

Note:

- (i) This paper is divided into four sections A, B, 'C' and 'D'.
- (ii) All sections are compulsory.
- (iii) Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.
- (iv) Marks are indicated at the end of the question.

Section - A

Reading

Q.1 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:-

Man's life is not measured by the number of days, months and years that he has lived but by the deed he has done and by the achievements he had made. [What is the real significance in life is not the quantity but the quality of experience.] A short life devoted to noble endeavours is for more valuable than a long life of over a hundred years spent in trivial pursuits, "We live in deed not in years." Noble deeds, splendid ideas and fine sentiments constitute the real glory of character and not the length of time one has lived in the world.

- (a) Give a suitable title of the given passage. 2
- (b) What makes a man memorable? 2
- (c) What is the real glory of character? 2
- (d) Explain the portion 'noble endeavours.' 2
- (e) What is the synonym of the word 'Glory' 2

Section - B

Writing

Q. 2 Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 150 words. 10

- (i) Computer
- (ii) The book you like the most
- (iii) World Cup cricket 2023
- (iv) Our Social Evils
- (v) Role of Electricity in different walks of life.

Q. 3 Write an application to your Principal requesting him to grant you full fee concession. 5

Section - C

Q.4 (a) Change any two of the following sentences into indirect narration. 2+2=4

- (i) My father often says to me, "If you do not work hard, you will fail."
- (ii) The wolf said to the lamb, "Why are you making the water dirty?"
- (iii) My friend said to me, "Don't bathe in the flooded river."

B. Combine any two of the following sentences into one sentence as directed within the brackets. 2+2=4

- (i) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam was the President of India. He was a great scientist (Simple).
- (ii) A man came to me Yesterday. He was blind (complex).
- (iii) He is ill. He works hard (Compound).

C. Transform any two of the following sentences as directed within the brackets. 2+2=4

- (i) The teacher will teach us this lesson. (Passive)
- (ii) I am wiser than you. (Positive degree)
- (iii) The lesson is too difficult to understand. (Remove 'Too.')

D. Correct two of the following sentences. 2+2=4

- (i) Are you a N.C.C. Cadet?
- (ii) Taj is an unique building in the world.
- (iii) An University degree is no guarantee for job.

E. Give the synonyms of the following words-

- (i) (a) Enough 1+1=2
- (b) Target
- (ii) Give the antonyms of the following words
- (a) Regular
- (b) Deep

Q. 5 Translate the following into English

असफलता से हमें कभी निराश नहीं होना चाहिए। सफलता और असफलता बहने हैं। असफलता हमारी आँखें खोलती है और हमारी कमजोरियों को उजागर करती है। पर ये निरंतर प्रयास करते हैं। जीवन संघर्ष का ही दूसरा नाम है। यह फूलों की सजा नहीं है।

Section - D

Literature

Q.6 Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words. 4+4=8

- (a) What forms the foundation of the global economic system, according to Mr. Lester R. Brown?
- (b) Why did Tutan Khaten change his name to Tutan Khanum?
- (c) What was the happiest moment of the day for the grand mother?

Q.7 Answer any one of the following questions in about 80 words. 8

- (a) Why does Nani Palkhivala call the earth 'The Ailing Planet'? How can the ailing planet survive?
- (b) Describe the friendship between Khushwant Singh and his grand mother.
- (c) What problem did Garden Cook face during the sea voyage?

Q.8 Fill the most appropriate word in blanks -

(i) On January 2, the _____ were gigantic? 2

(a) Sea (b) Ocean (c) Wave (iv) Weather

(ii) The _____ at Lusaka, Zambia, there is a cage where a notice reads. 2

(a) School (b) college (c) Zoo (d) Park

(iii) He was the _____ of his family line. 2

(a) First (b) second (c) Third (d) last

(iv) After _____ years I came back home. 2

(i) three (ii) four (iii) five (iv) six

Q.9 Read the given stanza and answer the question given below: -

It is the engine of her family.

She stokes it full, then flirts out to a branch-end

Showing her barred face identity mark.

(i) Who is the engine of goldfinch's family? 2

(ii) Who stokes the tree full? 2

(iii) Whose barred face is shown? 3

Q.10 Give the Central Idea of any one of the following poems -

(i) A Photograph (ii) The Voice of the Rain

(iii) Childhood

Q.11 Answer any two of the following questions in 50 words. 4+4=8

(a) What was the address of the woman?

(b) Who was the real owner of the beautiful white horse?

(c) What did Mrs. Fitzgerald suggest to Mrs. Pearson?

12. Answer any one of the following questions in 80 words.

(a) Why was Mrs. Pearson against of her husband George going to the club frequently?

(b) What did the narrator decide at last in the Address?

(c) Why did Aram not want to return the horse to John Byro?