

2018

ENGLISH

Full Marks : 100

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

General Instructions:

- (i) Write all the answers in the Answer Script.
- (ii) Attempt Part-A Objective Questions serially.
- (iii) Attempt all parts of a question together at one place.

(PART : A – OBJECTIVE)

SECTION – I

(Marks : 20)

1. Complete the following sentences using the right word from the given alternatives (*any five*): 1 x 5 = 5

- (a) On our second day out of Cape Town, we began to encounter strong _____ (gales, wind)
- (b) Scientists have catalogued about 1.4 _____ living species with which mankind shares the earth. (million, billion)

- (c) The rich get richer, and the poor beget children which condemns them to be _____ (poor, hungry)
- (d) Well towards evening the giant goes down into the dungeon again to see if his prisoners had taken his _____ (counsel, advice)
- (e) When my parents were comfortably settled in the _____, they sent for us. (city, town)
- (f) When I went up to University, I was given a _____ of my own. (room, cabin)
- (g) Novastoshnah Beach has the finest accommodation for seals of any place in all the _____ (world, universe)

2. Write whether the following statements are *True or False (any five)* : 1 x 5 = 5

- (a) Larry and Herb were pumping like madmen.
- (b) Ile Amsterdam was a battleship.
- (c) The Earth's vital signs reveal a patient in declining health.
- (d) Giant Despair had a wife, and her name was Diffidence.

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- (e) Hopeful decided to end his life.
- (f) Grandmother had always been short and fat and slightly bent.
- (g) Kotick was successful in finding the new island for his family and others.

3. Complete the following sentences by using the right word from the given alternatives (*any five*) : $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (a) It was the rainbow gave thee _____ (birth, colour)
- (b) Get thee on _____ and clap thy wings. (bough, branch)
- (c) No, not only _____ walk on water. (prophet, prophets)
- (d) Expanding like the petals of young flowers, I watch the _____ opening of your minds. (gentle, perfect)
- (e) Weaving the chaplets you are yet to gain And then I _____ have not lived in vain. (realise, feel)
- (f) They talked of love and preached of _____ (hate, love)
- (g) To tell the secret my nights and days, To celebrate the need of _____ (friends, comrades)

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4. State whether the following statements are *True or False* (*any five*) : $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (a) The name of the mother of kingfisher was tears.
- (b) The poet, W. H. Davies loved a quiet place.
- (c) The striders had wet capillary legs.
- (d) In the poem of Derozio, the pupils worship truth's omnipotence.
- (e) According to Marcus Natten, he lost his childhood at the age of eleven.
- (f) To the poet Natten, the childhood is hidden in an infant's face.
- (g) Whitman was happy with the standard behaviour of human society.

SECTION – II

(Marks : 30)

5. Answer any *five* questions in not more than 20 words each : $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (a) Who were the two crewmen and why were they taken in?
- (b) What happened to Suzanne, when the boat was hit by the wave?

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- (c) What is the Green movement?
- (d) What does James Speth say about the forests?
- (e) What did Christian and Hopeful do on Saturday?
- (f) Why was grandmother not happy with the lessons taught in the city school?
- (g) How did Matkah care for her son?

6. Answer *any five* of the following questions in not more than 20 words each: $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (a) In the poem, 'The kingfisher', what is suggested in the second stanza?
- (b) How does Ramanujan ask the readers to observe the water striders?
- (c) How do the minds of the pupils expand, as said by Derozio?
- (d) Why is the poet, Derozio confident of the success of his pupils?
- (e) What does the poet, Marcus Natten say about the adult behaviour?

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- (f) Why does the poet, Whitman want to walk through the untrodden ways?
- (g) Why does Whitman think that he 'can respond' in a secluded place?

7. (a) Change the following into passive voice: $1 \times 4 = 4$

- (i) He changed the voice of the verb.
- (ii) She was reading a book.
- (iii) John presented an umbrella to her.
- (iv) I know the truth.

(b) Make sentences with the following idioms : $1 \times 4 = 4$

- (i) at sixes and sevens.
- (ii) kith and kin.
- (iii) once in a blue moon.
- (iv) red letter day.

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(c) Change the following sentences as directed:
1 x 3 = 3

(i) He left no plan untried.
(Change to Affirmative Sentence)

(ii) What a dangerous thing a little learning is !
(Change to Assertive Sentence)

(iii) I shall always remember you.
(Change to Negative Sentence)

(iv) New Delhi is the biggest city in India.
(Change the sentence to Comparative degree)

(d) Fill in the blanks with correct determiners :
1 x 2 = 2

(i) Keep _____ chairs in the room.
(some, many)

(ii) I visited _____ place twice. (a, the)

(e) Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb:
1 x 2 = 2

(i) It _____ since yesterday. (rain)

(ii) He is _____ badminton. (play)

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8. Answer the following questions within 20 (twenty) words each (*any five*) :
1 x 5 = 5

(a) Where did J. B. Priestley and his friend go for 'doing nothing'?

(b) What idea is prevalent in America?

(c) Name the three great authors who had praised idleness?

(d) How did Rakesh react to the declaration of the result?

(e) Who was Veena?

(f) Why did Rakesh get angry with his father?

(g) What problem was solved by the spectroscope?

(h) How is 'ozone' formed and what does it block?

(i) Why is migration easier on Mars than on Earth?

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(PART : B – DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

9. Answer *any two* of the following questions : 5 x 2 = 10

- (a) How did each one of the family members act to reach the island 'Ile Amsterdam'?
- (b) What are the Earth's principal biological systems? What are the effects of human activity on them?
- (c) Why did Giant Despair get angry with 'Christian' and 'Hopeful'? How did he behave with them?
- (d) How did the grandmother contribute to the all-round development of her grandson?

10. Answer *any two* of the following questions : 5 x 2 = 10

- (a) What does the poet, W. H. Davies say about the kingfisher in his poem?
- (b) How does Ramanujan narrate the actions of the strider?

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- (c) Why does Derozio, think that he has not lived in vain?
- (d) Why was the poet, Marcus Natten confused with his childhood? Did he come to a conclusion?
- (e) What were the reasons that led the poet, Walt Whitman to choose the 'untrodden path'?

11. Answer *any one* of the following questions : 1 x 10 = 10

- (a) Why does the author say that 'all the evils in this world is brought by the busy people'? What is the solution suggested? 5 + 5 = 10
- (b) How was Rakesh concerned for his father? What led his father to disillusionment? 5 + 5 = 10
- (c) What does the author say about the Martian civilization in his essay? 5 + 5 = 10

12. Write a report to the principal of your institution, regarding the excursion programme, that you had undergone recently. 10

Or

Write an essay on *any one* of the following : 10

- (a) A Visit to a Market.
- (b) Winter Vacation.
- (c) The Importance of Health.

13. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

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The city of Troy having been captured by the Greeks , the conquerors, after the first excitement of plunder had abated, began to feel pity for the misfortunes of the vanquished, and caused a proclamation to be made that every free-born citizen should be permitted to take away with him any one thing which he valued the most. Upon this, Aeneas, the Trojan Prince, surrendered everything else to have possession of his household gods. This conduct excited in the minds of the Greeks so high an admiration for his piety that they gave him further leave to take away what he now valued most highly of all the things that remained. Immediately he took upon his shoulders and carried out of the burning town his aged father, who was so infirm as to be unable to escape without assistance. This evidence of filial affection raised still more highly the admiration of the victors, and they allowed him to take everything which he had possessed. They declared that it would be unnatural to them to be enemies to men who gave such proof of piety to the gods and dutiful affection to parents.

Questions :-

- (a) What was the proclamation made by the Greeks? 2
- (b) What was the first choice of Aeneas? 2
- (c) How did this affect the Greeks? 2
- (d) What was Aeneas's second choice? 2
- (e) What effect did this have upon the Greeks? 2

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