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**Subject : English (General)**

Time : 3 hours ]

[Maximum Marks : 75

**Note :** Attempt All questions.

**Q.1 (A)** Choose the correct alternative :

[1×5=5]

- (i) In the beginning, the little kite was  
(a) inspired (b) not confident  
(c) thrilled (d) excited
- (ii) Beinkensopp couldn't iron his shirt because he had a bad hand.  
Bad hand means  
(a) he was injured (b) he ironed badly  
(c) he had a dirty hand (d) he had no hand
- (iii) "I like to play with my friends they like to play with me." Who  
are 'I' and 'my friends'?  
(a) Poet and his relatives (b) A disabled child and his friends  
(c) The boy and his classmates (d) The bad boy and his friends
- (iv) The speaker in the poem *About Me* is  
(a) an average and ordinary boy (b) a topper in the class  
(c) a good singer (d) a good painter
- (v) In the poem *Sumba's Adventure* the words 'fences, gates and  
walls' refer to  
(a) opportunities (b) bad luck  
(c) golden chance (d) challenges



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

- (i) Do you have \_\_\_\_\_ relatives in Delhi? (much, any, none)
- (ii) The train is \_\_\_\_\_ hour late. (a, an, the)
- (iii) The teacher was standing \_\_\_\_\_ the students.  
(between, among, along)
- (iv) Rajeshwari has been living in Korba \_\_\_\_\_ 2014. (on, since, for)
- (v) He jumped \_\_\_\_\_ the river. (on, in, into)

(C) Match actions in Column 'A' with actions in Column 'B' to make meaningful sentences : [1×5=5]

Column 'A'	Column 'B'
(i) You may either study	- (a) when I reached <u>there</u>
(ii) The grass was yellow	- (b) after the bell had rung
(iii) All the students ran out of the class	- (c) I went to sleep
(iv) After I had completed my work	- (d) or play in the field
(v) I found the house locked	- (e) as it had not rained at all

**Note :** Question Nos. 2 to 6 are based on the following passage :

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below it :

One day when Newton was fifty years old and had been hard at work for more than twenty years studying a very difficult subject. He went out of his room leaving his little dog (Diamond) asleep before the fire. On the table lay a heap of paper containing all the facts which Newton had found out during the twenty years. When his master was gone, little Diamond rose up, jumped upon the table and overthrew the lighted candle. The paper at once caught fire and were all burnt.

Newton opened the door and saw that the labour of twenty years was reduced to a heap of ashes. There stood little Diamond who had done all the mischief. Almost any other man would have punished the dog, but Newton patted him on head as kindly as usual, although grief was at his heart. He only said, "O! Diamond!" "You little know of the mischief you have done."

Questions :

Q.2 Choose the correct options : [1×2=2]

(i) Newton once left his dog asleep before the fire. At that time he was

- (a) a very young man
- (b) a patient
- (c) twenty years old
- (d) fifty years old

(ii) Almost any other man would have punished the dog, but Newton did not do because

- (a) he could not do so as the dog ran away
- (b) he was always kind to his dog
- (c) he could find a stick
- (d) he was very weak and old

Q.3 (A) Choose the correct option : [1]

The name of the little dog was

- (a) Diamond
- (b) Goldy
- (c) Platinum
- (d) Newton

(B) Write true or false : [1]

- (i) Newton was very kind to animals.
- (ii) Newton punished his dog badly.

Q.4 Find antonyms of the following words from the passage : [1×2=2]

- (i) Easy, (ii) Awake

Q.5 What kind of papers were lying on Newton's table? [2]

Q.6 Why was there grief at Newton's heart? [2]

**Note :** Answer the following questions (Question Nos. 7 to 10) in 2 or 3 sentences each :

[3×4=12]

- Q.7 What difference do you notice between Akash and his friends?
- Q.8 Why was Aunt Jane worried about her gift cheque?
- Q.9 Write two difficulties the Robinson family faced on their way to reach the land.
- Q.10 Why does not Louie want to go to 'Social Skills' or 'Speech'?
- Q.11 You are Savita Banerjee, reading in Govt. Higher Secondary School, Korba. Write an application to your Principal, requesting him/her to issue you books from the book bank of your school as you cannot afford to buy it from the market.

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**OR**

You are Anuj Singh, living at Tikrapara, Bilaspur (C.G.). Your friend Rohan lives at Sonarpara, Ambikapur. Write a letter inviting him to spend his summer vacation with you.

- Q.12 Write a paragraph on 'Smoking is Dangerous' on the basis of given hints : <http://www.cgboardonline.com>

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- (a) Smoking is injurious to health.
- (b) It causes cancer, lung infection, bronchitis and peptic ulcer, etc.
- (c) It affects the people sitting beside the smokers.
- (d) Awareness against its harm can play a major role to make the people fit and healthy.
- (e) The Government have started an anti-smoking campaign.

**OR**

Write a paragraph on 'An Election Scene' using the clues given below :

- (a) Long queue of voters
- (b) Polling officers and presiding officer

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- (c) Polling agents
- (d) Indelible ink
- (e) EVM machine

**Q.13** You are Megha Sen, the Cultural Secretary of your school. Next week a debate competition is going to be held in your school. Write a notice inviting the name of the students who are interested to take part in the competition. [4]

**OR**

You are Soheb Khan, the Sports Secretary of your school. Write a notice for your school notice-board about the annual sports to be held in the coming week.

**Q.14** Read the following poem carefully and answer the questions given below (any *five*) : [1×5=5]

Whose woods these are I think I know.  
His house is in the village, though  
He will not see me stopping here.  
To watch his wood fill up the snow.  
My little horse must think it queer  
To stop without a farmhouse near.  
Between the woods and frozen lake.  
The darkest evening of the year.

*Questions :*

- (i) Choose the correct option :  
The woodland owner's house is in
- (a) the village
  - (b) the forest
  - (c) the city

(ii) Fill in the blanks choosing the correct option :

The poet halts his horse by the side of a frozen \_\_\_\_\_ in the snow covered wood.

- (a) river
- (b) ocean
- (c) lake

(iii) Choose the correct option :

My little horse must think it queer.

Here 'queer' means

- (a) odd
- (b) frightened
- (c) interesting

(iv) What makes the horse feel queer?

(v) Why does the poet say that the woodland's owner cannot see him?

(vi) What does the poet know in this poem?

**Q.15** Do as directed (any *five*) :

[1×5=5]

(i) He does his homework.

(Change into interrogative)

(ii) I get up early in the morning.

(Make the sentence emphatic using 'do/does/did')

(iii) You like to visit the Taj.

(Make a question using 'would')

(iv) Mr. Kishore is \_\_\_\_\_ M.L.A.

(Use article 'a / an / the')

(v) Have you \_\_\_\_\_ money in your pocket?

(Fill in the blank using 'some / any')

(vi) She was cooking \_\_\_\_\_ I was finishing my homework.

(Fill in the blank with 'while / when')

**Q.16** Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it :

“Then I can’t stop her from joining the scholars’ panel. She has come here on her own merit. I will allow her to sit on the panel until you come up with a convincing example,” said the king.

People were still doubtful about girl’s worthiness. But as the discussion progressed all doubts vanished.

Days passed. The girl took part in several discussions, asked many questions and answered many others. Other scholars were astonished by her brilliance.

When the final draft of the book was compiled, many hymns which were composed by the girl were included.

Nobody knows for sure what happened to the girl thereafter.

Some say, she constructed a book of her own hymns. Some say, she opened an academy for girls. Different people, different stories. But everybody agrees that “the girl who asked why” became the first female scholar.

*Questions :*

[1×8=8]

**(A)** Tick the correct response for each of the following :

- (i) During the scholars’ meet \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) the girl asked many questions
  - (b) the girl headed the panel
  - (c) the girl left the court
- (ii) The final draft of the compiled book had \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) all the hymns composed by the girl
  - (b) many hymns composed by the girl
  - (c) only one hymn composed by the girl

- (iii) Some people said that the girl \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) wrote many stories  
(b) became the first woman to write stories  
(c) opened an academy for girls
- (iv) The girl was selected to the panel on the basis of her \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) look  
(b) worthiness  
(c) presentation

(B) Answer the following questions (any four) :

- (i) What did the girl do during the discussion in the conference?  
(ii) What happened to the girl after the conference?  
(iii) Who became the first female scholar?  
(iv) On what basis did the king allow the girl to attend the conference?  
(v) Find the noun forms of the given words from the passage :
- (a) Worthy  
(b) Brilliant

Q.17 Write an essay on any **one** of the following topics :

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- (i) My Hobby  
(ii) Wonders of Science  
(iii) An Indian Festival  
(iv) Importance of Trees

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