

## Subject : English (General)

Set-A

## Instructions :

- (i) Answer all the questions.  
 (ii) All answers must be to the point.

## (Prose)

1. (A) Choose the correct alternatives to the following questions :
- (i) Who was Akbar's Chief Minister and Commander-in-Chief ?  
 (a) Adham Khan (b) Bairam Khan  
 (c) Sher Khan (d) Akram Khan
- (ii) Noble revenge was taken by :  
 (a) Prospero (b) Adorno  
 (c) Antonio (d) Uberto
- (iii) The champion and saviour of Persia was :  
 (a) Rustam (b) Bairam Khan  
 (c) Akbar (d) Sohrab
- (iv) Who discovered Radium ?  
 (a) Henri Becquerel (b) Professor Sklodovsky  
 (c) Madam Curie (d) Pierre Curie
- (B) Fill in the blanks with the words given in the bracket :  
 (neighbour, penicillin, unpopular, miracle)
- (i) Today ..... is one of the most widely used drug.  
 (ii) Kaikaos was an ..... ruler.  
 (iii) Miss Helen Keller, a famous woman, whose life and achievements are a ..... of modern times.  
 (iv) Gabriel was a ..... to Ivan.
2. Answer the following questions in two or three sentences each :
- (a) What was the anxiety in Adham Khan's mind ?  
 (b) What did Alexander Fleming want to obtain from the mould ?  
 (c) Why did Sohrab collect an army and march to Persia ?  
 (d) What property of the magic metal makes it useful to the doctors ?  
 (e) What did Ivan's old father try to do ?  
 (f) What was the gift Prospero gave the King of Naples ?

## (Poetry)

3. (a) Choose the word which is the meaning of moonlight in the poem 'The Fountain'—  
 (i) Energy (ii) Brightness  
 (iii) Darkness (iv) Whiteness
- (b) Uggupta, the disciple of Buddha lay asleep on the dust by the city wall of :  
 (i) Varanasi (ii) Sarnath  
 (iii) Mathura (iv) Vrindaban
4. Answer the following questions in about 20 words :
- (a) What did neighbours fear would happen to the man in the poem 'Elegy on the death of a mad dog' ?  
 (b) What was Uggupta's reply to the girl's invitation ?  
 (c) What does 'sleep' stand for if the journey is the journey of life in the poem 'Stopping by the woods on a snowy evening' ?

## (Vocabulary)

5. (a) Match the following : (any four)
- |   |            |
|---|------------|
| (i) The people gathered to see or listen                    | — Expert   |
| (ii) To fight against                                       | — Pasture  |
| (iii) A person with special Knowledge                       | — spy      |
| (iv) The highest official who gives decision in a court     | — Audience |
| (v) Grassyland where farm animals feed                      | — Judge    |
| (vi) A person who secretly collects information on an enemy | — Combat   |
- (b) Give the antonym of : (any three)  
 hatred, presence, employment, careful
- (c) Make noun forms of : (any three)  
 educate, apply, defend, great, protect

## (Translation)

6. Translate the following into English : (any five)
- (i) मैं बाजार नहीं जा रहा था।  
 (ii) रायपुर छत्तीसगढ़ की राजधानी है।  
 (iii) हम मैच जीतेगे।  
 (iv) आज सुबह से वर्षा हो रही है।  
 (v) आप कहाँ जा रहे हो ?  
 (vi) कृपया शोर मत कीजिए।  
 (vii) मैंने पत्र लिख लिया है।

## (Grammar)

7. (a) Do as directed : (any five)
- (i) They won the match. (Change into negative sentence)  
 (ii) I play cricket. (Make the sentence emphatic)  
 (iii) You are coming tomorrow. (Add a question tag)  
 (iv) You should go to school in uniform. (Rewrite the sentence using 'have got to')  
 (v) Iron is a heavy metal, lead is a heavy metal.  
 (vi) (a) This book is interesting.  
 (b) This book is useful. (Join the sentences using 'not only ... but also')  
 (vii) (a) He ran very fast.  
 (b) He won the medal. (Join the sentences using 'so ... that')
- (b) Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct alternatives : (any five)
- (i) There are ..... beautiful flowers in the garden. (n: any, little, much)  
 (ii) My brother has ..... knowledge about computer. (few, any, little)  
 (iii) ..... living being need food and shelter. (several, all, whole)  
 (iv) I go for a long walk ..... morning. (every, each, several)  
 (v) There is ..... ink in the inkpot. (few, many, no)  
 (vi) ..... the devil and the devil is there. (for, with)

- (vii) He believes in God and so ..... I. (did, does, do)
- (c) Do as directed : (any five)
- (i) My father teaches me. (Change the voice)
- (ii) The saint said, "God helps those who help themselves."  
(Change into indirect speech)
- (iii) To please everyone is difficult.  
(Rewrite the sentence beginning with 'It')
- (iv) If you don't work hard, you cannot get good marks.  
(Use 'unless' in place of 'If')
- (v) What are you doing ? (Name the type of sentence)
- (vi) Nouns are words. (Change into singular)
- (vii) The President of India will leave for America tomorrow.  
(Rewrite the sentence using present simple for future)

8. Complete the passage using the words given in the bracket :

(textbook, belt, went, missed, late)

It was a bad day for Tarun. Today everything ..... wrong with Tarun. He forgot to take his Hindi..... He ..... his school bus. He was ..... to school. His Hindi teacher scolded him. He lost the money for his new..... Mother was angry with Tarun.

Or

(Caliban, wise, island, three, twelve)

Once on a lonely ..... in the sea there lived ..... people, a ..... old man named Prospero, his beautiful young daughter Miranda, and their servant ..... Prospero and Miranda had come to the island ..... years before, when Miranda was only a baby.

9. Correct the underlined errors and write them in given space : (any five)

Calcium was ..... very important for the human body. It help ..... in forming strong bones and tooth ..... It also plays a ..... important role on ..... sending signals from the brain to the body. Teeth helps for ..... chew the food and bones gave ..... shape to our body.

(Reading Comprehension)

10. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow : (any four)

The discoverer of this magic metal was Madame Curie. She was born in Poland in the year 1867, daughter of Professor Sklodovsky, who was a teacher of Physics. Even in her childhood she was fascinated by books of every kind, adventure, poetry, science. Often her mother would find her absorbed in her reading and would say, "stop it and come and sing to us, darling", "play for a while Marie." "You have been reading for five hours now" and so on. Otherwise, Marie would not put her books down.

Questions :

- (i) When was Madame Curie born ?
- (ii) Who was Madame Curie's father ?
- (iii) What was Madame Curie's father ?
- (iv) What was Madame Curie fascinated by ?
- (v) What did Marie's mother say to her ?
- (vi) Name the lesson of the passage given.

11. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow : (any four)
- The most important thing in life is how to live. There is nothing men are so anxious to keep as life and nothing they take so little pains to keep well. This is not a simple matter, life is short, art is long, opportunity, fleeting, experiment uncertain and judgement difficult. Happiness and success do not depend on our circumstances but on ourselves. More men have ruined themselves than have ever been destroyed by others. More houses and cities have perished at the hands of man than storms or earthquakes have ever destroyed.

Questions :

- (i) What is the important thing to learn in life ?
- (ii) On whom do happiness and success depend ?
- (iii) What do men anxiously try to keep ?
- (iv) Who has been proved more destructive ?
- (v) Give the antonyms of the words—life, nothing.
- (vi) What have been perished at the hands of man ?

(Writing)

12. Write an essay on any *one* of the topics in about 200 words :

- (i) A Picnic
- (ii) My Favourite Leader
- (iii) Science—A Boon or A Curse
- (iv) A visit to a historical place
- (v) Importance of Trees.

13. You are a captain of our class. You are reading in Class X in Govt. Higher Secondary School, Kolamchitwahi. Students of your class are willing to go on a picnic. Write an application to your Principal seeking for permission.

Or

You are Ansh Goswamy residing at Raigarh. Chinmay Das is your friend. He has passed his High School Board Examination in first division. Write a letter of congratulation to him.