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**Subject : English**

**Time : 3 hours ]**

**[Maximum Marks : 75**

- Instructions :** (i) Attempt all questions.  
(ii) Read the instruction given with questions carefully before attempting them.

**Q.1 (A) Choose the correct alternative :** [1×5=5]

- (i) When the king allowed the 'Girl' to join the panel, the audience \_\_\_\_.
- (a) felt happy and cheered the king  
(b) was not sure of her worthiness  
(c) left the venue in protest
- (ii) Akash went to \_\_\_\_ for higher studies.
- (a) America  
(b) England  
(c) Canada
- (iii) How much did Jack and Jill pay to get the car?
- (a) 10 pounds  
(b) 100 pounds  
(c) 5 pounds

(iv) "I don't care for your dirty school."

Swaminathan muttered these words because \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) the school was untidy
- (b) he was humiliated by the headmaster
- (c) he loved to stay at home

(v) Robinson's family belonged to \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) Switzerland
- (b) Scotland
- (c) England

**Q.1 (B)** Fill in the blanks using correct alternatives : [1×5=5]

- (i) There isn't \_\_\_\_\_ water in the jug. (many / any / few)
- (ii) There is \_\_\_\_\_ ink in the inkpot. ( many / no / few)
- (iii) She is \_\_\_\_\_ European girl. (a / an / the)
- (iv) \_\_\_\_\_ I come in, Sir? (Should / May / Would)
- (v) I get distracted \_\_\_\_\_ people moved around.  
(while / when / till)

**Q.1 (C)** Match the columns correctly to make meaningful sentences :

[1×5=5]

| Column A                               | Column B                  |
|--|---------------------------|
| (i) I gave him the book                | (a) the thief ran away.   |
| (ii) Raju was not studied for the test | (b) because he needed it. |
| (iii) As soon as he saw a Policeman    | (c) so he was so nervous. |
| (iv) If you speak too much             | (d) until I come back.    |
| (v) Wait here                          | (e) you will be caught.   |

**Q.2** Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below :

Daddy was a freelance writer contributing short stories to Tamil magazines and scripts for films, although the film offers were few and far between. Before I was born, he'd once held a steady, well-paying job in Trivandrum as Malayalam news reader, his name Nagarcoil K. Padmanabhan known to All India Radio listeners in Kerala. He'd suddenly resigned from AIR to pursue with relentless passion, his dream of being a writer. Among Daddy's early friends in Chennai were actors Gemini Ganesan and Nagesh, the comedian. Ganesan continued to visit us even after he became famous. I would look out starstruck, as his blue Fiat drove in. He'd tease my handsome dad, calling him 'Maapilai' [Tamil for bridegroom] and the two would go on talking shop.

**Questions :**

- (i) Daddy suddenly resigned from All India Radio because : [1]
- (a) he wanted to pursue his dreams of being a writer
- (b) he wanted to be an actor
- (c) he was not well-paid in AIR
- (ii) Daddy had a relentless passion for being : [1]
- (a) a writer
- (b) an actor
- (c) a doctor

- (iii) Daddy's friend Nagesh was : [1]
- (a) a teacher
  - (b) a writer
  - (c) a comedian

**Note :** Answer the following questions :

- (iv) What did Gemini Ganesan use to call Daddy to tease him? [1]
- (v) Who used to come in the blue Fiat to meet Daddy? [1]

**Q.3** Write a paragraph on 'Health is Wealth' using the clues given below : [4]

- (a) Health is a great blessing
- (b) A sick man is burden to society
- (c) Money cannot buy health
- (d) Importance of morning walk
- (e) Diet, exercise and hygiene ensure good health.

**OR**

Write a paragraph on 'Importance of Plantation' using the clues given below :

- (a) Gift of nature
- (b) They give us shade, flowers, etc.
- (c) They provide fuel and timber
- (d) Trees are life of man

**Q.4** Do as directed (any five) : [1×5=5]

- (i) If you do not work hard, you cannot get good marks.  
(Rewrite the sentence using 'Unless' in place of 'If')
- (ii) I sold my bicycle. (Change into passive voice)

[5]

(iii) The girls carry bags. (Change into singular)

(iv) She helps her mother in kitchen.

(Make the sentence Emphatic using do / does / did)

(v) Plants have hearts. (Add question tag)

(vi) I play tennis. (Change into present perfect tense)

(vii) (a) Virat is playing.

(b) India need not worry.

(Combine the sentences using 'as long as')

**Q.5** You are Sports Secretary of your school. Write a notice for your school notice board about the Annual Sports Meet to be held in the coming week.

[4]

**OR**

You are Cultural Secretary of your school. Write a notice for school notice board inviting names of the students interested to participate in the Inter-school Quiz Competition to be held in upcoming week.

**Q.6** Read the following passage carefully and answer the given questions :

Forest is an important part of civilization. They do not only form a considerable portion of the national wealth of a country but also play an important role in maintaining the environmental balance. We often forget that a peaceful sensitive and well-balanced co-existence of man-made civilization and given flora and fauna is absolutely important for human existence on

earth. Deforestation for the urbanization project led to destruction of past civilization such as Mohenjo-Daro. Trees have an enormous impact in our climate. The overall temperature of the planet is increasing.

**Questions :**

1. Which is an important part of civilization? [1]
2. What important role does the forest play? [1]
3. What do the forests form? [1]
4. What was the reason behind the decline of Mohenjo-Daro Civilization? [1]
5. Choose the correct option : [1×2=2]
  - (i) Trees have an enormous impact in our \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (a) city
    - (b) civilization
    - (c) climate
  - (ii) The increasing of the temperature of planet results in \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (a) afforestation
    - (b) deforestation
    - (c) urbanization
6. Choose the words from the passage which mean : [1×2=2]
  - (i) Very big and very great
  - (ii) Plants and animals

- Q.7** Write an essay on any *one* of the following topics in about 200 words : [8]
- (i) My Hobby
  - (ii) Any Indian Festival
  - (iii) Corona : A Pandemic
  - (iv) Science : Boon or Curse

- Q.8** You are a student of Class X in Govt. Higher Secondary School, Sector IX, Bhilai. Write an application to your Principal requesting him/her to grant you full fee concession. <https://www.cgboardonline.com> [4]

**OR**

You are Sushil living at Teachers' Colony, Ambikapur (C.G.). Your friend Amit, who lives in Railway Colony, Durg, has passed his examination in 1st division scoring 85% marks. Write a letter congratulating him for his success.

**Note :** Answer the following questions in 2 to 3 sentences each (Question Nos. 9 to 12) :

- Q.9** Why is the National Anthem not played in the cinema hall these days? [3]
- Q.10** Write down three actions that make Uncle Podger a funny character. [3]
- Q.11** What was the mood of the Headmaster when he entered the class? [3]
- Q.12** What does one learn by travelling around the world according to Ibn Battuta? [3]

**Note :** Answer the following questions in 1 or 2 sentences each  
(Question Nos. 13 to 17) :

- Q.13** How did the little kite feel when it sailed up in the sky? [2]
- Q.14** People called the speaker by two names in the poem  
'About Me'. What are they? [2]
- Q.15** Write any two excuses given by Beinkenshopp to escape  
work. [2]
- Q.16** What places does Sumba imagine in the poem? [2]
- Q.17** What do the 'bad guys' tell the children in the poem  
'Including All My Friends'? [2]

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