

**H-251080-B**

**Subject : English**

Time : 3 hours ]

[Maximum Marks : 75

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**Instructions :** (i) Attempt all questions.

(ii) Read the instruction given with questions carefully before attempting them.

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

[1×5=5]

(i) Before being a freelance writer Daddy held a job in \_\_\_\_.

(a) Indian Railways

~~(b) All India Radio~~

(c) Film Theatre

(d) Medical Stores

(ii) Ibn Battuta was born in \_\_\_\_.

(a) Algeria

(b) Libya

~~(c) Tangier~~

(d) Egypt

(iii) How much did Aunt Jane give Jack and Jill at their wedding present?

(a) One hundred pounds

(b) Ten pounds

(c) Two pounds

(d) Two hundred pounds

(iv) The girl did not agree to her mother's view that girls should \_\_\_\_\_

(a) learn to cook

(b) do household chores

~~(c) marry at a certain age~~

(d) feed herself when required

(v) Kailash Satyarthi was awarded the Nobel Prize for \_\_\_\_\_.

(a) Literature

(b) Physics

~~(c) Peace~~

(d) Economics

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

(i) No, I don't want \_\_\_\_\_ book. (any / some / much)

(ii) They are not happy because \_\_\_\_\_ food is left with them. ( few / a little / a few)

(iii) I reach home \_\_\_\_\_ 6 p.m. everyday. (on / since / at)

(iv) I have \_\_\_\_\_ one-rupee note. (a / an / the)

(v) I went to his home \_\_\_\_\_ I did not meet him.  
(unless / if / but)

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

[1×5=5]

Column A	Column B
(i) You can either take a taxi	(a) when you came to my house.
(ii) After I have completed my work	(b) before she shifted to Bilaspur.
(iii) She had lived in Balod	(c) or reach there by train.
(iv) We had not eaten anything	(d) so we went to a restaurant.
(v) I had gone to market	(e) and then I went to sleep.

**Note :** Answer the following questions in 2 to 3 sentences each (Question Nos. 2 to 5) :

- Q.2** What is Patriotism? [3]
- Q.3** Why did the king invite scholars and philosophers from all over the world? [3]
- Q.4** What did Ibn Battuta's friends do when he fell ill in Constantine? [3]
- Q.5** What was the mood of the headmaster when he entered the class? [3]

**Note :** Answer the following questions in 1 to 2 sentences each (Question Nos. 6 to 10) :

- Q.6** What was the little kite afraid of? [2]
- Q.7** Beinkensopp did not line up for PE, why? [2]

- [4]
- Q.8 What can we understand "if we use more than our sight" in the poem "Including All My Friends"? (2)
- Q.9 What is the poet's demand in the poem "About Me"? (2)
- Q.10 What creatures does Sumba imagine in the poem? (2)
- Q.11 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 Nagmah 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.12** Do as directed (any five) [1=5=5]

- (i) I play tennis. (Change into present perfect tense)  
 (ii) The girls carry bags. (Change into singular)  
 (iii) I sold my bicycle. (Change into passive voice)  
 (iv) Plants have hearts. (Add question tag)  
 (v) She helps her mother in kitchen.  
 (Make the sentence Emphatic using do / does / did)  
 (vi) (a) Virat is playing.  
 (b) India need not worry.

(Combine the sentences using 'as long as')

- (vii) If you do not work hard, you cannot get good marks.

(Rewrite the sentence using 'Unless' in place of 'If')

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**Q.13** 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.14** Write an essay on any *one* of the following topics in about 200 words : [8]

- (i) Any Indian Festival
- (ii) Science : Boon or Curse
- (iii) Corona : A Pandemic
- (iv) My Hobby

**Q.15** Write a paragraph on 'Health is Wealth' using the clues given below : <https://www.cgboardonline.com> [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.16** 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.

OR

[4]

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.

- Q.17** 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]

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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
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