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English

Class – 11

B/20,000

Time : 3 Hrs. 15 Mins.]

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General Instructions :

- (i) First 15 Minutes are allotted for candidates to read the question paper.
- (ii) This paper is divided into **four** sections—A, B, C and D.
- (iii) **All** the sections are compulsory.
- (iv) Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

Section-A (Reading)

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

Everyone in this world seeks happiness; but none secures consummate, undivided, lasting happiness. Life comes to an end in the pursuit of happiness, which recedes farther and farther. The reason is not far to seek consummate, undivided and lasting happiness does not, really speaking, in here in the objects of nature from which man seeks to derive happiness. Therefore if you desire happiness, worship God, who consists of consummate, undivided, lasting and true happiness.

One would get a thing from there alone where it exists. We shall only meet with frustration if we seek to extract oil from sands or churn ghee out of water; for there is no oil in sands, nor ghee in water. Oil-seeds such as sesame and mustard will be needed for oil and milk for ghee. Even so consummate, undivided and lasting happiness exists exclusively in God. He alone is the ocean of infinite joy. Therefore, if you seek happiness worship him.

- (i) Why does everyone in this world fail to secure lasting happiness ? **3**

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1. (ii) Where does true and lasting happiness ? **3**
- (iii) Why will one be frustrated, if one seeks to extract oil from sands ? **3**

- (iv) What is the meaning of 'Frustration'. 11½
- (v) What is Antonyms of 'Pursuit'. 11½

Section-B (Writing)

2. Sanjay a reporter of Hindustan time, he went to Delhi to see the exhibition in Pragti Madam, What you saw there. Write a report on the event in about 100-150 words. 5
3. Write an essay (Article) on one of the following topics in about 150 words : 10
- (a) The Ambition of My Life
 - (b) Indian Police
 - (c) Dignity of labour
4. Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper complaining against Frequent break-down in electric supply of your locality. 5

OR

Write a letter to the Executive Officer of your municipality complaining against the insanitary condition and bad condition of the roads in your locality.

Section-C (Grammar)

5. Change the following sentences as directed : 2 × 10 = 20
- (a) Hamid said to me, "Why did you insult my friend ?" (into Indirect form of speech)
 - (b) The boy heard the noise. The boy woke up. (into simple sentence)
 - (c) Ram is the tallest boy in the class. (Into positive degree)
 - (d) Which apple will you eat ? (Into passive voice)
 - (e) One must do his work carefully. (Correct sentence)
 - (f) 'Bring home' (Use the phrasal verb in your own words)
 - (g) Write synonyms of 'Divine'.
 - (h) Write Antonyms of 'Humility'.
 - (i) Give one word of 'Which cannot be heard'.
 - (j) Use the pair of words to make the different in meaning clear:
 - (i) Ascent
 - (ii) Assent

6. **Translate the following into English :** 8
 एक समय एक बादशाह बीमार पड़ा। वह कुछ भी खा-पी नहीं सकता था। कितने डॉक्टर, वैद्य और हकीम आये और अपनी-अपनी दवाइयाँ देकर चले गये। लेकिन बादशाह अच्छा न हुआ। एक दिन कोई साधु उधर आ निकला। नौकरों ने उसे बादशाह के सामने उपस्थित किया। साधु ने बादशाह को देखकर कहा, “अगर बादशाह नगर के सबसे सुखी व्यक्ति का कुर्ता पहने तो अच्छे हो सकते हैं।” तब सारे नौकर सुखी व्यक्ति की खोज में निकले। परन्तु किसी ने यह नहीं कहा कि मैं सुखी हूँ।

Section-D (Literature)

7. **Answer any two of the following questions in not more than 30 words :**
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- (a) What is the Pharaoh's curse ?
- (b) Which element is often overlooked ? How is it essential ?
- (c) What do we need to plant more forests in India ?

8. **Answer any one of the following questions in not more than 150 words :**
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- (a) Explain the concept of Shanshui.
- (b) Why did Tut's body have to undergo a C.T. Scan ? What results did it yield ?

9. **Read the following lines of poetry and answer the questions given below :** **2×3=6**

I am the poem of Earth, said the voice of the rain,
 Eternal I rise impalpable out of the land and the bottomless sea
 upward to heaven, whence, vaguely form'd altogether changed,
 and yet the same.

Questions

- (i) Which is the poem of the Earth ?
- (ii) Which is the form of misty ?
- (iii) Which can be felt but not seen ?

10. **Give the central idea of one of the following poems :** **4**

- (a) The voice of the Rain.
- (b) The Laburnum Top.

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11. Answer any *one* of the following questions in not more than 150 words :
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- (a) What factors made Einstein's life in Munich miserable ? What did he realise after six months ?
- (b) Give a brief account of the narrator's two meetings with Ranga after the latter's return from Bangalore. What opinion did he form about the young man ?

12. Answer any *two* of the following questions in not more than 30 words :
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- (a) What does the narrator say about Hosahalli ?
- (b) What was the history teacher's opinion of Albert ?
- (c) Why does Doris Pearson feel astounded on returning home ?