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Instructions:

- i) First 15 minutes are allotted for the candidates to read the question paper.
- ii) All questions are compulsory.
- iii) This question paper has two Parts - Part-A and Part-B.
- iv) Part-A consists of 20 multiple choice questions of one mark each that have to be answered on OMR Answer Sheet.
- v) For Part-A read the question-wise instructions and mark your answer on the given OMR Answer Sheet only. Do not erase, cut or use whitener on the OMR Answer Sheet after answering.
- vi) Marks of the questions are mentioned against them.
- vii) Part-B consists of descriptive type questions of 50 marks.
- viii) All the questions of Part-B are to be attempted all at a time.
- ix) Start from the first question and go up to the last question. Do not waste your time on the question you cannot solve.

PART - A

(Q. Nos. 1–3): Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow, choosing the correct option :

An old man was distressed because his sons always quarrelled with one another. One day he called them to him and showed them a bundle of sticks tied together. He asked if anyone of them was

strong enough to break them. First one and then another tried, but they all failed. He then untied the bundle, and told them to break each stick separately. This they did easily and all the sticks were soon broken into pieces. Thus he taught them that united they would be strong, but disunited they would always be weak.

1. An old man was distressed because [1]

- (A) his sons quarrelled sometimes with him
- (B) his sons quarrelled with their friends
- (C) his sons always quarrelled with one another
- (D) his sons did not quarrel

2. An old man was distressed. It means he was [1]

- (A) happy
- (B) helpful
- (C) angry
- (D) sad

3. Which word in the passage is opposite of 'weak' ? [1]

- (A) Distressed
- (B) Quarrelled
- (C) Strong
- (D) Disunited

(Q. Nos. 4–8): Choose the correct option to answer the following:

4. His friend _____ before he reached there. [1]

- (A) goes
- (B) went
- (C) had gone
- (D) will be going

5. If you do not want anything more, you are [1]

- (A) satisfactory
- (B) satisfying
- (C) dissatisfied
- (D) satisfied

6. Rearrange the following word clusters to make a meaningful sentence and choose the right arrangement: [1]

she / lot / a / money / of / borrowed / has / them / from

- (A) She has from them a money of lot borrowed
- (B) Has she them from a of money lot borrowed
- (C) Borrowed has she a money lot of them from
- (D) She has borrowed a lot of money from them

7. Which of the following words is mis-spelled ? [1]

- (A) Importent
- (B) Importance
- (C) Impossible
- (D) Impact

8. Fill in the gap with a suitable preposition:
Fruits were distributed ____ those five boys. [1]

- (A) in
- (B) between
- (C) into
- (D) among

(Q. Nos. 9–10): Read the passage given below and choose the correct option to answer the questions that follow :

But suddenly a strong wind began to blow and along with the rain very large hailstones began to fall. These truly did resembled new silver coins. The boys, exposing themselves to the rain, ran out to collect the frozen pearls.

9. Along with the rain _____ began to fall. [1]

- (A) stones
- (B) hailstones
- (C) silver coins
- (D) pearls

10. The cornfield belonged to [1]

- (A) a postman
- (B) the postmaster
- (C) the small boys
- (D) Lencho

(Q. Nos. 11–13): Choose the correct option to answer the following questions:

11. Nelson Mandela became the first black _____ of South Africa. [1]

- (A) Prime Minister
- (B) Vice-President
- (C) President
- (D) Defence Minister

12. Mahaseer is a large fish found in the fresh water of _____ river. [1]

- (A) Krishna
- (B) Godavari
- (C) Kaveri
- (D) Ganga

13. The bus fare from Valli's village to the town was _____ paise one way. [1]

- (A) thirty
- (B) forty
- (C) fifty

(D) twenty

(Q. Nos. 14–15): Read the given extract and choose the correct option to answer the following questions:

Some say the world will end in fire
Some say in ice.
From what I've tasted of desire
I hold with those who favour fire.

14. Who is the speaker in the above lines ? [1]

- (A) A leader
- (B) A teacher
- (C) The poet
- (D) A boy

15. In the speaker's opinion the world will end in [1]

- (A) ice
- (B) fire
- (C) both ice and fire
- (D) neither ice, nor fire

(Q. Nos. 16–20): Choose the correct option to answer the following questions:

16. Hari Singh did not know how to cook, but told that he could cook, because [1]

- (A) he wanted work and food
- (B) he wanted some place to sleep for a night
- (C) he wanted to train Anil as a cook
- (D) he wanted to learn cooking

17. During treatment of the dog, the doctor [1]

- (A) operated the dog

- (B) gave the dog many things to eat
- (C) kept an eye on the dog, giving him no food, but plenty of water
- (D) gave the dog a lot of food, but no water

18. Ebright's mother gifted him a book, entitled [1]

- (A) The Travels of Viceroy Butterflies
- (B) The Travels of Monarch Butterflies
- (C) The Travels of Monarch X
- (D) The Habitat of Monarch Butterflies

19. Which of the following statements is correct ? [1]

- (A) Matilda borrowed a necklace of real diamonds, but returned a necklace of artificial diamonds
- (B) Matilda borrowed a necklace of real diamonds and returned a necklace of real diamonds
- (C) Matilda borrowed a necklace of artificial diamonds and returned a necklace of artificial diamonds
- (D) Matilda borrowed a necklace of artificial diamonds, but returned a necklace of real diamonds

20. Numberdar Ramlal had seven children [1]

- (A) two sons and five daughters
- (B) five sons and two daughters
- (C) three sons and four daughters
- (D) four sons and three daughters

PART - B

(Reading)

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

We sometimes think that it would be very nice to have no work to do. How do we envy rich people who have not to work for their living but can do just what they please all the year round. Yet when we feel this, we make mistake. Sometimes they are tired of having nothing to do. Most of us are happy when we have regular work to do. The first thing work does for us is to give us happiness. The work gives us self-respect. The idler however rich lives on the work of others. But the honest worker who earns his living by useful toil, can hold up his head and respect himself. Lastly, regular work helps us in building up character, It teaches us such good habits as punctuality, carefulness and faithfulness in work. It is the man who works, not the idler, that as a rule develops the best character.

- a) Why do we sometimes envy rich people ? [2]
- b) What is the first thing that work gives us ? [2]
- c) Who develops the best character ? [2]
- d) What is opposite of the man who works ? Give only one word. [1]

(Writing)

2. Write a letter to your friend to invite him / her to attend your elder sister's marriage. [4]

OR

Write an application to the Principal of your college that the college library is lacking its function.

3. Write a report on the Science Exhibition in your college in about 80–100 words.

(Hints: Date, inauguration, models exhibited, gathering, overall impression and experience.) [6]

OR

Taking clues given below write an article on 'Uses and Misuses of a Mobile phone' in about 80–100 words.

(Phone contacts, Google search, Entertainment, Mobile phone, Shopping, Cyber crimes, Harmful indulgence) [6]

(Grammar)

4.

- a) Rewrite the following sentence into indirect speech: [2]
Mohan said to Seema, "Please help me."
- b) Change the following into passive voice: [2]
I am writing a letter.
- c) Punctuate the following: [2]
she said to me have you ever been to goa
- d) Translate the following into English: [4]
वर्षा ऋतु सभी ऋतुओं से अच्छी होती है। चारों ओर हरियाली दिखाई देती है। कृषि के लिये वर्षा बहुत महत्वपूर्ण है। वर्षा और वन एक दूसरे पर निर्भर हैं।

(Literature)

5. Answer the following questions in about 30–40 words each : $3 + 3 = 6$

- a) Who was Anne Frank ? Where did she write a diary ? [3]
OR
What is Coorg famous for ? [3]
- b) What was Lencho's remark for the post office employees ? [3]
OR
What was the meaning of 'freedom' for Mandela ? [3]

6. Answer any one of the following in about 60 words: [4]

- a) What did Kisa Gautami learn about 'Death' ?
- b) How did the bus conductor receive Valli ?

7. How will you know in the jungle whether it is the Asian Lion or some other beast ? [3]

OR

Write four lines of any poem prescribed in your syllabus. (*Do not copy the lines given in the question paper*) [3]

8. Write the central idea of any one of the following poems (in about 40–50 words): [3]

a) How to Tell Wild Animals

b) Amanda !

c) The Trees

9. Answer any one of the following in about 30–40 words : [3]

a) What treatment did the doctor give to Tricki ?

b) When did the Tehsildar Sahib come to Bholi's village ?

10. Answer any one of the following in about 60 words : [4]

a) How was Bholi taken to school for her primary education ?

b) What would have happened if Matilda had not lost the diamond necklace in the Minister's ball ?