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General Instructions :

- i) The Question-cum-Answer Booklet consists of objective and subjective types of questions having **50** questions.
- ii) Space has been provided against each objective type question. You have to choose the correct choice and write the complete answer along with its letter in the space provided.
- iii) For subjective type questions enough space for each question has been provided. You have to answer the questions in the space.
- iv) Follow the instructions given against both the objective and subjective types of questions.
- v) Candidate should not write the answer with pencil. Answers written in pencil will not be evaluated. (Except Graphs, Diagrams & Maps)
- vi) In case of Multiple Choice, Fill in the blanks and Matching questions, scratching / rewriting / marking is not permitted, thereby rendering to disqualification for evaluation.
- vii) Candidates have extra 15 minutes for reading the question paper.
- viii) Do not write anything in the space provided in the right side margin.



- I. Four alternatives are given for each of the following questions / incomplete statements. Only one of them is correct or most appropriate. Choose the correct alternative and write the complete answer along with its letter in the space provided against each question. 14 × 1 = 14

1. My maternal uncle was M.L.A.

The suitable article to be filled in the blank is

- (A) a (B) an
(C) one (D) the.

2. The new building to my uncle.

The suitable verb to be filled in the blank is

- (A) belongs (B) belong
(C) belonging (D) has belong.

3. You have a camera,

The suitable question tag for the above is

- (A) don't you ? (B) do you ?
(C) haven't you ? (D) have you ?

4. Can you do it ?

The passive form of this sentence is

- (A) You can do it ? (B) How can you do it ?
(C) Can you be done by it ? (D) Can it be done by you ?

5. Which of the following is a simple sentence ?

- (A) He ran fast but he failed to win the prize.
(B) Although he ran fast he failed to win the prize.
(C) In spite of running fast, he failed to win the prize.
(D) He failed to win the prize because he did not run fast.



6. "Where is Noida ?" said Ravi.

The reported form of this sentence is

- (A) Ravi said where is Noida
(B) Ravi suggested where was Noida
(C) Ravi asked where was Noida
(D) Ravi asked where Noida was.
7. If it rained heavily, the reservoirs full.
Use the right form of the verb to fill the blank :
- (A) will be (B) would be
(C) would have been (D) will have been.
8. Our examinations begin the 30th of March.
The suitable preposition to be used is
- (A) from (B) on
(C) during (D) in.
9. This is one of the greatest pieces of art.
The positive degree of this sentence is
- (A) This is one of the great pieces of art.
(B) No other piece of art is as great as this.
(C) Very few pieces of art are as great as this.
(D) No other piece of art is greater than this.
10. 'In me thou seest the twilight of such day'
The figure of speech used here is
- (A) Oxymoron (B) Simile
(C) Metaphor (D) Alliteration.



11. The dog was by the car.

The suitable phrasal verb to be filled in is

- (A) run into (B) run over
(C) run away (D) run out.

12. Last year we had sufficient foodgrains in the barns but this year it is

The antonym of the underlined word is

- (A) excessive (B) surplus
(C) deficient (D) bountiful.

13. The synonym of the word 'potent' is

- (A) powerful (B) important
(C) vital (D) needful.

14. Give one word for the following :

'The absence of governmental authority'

- (A) Anarchy (B) Autocracy
(C) Democracy (D) Dictatorship.

II. Observe the relationship in the first pair of words and complete the second pair accordingly in the following : $4 \times 1 = 4$

15. Weak : Week; Seen :
16. Archer : Archery; Carpenter :
17. Satisfied : Dissatisfied; Satisfactory :
18. Kidneys : Urologist; Nerves :

III. Answer the following questions in a sentence each : $4 \times 1 = 4$

19. What is inoculation ?
20. What does Basavanna compare his body to ?
21. "I came here to learn 'thy science'," says Buttoo. What does 'thy science' refer to ?
22. What did Drona seek from Buttoo as recompense ?



IV. Quote from memory :

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23. And I water'd

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of gold.

V. Answer the following questions in *three* or *four* sentences each : $8 \times 2 = 16$

- 24. What did Jean tell Pierre to convince him that he should go to get the tart ?
 - 25. Why do we call the scientist Louis Pasteur an all-rounder ?
 - 26. How did Anne Frank compare herself to a song bird ?
 - 27. 'A wave of the seas she had never seen before came to her and carried her to him'
- How do you say that birds too have feelings ?



28. 'Things standing shall fall,
But the moving ever shall stay'

Briefly explain the message that these two lines convey.

29. What did Ellen do to express her love towards Lochinvar ?

30. What did the brave Greeks do to make the Cyclop blind ?

31. Write any two acts of Karna which Lord Krishna recounts which violated fair play and chivalry.

VI. Explain with reference to the context : 5 × 3 = 15

32. "But if you'll unwrap that package, you may see why you had me going a while at first."

33. "Can you tell me — did she keep her hair long or short ?"

34. "Money is not required to buy even one necessity of the soul."

35. "Good fences make good neighbours."

36. "O grave, keep shut lest I be shamed !"

VII. Answer the following questions in *five* or *six* sentences each : 4 × 3 = 12

37. There are two worlds — the world of the idler artist and the world of the inhabitants of the Workers' Paradise. Which world is better ? Why do you feel so ?

38. C. V. Raman says that water is the real elixir of life. Justify this statement giving examples.

39. 'This thou perceiv'st which makes thy love more strong

To love that well, which thou must leave ere long'

How is this couplet a fitting conclusion to the three quatrains ?

40. Why, according to Doctor Livesay, did he give the map to the pirates ?

VIII. Answer the following questions in *seven* to *eight* sentences each : 4 × 4 = 16

41. Mahatma Gandhi says that a moral act should be done without compulsion. How does he illustrate this ?

OR

Is the title 'The Gift of the Magi' appropriate for the story ? Justify.



42. The approach of the Sexton, the postman, the blacksmith and the baker to the game is typical of their profession. Elaborate this.

OR

How was 'The Diary of Anne Frank' an eye-opener to the Germans to the viciousness of racial persecution ?

43. 'Only the test of fire makes fine steel' says Abraham Lincoln. Do you agree ? Give reasons to support your point of view.

OR

How do you say that Lochinvar was very brave ?

44. Describe the effect that the spectacle of the peak had on Wordsworth's mind.

OR

'And men shall ever link thy name

With Self help, Truth and Modesty'

Narrate the circumstances that led Dronacharya bless Buttoo saying the above words.

- IX. 45. Write an essay (in about 15 - 20 sentences) on any *one* of the following topics : 1 × 5 = 5

- a) Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan
- b) The safety of women / girls in India at stake today
- c) Computers.

- X. 46. Imagine that you are Kavya / Karan of Government High School, Shahabad.

Write a letter to your friend describing the 'Inter-school Sports Meet' of your place. 5

OR

Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper expressing your concern on uncontrolled increasing prices of essential commodities.



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

Gratitude is thankfulness towards the one who helps you in times of need. There is much greatness of mind in acknowledging a good turn as in doing it.

Man is a social animal and cannot live all by himself. Interaction amongst men is necessary. We need the help of others and, in turn, must help them. Whenever we receive any help from any person, we should be grateful to him. If we do not express our gratitude, people may not wish to help us a second time. A kindly generous deed deserves a "Thank you" accompanied by a gracious smile. If you have an opportunity to return that kind deed, don't forget to do so ungrudgingly. It costs so little to be grateful.

We should never forget to say the simple word "Thank you". Whatever be the help, we should be thankful to our parents or teachers and our friends for doing so much for us. Think of life without your parents' care and help ! Think of the guidance your teachers give you ! It is very important to be grateful to them.

Questions :

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| 47. When do we find much greatness of mind ? | 1 |
| 48. Why is interaction amongst men necessary ? | 1 |
| 49. Why should we be grateful to our parents and teachers ? | 1 |
| 50. How can you acknowledge a generous deed ? | 2 |

