

Sample Paper 5 (Solved)

Class X Exam 2022-23

English-Language and Literature (184)

Time Allowed : 3 Hrs.

Maximum Marks: 80

General Instructions:

1. 15-minute prior reading time allotted for Q-paper reading.
2. The Question Paper contains THREE sections READING, GRAMMAR & WRITING and LITERATURE.
3. Attempt question based on specific instructions for each part.

SECTION A- READING SKILLS 20

I. Read the passage given below. 10

1. Social media has become almost a necessity for us, in today's world. It's become so important and evolved so much, that we carry our social media with us throughout the day, on our phones.
2. One of the major benefits of social media is that you can connect with people all over the world, for free. This comes in handy if you have friends who have travelled abroad. You can send them messages on Facebook or Twitter or Instagram, and they can respond quickly from wherever they are. Social media helps to fortify and maintain your personal relationships, even with people who are far away from you. If you have a family member that's travelling, you won't have to wait until they return to hear about their adventures. Just hop on Facebook or Instagram and start chatting and exchanging pictures.
3. This ability to communicate quickly and easily with people overseas is also very convenient for those who do business, in foreign lands. Social media platforms provide a cheap, easy way to quickly communicate your point to your customers or clients, who are across the world. You can send a private message, publicly share something or video chat, for free. Using social media for a company is very cost effective and time efficient. Staying connected to these people is important to improve your business relationship, and keep your company running properly.
4. Staying connected to your social networks on the platforms that you use can be vital to your professional success. Through social media sites, you can find jobs, inform your community of business opportunities and career openings, and you can even monetize your accounts. Keeping a well-maintained network will help you achieve success in your career. A good site to look at, if you're trying to create a professional network, is LinkedIn. The site is designed specifically to help you advance in your career. You'll open up plenty of new opportunities that you didn't have, before.

5. Being an active participant in social media is a great way to learn new things. News outlets are constantly using social media, to help keep people in the loop. Social media is the way that news is heard, and it's the way that news is spread. You can make the argument that staying connected to social media is, in fact, staying connected to life. It's not only good for sharing and spreading news, it's a great place to find out about people's opinions on various topics. For example, if you've built a sports community, you'll learn about the sports that you love. You can build communities around politics, business, cars, family, education and pretty much whatever other topic you'd like. Social media will enhance your life. It will provide you the chance to communicate, connect and be involved like never before. You'll stay connected with news outlets, family, friends and virtually whatever else you'd like to connect with.

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Based on your understanding of the passage, answer the questions given below.

- i. List 1 major benefits of social media.
Ans : You can connect with people all over the world for free.
- ii. Using social media for a company is :
 1. very cost effective.
 2. time efficient.
 3. very profitable.

(a) Only 1
(b) 1 and 2
(c) 1 and 3
(d) 2 and 3

Ans : (b) 1 and 2

- iii. Substitute the word 'necessity' with ONE WORD similar in meaning, in the following sentence from paragraph 1:

Social media has become almost a necessity for us, in today's world.

Ans : need/prerequisite.

- iv. Which of the following is not a social media platform?

- (a) Facebook
- (b) Instagram
- (c) Google
- (d) Twitter

Ans : (c) Google

- v. For whom is the ability to communicate quickly and easily with people overseas very convenient ?

- (a) those who live away from their families
- (b) those who have connections with people in other countries
- (c) those who travel to foreign lands a lot
- (d) those who do business in foreign lands

Ans : (d) those who do business in foreign lands

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- vi. Social media platforms that you use can be vital to your professional success because through them you can :

- 1. create a business circle and increase your business connections
- 2. inform your community of business opportunities
- 3. find jobs
- 4. monetize your accounts
- 5. inform your community of career openings

- (a) 1, 2 and 4
- (b) 2, 3 and 4
- (c) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- (d) 2, 3, 4 and 5

Ans : (d) 2, 3, 4 and 5

- vii. State whether the following statement is TRUE or FALSE:

LinkedIn is a good site to look at if you're trying to create a professional network.

Ans : TRUE.

- viii. Based on your reading of the text, list any 2 features of social media.

- 1. _____
- 2. _____

Ans :

- 1. Social media will enhance your life.
- 2. Social media comes in handy if you have friends who have travelled abroad.

- ix. Choose ONE WORD from paragraph 5 that clearly states the meaning of the phrase 'further improve the quality or value of something'.

Ans : enhance.

- x. Which of the following is an appropriate title for the passage ?

- (a) The Beneficial Social Media
- (b) Social Media - A Necessity
- (c) Importance of Staying Connected Through Social Media
- (d) The Revolution of the Whole World Around the Social Media

Ans : (c) Importance of Staying Connected Through Social Media

II. Read the passage given below.

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1. Uttarakhand is located at the foothills of the Himalayan mountain ranges. The state shares borders with China (Tibet) in the north & Nepal in the east & inter-state boundaries with Himachal Pradesh in the west & north-west & Uttar Pradesh in the south. Hindi, Garhwal & Kumaoni are commonly spoken in the state. English is the medium of education in many of its schools. Uttarakhand has diverse geographical features ranging from snowcapped mountain peaks in the north to tropical forests in the south; its climate & vegetation vary accordingly. The state was formed in November 2000 by carving out the 13 hill districts of Uttar Pradesh. It was formerly named Uttaranchal.
2. The main railway stations in the state are Dehradun, Haridwar, Roorkee, Kotdwar, Kashipur, Udham Singh Nagar, Haldwani, Ramnagar and Kathgodam. Uttarakhand had 339.80 km of rail routes. The state is focusing on increasing the share of railways in cargo and passenger transport. Initiatives have been undertaken to start monorails at Dehradun, Haridwar and Rishikesh, on the inter-city linkage routes.
3. The state has two domestic airports : one at Jolly Grant in the Dehradun district and another at Pant Nagar in the Udham Singh Nagar district. The state intends to position air transport as a reliable all-weather transport option for the hills. With Uttarakhand emerging as a hot tourist and industrial destination,

the state government is focussing on upgrading the Jolly Grant airport as an international airport, in coordination with Airports Authority of India. In 2018-19, Dehradun airport handled 7,374 aircraft movements and 709,227 passengers, approximately.

VISION 2022

Transport	- Strengthen road network in urban areas and upgrade national highways. - Develop two major all-weather airports with connectivity to metro cities.
Health	- Affordable healthcare with focus on disease prevention. - Provide state funded maternal and child healthcare, especially in rural areas.
Tourism	- Promote the state as a global tourist destination by showcasing its spiritual, cultural and adventure tourism - Target 0.5 million international tourists by 2022.
Agriculture	- Improve yield and quality by providing irrigation facilities and latest technology. - Create cold chain infrastructure and success to market intelligence for farmers.
Infrastructure	- Harness hydro-power for 100% electrification in the state and supply power to other states. - Connect major cities through multi-lane highways and proper roads for villages.
Environment	- Promote the state as a green economy by focusing on sectors such as IT, Agriculture, tourism, hydro-power and education. 100% solid waste management, waste water treatment and recycling.
Industries	- Become a world leader in green energy by leveraging hydro-power potential. - Promote micro and small enterprises.
Education of skill development	- Quality primary education to be provided to all children. - Job oriented vocational training facilities and establishment of higher education institutions.

Based on your understanding of the passage, answer the questions given below.

- i. Which of the following language is not a commonly spoken language in Uttarakhand?

(a) Kumaoni
(b) Hindi
(c) Punjabi
(d) Garhwali

Ans : (c) Punjabi

- ii. State whether the following statement is TRUE or FALSE:

The state of Uttarakhand was formed by carving out the 11 hill districts of Uttar Pradesh.

Ans : FALSE.

- iii. Which of the following states/countries do not surround Uttarakhand from any side?

(a) Uttar Pradesh
(b) Nepal
(c) China
(d) Bangladesh

Ans : (d) Bangladesh

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- iv. Based on your reading of the text, list any 2 features of Uttarakhand.

1. _____
2. _____

Ans :

1. Its climate and vegetation vary quite a lot.
2. It has diverse geographical features.

- v. When talking about environment, by 2022, Uttarakhand wants to :

- I. have perfect waste water management in the state
II. harness hydropower for 100 % electricity in the state
III. have a 100 % solid waste management in the state
IV. promote the state as a green economy

(a) I and II
(b) I and III
(c) II, III and IV
(d) I, III and IV

Ans : (d) I, III and IV

vi. Choose an option that lists the main factors considered in Uttarakhand's vision of 2022.

1. Education
 2. Agriculture
 3. Development
 4. Transport
 5. Tourism
 6. Mining
 7. Environment
- (a) 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7
(b) 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7
(c) 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7
(d) 1, 3, 4, 6 and 7

Ans : (a) 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7

vii. Supply 1 point to justify the following:

Uttarakhand is emerging as a hot tourist and industrial destination.

Ans : The state government is focusing on upgrading the Jolly Grant airport as an international airport.

viii. What is the international tourist visitation target of the state of Uttarakhand by the year 2022?

Ans : 0.5 million.

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ix. Complete the following analogy correctly with a word from paragraph 2:

rickshaw : carry :: elevator : _____

(Clue : Just like a rickshaw is used to carry people, similarly an elevator is used to...)

Ans : transport.

x. Which of the following clearly explains the meaning of the word 'initiatives'?

- (a) standards
(b) visions
(c) talks
(d) measures

Ans : (d) measures

III. SECTION B- GRAMMAR 10

Attempt **ANY TEN** of the following questions. 10

i. Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option to complete the sentence.

If only he _____ us truth in the first place, things would not have gone wrong.

- (a) has told
(b) would have told
(c) had told
(d) should have told

Ans : (c) had told

ii. Read the conversation between Prateek and Raghav. and complete the narration that follows.

Prateek: I don't feel well today.

Raghav: What can I help you, Sir?

Prateek: Can you take me to the doctor?

Raghav: Yes, Sir.

Prateek told Raghav that he did not feel well that day. Raghav asked respectfully what he could help him. Prateek asked Raghav _____. Prateek replied in the affirmative.

Ans : if he could take him to the doctor

iii. Select the correct option to fill in the blank for the given line.

If I dyed my hair green, everybody _____ laugh at me.

- (a) would
(b) should
(c) may
(d) can

Ans : (a) would

iv. Select the option identifies the error and supplies the correction for the following line:

As far as climate change is concerned, South Asia is one of a world's most sensitive areas.

Option No.	Error	Correction
(a)	change	changes
(b)	is	was
(c)	most	many
(d)	a	the

Ans : (d)

- v. Complete the given sentence, by filling in the blank with the correct option :

As he was crossing the road, a car _____ him down.

- (a) was knocking
(b) had knocked
(c) knocked
(d) would have knocked

Ans : (c) knocked

- vi. Fill in the blank by using the correct form of the word in the bracket.

The woman in the pool _____ (swim) well.

Ans : swims.

- vii. Report the dialogue between Mannu and Annu, by completing the narration:

Mannu: Where are you going to?

Annu: I am going to the market. Do you want anything?

Mannu asked Annu where she was going. Annu replied that she was going to the market and she further asked _____.

Ans : if she wanted anything.

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- viii. Identify the error in the given sentence and supply the correction.

I met her by chance then I gone to get some Medicine which Sister Amy used to give.

Use the given format for your response.

Error	Correction

Ans :

Error	Correction
gone	went

- ix. Transform the following direct speech into reported speech:

I said to him, "Where have you lost the pen I brought for you yesterday ?

Ans : I asked him where he had lost the pen I had brought for him the previous day.

- x. Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option, to complete the sentence.

I remember my promise. I _____ help you in the hour of your need.

- (a) can
(b) would
(c) will
(d) might

Ans : (c) will

- xi. Select the correct option to complete the narration of the dialogue between a teacher and a student.

Biology Teacher : I instructed you to draw the diagram of bacteria. Why did you submit a blank sheet?

Sameer : Sir, I had drawn the diagram of bacteria, but you can't see it because it is not visible to the naked eye.

The biology teacher had instructed Sameer to draw the diagram of a bacterial cell and asked him why he had submitted a blank sheet. Sameer respectfully answered that he had drawn the diagram but _____

- (a) he can't see it because it is not visible to the naked eye.
(b) he couldn't see it because it is not visible to the naked eye.
(c) he could see it because it is visible to the naked eye.
(d) he could not see it because it is not visible to the naked eye.

Ans : (b) he couldn't see it because it is not visible to the naked eye.

- xii. Identify the error in the given sentence and supply the correction.

There are a little countries in the world where the population is not growing fast.

Use the given format for your response.

Error	Correction

Ans :

Error	Correction
a little	a few

IV. SECTION B- CREATIVE WRITING SKILLS 10

All the names and addresses used in the questions are fictitious. Resemblance, if any, is purely coincidental.

1. Attempt ANY ONE from A and B given below. 5

- A.** Write a letter to the Municipal Commissioner bringing the problem of insanitary conditions in your colony to his notice and request him to take urgent action in the matter.

Ans :

C 2/8, Ankur Enclave

New Delhi

20 August 20XX

The Municipal Commissioner

Shahdara

Delhi

Subject: Insanitary conditions in the colony

Respected Sir,

I have been a resident of Ankur Enclave for the past eleven years. I would like to bring to your notice the insanitary conditions in our colony. Rubbish and garbage lie in heaps. Lack of drainage system raises a persistent foul smell in the area.

During rainy season water stagnates in pits on the street which makes the whole condition even worse. These become the breeding ground for mosquitoes, which expose the residents to multiple diseases like dengue, malaria, etc. Our colony has become an unhealthy and disease-prone area. Every day, someone or the other is succumbing to deadly diseases. Some of the families have also shifted lock, stock, and barrel to better localities.

You are requested to take an immediate remedial action to set things right.

Yours faithfully

Deepa

Or

- B.** You are Apoorva/Arpit. You bought a refrigerator from Ganesh Electronics and Electricals, Gandhi Marg, Nagpur. It does not function properly. Write a letter to the Sales Manager of the shop, complaining about the defect and asking for immediate replacement or repair, as necessary.

Ans :

33, Stadium Road

Nagpur

20th December, 20XX

The Sales Manager

Ganesh Electronics and Electricals

Gandhi Marg

Nagpur

Subject : Complaint about Defective Refrigerator

Purchased from You

Reference : Bill No. 234 Dated 7th December, 20XX

Dear Sir,

On 07.12.20XX, I purchased a Godrej refrigerator, Model No.435, vide Receipt No. 234 from your showroom, paying Rs.15,000.

Unfortunately, the refrigerator does not function properly now. It does not cool properly and side-walls of it get heated a lot. The freezing compartment of the refrigerator stops suddenly. It produces noise with vibrations.

To resolve the problem I would appreciate if you get the refrigerator checked properly by a qualified technician. Since, it is under warranty period, I request you to kindly send someone to replace it as it seems to have some manufacturing problem.

I look forward to your reply and a resolution to my problem, and will wait until a week before seeking help from the Consumer Protection. Please contact me at the above address or by phone at 0402667546 between 4.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.

Yours truly

Arpit

Enclosures cc: Receipt of purchase and warranty card

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2. Attempt ANY ONE from A and B given below. 5

- A.** Given below is a newspaper report on the state of cancer prevailing in India. You have been asked to write an analytical paragraph on 'Cancer - a silent killer' Taking information from the clipping given below together with your own ideas, write this paragraph in 100-120 words.

"In India, cities are more cancer-prone than rural areas. In the early 1990's, we expected one out of 10-15 urban Indians to get cancer in their life-time, that is every second or third family would have to face this disease. This is partly due to high levels of benzene in the air and also that the metros are exposed to high levels of pesticides in their foods. In order to check the steady growth of cancer in the country, the Government shall have to give priority to preventive action. At the same time measures to undertake improvement in facilities for the treatment of cancer shall have to be adopted."

Ans :

State of Cancer Prevailing in India

It is a matter of concern that our urban population has become cancer-prone more than the rural population. It is very sad that every tenth person is likely to have cancer. It is due to high level of benzene in the air. It is also due to the high levels of pesticides in the foods. Also highly radio-active waves of the cell-phones etc., have also contributed to this grave danger to

human population. To check this menace of cancer, the Government shall have to give top-most priority to preventive actions. More facilities like Diagnostic Centres and Cancer Hospitals need to be created for the treatment of cancer patients. There is a dire need to contain this deadly disease by taking some urgent steps. First of all, we must ban the wide use of the pesticides. Excessive use of pesticides is really harmful for human health. In the developed countries, much emphasis is being laid on organic manure instead of the fertilizer. So we have to introduce organic manure. Then crop pattern needs to be changed. Besides this, a kind of public awareness programme will have to be undertaken. Public is to be awakened towards the growth of cancer and its easy detection. This would surely help in the containing of this disease at its initial stages. If cancer is detected and treated at the early stages, it can't be fatal.

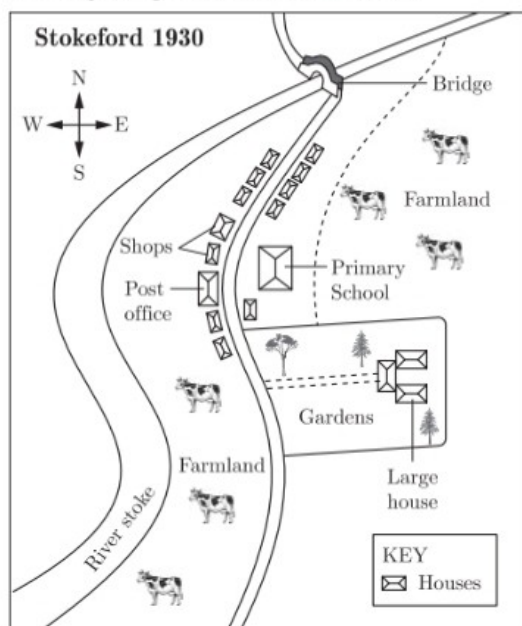
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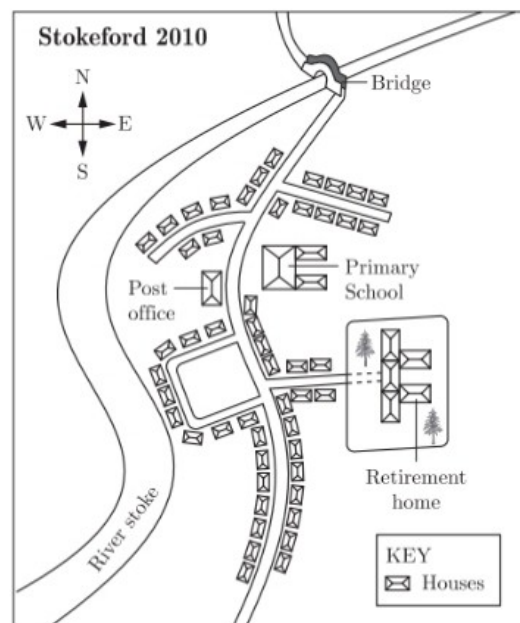
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- B. The maps below show the village of Stokeford in 1930 and 2010. Write an analytical paragraph in 100-120 words by selecting and reporting the main features, and making comparisons where relevant.



(a)



(b)

Ans :

Transformation of Village of Stokeford

The two maps illustrate how the village of Stokeford, situated on the east bank of the River Stoke, changed over an 80 year period from 1930 to 2010. There was considerable development of the settlement over these years and it was gradually transformed from a small rural village into a largely residential area. The most notable change is the presence of housing in 2010 on the areas that were farmland back in 1930. New roads were constructed on this land and many residential properties built. In response to the considerable increase in population, the primary school was extended to around double the size of the previous building. Whilst the post office remained as a village amenity, the two shops that can be seen to the north-west of the school in 1930, no longer existed by 2010, having been replaced by houses. There also used to be an extensive property standing in its own large gardens situated to the south-east of the school. At some time between 1930 and 2010, this was extended and converted into a retirement home. This was another significant transformation for the village.

SECTION C- LITERATURE

40

V. Reference to the Context

10

1. Attempt **ANY ONE** of two extracts given. 5

1.A Marriage gifts are meaningless without the sweet bread known as the bol, just as a party or a feast loses its charm without bread. Not enough can be said

to show how important a baker can be for a village. The lady of the house must prepare sandwiches on the occasion of her daughter's engagement. Cakes and bolinhas are a must for Christmas as well as other festivals. Thus, the presence of the baker's furnace in the village is absolutely essential.

(*Glimpses of India*)

- i. In Goan village, what are meaningless without the sweet bread 'bol'?

- (a) Birthday parties
- (b) Holi celebration
- (c) Wedding gifts
- (d) All the occasions

Ans : (c) Wedding gifts

- ii. State whether the following statement is TRUE or FALSE:

Cakes and bolinhas are compulsorily prepared during Christmas in Goa.

Ans : TRUE.

- iii. Find the word in the extract which means 'celebration meal'.

- (a) Charm
- (b) Occasion
- (c) Engagement
- (d) Feast

Ans : (d) Feast

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- iv. What is must for a lady of Goa on the occasion of her daughter's engagement?

- (a) She must prepare sandwiches
- (b) She must dean the house
- (c) She must feed seven children
- (d) She must purchase any gold item

Ans : (a) She must prepare sandwiches

- v. What does the lady of the house prepare on the occasion of her daughter's engagement?

Ans : Sandwiches.

Or

- 1.A How foolish people are when they own valuable things, Horace thought. A magazine article had described this house, giving a plan of all the rooms and a picture of this room. The writer had even mentioned that the painting hid a safe! But Horace found that the flowers

were hindering him in his work. He buried his face in his handkerchief. Then he heard a voice say from the doorway, "What is it? A cold or hay fever?" Before he could think, Horace said, "Hay fever," and found himself sneezing again. The voice went on, "You can cure it with a special treatment, you know, if you find out just what plant gives you the disease. I think you'd better see a doctor, if you're serious about your work. I heard you from the top of the house just now."

(*A Question of Trust*)

- i. Infer one reason for the following, based on information in extract:

Horace was sneezing.

Ans : Horace was sneezing due to a prior infection.

- ii. Which magazine could have published the article mentioned in the given extract?

- (a) Paws & Claws
- (b) Outdoors & Landscaping
- (c) Interiors
- (d) The Investor

Ans : (c) Interiors

- iii. Choose the image that correctly describes the location of the safe, based on the given extract.



- (a) Option (1)
- (b) Option (2)
- (c) Option (3)
- (d) Option (4)

Ans : (c) Option (3)

- iv. In the line – Before he could think, Horace said, "Hay fever," –the response was

- (a) rehearsed.
- (b) spontaneous and natural.
- (c) hesitant.
- (d) rapid and hostile.

Ans : (b) spontaneous and natural.

- v. Write a line from the extract that can be considered an example of sarcasm.

Ans : I think you'd better see a doctor, if you're serious about your work.

2. Attempt ANY ONE of two extracts given.

2.A And no one buys a ball back. Money is external.
He is learning, well behind his desperate eyes,
The epistemology of loss, how to stand up
Knowing what every man must one day know
And most know many days, how to stand up.
(The Ball Poem)

- i. What is epistemology?
(a) The philosophical theory of knowledge
(b) The philosophical theory of work
(c) The philosophical theory of behaviours
(d) None of these
Ans : (a) The philosophical theory of knowledge
- ii. What piece of advice is being given to the child by the poet?
Ans : To stand up again after forgetting that ball.
- iii. What is the poet trying to tell us in this poem?
(a) That age once lost can't be regained
(b) That ball once lost can't be regained
(c) That all the balls are useless
(d) None of these
Ans : (a) That age once lost can't be regained

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- iv. Complete the following analogy correctly with a word from the extract:
logorrhea : words :: wealth : _____
(Clue : Just like logorrhea is an excess of words, similarly wealth is an excess of...)
Ans : money.
- v. Why does the poet say 'Money is external'?
(a) He means money can buy everything
(b) He means money can't buy everything
(c) He means money can buy everything except balls
(d) None of these
Ans : (b) He means money can't buy everything

Or

2.B The fog comes
on little cat feet.
It sits looking
over harbour and city
on silent haunches
and then moves on.

(Fog)

- i. State whether the following statement is TRUE or FALSE:
By keeping the lines short, the poet is controlling the pace to make the reader slow down thereby reflecting the slow rolling in of the fog.
Ans : TRUE.
- ii. What does the poet mean by 'little cat feet'?
(a) small feet like that of the cat.
(b) little soft feet of the cat which leave marks in the home.
(c) little marks which a cat leaves behind in the sand.
(d) the silent and careful steps of the fog which do not let anyone know of its arrival.
Ans : (d) the silent and careful steps of the fog which do not let anyone know of its arrival.
- iii. Which poetic device used in second line?
(a) Simile (b) Alliteration
(c) Metaphor (d) Personification
Ans : (b) Alliteration
- iv. Supply 1 point to justify the following:
The poet says that the fog is like a cat.
Ans : The fog comes on its little cat feet. This means that the fog enters silently just like cat.
- v. The word 'haunches' means.
(a) legs (b) eyes
(c) thighs (d) knees
Ans : (c) thighs

VI Answer ANY FOUR of the following in about 40-50 words each. $4 \times 3 = 12$

- i. Why did the postmaster want to help Lencho? And how did he do that?
(A Letter to God)
Ans :
The postmaster was captivated to see the firm faith of Lencho in God and he did not want his belief to be shaken. He asked the other employees of the post office and his friends to give something for an act of charity. He was so determined to provide him aid that he himself contributed a part of his salary.
- ii. What arguments did Anne give in her essay titled 'A Chatterbox'?
(From the Diary of Anne Frank)
Ans :
In her essay 'A Chatterbox' Anne argued that talking was a student's trait and that the only thing she could do was to try and control it. But she further argued

that her trying to manage her talking would not be very effective because her mother talked as much as she did. Therefore, nothing could be done about an inherited trait.

- iii. What was a source of unending joy for Valli? What was her strongest desire?

(Madam Rides the Bus)

Ans :

The bus was a source of unending joy for her. The bus used to bring a new set of passengers every-time it came from the town. The diversity of people, their activities were a treat to watch for Valli. Her strongest desire was to take a ride in the bus at least once.

- iv. What is the theme of the poem 'How to Tell Wild Animals' ?

Ans :

The theme of the poem is to create humour. The poet creates humour by suggesting dangerous ways of identifying wild animals. You can identify most of the beasts while they are attacking you. Instead of shouting for help or trying to protect yourself, you are busy in identifying the attacker- the idea creates humour.

- v. What changes can be seen in the moon during the course of the poem 'The Trees'?

Ans :

Initially the moon is whole and shines in an open and clear sky. Later the full moon is broken like a mirror and its pieces are flashing on the top of the tallest oak tree.

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VII Answer ANY TWO of the following in about 40-50 words each. $2 \times 3 = 6$

- i. Why was it difficult for Hari Singh to rob Anil ?
(The Thief's Story)

Ans :

It was difficult to rob Anil because he was the most trusting person Hari Singh had ever met. According to Hari Singh, it's easy to rob a greedy man because he can afford to be robbed but it's difficult to rob a careless man because he doesn't even notice that he's been robbed and that takes all the pleasure out of the work.

- ii. What lesson did Ebright learn when in the seventh grade he entered a country science fair?

(The Making of a Scientist)

Ans :

Ebright exhibited slides of frog tissues at a country science fair. He did not get any prize. He learnt an important lesson that science is not just about display. It is about projects and real experiments. He began conducting experiments from that day onwards.

- iii. Why did Bishamber's marriage with Bholi not take place?

(Bholi)

Ans :

Bishamber's marriage with Bholi did not take place because at the time of garland ceremony, he saw pock-marks on Bholi's face and demanded five thousand rupees. At this Bholi refused to marry such a greedy person and threw the garland into the fire.

VIII Answer ANY ONE of the following in about 100-120 words. 6

- i. "Water must be kept on the move and made to do things; when static it is wasted and provoking." Do you think this statement was true in case of Mijbil, the otter ?

(Mijbil the Otter)

Ans :

Yes, I think this statement is true in the case of Mijbil, the otter. Maxwell took Mijbil on a lead to the bathroom and Mij just went wild with joy while in water. Mij was plunging and rolling in water. He was even shooting up and down the length of the bathtub underwater and was making too much slosh and splash.

This, Maxwell learnt, is a characteristic of otters. According to them, every drop of water must be extended and spread about the place. It was further proved when two days later, Mij escaped from Maxwell's bedroom as Maxwell entered it. Maxwell followed Mijbil who had gone to the bathroom and was fumbling at the chromium taps with his paws. Maxwell watched with surprise when Mij, turned the tap, which ultimately achieved full flow. This shows that when an otter is in the water, water must be kept on the move and made to do things because, according to the otter, otherwise it is wasted.

- ii. Imagine Anne Gregory grows up to be a motivational speaker. As Anne Gregory, write a short speech on the importance of loving oneself.

You may begin this way:

Dear friends

The importance of believing in oneself can never be overstated. It becomes most important, therefore, to love oneself. I learnt this, as a young teen, the day a poet pointed out that (continue)

(For Anne Gregory)

Ans :

Motivational Speech

Dear friends

The importance of believing in oneself can never be overstated. It becomes most important therefore to love oneself. I learnt this as a young teen, the day

a poet pointed out that men are attracted towards females' outer beauty. Does it mean the not so beautiful people are not loved in this world? I think to escape this situation an individual should invest their time in self-love. It's the unconditional support and compassion that translates to good health, great self-esteem, happiness, and well-being. Self-love allows us to fill in the gaps external sources of love may leave. No one has a better understanding of our innermost thoughts and needs than we do. Everyone is born with a unique set of characteristics so we should not compare ourselves with others and let ourselves down. But it should not be confused with selfishness or singing one's own praises.

IX Answer ANY ONE of the following in about 100-120 words. 6

- i. Readers believe that Griffin was a man without a conscience. You have a class discussion on why our conscience plays a vital role in shaping our character. Present a summary of your views on this.

(Footprints Without Feet)

Ans :

Griffin was a man without conscience. It is true he was not a law abiding citizen of his country. He broke one law after another and made himself an undesirable person. He did not hesitate robbing the vicar at Iping for money he needed. He should have left a religious priest. When he was short of money he continued his experiments, without any thoughts of the consequences, he robbed his own father, who committed suicide because the money was not his. He attended his father's funeral without feeling sorry for his own act; instead he blamed his father for being a sentimental fool.

He experimented on a cat, with no concern for the poor creature's cries of pain. He threw it out and never tried to find whether it was alive or dead. He burnt down the house at Great Portland Street when the landlord and his sons found about his experiments and were horrified. He was only worried about covering his trail. After becoming invisible he committed one brutal act after another, not because they were necessary for his survival, but simply because he enjoyed doing them. The way he looted the owner of a small costume shop, and left him helpless after striking him on his head, spoke volumes about his inhumanity.

He terrorized Marvel when he was on the run, fought with the policemen. His plan to spread reign of terror among people using his powers of invisibility really shocked Dr. Kemp. He even tried to kill him for betraying him. In his final run from the people hunting him, he killed an old man with a rod because he bumped into him. Before his death, he had sunk to the lowest depth a man could go and was truly a

monster in human form. All the bad and immoral things that Griffin did could have been avoided if he had abided by the law of his country.

- ii. Attempt character sketch of Great and Mighty Think-Tank.

(Te Book that Saved the Earth)

Ans :

Great and Mighty Think-Tank is introduced to us to be the most mighty, powerful and intelligent creature. He is regarded as the ruler of Mars who is very proud of being Martian. His pride makes him consult mirror to hear self-praise. He has a quick mind and wishes to attack the Earth in a great hurry.

The ways he makes guesses about the book are also funny. He has respect for no one in front of him and regards others views as trifling. But still his wit is too great. He makes Omega swallow the vitamin to decipher the code. At every nursery rhyme, he prepares to go to Earth for invasion. He is also fickle-minded. One moment he orders the invasion to be taken next day and then he orders for immediate invasion. He ordered the invasion flat to evacuate the entire planet and head for Alpha Centauri. It is his commanding power which earns him name of general.

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