

Note. All questions are compulsory.

Section-A

1. Explain with reference to the context any one of the following passages:- 10

a) The most diligent, aggressive vendor was a beautiful girl of nine right in front of me. She had a lovely basket with handle: and she wanted a rupee and a half for it or about thirty cents. She was an earnest pleader. There were tears in her eyes. She pleaded and begged in tones that would wring any heart.

b) Therefore it is essential that the education which you acquire in these institutions should give you not merely learning and skill but endow you with a definite purpose in life. what that purpose is you have to define for yourselves.

2. Answer any one of the following questions in not more than 30 words:- 5

a) 'Magnanimity has its limits.' Who said it and why?

b) What did Phatik and his friends decide to do?

c) What kind of women does the society need?

3. Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with the most suitable words given within the brackets:- 4

a) They lived in cloth and sheds that lined the streets.

[i) iron ii) Stone iii) Cement iv) grass]

b) I flicked him my nose.

[i) off ii) of iii) at iv) through]

c) The natural quality of women is

[i) power ii) compassion iii) passion iv) impassioned]

d) for some we neglected our women folk.

[i) years ii) Weeks iii) decades iv) centuries]

4. Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each. 10

a) What were Sanku's problems and how did he plan to solve them?

b) Who was the astrologer? why did he leave his house?

c) What was the advice astrologer gave to the stranger?

5. Explain with reference to the context any one of the following extracts: 10

- a) Whose passions not his masters are,
Whose soul is still prepared for death;
Untied unto the world with care
of princely love or vulgar breath;
- b) O World ! O Life ! O Time !
On whose last steps I climb
Trembling at that where I had stood before:
When will return the glory of your prime?
No more- Oh, never more !

6. Give the central idea of any one of the following poems: 7

- a) The True Beauty. b) On His Blindness c) My Heaven

7. Write the definition of any one of the following figures of speech with example:- 4

- a) Personification b) Apostrophe c) Hyperbole

Section - B

8. a) Change the following sentences into indirect forms of speech- 4

i) The traveller said, "I am tired now and I will no more walk today."

ii) Father said to me, "Why did you not go to school yesterday?"

b) Transform any two of the following sentences as directed within the brackets:- 4

i) This boy wrote a letter. (into passive voice)

ii) Rekha was reading the newspaper. (into passive voice)

iii) Smoking is injurious to health. (Interrogative)

9. a) Use any three of the following idioms/phrases in your own sentences so as to bring out their meanings clearly:- 3

i) A fair weather friend

ii) Bear with

ii) Fair and square

iv) Hand to mouth

b) Write antonyms of the following words:- 3

i) Arrival

ii) Beneficial

iii) Demote

c) Write synonyms of the following words:- 3

i) Capture

ii) Deny

iii) Grief

d) Substitute one word for the following expressions:- 3

i) A life history of a man written by himself.

ii) Yearly return of the date of an event.

iii) A person who studies plants.

e) Use the following words in sentences of your own so as to bring out the differences in their meanings clearly:- 2

- i) Accident ii) Incident

10. Translate the following into English:-

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आदर्श विद्यार्थी को 'सादा जीवन और उच्च विचार' के सिद्धान्त का पालन करना चाहिए। उसे फेशनेबल वस्त्रों, केश विन्यास और शरीर की सजावट से बचना चाहिए। कारण, ये बातें विद्यार्थी के मन में दूषित विचार उत्पन्न करते हैं जिससे विद्यार्थी का न केवल जीवन ही खराब होता है, अपितु आग आन वाला स्वर्णित जीवन भी नष्ट हो जाता है। उच्च विचार रखने से मन में पवित्रता आती है। शरीर स्वस्थ रहता है- स्वस्थ शरीर में स्वस्थ मस्तिष्क निवास करता है। यदि मस्तिष्क स्वस्थ है, तो संसार का कोई भी कार्य आप के लिए कठिन नहीं है।

11. Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 200 words. 12

- i) Value of Games
ii) GST and its Impact on Economic
iii) Your Idea of a Happy life
iv) The problem of unemployment

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

Liberty means freedom- the right or power to do as one please. But we should make a distinction between liberty and self-nations. A man's liberty ends where another man's liberty begins. No law and no constitution can take away the people's natural rights. It is said that "Man is born free but every where he is in chains."

There are right and wrong chains, there are proper limits to liberty. Thus liberty should mean a lot of tolerance and lot of given and take. Liberty should also mean respecting difference of opinion and difference of points of view. Extremism must be avoided at all costs, we should not let our prejudices and passions run away with us. Liberty is a matter of checks and balances.

- a) Give a suitable title to the above passage. 1
b) Write a summary of the passage given above. 2
c) Why man should not be permitted to commit crimes in the name of liberty? 2
d) What is the real meaning of liberty? 1

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