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**E**  
(Vocational)  
( For Students registered in 2021 and 2022 )

2024 (A)

**ENGLISH**

VOCATIONAL

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2½ hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks**Answer all questions**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable**Questions requiring short answers must be answered serially*<https://www.odishaboard.com>

1. Write an essay, in about 250 words, on any one of the following, using the outlines given : 10

(a) Global warming : A Visible Threat

[Introduction—causes and threats—steps that can be taken to control and prevent—a global responsibility]

(b) Your Favourite Film Actor

[Introduction—Name and details of roles played—what you admire appreciate—honours and awards—contribution to the world of cinema]

2. Rewrite the passage given below, correcting all ten grammatical errors in it : 1×10=10

On a cold wet morning, my class was filled in excitement. Someone have informed that the next day was our teacher's birthday. Our teacher was the kindest person that ever exist. Thus it is no surprise that she was the favourite. Everyone want to get her the present. I very much wanted to shown my appreciation too. I spends the whole afternoon shopped for a gift. After a long search I finally choose a bouque of beautiful roses.

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3. Read the following extract from the prescribed text and answer the questions that follow :

When my parents were comfortably settled in the city, they sent for us. That was a turning point in our friendship. Although we shared the same room, my grandmother no longer came to school with me. I used to go to an English school in a motor bus. There were no dogs in the streets and she took to feeding sparrows in the courtyard of our city house.

As the years rolled by, we saw less of each other. For some time she continued to wake me up and get me ready for school. When I came back, she would ask me what the teacher had taught me. I would tell her English words and little things of western science and learning, the law of gravity, Archimedes' principle, the world being round, etc. This made her unhappy. She could not help me with my lessons. She did not believe in the things they taught at the English school and was distressed that there was no teaching about God and the scriptures. One day I announced that we were being given music lessons.

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She was very disturbed. To her, music had lewd associations. It was the monopoly of harlots and beggars and not meant for gentlefolk. She said nothing but her silence meant disapproval. She rarely talked to me after that.

Questions : 2×5=10

- (a) What caused a turning point in the grandmother-grandchild relationship?
- (b) How did the grandmother adapt to the changed environment?
- (c) What made the grandmother unhappy? <https://www.odishaboard.com>
- (d) Why did the decision to join 'music lessons' disturb the grandmother?
- (e) Why did the grandmother remain silent?

4. Read the following extract from the prescribed text and answer the questions that follow :

**'Mavrone, Mavrone! The man has died  
While I slept on the chair;  
He roused his horse out of its sleep,  
And rode with little care.'**

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He rode now as he never rode,  
By rocky lane and fern;  
The sick man's wife opened the door;  
"Father! You come again!"

"And is the poor man dead?" He cried.  
"He died an hour ago."  
The old priest Peter Gilligan  
In grief swayed to and fro.

"When you were gone, he turned and died  
As merry as a bird."  
The old priest Peter Gilligan  
He knelt him at that word.

Questions : 2×5=10

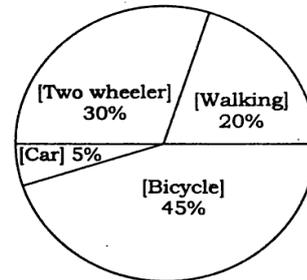
- (a) Why did Father Gilligan ride in such a great hurry?
- (b) What was the mood of the sick man's wife on seeing Peter Gilligan?
- (c) Why did Father Gilligan sway 'to and fro' in grief?
- (d) What did the sickman's wife say about her husband's death?
- (e) Why did father Gilligan kneel?

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5. A random survey of 1000 students belonging to the age group 15 to 25 was made and they were asked about their mode of transport to their respective educational institutions. The findings are presented in the chart below.

Write a paragraph, in about 70 words, using the information.

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6. A dictionary gives the following meanings for the word 'spring'. Match each meaning with its corresponding sentence given below : 1×5=5

Meanings :

- (i) a season of the year
- (ii) an underground source of water that rises to the land surface
- (iii) move or jump suddenly
- (iv) to originate
- (v) an elastic device

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Sentences :

- (a) Anger in adults is often seen to spring from an unhappy childhood.
- (b) Ravi plotted to spring on his uncle from the dark passage and frighten him.
- (c) Spring is marked by freshness in air and greenery all around.
- (d) Metal springs are used to make sofas bouncy and comfortable.
- (e) Rivers are fed by spring water rolling down the mountains.

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