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ENGLISH (CORE)

(Compulsory)

Full Marks - 100

Pass Marks - 33

Time — 3 Hours

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Figures in the right margin indicate full marks.

All questions are compulsory.

General Instructions :

- i) This question paper contains 12 (Twelve) questions altogether in 3 (three) Sections.
- ii) All the answers must be correctly numbered as in the question paper.
- iii) All the parts of a question must be written together.
- iv) Strictly adhere to the word limit, if given in each question.
- v) Answers of the questions must be in the context of the instructions given therein.

Section - A

(Reading Comprehension and Note Making)

(Marks : 20)

1. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

All human beings deserve equal right to a decent existence and proper development. Most countries have laws protecting the rights of individuals belonging to any race, religion, sex, colour or caste and ensuring that they are not discriminated against on those grounds.

Universal respect for human rights is one of the main objectives of the United Nations. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights was adopted on 10th December, 1948 by the General Assembly. All the member states are expected to protect the human rights of their citizens. This Declaration has 30 articles, which include civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights. For example, right to life, liberty and security of person, freedom of thoughts, religion, peaceful assembly, right to take part in the government, right to work, education and leisure. The constitutions of democratic countries include most of these rights. Some civil and political rights have been guaranteed under our Constitution's Fundamental Rights. The Directive Principles of State Policy also lists some of the important social and economic rights.

- a) What do all human beings deserve ? 2
- b) What can the laws of country do for its people ? 2
- c) With what purpose was the Universal Declaration of Human Right adopted ? 2
- d) What is the right of life ? 2
- c) What are the rights included in the Declaration ? 2
- f) Find words in the passage which mean the same as the following : 2
- i) take care (para-1)
- ii) freedom (para - 2).

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

Time is precious. It can be measured only but not be controlled. So we should use time carefully and properly and not waste it in useless pursuits. The one who do not honour the time, time will also neglect and not help them. We should perform our duty at appropriate time because lapse of time is never regained. Time has wings; hence nobody say when it disappeared. Therefore, it is better for us to make a nice adjustment with time. In our life, we have a lot of work to complete but we have limited time. Work done in the right direction at right time can never go unrewarded. We must plan our time and use our time properly. We must estimate how much time we have and how much work we have to finish within the given time. Time must not be wasted in wandering here and there and in useless activities. Proper use of time can only give us a bright future. We can complete our work only by working at accurate time. It is therefore truly said, we can wait for a man, money and time of course, but time and tide waits for none.

- a) On the basis of your reading of the above passage, make a note on it using heading and sub-headings. Use recognizable abbreviations wherever necessary. 5
- b) Write a summary of the above passage in about 80 words. 3

Section - B

(Advanced Writing Skills)

(Marks : 35)

3. You have lost your cell phone in your school. Give details of the cell phone and the probable time of the day you lost it. Your description should be fit for the 'Lost and Found' notice board of your school. 5

OR

You are head boy of +2 school, Ramgarh. Write a notice for the school notice board inviting for a trip to Goa giving detail information to the students. <https://www.jharkhandboard.com>

4. You are a reporter of 'The Hindustan Times', report about a road accident involving a bus and car. Write a report including details of number of people injured in not more than 125 words. 10

OR

Your school has celebrated 150th Birth anniversary of M. K. Gandhi on 2nd October 2019. Write a report in 125 words to be published in your school magazine.

5. Write a letter to the Editor of newspaper in 125 words complaining about the frequent voltage fluctuation and low voltage power supply in your area. You belong to a village in Ranchi district. 10

OR

You are Sandhya/Somra. You bought a Scooty of a reputed brand from Bonda Motor Company, Ranchi. After a month it started giving troubles. Write a letter to the dealer asking him to replace it with a new scooty.

6. You are worried about the hike in the prices of essential commodities like gas, pulses, vegetables etc. Write an article on this in about 150 words for publication in a local daily, suggesting certain step to curb price hike. 10

OR

Write an article in about 150 words on the topic "Need of Communal Harmony".

Section - C

(Literature)

(Marks : 45)

7. Read the following extract and answer the following questions :

Fisherman in the harm cold sea

Would not harm whales

And the man gathering salt

Would look at his hurt hand.

- a) Name the poem and the poet. 2
- b) What would the fisherman do ? 1
- c) What would the salt gathering man do ? 1

OR

Far from the gusty waves these children's faces

Like rootless weeds, their hair torn round their pallor:

The tall girl with her weighed-down head.

- a) Name the poem and the poet. 2
- b) Whom does the poet call 'rootless weeds' ? 1
- c) How does the poet describe the tall girl ? 1
8. Answer any *three* of the following questions in 35 words each : 2 × 3 = 6

- a) Why does Pablo Neruda want us to keep quiet ?
- b) What was the poet's childhood fear ?
- c) Describe Aunt Jennifer's fingers.
- d) 'According to John Keats beauty will pass into nothingness.' How ?

9. Answer any *five* of the following questions in about 35 words each :

2 × 5 = 10

- a) What changes did the order from Berlin cause in school that day ?
- b) How did the crofter earn thirty Kronors ?
- c) Describe the miserable conditions of the ragpickers of Seemapuri.
- d) Who was Rajkumar Shukla ? Why did he meet Gandhi ?
- e) Why was Sophie jealous of her brother's silence ?
- f) Why do most celebrity writers dislike being interviewed ?

10. Answer the following in about 125 words :

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Why do you think Gandhiji considered the Champaran episodes to be a turning point in his life ?

OR

In what conditions do the bangle makers of Firozabad live ? Why can't they come out of the state of poverty ?

11. Answer the following question in about 100 words.

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Who was Geoff Green ? What does the 'Student on Ice' Programme aim to do ?

OR

How did Bama learn about untouchability and caste system ?

12. Answer any *four* of the following questions in about 35 words each :

2 × 4 = 8

a) How was Derry's face burnt ?

b) Why did Yumi refuse to bring hot water for the wounded soldier ?

c) What was Gondwana ? What happened to it ?

d) What was Charley's hobby ? Where did he find Sam's letter ?

e) How did Dewan and his wife help the Tiger King in finding the hundredth tiger ?