

# Series-B

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## ENGLISH

Time Allowed—3 Hours      Maximum Marks—80

Candidates are required to answer the questions  
in their own words as far as practicable.

Marks allotted to each question are indicated  
against it.

### Special Instructions :

- (i) You must write Question Paper Series in  
the circle at top left side of title page of  
your Answer-book.

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- (ii) While answering your Questions, you must indicate on your Answer-book the same Question No. as appears in your Question Paper.
- (iii) Do not leave blank page/pages in your Answer-book.
- (iv) Read the instructions carefully.
- (v) The paper is divided into four section :
- Section–A (Multiple Choice Question)  
16 marks
- Section–B (Reading) 17 marks
- Section–C (Writing) 17 marks
- Section–D (Literature) 30 marks.
- (vi) Each Question is compulsory to attempt.
- (vii) There is an internal choice in the question.
- (viii) Section–A (Multiple Choice Questions) answers are to be given in OMR sheet only.

## SECTION-A

### (Multiple Choice Questions)

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1. Answer the following MCQ's by selecting the correct option :

(i) What is the baker called in Goa ? 1

(a) Kabai

(b) Pader

(c) Kuppia

(d) Helper.

(ii) Who is 'I' in 'The Thief's Story' ? 1

(a) Hari Singh

(b) Anil

(c) Hari Singh's Brother

(d) Anil's Friend.

(iii) The people of Coorg are descent  
of .....

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(a) Kurds

(b) The English

(c) Portuguese

(d) Greek or Arabic.

(iv) What was Valli's strongest desire ? 1

(a) To Play with other children

(b) To buy toys

(c) To ride on the bus

(d) To go to Delhi.

(v) The poet of the poem "For Anne  
Gregory" is :

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(a) T.S. Eliot

(b) William Blake

(c) W.B. Yeats

(d) William Wordsworth.

(vi) Name of the disease Tricki was suffering from : 1

(a) Fever

(b) Vomiting

(c) Overfeeding

(d) Cancer.

(vii) How much time did the Loiseles take to repay the loan ? 1

(a) Ten years

(b) Six years

(c) Ten months

(d) Six months.

(viii) Which book did Ebright's mother give him? 1

(a) The Travels of Butterfly

(b) The Travels of Monarch 'X'

(c) The Adventure of Butterfly

(d) The Adventure of Monarch 'X'.

(ix) They said to us, "You have done your work." 1

(Change into Indirect Speech)

(a) They told us that they had done their work.

(b) They told us that we had done our work.

(c) They told us that they had done our work.

(d) They told us that we had done their work.

(x) He said to me, "Do I sing a song  
now ?" 1

(a) He asked me that I sang a song  
now.

(b) He asked me if I sang a song  
now.

(c) He asked me if he sang a song  
then.

(d) He asked me that he sang a song  
then.

(xi) He has stolen my purse. 1

(Change the Voice)

(a) My purse has stolen by me.

(b) My purse has being stolen by  
him.

- (c) My purse has been stolen by him.
- (d) My purse had been stolen by him.

(xii) He killed the Snake.

(Change the Voice) 1

- (a) The Snake was killed by him.
- (b) Snake killed him.
- (c) The Snake was killed by he.
- (d) The Snake is killed by him.

(xiii) Fill in the blank with correct modal verb. 1

We ..... help the poor.

- (a) would
- (b) could
- (c) must
- (d) should.

(xiv) Choose the proper non finite to complete  
the sentence : 1

..... is injurious to health.

- (a) Smoked
- (b) To smoke
- (c) Smoking
- (d) Smokes.

(xv) Use the correct preposition : 1

Hard work is the key ..... success.

- (a) to
- (b) of
- (c) for
- (d) from.

(xvi) Fill in the blank with the correct use of Tense. 1

Does he ..... you ?

(a) helped

(b) help

(c) helps

(d) helping.

## SECTION—B

### (Reading)

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2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

Numismatics, derived from Greek word numisma, refers to the study and collection of coins and other similar objects with an economic, historical artistic, social and technical objectives.

Numismatics means the study of coins. But it is not merely the study of physical features of the coin but it is a bid to reconstruct history too. They are an invaluable source of history and provide important chronological information in archaeological excavations. Besides, they also inform about economy, trade, Monetary policy, currency system and also about art and culture of the period they date too.

There are different kind of coins. The older ones were made of lead, terracotta, copper, silver, gold and even leather. To get started you should have a sound knowledge of different eras and dates. Start visiting auction of coins. Go for coin shows; get as much information about coin collection from experts. Another great source is the internet, and join numismatics societies and clubs.

Before starting, think of a theme of work on. Coin collector often choose a theme to work on as this make collecting coins easy. Old coins, new coins, period in history, a king's reign, and a particular metal can be possible theme to choose from. The rarer your theme the rarer is your collection and look for rarity, historical significance and aesthetic beauty of the coin.

Answer the following questions :

- (i) What is Numismatics ? 1
- (ii) What are the oldest coins made of ? 1
- (iii) What kind of Informations are provided by Coins ? 2
- (iv) What are the benefits of joining Numismatics Clubs and Societies ? 2
- (v) Before starting the coin study what one has to think ? 1

(vi) What are the great sources through which one can know about coins ? 2

(vii) Find word or a phrase from the passage which means 'merely'. 1

3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

Yuri Gagarin, the first man to travel into space, was born in 1934. He was the son of a village carpenter who lived near the city of smolensk in Russia, and Yuri attended the local school. When he was old enough, he joined the Soviet Air Force and trained as a Pilot. He qualified as a jet-aircraft pilot and was then promoted to the rank of Major.

After the end of the second World War, the Russian became very interested in the possibility of travelling into space, and

they launched several rockets which went round the Earth above the top of the air. The Earth is surrounded by air, but this air does not stretch upward for more than a few hundreds of miles, and above a height of only about ten miles the air is so thin that no ordinary aircraft will fly in it. To go higher it is necessary to use a rocket which will work excellently even when moving in outer space. The first rocket sent up into space carried no crew but only scientific instruments; the next carried animals; and when these animals were brought back safely to Earth, the Russian scientists were ready to send up the man. They chose major Yuri Gagarin to be the first pilot. On April 12th, 1961, his spaceship, the Vortok, was ready, and the great adventure began.

Answer the following questions :

- (i) Who was the first man to travel into space ? 1
- (ii) What was the name of Yuri Gagarin's space-ship ? 1
- (iii) What did the first and the second rocket carry into the space ? 2
- (iv) What was Yuri Gagarin's father ? 1
- (v) Why is it necessary to use a Rocket to go in outer space ? 1
- (vi) When was Yuri Gagarin born ? 1

### SECTION—C

(Writing) 17

4. You are Mohit/Mohini studying in A.B.C. School, Shimla. Write an application to the Principal of your school requesting him for full fee concession:

**Or**

Write a letter to your Younger brother, who has failed in an examination, asking him to work hard. 6

5. Write a paragraph on any **one** of the following topics : 6

(a) Environment Pollution

(b) Morning walk

(c) Importance of Games

(d) A House of Fire.

6. You are Ankit, the Head boy of your school (Govt. Senior Secondary School, Banethi). Your school is organizing a tour to Agra. Write a notice for the school notice board giving detailed information to the students and inviting them for joining it.

**Or**

Write a brief note on the need of  
Environmental Awareness. 5

**SECTION—D**

**(Literature)**

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7. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :

So, in order not to shake the writer's faith in God, the postmaster came up with an idea; answer the letter. But when he opened it, it was evident that to answer it he needed something more than goodwill, ink and paper. But he stuck to his resolution; he asked for money from his employees, he himself gave a part of his salary and several friends of his were obliged to give something 'for an act of Charity'

- (i) Who decided to answer the letter ? 1
- (ii) Name the lesson from which this passage has been taken ? 1
- (iii) How did the Postmaster collect money to answer the letter ? 1
- (iv) Whose letter did the postmaster want to answer ? 1
- (v) How much money did the Postmaster have to collect to answer the letter ? 1

**Or**

I made a body belt for him and took him on a lead to the bathroom, where for half an hour he went wild with joy in the water, plunging and rolling in it shooting up and down the length of the bath tub underwater, and making enough slosh and splash for a hippo. This I was to learn, is a characteristic of otters; every drop of water must be, so to speak extended and spread about the place.

- (i) Name the Lesson from which this passage has been taken ? 1
- (ii) Who did the author make a body belt for ? <https://www.hpboardonline.com> 1
- (iii) What is the characteristic of Otter ? 1
- (iv) What was the name of the Otter mentioned in the passage ? 1
- (v) Find a word in the passage which means 'Jumping quickly'. :

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :

But he's locked in a concrete cell,

His strength behind bars,

Stalking the length of his cage,

Ignoring visitors.

- (i) Name the Poem and the Poet of the above stanza. 1
- (ii) Who is locked behind bars ? 1
- (iii) Who is the Tiger ignoring ? 1
- (iv) Where is the Tiger stalking ? 1

**Or**

The Fog comes

On little cat feet

It rits looking

Over harbour and city

On silent haunches

And then moves on.

- (i) Name the Poem and the Poet. 1
- (ii) How does the Fog come ? 1

(iii) What does the fog do in the end ? 1

(iv) Which word in the poem means 'a port for ship' ? 1

9. Answer any two questions of the following :  $2 \times 2\frac{1}{2} = 5$

(i) What is a 'Dust of Snow' ? What does the poet say has changed his mood ?

(ii) What does the poet say the boy is learning from the loss of the ball ?

(iii) Why did Custard cry for nice safe cage ?

(iv) Does the poet actually say that the fog is like a cat ? Find three things that tell us that the fog is like a cat.

10. "The sight of the food maddened him" what does this suggest ? What compelled the young seagull finally fly ?

**Or**

What things does Mij do which tell you that he is an intelligent, friendly and fun loving animal who needs love ?

**Or**

When her son dies; Kisa Gotami goes from house to house. What does she ask for ? Does she get it ? Why not ? 4

11. How did Mandela's understanding of freedom change with age and experience ?

**Or**

Anne says 'Teachers are most unpredictable'. Is Mr. Keesing unpredictable ? How ?

**Or**

Give a brief character-sketch of Lencho. 4

12. Why does not Anil hand the thief over to the Police ? Do you think most people would have done so ? In what way is Anil different from such employers ?

*Or*

Why did Bholi at first agree to an unequal match ? Why did she later reject the marriage ?

What does this tell us about her ? 4

13. Noodle avoids offending Think-Tank but at the same time he corrects his mistakes. How does he manage to do that ?

*Or*

What makes you think Max was a Careless, foolish fellow ? 4