question paper.
- (ii) This question paper is divided into **four** sections – A, B, C, and D.
- (iii) **All** questions from all the sections are **compulsory**.
- (iv) Marks are indicated against each question.

**SECTION A**  
**(Reading)**

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

Whatever your task may be, concentrate your whole mind upon it, throw into it all the energy of which you are capable. The faultless completion of small tasks leads inevitably to larger tasks. See to it that you rise by steady climbing and you will never fall. And herein lies the secret of true power. Learn, by constant practice, how to husband your resources, and to concentrate them, at any moment, upon a given point. The foolish waste all their mental and spiritual energy in frivolity, foolish chatter, or selfish argument, not to mention wasteful physical excesses.

- (a) How should we do our task ? 3
- (b) When shall we never fall ? ✓ 3
- (c) Wherein lies the secret of true power ? ✓ 3

- (d) **How do the foolish waste their energy ?** 3
- (e) (i) Which word in the passage is the opposite of 'false' ? 1
- (ii) What is meant by 'to concentrate' ? 1
- (iii) Give the antonym of 'foolish'. 1

**SECTION B**  
**(Writing)**

2. Write an article on any **one** of the following topics in about 100 – 150 words : 10
- (a) Importance of Games and Sports
- (b) Steps for Making Cities Clean
- (c) Your Aim in Life
3. Write a letter to the Principal of your college to provide library books to students. 10

**OR**

Write a letter to the Editor of a national daily showing your concern over increasing 'Price Rise'.

**SECTION C**  
**(Grammar)**

4. Choose the correct option to answer the following questions : 5×2=10
- (a) One who sees the dark side of a thing, is called :
- (i) optimist (ii) pessimist
- (iii) darky  $\times$  (iv) hopeless  $\times$
- (b) 'The apple of one's eye' means :
- (i) the most tender part of an eye (ii) a tearful eye
- (iii) very dear (iv) a costly treatment of an eye
- (c) The synonym of 'destroy' is :
- (i) finish (ii) demolish
- (iii) stop (iv) end
- (d) "What is the time in your watch ?"  
Which word in this sentence is an error ?
- (i) what  $\star$  (ii) time  $\dagger$
- (iii) in (iv) watch  $\times$
- (e) The antonym of 'better' is :
- (i) good  $\times$  (ii) bad  $\dagger$
- (iii) worse (iv) worst

5. (a) Change any **one** of the following into indirect narration: 2
- (i) Mahesh ~~said to~~ Reeta, "What are you doing here?"
- (ii) The teacher said to the students, "Do not quarrel with one another."
- (b) Combine any **one** of the following as directed : 2
- (i) Where are you going ? I do not know. (Complex sentence)
- (ii) He was fined. He was imprisoned. (Compound sentence)
- (c) Transform any **one** of the following as directed : 2
- (i) Jammu is not so hot as Delhi. (Comparative degree)
- (ii) Who can do it ? (Passive voice)
- (d) Correct any **one** of the following sentences : 2
- (i) There am large number of girls in this school.
- (ii) He is tired in doing this work.
- (e) Use any **one** of the following pairs of words in your own sentences to make the difference in their meanings clear : <https://www.upboardonline.com> 2
- (i) idle – ideal
- (ii) birth – berth

6. Translate the following passage into English : 5

मेजर उसमान हमारे देश के एक प्रसिद्ध योद्धा हुए हैं। जब पाकिस्तान ने हमारे देश पर आक्रमण किया, तो उन्हें देश की रक्षा के लिए भेजा गया। राजौरी के युद्ध में वे मारे गए किन्तु उनकी वीरता को हम नहीं भूल सकते। उन्होंने कभी भी अपने जीवन की चिन्ता नहीं की। एक बार वे युद्ध में घायल हो गए। कुछ सिपाही उनके लिए बहुत दूर से थोड़ा-सा पानी लाए, क्योंकि वे बहुत प्यासे थे। किन्तु उस वीर ने वह पानी स्वयं नहीं पिया। उन्होंने वह पानी एक-दूसरे प्यासे सिपाही को दे दिया। कुछ देर बाद उनकी मृत्यु हो गई। ऐसे वीर और दयालु व्यक्ति को हम कभी नहीं भूल सकेंगे।

**SECTION D**  
**(Literature)**

7. Answer the following questions in about 40 words each : 4+4=8

(a) Whom did M. Hamel blame for not paying proper attention to the study of French ?

**OR**

Who was the rattrap seller ? How did he make them ?

(b) What was the importance of garbage for children in Seemapuri ?

**OR**

What did Gandhiji do for Champaran ?

8. Answer any **one** of the following questions in about 80 words :

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(a) What did Douglas decide to overcome his fear of water ?

(b) Describe the plight of ragpickers as depicted in the lesson 'Lost Spring'.

9. Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions that follow :

3×2=6

A thing of beauty is a joy forever :

Its loveliness increases, it will never

Pass into nothingness; but will keep

A bower quiet for us, and a sleep

Full of sweet dreams, and health, and quiet breathing.

(a) What does the poet feel about a thing of beauty ?

(b) What does the poet mean by "It will never pass into nothingness" ?

(c) In what sense 'A thing of beauty is a joy forever' ?

10. Write the central idea of any **one** of the following poems :

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(a) Keeping Quiet

(b) My Mother at Sixty-six

(c) Aunt Jennifer's Tigers

11. Answer the following questions in about 40 words each :

4+4=8

(a) Who was Hana ? How did Hana meet Sadao ?

**OR**

Describe the environment of Antarctica.

(b) What was the third level ? Where was it situated ?

**OR**

What was the astrologer's prediction about the Tiger King's death ?

12. Answer any **one** of the following questions in about 80 words :

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(a) How did Dr. Sadao save the life of the American war prisoner and how did Hana help in doing so ?

(b) Who was Sam Weiner ? What did he write in his letter to Charley ?

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