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**INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT
FINAL EXAMINATION 2022
ENGLISH CORE - 301**



CLASS: XII
DATE: 21.11.2022

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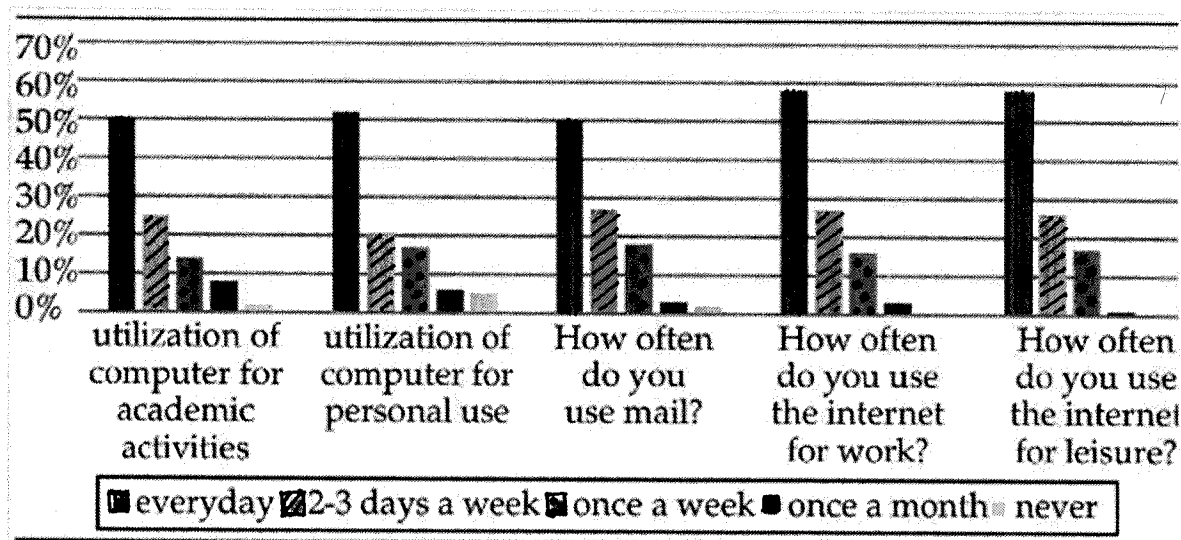
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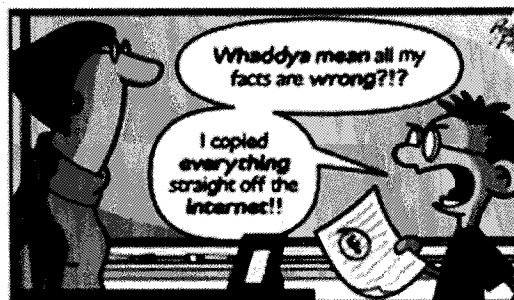
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(a) According to the passage, one of the reasons for the recent transformation of education is the:

- (i) techno-efficiency of the present generation. (ii) expanse of courses on technology.
- (iii) simplification of the teaching and learning- method. (iv) easy availability of the internet.

(b) Pick the option that lists statements that are NOT TRUE according to the passage.

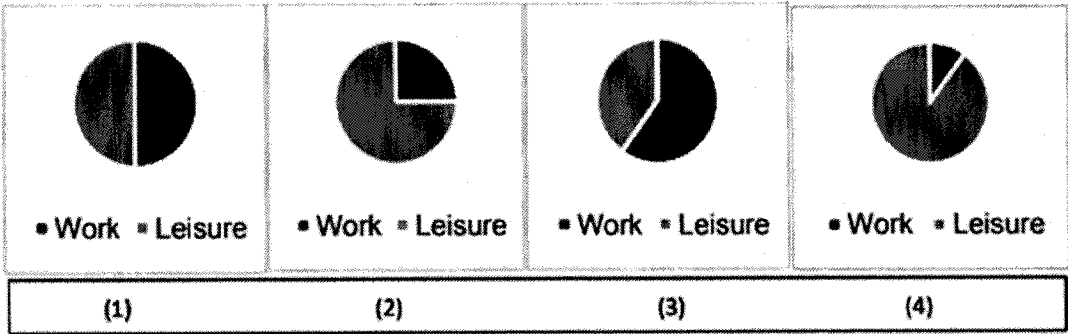
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- (ii) Net-based learning will replace face-to-face education.
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- (iv) The current times has seen a rise in the convenience of using the internet for academic purposes.

- 1. i & ii
- 2. iii & iv
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(c) The word ‘tremendous’, as used in paragraph 3, means the same as

- (i) expensive.
- (ii) ‘renowned.
- (iii) innovative.
- (iv) incredible.

(d) Based on the graphical chart in the passage, choose the option that correctly states the depiction of internet usage for work and for leisure, once a month.



- (i) Option (1)
- (ii) Option (2)
- (iii) Option (3)
- (iv) Option (4)

(e) “... but it must be used carefully and critically.” The idea of being careful and critical while using the internet is mainly a reference to:

- (i) hardware malfunction.
- (ii) plagiarism.
- (iii) troubleshooting.
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(g) Based on the given graphical chart, pick the option that lists the area of zero response from respondents.

- (i) Never use the internet for work and leisure
- (ii) Daily use of the computer for academic activities
- (iii) Writing and receiving emails once a week
- (iv) Using the internet for personal tasks once a month

(h) In the cartoon, the student's reaction reveals that he is _____.

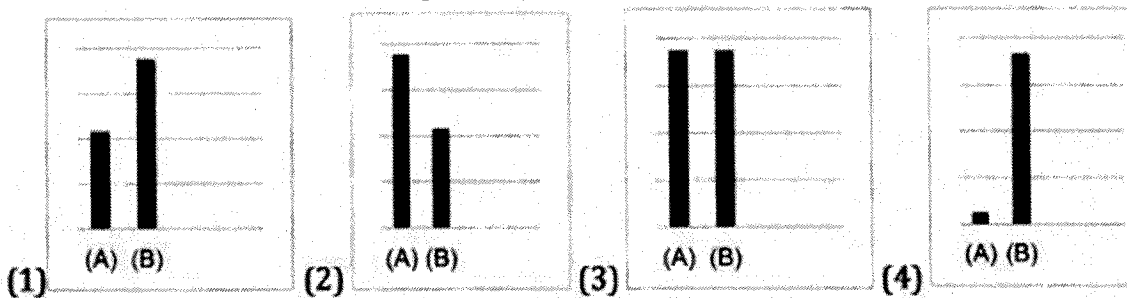
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- (ii) apologetic
- (iii) obedient
- (iv) inquisitive

(i) Which of the following statements is NOT substantiated by information in paragraph 4?

- (i) About three-quarters of the respondents preferred print books for recreational reading.
- (ii) A little less than 50% of the respondents voted for e-books for research or assignments.
- (iii) More than 50% of respondents stated enjoying both versions of books for leisure reading.
- (iv) The survey was intended for understanding the e-book experience among students.

(j) According to the 2018 survey, which is the option that correctly displays the features of –

- (A) page numbers for use in citation and
- (B) content transfer between devices respectively



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(k) Arrange the given e-book features preferred for research from the least favorite to the most favorite, from the following –

- (i) downloading the entire e-book.
- (ii) choosing page numbers in citations.
- (iii) highlighting text.
- (iv) resizing text to fit screen.

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SECTION B – (Creative Writing Skills)

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Q.3

(i) (a) The Principal, of Zodiac Public School, Al Qurum has invited the Inspector of Royal Oman Police (Traffic) to deliver a lecture on ‘Road Safety’ in his school. Draft a notice in 50 words informing the students to assemble in the school auditorium. You are Aaron Menezes, the Head Boy of the school.

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(i) (b) While walking in a park in your neighborhood you found a small plastic bag containing some documents and some cash. Write a notice in 50 words to be put on the park noticeboard asking the owner to identify and collect it from you. You are Martin / Maria - XYYX7766.

(ii) (a) You are Dhruv / Deepa. Your father, Shri Dheeraj Garg of Gurugram wants you to draft an invitation to be sent to friends and relatives on the occasion of your elder sister’s marriage. Prepare the invitation by giving the necessary details in not more than 50 words.

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(ii) (b) You are a student of Nav Jyothi Public School, Kannur. The school is holding its annual function on Saturday, the 15th of December 2022 at 11 a.m. The District Magistrate Dr. K.V. Joshi has consented to be the Chief Guest. Design an invitation card to be sent to the parents and other invitees. Do not exceed 50 words.

(iii) (a) You have read an advertisement in ‘The National Times’ for the post of Chartered Accountant in Happy Finance Services LLC, Kanpur. You believe you possess the requisite qualifications and experience and would prove to be an asset to the company. Apply for the post giving your complete bio-data stressing your suitability. You are Anurag John of 2, Kailash Puri, Delhi. (120-150 words)

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(iii) (b) You are a resident of Mahalakshmi Apartments, Patparganj, Delhi. Your residential area is flooded with roadside dwellers who are deprived of basic civic amenities like light, public toilets, and bathrooms. Write a letter to the Editor of The Hindustan Times, in 120 -150 words, highlighting the problems of these roadside dwellers, and also the problems posed by them to the public. Give suggestions for improvement.

(iv) (a) Advertisements have become a big business. They are promoted by celebrities drawn from various fields like films, sports, etc., leaving their influence on all people, especially the young. Write an article in 120 -150 words on ‘The Impact of Advertisements on the Younger Generation’.

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(iv) (b) A major bus mishap that left several people seriously injured took place at Damascus Road, Al Nahda, Dubai. Luckily no life was lost. Collect the information from the eyewitnesses and prepare a report in 120-150 words to be sent to ‘The Khaleej Times’. You are Shaun/Susan, a reporter.

SECTION C – (Literature)

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Q.4 (i) Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

1x6=6

In front at the edge of the road where the traffic sped,
A roadside stand that too pathetically pled,
It would not be fair to say for a dole of bread,
But for some of the money, the cash, whose flow supports
The flower of cities from sinking and withering faint.

- (a) Why was the new shed put up by the villagers?
- (b) Why the word 'pathetically' was used?
- (c) What would not be fair and why?
- (d) How cash supports the cities?
- (e) The purpose of putting up the shed was to:
 - (A) to sell their land property
 - (B) to sell costly beverages
 - (C) to sell cheap items
 - (D) to attract big business
- (f) What was put up in front of an old house at the edge of the road?
 - (A) a saloon
 - (B) a shanty
 - (C) a little new shed
 - (D) a coffee shop

OR

Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

When Aunt is dead, her terrified hands will lie
Still ringed with ordeals she was mastered by.
The tigers in the panel that she made
Will go on prancing, proud and unafraid.

- (a) Why are Aunt Jennifer's hands called 'terrified'?
- (b) What are they still ringed with?
- (c) Where did she make the tigers?
- (d) What will happen to her tigers after her death?
- (e) "Will go on prancing, proud and unafraid!" What is the poetic device used here? What is the effect?
- (f) Why has the poet referred to Aunt Jennifer only as 'Aunt' in the first line?

(ii) Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

1x4=4

Sadao stopped, Hana at his side, and turned the man's head.

They saw the face. 'A white man!'

Hana whispered. Yes, it was a white man.

(A) What did Dr. Sadao not see when he turned the face of the man?

- (a) Man with yellow hair
- (b) Man with yellow beard
- (c) Man showing signs of being tortured
- (d) Man staring at Dr. Sadao

(B) In what state was the white man lying?

- (a) unconscious
- (b) dead
- (c) sleeping
- (d) drunk

(C) Which part of the body of the young man had a wound?

- (a) Left side of upper back
- (b) Head and chest
- (c) Both the legs
- (d) Right side of lower back

(D) To which of these did the white man belong?

- (a) US Army
- (b) US Navy
- (c) Japanese Army
- (d) Japanese navy

OR

Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

The Maharaja gave a loud crack of laughter. "I'm not thinking of marrying either a tiger or a gun, but a girl from the ranks of human beings. First, you may draw up statistics on tiger populations in the different native states. Next, you may investigate if there is a girl, I can marry in the royal family of a state with a large tiger population."

The dewan followed his orders. He found the right girl from a state which possessed a large number of tigers. Maharaja Jung Jung Bahadur killed five or six tigers each time he visited his father-in-law. In this manner, ninety-nine tiger skins adorned the walls of the reception hall in the Pratibandapuram palace.

(A) "I'm not thinking of marrying either a tiger or a gun, but a girl from the ranks of human beings." This means that -----

- (a) The Tiger King expressed his desire to get married to a girl from the royal family
- (b) the Tiger King joked with the Dewan
- (c) the Dewan was confused to hear the King's question
- (d) the Tiger King did not find a suitable girl for marry

(B) 'A Tiger King is more than enough for this state. It doesn't need a Tiger Queen as well!' figuratively means -----

- (a) The Tiger King had done enough harm to the two
- (b) the King had single-handedly wiped out the tiger population
- (c) having two fools will be doubly devastating for Pratibandapuram
- (d) the was doing a fantastic job independently

(C) 'The dewan followed his orders.' This indicates that the Dewan -----

- (a) investigated the tiger population in the state
- (b) could not understand the king's order
- (c) found the right girl of the king's choice
- (d) found a large number of tigers

(D) 'ninety-nine tiger skins adorned the walls of the reception hall'. This implies that -----

- (a) ninety-nine tigers were killed
- (b) the reception hall was well decorated
- (c) ninety-nine tiger skins were bought from somewhere
- (d) this showed his royal status

(iii) Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

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The train arrived at midnight, 15 April 1917. Kripalani was waiting at the station with a large body of students. Gandhi stayed there for two days in the home of Professor Malkani, a teacher in a government school. "It was an extraordinary thing 'in those days,'" Gandhi commented, "for a government professor to harbour a man like me". In smaller localities, the Indians were afraid to show sympathy for advocates of home-rule.

(A) Kripalani was a professor in.....

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| (a) Arts College | (b) Science College |
| (c) Vocational College | (d) Sports College |

(B) What made Gandhi visit Muzzafarpur first before going to Champaran ?

- (a) He wished to see the place
- (b) He had more followers there
- (c) He wanted to know the existing situation in Champaran
- (d) Gandhi had to meet a few lawyers there

(C) "It was an extraordinary thing in those days," Gandhi commented. What was extraordinary?

- (a) That a large crowd had gathered at the station
- (b) that he received support from the government professor
- (c) That a government employee had provided him with shelter
- (d) both (b) and (c)

(D) What does the home rule stand for in this context?

- (a) rule of the lady of the house
- (b) rules made at home for smooth functioning
- (c) the right to democracy
- (d) the right of a country to govern itself

(E) Indians ----- showing sympathy for advocates of home-rule in smaller localities.

- (a) resisted
- (b) feared
- (c) supported
- (d) advocated

(F) Gandhiji stayed at Champaran for -----

- (a) a year
- (b) almost a year
- (c) 6 months
- (d) 3 months

OR

On each trip across the pool, a bit of panic seized me. Each time the instructor relaxed his hold on the rope and I went under, some of the old terror returned and my legs froze. It was three months before the tension began to slack. Then he taught me to put my face under water and exhale, and to raise my nose and inhale. I repeated the exercise hundreds of times. Bit by bit I shed part of the panic that seized me when my head went underwater

(A) These line reflect the narrator's -----

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| (a) Desire to challenge | (b) perseverance |
| (c) Wish to breathe better | (d) wish to revenge |

(B) The instructor finally succeeded in relieving the narrator of his -----

- (a) fear and tension
- (b) hatred and illusion
- (c) lethargy and desire
- (d) nausea and irritation

(C) The narrator was working hard as swimming is a good exercise – (True/False)

(D) Give a word or phrase from the passage which has the same or nearly the same meaning as 'controlled'.

(E) Who is the author of the above extract?

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| (a) Selma Lagerlof | (b) Louis Fischer |
| (c) William Douglas | (d) Asokamitran |

(F) 'Bit by bit' as used in the last sentence implies:

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| (a) gradually | (b) extemporaneously |
| (c) sometimes | (d) intermittently |

Q.5 Answer any 5 out of 6 questions in 40-50 words (5x2=10)

- (i) What did Franz notice that was unusual about the school that day?
- (ii) How does the author focus on the 'perpetual state of poverty' of the children not wearing footwear?
- (iii) Where was the Kamla Das going and who was with her?
- (iv) How does the poet distinguish 'stillness' from 'total inactivity'? Why does Neruda say I want no truck with death?
- (v) What is the source of the 'endless fountain' and what is its effect?
- (vi) What is the 'childish longing' of the folk who had put up the roadside stand? Why is it 'in vain'?

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- (i) Why did Charley suspect that Sam had gone to Galesburg?
- (ii) Why is a visit to Antarctica important to realise the effect of global warming?
- (iii) In what ways does Mr Lamb inspire Derry to overcome his physical disability?

Q.7 Answer any 1 out of the 2 questions in 120 – 150 words (1x5=5)

- (i) 'The Rattrap' focuses on human loneliness and the need to bond with others. Comment.
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- (i) What made Charley believe that he was actually standing at the third level?
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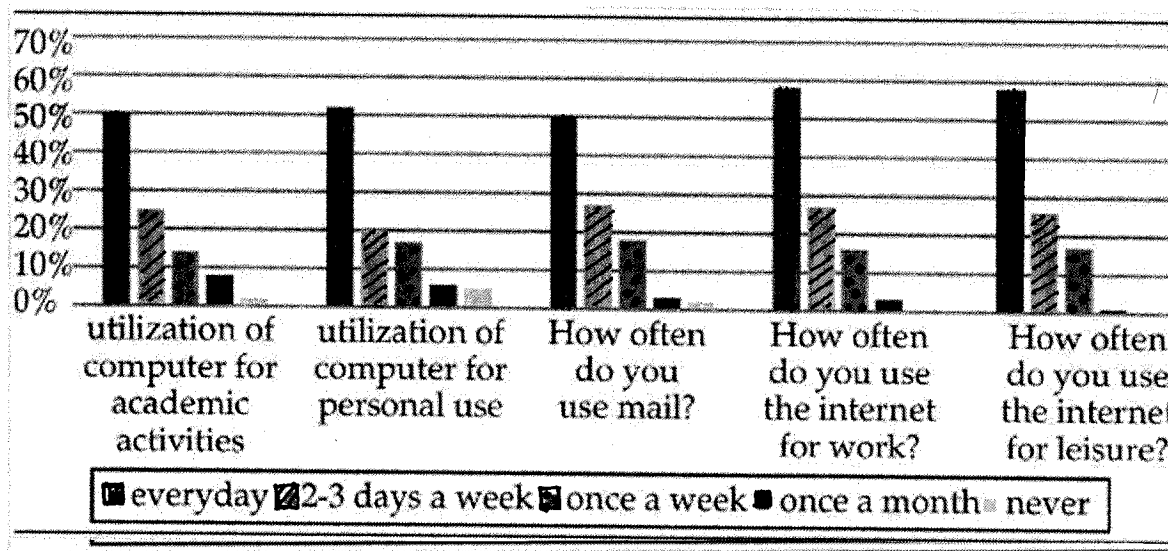
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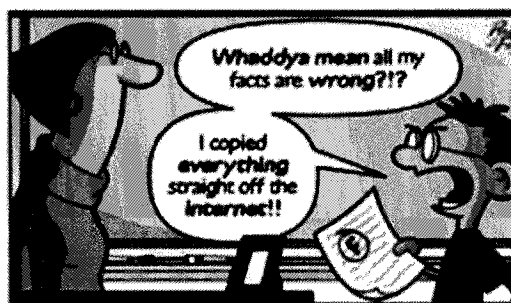
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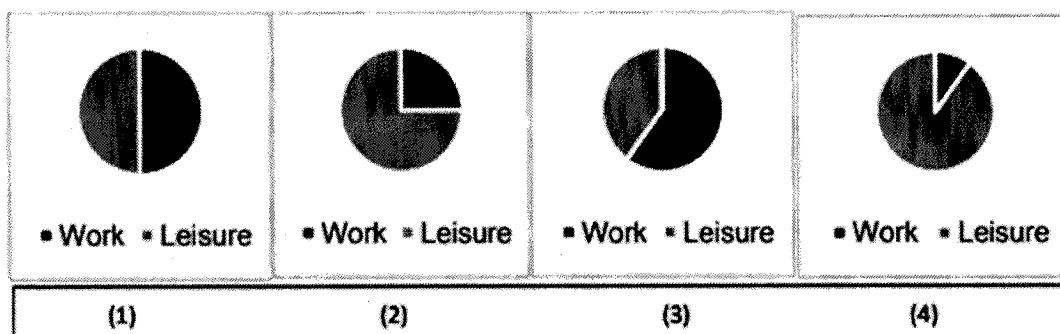
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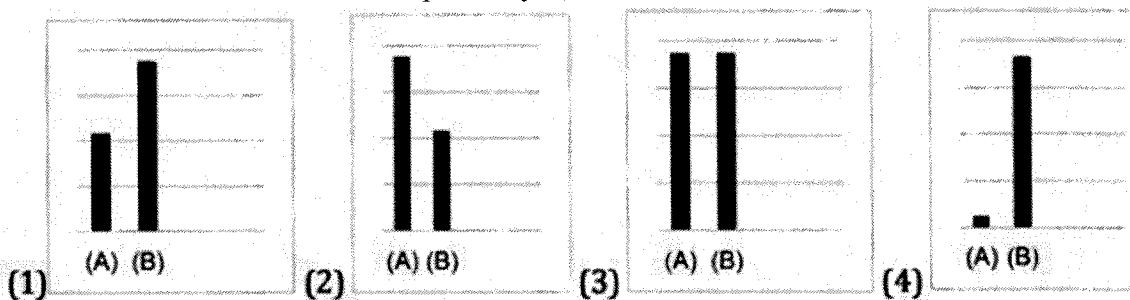
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SECTION B – (Creative Writing Skills)

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Q.3

(i) (a) On the way to your school, you found a small handbag containing some jewelry, documents, and some cash. Write a notice in 50 words to be put on the public noticeboard near your school, asking the owner to identify and collect it from you. You are Sunny / Sonia – XXYY6767.

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OR

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(ii) (a) Draft an invitation on behalf of Mrs & Mr Rishbh Patel of 54, Komal Sadan, Surat, which they may use to invite their friends and relatives on the 5th birthday of their son Yogesh at their residence on 18 December 2022.

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OR

(ii) (b) The Literary Club of your school is putting up the play 'Macbeth'. As secretary of the club, draft an invitation in not more than 50 words inviting the famous writer Vikram Seth to be the guest of honour at the function. You are Gaurav/Gauthami.

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OR

(iii) (b) You are Arun/Annie staying in Indraprastha, Cooperative Group Housing Society, Tagore Nagar, Kolkata. There are no street lights on the main road leading to this colony. The road gets so dark after seven in the evening in winter that the possibility of some major accident cannot be ruled out. Write a letter in 120 -150 words to the Editor of The Hindu, drawing the attention of the local administration to this serious problem of the residents of Tagore Nagar.

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1x6=6

Or beauty rest in a beautiful mountain scene,
You have the money, but if you want to be mean,
Why keep your money (this crossly) and go along.
The hurt to the scenery wouldn't be my complaint
So much as the trusting sorrow of what is unsaid

- (a) What attraction does the place offer?
- (b) What should one do if one wants to be mean?
- (c) What does the poet not complain about?
- (d) What do you think is the real worry of the poet?
- (e) What does the poet mean by "hurt to the scenery"
 - (A) his fingers got hurt while painting the scenery
 - (B) damage caused to the landscape that he was drawing
 - (C) the unattractive painting that spoils the beauty of the landscape
 - (D) wealthy city people come to the countryside and hurt the villagers.
- (f) Name the poet and the poem:
 - (A) Pablo Neruda, Keeping Quiet
 - (B) John Keats, A Thing of Beauty
 - (C) Robert Frost, A Roadside Stand
 - (D) Adrienne Rich, Aunt Jennifer's Tigers

OR

Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

When Aunt is dead, her terrified hands will lie
Still ringed with ordeals she was mastered by.
The tigers in the panel that she made
Will go on prancing, proud and unafraid.

- (a) Why has the poet referred to Aunt Jennifer only as 'Aunt' in the first line?
- (b) What will happen to her tigers after her death?
- (c) Where did she make the tigers?
- (d) What are they still ringed with?
- (e) "Will go on prancing, proud and unafraid!" What is the poetic device used here? What is the effect?
- (f) Why are Aunt Jennifer's hands called 'terrified'?

(ii) Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

1x4=4

The Maharaja gave a loud crack of laughter. "I'm not thinking of marrying either a tiger or a gun, but a girl from the ranks of human beings. First, you may draw up statistics on tiger populations in the different native states. Next, you may investigate if there is a girl, I can marry in the royal family of a state with a large tiger population."

The dewan followed his orders. He found the right girl from a state which possessed a large number of tigers. Maharaja Jung Jung Bahadur killed five or six tigers each time he visited his father-in-law. In this manner, ninety-nine tiger skins adorned the walls of the reception hall in the Pratibandapuram palace.

(A) 'ninety-nine tiger skins adorned the walls of the reception hall'. This implies that -----

- (a) ninety-nine tigers were killed
- (b) the reception hall was well decorated
- (c) ninety-nine tiger skins were bought from somewhere
- (d) this showed his royal status

(B) 'A Tiger King is more than enough for this state. It doesn't need a Tiger Queen as well!' figuratively means -----

- (a) The Tiger King had done enough harm to the two
- (b) the Tiger King had single-handedly wiped out the tiger population
- (c) having two fools will be doubly devastating for Pratibandapuram
- (d) the Tiger King was doing a fantastic job independently

(C) 'The dewan followed his orders.' This indicates that the Dewan -----

- (a) investigated the tiger population in the state
- (b) could not understand the king's order
- (c) found the right girl of the king's choice
- (d) found a large number of tigers

(D) "I'm not thinking of marrying either a tiger or a gun, but a girl from the ranks of human beings." This means that -----

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- (b) the Tiger King joked with the Dewan
- (c) the Dewan was confused to hear the Tiger King's question
- (d) the Tiger king did not find a suitable girl for marry

OR

Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

Sadao stopped, Hana at his side, and turned the man's head.

They saw the face. 'A white man!'

Hana whispered. Yes, it was a white man.

(A) To which of these did the white man belong?

- (a) US Army
- (b) US Navy
- (c) Japanese Army
- (d) Japanese navy

(B) In what state was the white man lying?

- (a) unconscious
- (b) dead
- (c) sleeping
- (d) drunk

(C) Which part of the body of the young man had wound?

- (a) Left side of upper back (b) Head and chest
- (c) Both the legs (d) Right side of lower back

(D) What did Dr. Sadao not see when he turned the face of the man?

- (a) Man with yellow hair (b) Man with yellow beard
- (c) Man showing signs of being tortured (d) Man staring at Dr. Sadao

(iii) Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

6x1=6

They had merely heard that a Mahatma who wanted to help them was in trouble with the authorities. Their spontaneous demonstration, in thousands, around the courthouse was the beginning of their liberation from fear of the British. The officials felt powerless without Gandhi's cooperation. He helped them regulate the crowd. He was polite and friendly. He was giving them concrete proof that their might, hitherto dreaded and unquestioned, could be challenged by Indians. The government was baffled. The prosecutor requested the judge to postpone the trial. Apparently, the authorities wished to consult their superiors.

(A) The officials felt powerless because:

- (a) of Gandhi's refusal to cooperate with them
- (b) of Gandhi's polite and friendly behaviour.
- (c) the crowd was listening only to Gandhi.
- (d) the crowd was getting violent.

(B) The demonstration proved that the:

- (a) policies of the British had failed.
- (b) dread instilled in the hearts of Indians had begun to lessen.
- (c) dealings with the Indian citizens had been unsuccessful.
- (d) might of the British had not been understood by Indians.

(C) Which style, from those given below, is being used by the author, when he says, "Apparently, the authorities wished to consult their superiors."?

- (a) humourous (b) dramatic
- (c) sarcastic (d) persuasive

(D) Gandhiji's behavior towards the British prior to the proposal of postponement of the trial was that of:

- (a) indifference. (b) calm acceptance.
- (c) ignorance of consequences (d) polite helpfulness.

(E) Which among the following statements is correct?

- (a) Gandhiji was happy with taking the cases of sharecroppers to law courts.
- (b) Gandhiji wanted to make the peasants of Champaran free from the fear of the British.
- (c) Gandhiji and Rajendra Prasad were the representatives of the peasants in the official commission of inquiry.
- (d) Gandhiji was ready to furnish bail for two hours.

(F) The officials at Motihari court sought the cooperation of Gandhiji to:

- (a) finish the proceedings of the case quickly
- (b) settle the issue between peasants and landlords
- (c) regulate the crowd around the courthouse
- (d) collect some pieces of evidence from the peasants

OR

On each trip across the pool, a bit of panic seized me. Each time the instructor relaxed his hold on the rope and I went under, some of the old terror returned and my legs froze. It was three months before the tension began to slack. Then he taught me to put my face under water and exhale, and to raise my nose and inhale. I repeated the exercise hundreds of times. Bit by bit I shed part of the panic that seized me when my head went underwater

(A) Who is the author of the above extract?

- (a) Selma Lagerlof
- (b) Louis Fischer
- (c) William Douglas
- (d) Asokamitran

(B) The instructor finally succeeded in relieving the narrator of his -----

- (a) fear and tension
- (b) hatred and illusion
- (c) lethargy and desire
- (d) nausea and irritation

(C) The narrator was working hard as swimming is a good exercise – (True/False)

(D) from the passage give a word or phrase which has the same or nearly the same meaning as 'controlled'.

(E) These lines reflect the narrator's -----

- (a) desire to challenge
- (b) perseverance
- (c) wish to breathe better
- (d) wish to revenge

(F) 'Bit by bit' as used in the last sentence implies:

- (a) gradually
- (b) extemporaneously
- (c) sometimes
- (d) intermittently

Q.5 Answer any 5 out of 6 questions in 40-50 words

5x2=10

- (i) How did Franz react to the declaration that it was their last French lesson?
- (ii) How does the author focus on the 'perpetual state of poverty' of the children not wearing footwear?
- (iii) Why has the mother been compared to the 'late winter's moon'?
- (iv) How does the poet distinguish 'stillness' from 'total inactivity'? Why does Neruda say I want no truck with death?
- (v) How is a thing of beauty lovelier than all the lovely tales we have heard and read?
- (vi) What is the 'childish longing' of the folk who had put up the roadside stand? Why is it 'in vain'?

Q.6 Answer any 2 out of 3 questions in 40-50 words

2x2=4

- (i) Why did Charley suspect that Sam had gone to Galesburg?
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- (iii) In what ways does Mr. Lamb inspire Derry to overcome his physical disability?

Q.7 Answer any 1 out of the 2 questions in 120 – 150 words

1x5=5

- (i) What made the peddler finally change his ways?
- (ii) What were the hidden dangers behind the dole that was to be given to the urban poor, and which the party in power is said to be keeping from them?

Q.8 Answer any 1 out of the 2 questions in 120 – 150 words

1x5=5

- (i) What made Charley believe that he was actually standing at the third level?
- (ii) Should Dr. Sadao be arrested on the charge of harboring an enemy? Why? Why not?

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CLASS: XII
DATE: 21.11.2022

TIME ALLOTTED: 3 HRS.
MAXIMUM MARKS: 80

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SECTION A - (Reading)

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Q.1 Read the passage given below:

1. Getting enough sleep is as important as taking time out to relax. A good night's sleep is essential for preserving the health of your brain and gives you the best chance to meet the coming day with a razor-sharp mind. An average person needs about six to eight-hour sleep a night-although it is also true that you need slightly less than this, as you grow older- another advantage of aging stress and sleep deprivation often feed on each other since stress tends to make it harder for you to fall sleep at night and sleep deprivation itself causes stress.

2. Eventually, too little sleep can dramatically interfere with the performance of your memory-something you obviously want to prevent. If you are not getting enough sleep, try going to bed 30 to 60 minutes earlier than your normal bedtime for a few days. Lie down on the bed and try to relax by dissociating yourself from your daily routine work. This is normally enough to catch up on any sleep deprivation.

3. If, however, you suffer from insomnia you should seek the advice of your doctor. The opposite of insomnia too is a sleeping disorder that causes damage to the day-to-day performances. The chances are it is already affecting your ability to remember and recall information-and if you are struggling to improve your memory scores, this could be at the root of your problem. Prolonged periods of insufficient sleep can deplete your immune system, make you more accident-prone and even cause depression-this can also reinforce a more negative outlook on life, which can contribute to your stress burden. The good news is that your memory and mood should automatically improve

once you improve your sleep patterns. Tackle your sleep issues and everything else should fall into place.

4. because stress management is so essential to maximizing your brain power if you are not in the habit of setting aside time to relax, make it a priority to do so. Even a minute or two of deep breathing can start to work wonders. Often the best ideas and memories can come to you when you are in a state of relaxation as it is during these moments that your brain stores, processes, and plays with the information it has received.

5. Meditation has long been part of religious and spiritual life, especially in Asia. Today more and more people are adopting it in Western countries also, for its value in developing peace of mind and lowering stress. There is some evidence that regular meditation can have real sleep gain and health benefits particularly in terms of protecting your brain against aging.

On the basis of your understanding of the above passage, answer any 10 questions by choosing the correct option.

10x1=10

(a) People suffering from insomnia should -----

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| (i) change their normal bedtime. | (ii) dissociate from normal routine work |
| (iii) seek the advice of their doctor | (iv) seek the advice of their elders |

(b) An average person needs -----

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| (iii) meeting the next day | (iv) avoiding stress and sleep deprivation |

(e) If you are not getting enough sleep -----

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| (i) it will interfere with your performance | (ii) it can affect your memory performance |
| (iii) it can dramatically cause aging | (iv) it can make it harder to sleep |

(f) Once your sleep pattern improves -----

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(g) Stress management is essential for -----

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| (i) the habit of deep breathing | (ii) the habit of setting aside time |
| (iii) maximizing brain power | (iv) working wonders |

(h) Meditation has long been part of the spiritual life of -----

- (i) America (ii) Africa (iii) India (iv) Asia

(i) Infer the antonym of insomnia from the following:

- (i) Hypomania (ii) Hieromania
(iii) Hypersomnia (iv) Hydromania

(J) The term ‘deprivation’ used in paragraph 1 denotes -----

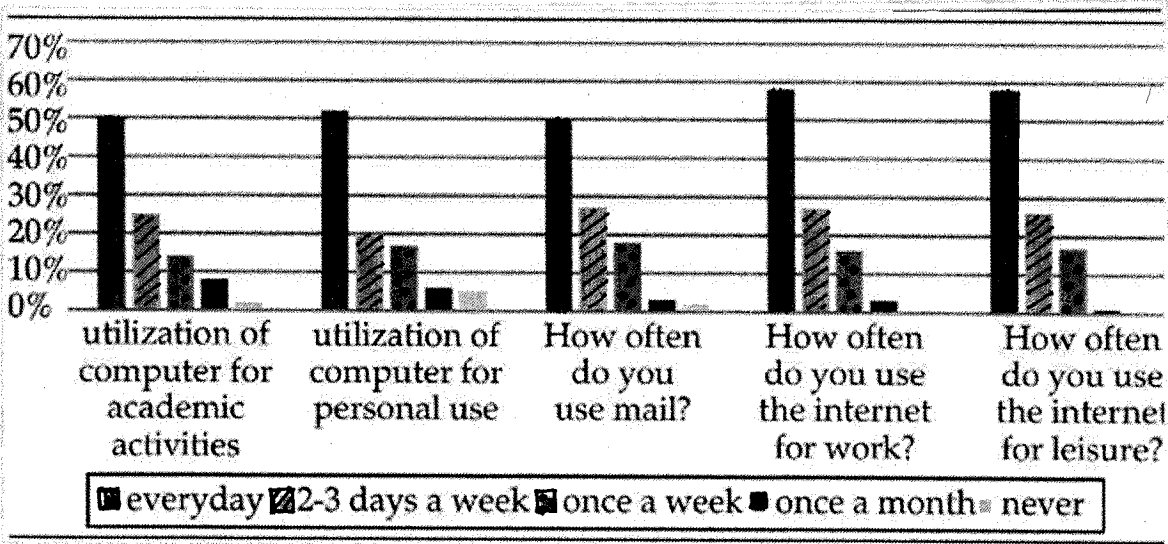
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(k) People in the West are adopting meditation for its -----

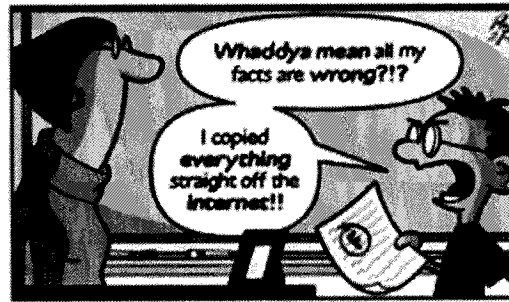
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Q.2 Read the passage given below.

1. The present generation is well-updated in the use of the internet and computers. The rapid development in computer technology and the increase in accessibility of the internet for academic purposes have changed the face of education for everyone associated with it. Let’s look at the data arising out of a recent survey that was done to ascertain the time spent on utilization of the computer and internet:



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3. However, research on the Net is very different from traditional library research, and the differences can cause problems. The Net is a tremendous resource, but it must be used carefully and critically.

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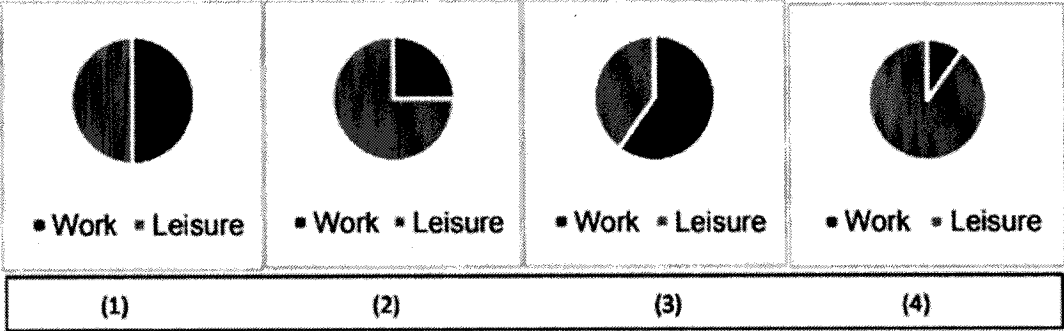
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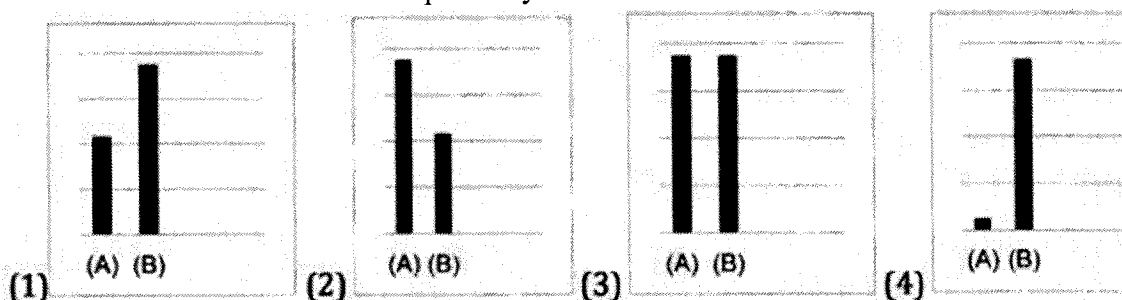
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SECTION B – (Creative Writing Skills)

- Q.3** (i) (a) While walking in a park in your neighborhood you found a small plastic bag containing some documents and some cash. Write a notice in 50 words to be put on the park noticeboard asking the owner to identify and collect it from you. You are Martin / Maria - XYYX7766. 5

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(i) (b) The Principal, of Mayfair Public School, Al Seeb has invited the Director General of Royal Oman Police (Traffic) to deliver a lecture on 'Substance Abuse' in his school. Draft a notice in 50 words informing the students to assemble in the school auditorium. You are Tessa Philip, the Head Girl of the school.

- (ii) (a) You are a student of Nav Niketan Senior Secondary School, Kannur. The school is holding its Merits Awards function on Friday, the 25th of November 2022 at 10 a.m. The District Education Director Dr. V.V. Satya has consented to be the Chief Guest. Design an invitation card to be sent to the parents and other invitees. Do not exceed 50 words. 5

OR

(ii) (b) You are Dhruv / Deepa. Your father, Shri Dheeraj Garg of Gurugram wants you to draft an invitation to be sent to friends and relatives on the occasion of your elder sister's marriage. Prepare the invitation by giving the necessary details in not more than 50 words.

- (iii) (a) You have read an advertisement in 'The National Times' for the post of Chartered Accountant in Happy Finance Services LLC, Kanpur. You believe you possess the requisite qualifications and experience and would prove to be an asset to the company. Apply for the post giving your complete bio-data stressing your suitability. You are Anurag John of 2, Kailash Puri, Delhi. (120-150 words) 5

OR

(iii) (b) You are a resident of Mahalakshmi Apartments, Patparganj, Delhi. Your residential area is flooded with roadside dwellers who are deprived of basic civic amenities like light, public toilets, and bathrooms. Write a letter to the Editor of The Hindustan Times, in 120 -150 words, highlighting the problems of these roadside dwellers, and also the problems posed by them to the public. Give suggestions for improvement.

- (iv) (a) A major bus mishap that left several people seriously injured took place at Damascus Road, Al Nahda, Dubai. Luckily no life was lost. Collect the information from the eyewitnesses and prepare a report in 120-150 words to be sent to 'The Khaleej Times'. You are Shaun/Susan, a reporter. 5

OR

(iv) (b) Advertisements have become a big business. They are promoted by celebrities drawn from various fields like films, sports, etc., leaving their influence on all people, especially the young. Write an article in 120 -150 words on 'The Impact of Advertisements on the Younger Generation'.

SECTION C – (Literature)

- Q.4** (i) Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

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1x6=6

In front at the edge of the road where the traffic sped,
A roadside stand that too pathetically pled,
It would not be fair to say for a dole of bread,
But for some of the money, the cash, whose flow supports

The flower of cities from sinking and withering faint.

- (a) What would not be fair and why?
- (b) Why the word 'pathetically' was used?
- (c) Why was the new shed put up by the villagers?
- d) How cash supports the cities?
- (e) What was put up in front of an old house at the edge of the road?
 - (A) a saloon
 - (B) a little new shed
 - (C) a shanty.
 - (D) a coffee shop

(f) The purpose of putting up the shed was to:

- (A) to sell their land property
- (B) to sell costly beverages
- (C) to attract big business
- (D) to sell cheap items

OR

Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

When Aunt is dead, her terrified hands will lie
Still ringed with ordeals she was mastered by.
The tigers in the panel that she made
Will go on prancing, proud and unafraid.

- (a) What will happen to her tigers after her death?
- (b) What are they still ringed with?
- (c) Why has the poet referred to Aunt Jennifer only as 'Aunt' in the first line?
- (d) Why are Aunt Jennifer's hands called 'terrified'?
- (e) "Will go on prancing, proud and unafraid!" What is the poetic device used here? What is the effect?
- (f) Where did she make the tigers?

(ii) Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

1x4=4

Sadao stopped, Hana at his side, and turned the man's head.
They saw the face. 'A white man!' Hana whispered. Yes, it was a white man.

- (A) Which part of the body of the young man had wound?
- (a) Left side of upper back
- (b) Head and chest

- (c) Both the legs
- (d) Right side of lower back

(B) In what state was the white man lying?

- (a) unconscious
- (b) dead
- (c) sleeping
- (d) drunk

(C) What did Dr. Sadao not see when he turned the face of the man?

- (a) Man with yellow hair
- (b) Man with yellow beard
- (c) Man showing signs of being tortured
- (d) Man staring at Dr. Sadao

(D) To which of these did the white man belong?

- (a) US Army
- (b) US Navy
- (c) Japanese Army
- (d) Japanese navy

OR

Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

The Maharaja gave a loud crack of laughter. "I'm not thinking of marrying either a tiger or a gun, but a girl from the ranks of human beings. First, you may draw up statistics on tiger populations in the different native states. Next, you may investigate if there is a girl, I can marry in the royal family of a state with a large tiger population."

The dewan followed his orders. He found the right girl from a state which possessed a large number of tigers. Maharaja Jung Jung Bahadur killed five or six tigers each time he visited his father-in-law. In this manner, ninety-nine tiger skins adorned the walls of the reception hall in the Pratibandapuram palace.

(A) 'The dewan followed his orders.' This indicates that the Dewan -----

- (a) investigated the tiger population in the state
- (b) could not understand the king's order
- (c) found the right girl of the king's choice
- (d) found a large number of tigers

(B) 'A Tiger King is more than enough for this state. It doesn't need a Tiger Queen as well!' figuratively means -----

- (a) The Tiger King had done enough harm to the two
- (b) the Tiger King had single-handedly wiped out the tiger population
- (c) having two fools will be doubly devastating for Pratibandapuram
- (d) he was doing a fantastic job independently

(C) “I’m not thinking of marrying either a tiger or a gun, but a girl from the ranks of human beings.” This means that -----

- (a) The Tiger King expressed his desire to get married to a girl from the royal family
- (b) the King joked with the Dewan
- (c) the Dewan was confused to hear the King’s question
- (d) the Tiger King did not find a suitable girl for marry

(D) ‘ninety-nine tiger skins adorned the walls of the reception hall’. This implies that -----

- (a) ninety-nine tigers were killed
- (b) the reception hall was well decorated
- (c) ninety-nine tiger skins were bought from somewhere
- (d) this showed his royal status

(iii) Read the extract given below and briefly answer the questions that follow:

6x1=6

The train arrived at midnight, 15 April 1917. Kripalani was waiting at the station with a large body of students. Gandhi stayed there for two days in the home of Professor Malkani, a teacher in a government school. “It was an extraordinary thing ‘in those days,’ Gandhi commented, “for a government professor to harbour a man like me”. In smaller localities, the Indians were afraid to show sympathy for advocates of home rule.

(A) Kripalani was a professor in.....

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| (a) Arts College | (b) Science College |
| (c) Vocational College | (d) Sports College |

(B) What made Gandhi visit Muzzafarpur first before going to Champaran ?

- (a) He wished to see the place
- (b) He had more followers there
- (c) He wanted to know the existing situation in Champaran
- (d) Gandhi had to meet a few lawyers there

(C) “It was an extraordinary thing in those days,” Gandhi commented. What was extraordinary?

- (a) That a large crowd had gathered at the station
- (b) that he received support from the government. professor
- (c) That a government employee had provided him with shelter
- (d) both (b) and (c)

(D) Gandhiji stayed at Champaran for -----

- (a) a year
- (b) almost a year
- (c) 6 months
- (d) 3 months

(E) Indians ----- showing sympathy for advocates of home-rule in smaller localities.

- (a) resisted
- (b) feared
- (c) supported
- (d) advocated

(F) What does the home rule stand for in this context?

- (a) rule of the lady of the house
- (b) rules made at home for smooth functioning
- (c) the right to democracy
- (d) the right of a country to govern itself

OR

On each trip across the pool, a bit of panic seized me. Each time the instructor relaxed his hold on the rope and I went under, some of the old terror returned and my legs froze. It was three months before the tension began to slack. Then he taught me to put my face under water and exhale, and to raise my nose and inhale. I repeated the exercise hundreds of times. Bit by bit I shed part of the panic that seized me when my head went underwater

(A) The instructor finally succeeded in relieving the narrator of his -----

- (a) fear and tension
- (b) hatred and illusion
- (c) lethargy and desire
- (d) nausea and irritation

(B) These lines reflect the narrator's -----

- (a) Desire to challenge
- (b) perseverance
- (c) Wish to breathe better
- (d) wish to revenge

(C) The narrator was working hard as swimming is a good exercise – (True/False)

(D) Give a word or phrase from the passage which has the same or nearly the same meaning as 'controlled'.

(E) Who is the author of the above extract?

- (a) Selma Lagerlof
- (b) Louis Fischer
- (c) William Douglas
- (d) Asokamitran

(F) 'Bit by bit' as used in the last sentence implies:

- (a) gradually (b) extemporaneously
(c) sometimes (d) intermittently

Q.5 Answer any 5 out of 6 questions in 40-50 words

5x2=10

- (i) How does the poet distinguish 'stillness' from 'total inactivity'? Why does Neruda say I want no truck with death?
(ii) What is the source of the 'endless fountain' and what is its effect?
(iii) What is the 'childish longing' of the folk who had put up the roadside stand? Why is it 'in vain'?
(iv) What did Franz notice that was unusual about the school that day?
(v) How does the author focus on the 'perpetual state of poverty' of the children not wearing footwear?
(vi) Where was the Kamla Das going and who was with her?

Q.6 Answer any 2 out of 3 questions in 40-50 words

2x2=4

- (i) In what ways does Mr Lamb inspire Derry to overcome his physical disability?
(ii) Why is a visit to Antarctica important to realise the effect of global warming?
(iii) Why did Charley suspect that Sam had gone to Galesburg?

Q.7 Answer any 1 out of the 2 questions in 120 – 150 words

1x5=5

- (i) What were the hidden dangers behind the dole that was to be given to the urban poor, and which the party in power is said to be keeping from them?
(ii) The Rattrap' focuses on human loneliness and the need to bond with others. Comment.

Q.8 Answer any 1 out of the 2 questions in 120 – 150 words

1x5=5

- (i) What made Charley believe that he was actually standing at the third level?
(ii) Do you think Dr Sadao's final solution to the problem was the best possible one in the circumstances?

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