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SECTION - A

- 1) a) We live in a wonderful world that is full of beauty and charm and adventure. There is no end to the adventures that we can have if only we seek them with our eyes open. Our own country is a little world in itself with an infinite variety and places for us to discover. I have travelled a great deal in this country and I have grown in years and yet I have not seen many parts of the country we love so much and seek to serve. I wish I had more time so that I could visit the nooks and corners of India. I would like to go there in the company of bright young children whose minds are opening out with wonder and curiosity as they make new discoveries.

- i) What is our wonderful world full of? [1]
 - ii) What would the writer do if he had more time? [1]
 - iii) Why would he like to go in the company of bright young children? [1]
 - iv) Which words in the extract are similar in the meaning to the following words? [$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$]
- 1) shiny
 - 2) findings

OR

Education serves another important purpose by shaping one's personality so that one is able to face challenges of life. This is possible by promoting a sense of co-operation and co-existence, a feeling of love, brotherhood and an attitude of caring and sharing. This process starts right from home and gets strengthened when one receives education with a proper perspective and policy underlying it. As one grows older, one develops the capacity to appreciate the finer aspects of life than merely amassing material wealth. Thus a person becomes a good human being which, after all, is the purpose of education. It prepares every individual to lead a purposeful and meaningful life. However, it cannot be denied that the intellectual inputs equip an individual to earn his or her living but it should not stop with that. It should teach us to cope with the stresses and strains of modern life and enable us to lead a full life.

- i) How does education help a person to face the challenges of life? [1]
- ii) How does education prepare an individual? [1]
- iii) What should education teach us? [1]

iv) Which words in the extract are similar in meaning to the following words? [1/2 + 1/2 = 1]

- 1) working together
- 2) being part of a fraternity

b) Drug addiction is a treatable disorder. Through treatment that is tailored to individual needs, patients can leave their condition and live normal, productive lives. Like people with diabetes or heart disease, people in treatment of addiction learn behavioural changes and often take medications as part of their treatment regimen. Behavioural therapies can include counselling, psychotherapy, support groups or family therapy. Treatment offers help in suppressing the withdrawal syndrome and drug craving and in blocking the effects of drugs. Studies show that treatment for heroin addiction using methadone at an adequate dosage level combined with therapy reduces death rates and many health problems associated with heroin abuse. In general, the more treatment given, the better the results. Many patients require other services as well, such as medical and mental health services and HIV prevention services.

- i) What are behavioural therapies? [1]
- ii) What is shown by studies? [1]
- iii) How can treatment be helpful for a drug addicted patient? [1]
- iv) Which words in the extract are opposite in meaning to the following words? [1/2 + 1/2 = 1]

- 1) unproductive
- 2) dissociate

OR

Right from the beginning, I wanted to become a batsman and I hated losing my wicket. This became such an obsession with me that, if the rest of the boys ever got me out, I would fight and eventually walk home with the bat and the ball. This would bring the game to an abrupt end since nobody else had a ball or a bat. The boys cursed and called me names but the tension did not last long and we generally got on very well. Among these early comrades with whom I played were the Ambaye brothers, the Mandrakes brothers and several others who made up our team. Whenever I batted they would decide beforehand that they would appeal at a particular ball and whether I was out or not, I had to go by the majority verdict! We often played matches against teams made up of boys living in the neighbouring building and there was tremendous interest in the 'trophies' as we called them.

- i) What would happen whenever the writer got out? [1]
- ii) How would the other boys react to the writer's behaviour? [1]
- iii) What does this behaviour show about the writer? [1]
- iv) Which words in the extract are opposite in meaning to the following words? [$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$]

1) loved

2) enemy

2) Answer any three of the following questions in about 30 - 40 words each :

[3 × 2 = 6]

- a) What is Nehru's vision of India in the future? (India-Her Past and Future)
- b) Why was Mr. Sorley happy that Doctor Benson got back his watch? (A Case of Suspicion)
- c) How does research help in popularizing the use of wind energy? (Fuel of the Future)
- d) What were the three reasons of Tembu, not feeling afraid of anything? (The Tiger in The Tunnel)

3) Answer the following question in about 60 words : [6]

Bholi's meeting with her teacher was a turning point in her life. Illustrate this with examples. (Bholi)

OR

What is written in the letter by the young boy in the lesson? (Father, Dear Father)

4) Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow :

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveller, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth.

- a) Why does the poet call the wood 'yellow wood'? [2]
- b) Who is the traveller? Why does he feel sorry? [2]
- c) Why does the poet look down the road as far as he can see? [1]

OR

Where the mind is without fear
and the head is held high
Where knowledge is free
Where the world has not been broken
up into fragments by narrow domestic walls.

- a) What is meant by 'mind is without fear and head is held high'? [2]
 b) What does the poet mean by 'where knowledge is free'? [2]
 c) Who is the poet of this poem? [1]

5) Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

Throughout my life my parents have never shown any sign of unhappiness at not having a son. Hats off to them. Having understood what female foeticide is all about, accepting the cause to fight against it has become my priority. Girls can match boys in all aspects so why this reluctance to have a daughter? After all, life begins in a woman. More than just being an ambassador, in my individual capacity I want to do whatever I can to support such a good cause as that of fighting female foeticide. I do not know in what way I could be of help but know that the best way is to do my bit on the tennis court. The more I win the more I can help the cause.

- a) Why did Sania use 'hats off' for her parents? [2]
 b) What is Sania's earnest desire towards society? [2]
 c) What does she think, she can do to fulfil that desire? [2]
 d) i) How could a mother do this to her children. This refers to :
 1) Pre-natal killing of a girl child.
 2) Refusal to accept a girl child in the family.
 3) Giving a girl child her right to education.
 ii) The closest meaning to the word 'Unwillingness' is :
 1) reluctance 2) willingness
 3) happiness 4) none

[1 + 1 = 2]

6) Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

- Gerrard : Why, this a surprise, Mr _____
 Intruder : I am glad you are pleased to see me. I don't think you will be pleased for long. Put those paws up!
 Gerrard : This is all very melodramatic, not very original, perhaps but _____.
 Intruder : Trying to be calm and _____.

- Gerrard : Nonchalant is your word, I think.
- Intruder : Thanks a lot. You will soon stop being smart. I will make you crawl. I want to know a few things, see.
- Gerrard : Anything you like. I know all the answers. But before we begin I should like to change my position; you may be comfortable, but I am not.
- Intruder : Sit down there and no funny business. Now then, we'll have a nice little talk about yourself :
- Gerrard : At last a sympathetic audience! I will tell you the story of my life. How as a child I was stolen by the gypsies and why at the age of thirty-two, I find myself in my lonely Essex cottage, how -
- Intruder : Keep it to yourself and just answer my questions. You live here alone? Well do you?
- Gerrard : I am sorry. I thought you were telling me, not asking me. A question of inflection, your voice is - Unfamiliar.
- Intruder : You have got enough sense not to want to get hurt.

- a) Did the Intruder succeed in frightening Gerrard? [2]
- b) What was the Intruder's first question to Gerrard? [2]
- c) Why do you think he wanted an answer to the question? [2]
- d) If Gerrard did not answer, what would the Intruder do? [2]

7) Read the passage given below and complete the statements that follow :

My father still persisted, for he knew that my staying at home would result in my becoming a pampered child. He realized, as well, that I would have difficulty playing with normal children and that my mother would always be afraid to let me leave the immediate premises. At last he heard of Dr. R. M. Halder, Principal of Dadar School for the Blind in Bombay. My father wrote to him asking for advice. Dr. Halder showed unusual interest in my case and promised to take special care and personal responsibility for me if I were sent to his school. When my mother learned of my father's decision to send me to Dadar School, she was appalled. Yet she placed her faith in my father's superior judgement and in her quiet way, she agreed.

- a) To stay at home would result in _____. [1]
- b) Father of the writer heard of _____. [1]
- c) Dr. Halder showed unusual interest in _____. [1]
- d) Mother placed her faith _____. [1]

(Summary)

- 8) Read the passage given below and make a summary in about 80 words and give a suitable title also : [5]

Puzzling over crosswords and Sudoku games may keep mental illness at bay, a recent study shows. Maintaining an agile mind can help ward off a host of conditions, ranging from depression to schizophrenia.

Scientists believe the mental manipulation needed to solve Sudoku puzzles nourish the mind, leaving it better placed to cope with mental illness. The study also showed that those with the highest IQs tended to suffer from milder forms of mental illness than their less intelligent counterparts. The research from University of Cambridge scientists, added to growing evidence of the importance of exercising brains as well as bodies.

Other studies have shown lawyers, doctors and others with mentally demanding jobs have a lower risk of developing Alzheimer's, as do fans of cross-words and other puzzles such as Sudoku. <https://www.rajasthanboard.com>

"It has been known for some time that intelligence can protect you against dementia and the consequence of head injury" said a university spokesman.

"They have demonstrated that the symptoms of schizophrenia are less severe and the ability to function in daily living is better for those with a higher IQ."

It is thought that the most intelligent either have a greater number of nerve connections in their brains or the nerve connections they have are more efficient, raising their ability to cope with any psychiatric problems.

- 9) Change the following sentences into passive - voice :

- a) People speak English all over the world. [1]
 b) Archit was checking a file. [1]
 c) Sanjay will build a house. [1]

- 10) Fill in the blanks with appropriate form of the verbs given in brackets.

- a) God _____ (see) the truth but waits. [1]
 b) My friend _____ (congratulate) me on my birthday last year. [1]
 c) I _____ (go) to Delhi tomorrow. [1]
 d) He _____ (lock) the door before he slept. [1]

- 11) Combine the following pairs of sentences using connectors given below :
 (as soon as, because, while, but, which)

- a) I got a call from my father.
 I started for Delhi to attend my ailing mother. [1]

b) I lost my Aadhar Card.

I was playing in the campus. [1]

c) Sid will not accompany us on tour to Mumbai. [1]

She is very busy preparing for IAS examination. [1]

d) I have bought a dictionary.

It is published by Oxford University Press. [1]

12) Change the following sentences into Indirect Speech :

[4 × 1 = 4]

a) The teacher said, "Boys, don't waste your time".

b) The Hermit said, "May God bless you".

c) I said to him, "What do you want"?

d) He said, "Oh ! I have lost my keys".

13) Write a paragraph of about 100 words on any one of the following topics : [5]

a) Covid - 19.

b) My - Favourite Teacher.

c) Advantages & Disadvantages of Internet.

14) You are Anil, living at Sanjay Colony in Jaipur. Write a letter to the Editor of a local newspaper to express your views, how child labour is a waste of human wealth. [5]

15) The following passage has seven mistakes of spellings and other grammatical in accuracies. Correct the errors in your answer book. One is solved as an example. Alexander is famous for having treeted women with respect. The clearest example of his regard for women take place when he defeated a person forces. The Persian king has to fled for his life. He departed in such a haste that the royal family was left bihind. This included even the queen. [6 × 1 = 6]

Error	Correct form
1. eg. treeted	treated
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- 16) Read the following passage carefully, make notes in points only, using appropriate headings and sub-headings. Use abbreviations wherever necessary : [4]

It was exciting, one day, to be asked to go with my (R. K. Narayan) uncle to the street of shops. I clung to his arm and marched along. It was the evening hour. I noticed a man with his hand and shoulder struck through a bamboo ladder, going from post to post lighting the street lamps. The lamp posts were few and far between hexagonal glass shades on top of cast iron pillars. The lamp lighter was an old man wearing a Khadi coat and a blue turban, equipped with a ladder, a box of matches, rags and a can of oil. He moved from pillar to pillar, unhurryingly. I was fascinated. I had never thought that there could be so much to do to light up the dark nights. Clinging to my uncle's fingers, I watched him. He went up his ladder, opened a little ventilator, took out the lamp, cleaned and wiped it with the rag, filled it with oil, lit up the wick and closed the shutter, climbed down, thrust his shoulder through the ladder again and passed on to the next one.

SECTION - B

OPTION - I

- 17) Describe the front office duties of a receptionists. [4]

- 18) Write answers of the following questions : [3 × 2 = 6]

- a) What are the four steps that a receptionist has to go through on receipt of a call?
- b) What is the purpose of maintaining a Register for callers?
- c) What two important pieces of information are needed in the register for callers for future reference of the visitors?

- 19) Write responses to the following questions of the occupant of a hotel. [2 × 1 = 2]

- a) I want to talk to your manager.

i) _____

- b) Why have you not sent by breakfast to my room?

ii) _____

- 20) What are the general rules of calling out telephone numbers?

[3]

OPTION - II

(E.S.P. for Office use)

17)

[4]

Health India

A dynamically managed Pharma Company, geared to go global soon, invites applications for the following job. (Age group - 22-25 years). The candidate should hold a Science/Pharma degree or diploma from a recognised institute with about 2 years experience. Candidates with pleasing personality will be required to call on doctors and retailers to achieve targets.

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Study the advertisement given above. Prepare an Interview. Give brief points for your answer to the following questions.

- Why should the company hire you? [1½]
- What is important to you in a job? [1½]
- What are your greatest strengths? [1]

18) Write a report on "Lock Down In Your City" in about 100 words. [6]

19) State whether the following statements are True (T) or False (F) : [1 + 1 = 2]

- The e-mail always looks well composed and well formatted when it is received.
- Mark all mail "URGENT", is the surest way of having your message read.

20) Match e-mail acronyms and abbreviations : [3 × 1 = 3]

A (Acronyms)**B (Abbreviations)**

- Talk to you later
- Thanks in advance
- No Big Deal

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