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Section – A
(Reading – 20 marks)

1. Read the following passage carefully.

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(a) The Dancing Girl belongs to:
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Section – B

(Writing and Grammar – 30 marks)

3. You are Vaibhavi Sinha, examination incharge, Goodway Public School, Aurobindo Road, Indore. You require 4 reams of white paper, 2 packets of carbon paper, one dozen registers, blue and red ball point pens (50 each). Place an order with Sunrise Stationery Mart, 12 Mall Road, Indore mentioning terms of payment, discount asked by you and delivery date. (100-150 words)

OR

Water scarcity is becoming a serious problem because sources of water are getting depleted day by day. Considering the gravity of the situation, write an article in 100-150 words on the topic, "Need of the Hour: Rainwater Harvesting." You are Ram/Rama.   8

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Section – C

(Literature : Text Books – 30 marks)

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(f) Describe the curious episode which took place in a clergyman's study.

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

OR

What do you think about Anne's talent for writing essays which she wrote convincingly, when punished by the teacher?   8

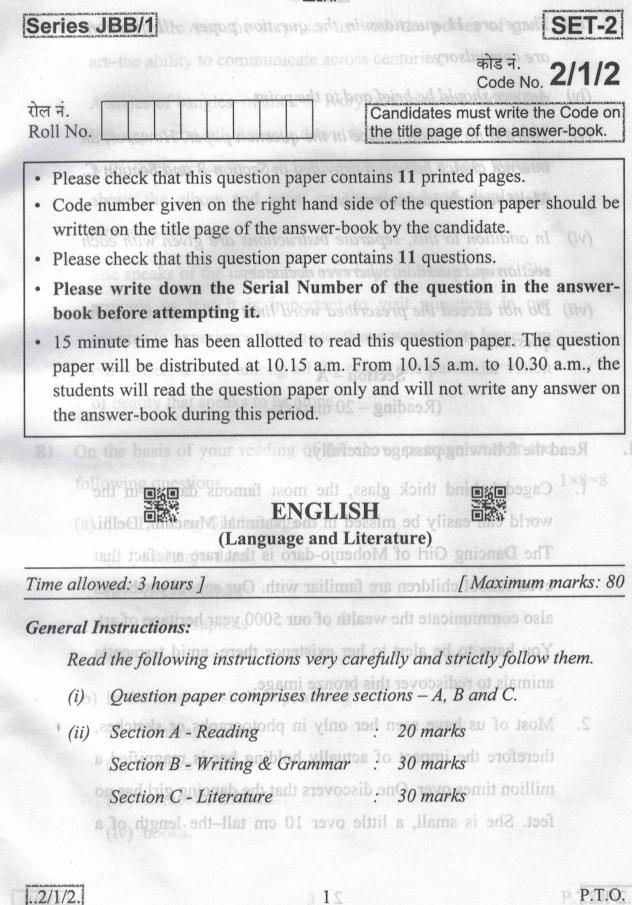11. Attempt the following question in 100-150 words.   8

Give a brief character sketch of Ebright's mother.

OR

How did the people on the earth help the Martian people? How did this effort help the people on both the planets?   8

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(Writing and Grammar – 30 marks)

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OR

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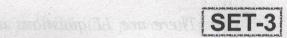
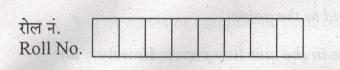How did education change Bholi's personality?

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Section – B

(Writing and Grammar – 30 marks)

3. You are Akshay/Akshita, 23, Rampur Road, Delhi, a responsible citizen of your country. When you go on the road, you see that the people are becoming more and more intolerant of others, and driving their vehicles recklessly which some times leads to road rage. Write a letter to the editor of a local newspaper advising people to follow rules while driving vehicles. (100-150 words)   8

OR

You go to your school travelling in a government bus. You notice the benefits of travelling by bus which is helpful in reducing pollution. Write an article in 100-150 words on the topic, "Use Public Conveyance; Control Pollution". You are Akshay/Akshita.   8

4. Write a story in 150-200 words with the help of the following outline. Give it a suitable title also.   10

a cricket match .... boys playing in the street .... Ram hit the ball .... a second floor window pane broken ....

OR

Ahmad went to watch Diwali Mela with his parents. He wanted to enjoy a ride in the merry-go-round. His father   10

5. Fill in any four of the following blanks given below choosing the most appropriate options from the ones that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers.   1×4=4

Communication _(a)_ become very effective _(b)_ instant due to smart phones. People are able _(c)_ convey their messages all around the globe to _(d)_ loved ones _(e)_ spending hefty sums of money.

(a) (i) is   (ii) has   (iii) have   (iv) had

(b) (i) but   (ii) as   (iii) or   (iv) and

(c) (i) for   (ii) in   (iii) to   (iv) of

(d) (i) his   (ii) her   (iii) their   (iv) your

(e) (i) with   (ii) without   (iii) and   (iv) to

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Tallam is situated in an	(a)	....
altitude of about 550 feet on a southern	(b)	....
arm of a deep bay of the Western Ghats.	(c)	....
Tallam boasts of delight forest scenery.	(d)	....

7. Look at the words and phrases given below. Rearrange them to form meaningful sentences. 1×4=4

(a) easy/very/it/to open/it/was

(b) to sleep/night/decided/every/they/a hotel/in

(c) quickly/very/the clothes/they/and food/packed.

(d) the/problems/bags/heavy/in carrying/had/they

Section – C

(Literature : Text Books – 30 marks)

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow: 1×4=4

I stand and look at them long and long.

They do not sweat and whine about their condition.

(a) The poet who has written these lines is ....

   i.   Robert Frost

   ii. Carolyn Wells

iii. Walt Whitman

iv. Ogden Nash

(b) Who are 'they' referred to here?

 i. Animals

 ii. Tigers

 iii. Ananda's friends

 iv. Wanda's dresses

(c) The poet looks at them long and long because he ....

(d) Which word in the extract means 'complain' ?

OR

And as the light came on, Fowler had his first authentic thrill of the day. For halfway across the room, a small automatic pistol in his hand, stood a man.   1×4=4

Ausable blinked a few times.

(a) Who was standing in the room with a pistol in his hand?

 i. Ausable

 ii. Fowler

 iii. Max

 iv. A waiter

(b) Ausable blinked because he:

 i. was getting adjusted to the light.

 ii. got afraid of the man with a pistol.

 iii. was thrilled to have reached his room.

 iv. started thinking of how to get rid of the man.

(c) Fowler was thrilled because what he saw looked like a ....

(d) Which word in the extract means the same as 'genuine/real'?

9. Answer any five of the following questions in 30-40 words each. 2×5=10

(a) "The sight of the food maddened him." What does this suggest? (His First Flight)

(b) Why does the poet not offer the boy money to buy another ball?

(c) Why is Coorg called the land of rolling hills?

(d) What made Hari Singh come back to Anil?

(e) Why was Matilda unhappy in her early married life?

(f) Why does Mrs. Hall find the scientist (the new guest) eccentric?

10. Attempt the following question in 100-150 words.   8

Describe the scene in which Wanda's dress drawings are displayed. Who won the drawing contest for the girls?

OR

What message does Adrienne Rich want to convey through the poem, 'The Trees'?

                                                                          8

11. Attempt the following question in 100-150 words.   8

Mrs. Pumphrey, the overindulgent and caring mistress of Tricki, pampers her pet dog like a spoiled child. Comment.

OR

What were Horace Danby's plans for his latest robbery?   8

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ENGLISH
(Language and Literature)

Time allowed : 3 hours *Maximum Marks : 80*

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(ii) Section A – Reading   :   20 marks

Section B – Writing & Grammar   :   30 marks

Section C – Literature   :   30 marks

(iii) There are 11 questions in the question paper. All questions are compulsory.

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(v) There is no overall choice in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in Section B and Section C. Make your choice correctly.

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Section – A   20
(Reading)

1.   Read the following passage carefully.

(1)   Caged behind thick glass, the most famous dancer in the world can easily be missed in the National Museum, Delhi. The Dancing Girl of Mohenjo-Daro is that rare artefact that even school children are familiar with. Our school textbooks also communicate the wealth of our 5000 year heritage of art. You have to be alert to her existence there, amid terracotta animals to rediscover this bronze image.

(2) Most of us have seen her only in photographs or sketches therefore the impact of actually holding her is magnified a million times over. One discovers that the dancing girl has no feet. She is small, a little over 10 cm tall – the length of a human palm – but she surprises us with the power of great art – the ability to communicate across centuries.

(3) A series of bangles – of shell or ivory or thin metal – clothe her left upper arm all the way down to her fingers. A necklace with three pendants bunched together and a few bangles above the elbow and wrist on the right hand display an almost modern art.

(4) She speaks of the undaunted ever hopeful human spirit. She reminds us that it is important to visit museums in our country to experience the impact that a work of art leaves on our senses, to find among all the riches one particular vision of beauty that speaks to us alone.

1.1 On the basis of your reading of the above passage answer the
    following questions.   **1 × 8 = 8**

    (a) The dancing girl belongs to

        (i) Mohenjo-Daro   (ii) Greek culture

        (iii) Homosapiens   (iv) Tibet

    (b) In the museum she's kept among

        (i) dancing figures   (ii) bronze statues

        (iii) terracotta animals   (iv) books

(c) Which information is not given in the passage ?

    (i)   The girl is caged behind glass.

    (ii)   She is a rare artefact.

    (iii) School books communicate the wealth of our heritage.

    (iv) She cannot be rediscovered as she's bronze.

(d) 'Great Art' has power because :

    (i)   it appeals to us despite a passage of time.

    (ii)   it is small and can be understood.

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(e) The jewellery she wears :

    (i)   consists of bangles of shell, ivory or thin metal.

    (ii)   is a necklace with two pendants.

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    (i)   of the never say-die attitude of humans.

    (ii)   why museums in our country are exciting.

    (iii) why she will make us come into money.

    (iv) of dancing figures.

(g) The synonym of the word "among" in para 1 is _____.

(h) The size of the dancing girl is equal to the length of human palm. (True/False)

2. Read the following passage carefully.

(1) As the family finally sets off from home after many arguments there is a moment of lull as the car takes off. "Alright, so where are we going for dinner now?" asks the one at the driving wheel. What follows is a chaos as multiple voices make as many suggestions.

(2) By the time order is restored and a decision is arrived at, tempers have risen, feelings injured and there is at least one person grumbling.

(3) Twenty years ago, you would step out of home, decision of meal and venue already made with no arguments or opposition and everybody looked forward to the meal with equal enthusiasm. The decision was made by the head of the family and the others fell in line. Today every member of the family has a say in every decision which also promotes a sense of togetherness and bonding.

(4) We empower our kids to take their own decisions from a very early age. We ask them the cuisine they prefer, the movie they want to see, the holiday they wish to go on and the subjects they wish to study.

(5) It's a closely connected world out there where children consult and guide each other. A parent's well meaning advice can sound like nothing more than unnecessary preaching. How then do we reach our children through all the conflicting views and make the voice of reason be heard ? Children today question choices and prefer to go with the flow.

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2.1 On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following questions in **30-40** words each. **2 × 4 = 8**

(a) Write one advantage and one disadvantage of allowing every family member to be part of the decision making process.

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2.2 On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following : **1 × 4 = 4**

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(c) The antonym of 'agreeable' as given in paragraph 5 is _____.

(d) The antonym of 'simple' as given in paragraph 6 is

    (i) difficult   (ii) complicated

    (iii) easy   (iv) tricky

Section – B

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(Writing and Grammar)

3. You are Vipul/Apoorva, living at D-424, Island Avenue, Ernakulam. You have seen an advertisement about a diploma course in French language soon to be organized by Maxwell Institute of Languages, Fort Road, Kochi. Write a letter in 100-150 words to the advertiser seeking all the relevant information like admission procedure, fee structure, duration of the course, timing of the class, transport facilities etc.

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OR

You are disturbed to find that most of the youngsters nowadays are falling prey to the fast food culture, overeating and lazy life style. Write an article on the topic, 'Importance of exercise and nutritious food'. You are Raj/Rani. (100-150 words)

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4. Write a story in 150-200 words with the help of the following clues.

Last year in the month of December, I went to my native village where my grand parents live in a cottage on the foothills of the Himalayas. One day, I was standing on the edge of a dense forest. Suddenly ....

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OR

It was an amazing day, full of fun and frolic. We all stood aghast to see a strange flying object over our heads. We started ....

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5. Fill in the blanks in the paragraph given below by choosing the most appropriate options from the ones that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. **1 × 4 = 4**

Reading books ____(a)____ a good hobby. Books open ____(b)____ vast new world to us. They increase ____(c)____ knowledge and change our outlook ____(d)____ the world.

(a) (i) has   (ii) was   (iii) are   (iv) is

(b) (i) the   (ii) a   (iii) an   (iv) some

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7. Rearrange the following words/phrases to make meaningful sentences.

1 × 4 = 4

(a) is / as / known / Jaipur / Pink City.

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(c) have made / a popular / it / its / historical buildings / destination / tourist.

(d) go there / one / bus / from Delhi / can easily / by

Section – C   30

(Literature)

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :   1 × 4 = 4

Max bit his lip nervously. The knocking was repeated.

"What will you do now, Max ?" Ausable asked. "If I do not answer the door, they will enter anyway. The door is unlocked. And they will not hesitate to shoot".

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(b) Max became nervous because :

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OR

..........Winds rush to meet them.   1 × 4 = 4

The moon is broken like a mirror,

Its pieces flash now in the crown

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(a) The above lines were written by

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(c) The winds are rushing to meet the _____.

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9. Answer any **five** of the following questions in **30-40** words each.   2 × 5 = 10

(a) What were Lencho's feelings when the hail stopped ?

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10. Attempt the following question in **100-150** words.

What lesson did Kisa Gotami learn the second time that she had failed to learn the first time ?   **8**

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OR

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Which qualities of animals has the poet lost and now wants to regain ? Answer with reference to the poem, 'Animals'.   **8**

11. Attempt the following question in **100-150** words.

Write a character sketch of the hack driver.   **8**

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OR

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What do you know about Bishamber Nath ? Why did Bholi refuse to marry him ?   **8**

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Section – A   **20**

(Reading)

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OR

Roads in our cities are fast turning into death traps. Eight out of ten road accidents are caused by people who don't follow rules of the road. Write an article in 100-150 words on the topic, 'Road Safety'. You are Ramesh/Rita.   **8**

4. Write a story in 150-200 words with the help of the following clues.

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(c) have made / a popular / it / its / historical buildings / destination / tourist.

(d) go there / one / bus / from Delhi / can easily / by

Section – C   30
(Literature)

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(c) Actually the door was knocked at by the _____.

(d) Which word in the extract is opposite in meaning to the word 'confidently' ?

OR

..........Winds rush to meet them.   **1 × 4 = 4**

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(a) The above lines were written by

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(d) Find the word from the extract which means the same as "shine."

9. Answer any **five** of the following questions in **30-40** words each.   **2 × 5 = 10**

(a) What were Lencho's feelings when the hail stopped ?

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(d) What was the major flaw in Tricki ?

(e) What made the boys follow Griffin ?

(f) How is Ausable different from other secret agents ?

10. Attempt the following question in **100-150** words.

Why and when did the narrator say that 'everything' was going well, it was an easy flight.' ? (Black Aeroplane)   **8**

OR

How did Valli fulfil her desire to ride a bus to the town and back ?   **8**

11. Attempt the following question in **100-150** words.

What other interests, besides Science, did Richard Ebright pursue ? What did Mr. Kleiherer, his Social Studies teacher, tell us about Ebright ?   **8**

OR

Compare and contrast the characters of Great and Mighty Think Tank and Noodles.   **8**

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Section – B

(Writing and Grammar)

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OR

Outdoor games occupy a prominent place in the life of people. They not only help in keeping them healthy and fit but also play an important part as recreational events. Write an article in **100-150** words on, "Importance of Outdoor Games." You are Raj/Rani.　　　　　　　　**8**

4. Write a story in 150-200 words with the help of the following clues.

Last year in the month of December, I went to my native village where my grand parents live in a cottage on the foothills of the Himalayas. One day, I was standing on the edge of a dense forest. Suddenly ....　　**10**

OR

It was an amazing day, full of fun and frolic. We all stood aghast to see a strange flying object over our heads. We started ....　　　　**10**

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(b) (i) the (ii) a (iii) an (iv) some

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gain for a parents. According to a	(c)	_____	_____
research, children with concerned	(d)	_____	_____
parents are more efficient.			

7. Rearrange the following words/phrases to make meaningful sentences.

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(a) is / as / known / Jaipur / Pink City.

(b) in the / are / buildings / city / in pink colour / painted / most of the

(c) have made / a popular / it / its / historical buildings / destination / tourist.

(d) go there / one / bus / from Delhi / can easily / by

Section – C   30
(Literature)

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : **1 × 4 = 4**

Max bit his lip nervously. The knocking was repeated.

"What will you do now, Max ?" Ausable asked. "If I do not answer the door, they will enter anyway. The door is unlocked. And they will not hesitate to shoot".

(a) Who is Max ?

    (i)   a spy   (ii)   a tourist

    (iii) a businessman   (iv) a waiter

(b) Max became nervous because :

    (i)   he got scared of Ausable.

    (ii)   he thought the police had come.

    (iii) the door was unlocked.

    (iv) Ausable did not get up to open the door.

(c) Actually the door was knocked at by the _____.

(d) Which word in the extract is opposite in meaning to the word 'confidently' ?

OR

..........Winds rush to meet them.   1 × 4 = 4

The moon is broken like a mirror,

Its pieces flash now in the crown

of the tallest oak.

(a) The above lines were written by

    (i)   Robert Frost   (ii)   John Berryman

    (iii) Robin Klein   (iv) Adrienne Rich

(b) The crown of the oak lies in its

    (i)   top most branch   (ii) roots

    (iii) rich and tasty fruit (iv) broad leaves

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(b) Why did Peggy and Maddie not wait for Wanda ?

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(d) What was the major flaw in Tricki ?

(e) What made the boys follow Griffin ?

(f) How is Ausable different from other secret agents ?

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Why were the children fascinated by the baker ? How did they show their eagerness to see him ? **8**

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OR

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Why does the poet not offer money to the boy to buy another ball ? **8**

11. Attempt the following question in **100-150** words.

Education, love and sympathy can transform even a thief. How is it true in the case of Hari Singh ? **8**

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What did the hack driver tell the narrator about Lutkin's mother ? How did she treat the narrator ? **8**

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(Writing and Grammar)

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OR

You are Vinit/Vinita, Secretary of Eco club of your school. Write an article in 100-150 words on the topic, "How to save the Earth ?"

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OR

A greedy grocer – mixed stones in pulses and coloured sand in spices – villagers complained – decided to call the panchayat – ordered to sell good quality – no effect – his son fell ill – villagers prayed – the son recovered – mind changed. 10

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(a) (i) call   (ii) calling   (iii) called   (iv) calls

(b) (i) follow   (ii) to follow   (iii) followed   (iv) following

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side and side, it can determine	(d)	_____	_____
the location of friends			

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(a) left / to save / the / themselves / for Belgium / Frank family.

(b) the Franks / into / Miep / hiding / helped / to move.

(c) in the / Otto Frank / of / the secret Annexe / was / office.

(d) an entire / the boxes / Margot and / spent / day / her father / in unpacking.

Section – C   30

(Literature)

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : $1 \times 4 = 4$

Instead of being delighted, as her husband had hoped, she threw the invitation spitefully upon the table murmuring, "What do you suppose I want with that" ?

(a) The invitation was

(i) to attend a wedding ceremony (ii) to attend an opera

(iii) to watch a horse race   (iv) to attend an official dance party

(b) The husband had hoped for his wife's happy reaction because :

(i) she rarely got a chance to attend a function.

(ii) most employees used to get invited.

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(c) The lady was frustrated because _____.

(d) Which word in the passage means the same as whispering ?

OR

He hears the last voice at night, 1 × 4 = 4

The patrolling cars,

And stares with his brilliant eyes

At the brilliant stars.

Questions :

(a) The poet who wrote these lines was

   (i) Leslie Norris   (ii) Robert Frost

   (iii) Walt Whitman   (iv) Robin Klein

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   (i) the forest   (ii) a zoo

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(f) Why is Mme Loisel always unhappy ?

10. Attempt the following question in **100-150** words.

Describe Valli's interaction with people while she was riding the bus to the town. What does this tell you about Valli's character ? **8**

OR

Amanda wants to be Rapunzel, a beautiful princess living in a tranquil tower. Write a character sketch of Amanda in the light of this remark. **8**

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Why did Hari Singh decide to return the stolen money ? What light does it throw on his character ? **8**

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2.1 On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following questions in **30-40** words each. **2 × 4 = 8**

(a) Write one advantage and one disadvantage of allowing every family member to be part of the decision making process.

(b) In today's world, what are parents asking their kids ?

(c) Which two pieces of advice does the writer give to the parents ?

(d) The passage supports the parents. How far do you agree with the author's views ? Support your view with a reason.

2.2 On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following : **1 × 4 = 4**

(a) The synonym of 'hurt' as given in paragraph 2 is _____.

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(i) Cuisine (ii) Gourmet

(iii) Gastric (iv) Science

(c) The antonym of 'agreeable' as given in paragraph 5 is _____.

(d) The antonym of 'simple' as given in paragraph 6 is

(i) difficult (ii) complicated

(iii) easy (iv) tricky

Section – B

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(Writing and Grammar)

3. Roadside trees and colony parks are the lungs of the cities. You find that a large number of trees are being cut to widen the roads. Parks are not being properly maintained. Write a letter (100-150 words) to the editor of a local newspaper raising your voice against the felling of trees and requesting that the parks be looked after properly. You are T.K. Prasaran/Sanjitha, F-114 Beach Road, Kottayam. **8**

OR

To feed the beggars is an act of charity in Indian culture but begging at the traffic signals has become a nuisance. Sometimes thieves posing as beggars remove valuables from scooter rickshaws and even cars. Beggars can cause accidents and may even become victims of accidents. Write an article in 100-150 words for a local newspaper on the topic, 'Begging – How to solve the problem'. You are Rama Rao/Radha Reddy. **8**

4. Write a story in **150-200** words with the help of the following clues. Give it a title also.

Ramanand lived in a village. He had no common sense and was often seen doing the silliest of things. He earned his livelihood by cutting wood. One day......... . **10**

OR

A greedy grocer – mixed stones in pulses and coloured sand in spices – villagers complained – decided to call the panchayat – ordered to sell good quality – no effect – his son fell ill – villagers prayed – the son recovered – mind changed. **10**

5. Fill in the blanks in the paragraph given below choosing the most appropriate options from the ones that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. **1 × 4 = 4**

Baby tigers are ___(a)___ cubs. At eight weeks, the cubs are ready ___(b)___ their mother out of the den. ___(c)___ , they do not travel with her as she roams her territory ___(d)___ they are older.

(a) (i) call   (ii) calling   (iii) called   (iv) calls

(b) (i) follow   (ii) to follow   (iii) followed   (iv) following

(c) (i) So   (ii) As   (iii) Because   (iv) However

(d) (i) till   (ii) when   (iii) whenever   (iv) but

6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is an error in each line. Write the error along with its correction in the space provided. **1 × 4 = 4**

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An elephant rely on its trunk	e.g.	rely	relies
for it highly developed sense of	(a)	_____	_____
smell. By raised the trunk up	(b)	_____	_____
in the air as moving it from	(c)	_____	_____
side and side, it can determine	(d)	_____	_____
the location of friends			

7. Rearrange the following words/phrases to make meaningful sentences.

1 × 4 = 4

(a) left / to save / the / themselves / for Belgium / Frank family.

(b) the Franks / into / Miep / hiding / helped / to move.

(c) in the / Otto Frank / of / the secret Annexe / was / office.

(d) an entire / the boxes / Margot and / spent / day / her father / in unpacking.

Section – C   **30**

(Literature)

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : **1 × 4 = 4**

Instead of being delighted, as her husband had hoped, she threw the invitation spitefully upon the table murmuring, "What do you suppose I want with that" ?

(a) The invitation was

(i) to attend a wedding ceremony (ii) to attend an opera

(iii) to watch a horse race   (iv) to attend an official dance party

(b) The husband had hoped for his wife's happy reaction because :

(i) she rarely got a chance to attend a function.

(ii) most employees used to get invited.

(iii) both (i) and (ii) are correct.

(iv) both (i) and (ii) are incorrect.

(c) The lady was frustrated because _____.

(d) Which word in the passage means the same as whispering ?

OR

He hears the last voice at night,   **1 × 4 = 4**

The patrolling cars,

And stares with his brilliant eyes

At the brilliant stars.

Questions :

(a)   The poet who wrote these lines was

     (i)   Leslie Norris   (ii)   Robert Frost

     (iii) Walt Whitman   (iv) Robin Klein

(b)   The animal referred to in the extract is in _____.

     (i)   the forest   (ii)   a zoo

     (iii) a circus   (iv) a wildlife sanctuary

(c)   To go around an area at regular times to check that it is safe is called _____.

(d)   The word in the extract opposite in meaning to the word, 'dull' is _____.

9.   Answer any **five** of the following questions in **30-40** words each.   **2 × 5 = 10**

(a)   Why was the pilot of Dakota aeroplane frightened again ?

(b)   Rajvir was very fond of reading detective stories. Why did he not like to read them during his journey ?

(c)   How did Custard accept his cowardice and others' bravery ?

(d)   What purpose did the 'balcony' serve in the story 'The Midnight Visitor' ?

(e)   How did Mrs. Pumphrey spoil Tricki ?

(f)   Why is Mme Loisel always unhappy ?

10. Attempt the following question in **100-150** words.

How did the young seagull overcome his fear and make his first flight ? **8**

<div align="center">OR</div>

The proposal of the marriage was forgotten amidst the arguments over petty things. Which right approach should have been followed by Lomov and Natalya ? **8**

11. Attempt the following question in **100-150** words.

Horace Danby was good but not completely honest. How was he deceived by 'the lady' ? **8**

<div align="center">OR</div>

How did Bholi's teacher help her to overcome her fear of school and become a confident girl ? **8**

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NOTE

(I)   Please check that this question paper contains **11** printed pages.

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ENGLISH
(Language and Literature)

Time allowed : 3 hours   *Maximum Marks : 80*

General Instructions :

Read the following instructions very carefully and strictly follow them :

(i) *Question paper comprises **three** sections – **A, B** and **C**.*

(ii) *Section A – Reading   :   20 marks*

Section B – Writing & Grammar   :   30 marks

Section C – Literature   :   30 marks

(iii) *There are 11 questions in the question paper. All questions are compulsory.*

(iv) *Answer should be brief and to the point.*

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(vi) *In addition to this, separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary.*

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Section – A   **20**
(Reading)

1. Read the following passage carefully.

   (1) Caged behind thick glass, the most famous dancer in the world can easily be missed in the National Museum, Delhi. The Dancing Girl of Mohenjo-Daro is that rare artefact that even school children are familiar with. Our school textbooks also communicate the wealth of our 5000 year heritage of art. You have to be alert to her existence there, amid terracotta animals to rediscover this bronze image.

(2) Most of us have seen her only in photographs or sketches therefore the impact of actually holding her is magnified a million times over. One discovers that the dancing girl has no feet. She is small, a little over 10 cm tall – the length of a human palm – but she surprises us with the power of great art – the ability to communicate across centuries.

(3) A series of bangles – of shell or ivory or thin metal – clothe her left upper arm all the way down to her fingers. A necklace with three pendants bunched together and a few bangles above the elbow and wrist on the right hand display an almost modern art.

(4) She speaks of the undaunted ever hopeful human spirit. She reminds us that it is important to visit museums in our country to experience the impact that a work of art leaves on our senses, to find among all the riches one particular vision of beauty that speaks to us alone.

1.1 On the basis of your reading of the above passage answer the following questions. $1 \times 8 = 8$

   (a) The dancing girl belongs to

       (i)   Mohenjo-Daro   (ii) Greek culture

       (iii) Homosapiens   (iv) Tibet

   (b) In the museum she's kept among

       (i)   dancing figures   (ii) bronze statues

       (iii) terracotta animals (iv) books

(c) Which information is not given in the passage ?

    (i)   The girl is caged behind glass.

    (ii)   She is a rare artefact.

    (iii) School books communicate the wealth of our heritage.

    (iv) She cannot be rediscovered as she's bronze.

(d) 'Great Art' has power because :

    (i)   it appeals to us despite a passage of time.

    (ii)   it is small and can be understood.

    (iii) it's seen in pictures and sketches.

    (iv) it's magnified a million times.

(e) The jewellery she wears :

    (i)   consists of bangles of shell, ivory or thin metal.

    (ii)   is a necklace with two pendants.

    (iii) both (i) and (ii) are correct.

    (iv) neither (i) nor (ii) is correct.

(f) She reminds us

    (i)   of the never say-die attitude of humans.

    (ii)   why museums in our country are exciting.

    (iii) why she will make us come into money.

    (iv) of dancing figures.

(g) The synonym of the word "among" in para 1 is _____.

(h) The size of the dancing girl is equal to the length of human palm. (True/False)

2. Read the following passage carefully. **12**

(1) As the family finally sets off from home after many arguments there is a moment of lull as the car takes off. "Alright, so where are we going for dinner now?" asks the one at the driving wheel. What follows is a chaos as multiple voices make as many suggestions.

(2) By the time order is restored and a decision is arrived at, tempers have risen, feelings injured and there is at least one person grumbling.

(3) Twenty years ago, you would step out of home, decision of meal and venue already made with no arguments or opposition and everybody looked forward to the meal with equal enthusiasm. The decision was made by the head of the family and the others fell in line. Today every member of the family has a say in every decision which also promotes a sense of togetherness and bonding.

(4) We empower our kids to take their own decisions from a very early age. We ask them the cuisine they prefer, the movie they want to see, the holiday they wish to go on and the subjects they wish to study.

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Section – B

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(Writing and Grammar)

3. There is a garbage bin near your school gate. Most of the time it is overflowing. During the rainy season, it stinks and invites a lot of flies. All this affects the healthy atmosphere of the school. Imagine that you are the Principal of Sunflower School. Write a letter in 100-150 words to the Municipal Commissioner, Agra Municipal Corporation requesting him either to ensure regular cleaning or to get the bin removed to some other place.

8

OR

Crime is reported to be increasing especially in the metropolitan cities of India. This is a reflection on the law and order situation. You want to create awareness of it. Using the hints given below write an article in 100-150 words on this issue.

chain and mobile snatching – crime against women and the elderly – theft of vehicles – police force not sufficient in proportion to the population – intensive patrolling needed.

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4. Write a story in **150-200** words with the help of the following clues. Give it a title also.

Ramanand lived in a village. He had no common sense and was often seen doing the silliest of things. He earned his livelihood by cutting wood. One day......... .

10

OR

A greedy grocer – mixed stones in pulses and coloured sand in spices – villagers complained – decided to call the panchayat – ordered to sell good quality – no effect – his son fell ill – villagers prayed – the son recovered – mind changed.

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5. Fill in the blanks in the paragraph given below choosing the most appropriate options from the ones that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers.   **1 × 4 = 4**

Baby tigers are ___(a)___ cubs. At eight weeks, the cubs are ready ___(b)___ their mother out of the den. ___(c)___ , they do not travel with her as she roams her territory ___(d)___ they are older.

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7. Rearrange the following words/phrases to make meaningful sentences.

   1 × 4 = 4

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Section – C   30

(Literature)

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :   **1 × 4 = 4**

   Instead of being delighted, as her husband had hoped, she threw the invitation spitefully upon the table murmuring, "What do you suppose I want with that" ?

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OR

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Questions :

(a)   The poet who wrote these lines was

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9.   Answer any **five** of the following questions in **30-40** words each. $2 \times 5 = 10$

(a)   Why was the pilot of Dakota aeroplane frightened again ?

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(d)   What purpose did the 'balcony' serve in the story 'The Midnight Visitor' ?

(e)   How did Mrs. Pumphrey spoil Tricki ?

(f)   Why is Mme Loisel always unhappy ?

10. Attempt the following question in **100-150** words.

How did Miss Mason try to teach her students a lesson in code of conduct while dealing with other students ? (The Hundred Dresses)   **8**

<div align="center">

OR

</div>

How does Carolyn Wells use humour to tell or identify 'Wild Animals' ?   **8**

11. Attempt the following question in **100-150** words.

How would you assess Griffin as a scientist ?   **8**

<div align="center">

OR

</div>

Having stolen Anil's money what did Hari Singh do ?   **8**

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ENGLISH

(Language and Literature)

Time allowed : 3 hours   *Maximum Marks : 80*

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Section A — Reading	*20 marks*
Section B — Writing and Grammar	*30 marks*
Section C — Literature	*30 marks*

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SECTION A – (Reading)   *20 marks*

1.   Read the following passage carefully.   *8*

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1.1   On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following questions.   *1×8=8*

   (a)   The Dancing Girl belongs to
          (i)   Mohenjo-daro.
          (ii)   Greek culture.
          (iii) Homo sapiens.
          (iv)   Tibet.

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          (i)   dancing figures.
          (ii)   bronze statues.
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   (iii) gastric   (iv) science

(c) The antonym of 'agreeable' as given in paragraph 5 is _____ .

(d) The antonym of 'simple' as given in paragraph 6 is
   (i) difficult   (ii) complicated
   (iii) easy   (iv) tricky

SECTION B – (Writing and Grammar)   *30 marks*

3. You are Divyansh/Divyanshi of C-25 Subhash Nagar, New Delhi. Recently, you purchased a colour TV which is not working properly. Write a letter of complaint to Messrs Frontier Electronics Corporation, Karol Bagh, New Delhi asking for its immediate replacement. Invent necessary details. (100 – 150 words)   *8*

OR

You are Ankit/Ankita of Class X. You have seen an increasing craze among children for watching videos on the Internet, thereby wasting their time. Even the content may be inappropriate for their age. Write an article for your school magazine on 'Negative Impact of the Internet on Children' in 100 – 150 words using the hints given below :   *8*

video craze — the Internet : waste of time — no physical activity — compromise health — diseases — content inappropriate — real and virtual world — guidance required.

4. Complete the following story in 150 – 200 words :   *10*
Rohit was driving a motorcycle. Suddenly a cow came in front of his bike. He applied the brakes but ... ...

OR

Taking help from the cues given below, develop a story in 150 – 200 words :   *10*

A merchant returning home from a fair — passes through a jungle — overtaken by rain — complains of bad weather — attacked by a robber — gunpowder wet — gun does not go off — merchant's life saved.

5. Complete the paragraph given below by filling in the blanks choosing the correct options from those that follow : *1×4=4*

Success __(a)__ life depends __(b)__ good health. We can keep our bodies

fit __(c)__ keeping ourselves clean. We should not pick up the bad

habit __(d)__ smoking.

(a) (i) for   (ii) in   (iii) on   (iv) at

(b) (i) of   (ii) in   (iii) on   (iv) because

(c) (i) by   (ii) on   (iii) in   (iv) of

(d) (i) in   (ii) on   (iii) for   (iv) of

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		Error	Correction
The Earth is one of the eight			
planet that go around the Sun. In ancient	(a)	_____	_____
times, the people who study the stars	(b)	_____	_____
noticed that while certain heaven bodies	(c)	_____	_____
seemed fixed in a sky, others seemed	(d)	_____	_____
to move around.			

7. Rearrange the following words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. *1×4=4*

(a) join / college / decided to / at the / I / thirty-five / age of

(b) worried / to study / about / my ability / not / I was

(c) confused teenager / not a / grown-up / was a / woman and / I

(d) I realised / than me / the teenagers / very soon / that / were better

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :   *1×4=4*

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3. You are Sonia/Sunil of M-3, Ashok Vihar, New Delhi. You placed an order with Messrs Bright Publishers, Darya Ganj, Delhi for the supply of some books and stationery items. When you checked the received parcel, you found that it contained some damaged items. Write a letter to the publishers to replace the defective items at their cost. (100 – 150 words)   *8*

OR

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Hints :

— shaping of physical and mental health

— development of right attitude to life

— character building

— providing opportunities to develop talents in each child

— opportunity to meet, mix and work with others

4. Complete the following story in 150 – 200 words :   *10*

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OR

Taking help from the cues given below, develop a story in 150 – 200 words :   *10*

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(b)	(i)	at	(ii)	or	(iii)	upon	(iv)	before
(c)	(i)	are	(ii)	is	(iii)	will	(iv)	was
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on city roads.			

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OR

The traffic situation in our towns is quite complex. There are all sorts of vehicles from bullock carts to fast moving cars. Sometimes this leads to traffic jams and air pollution. Write an article in 100 – 150 words for your school magazine on 'Increasing Traffic on our Roads'. You are Astha/Ashwani. *8*

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OR

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Old farmer — all his sons lazy — farmer dying — called all his sons — told them of a treasure — hidden in the fields — to find it they must dig it — then died — sons dug every bit of the land — no treasure — sowed the corn — a very fine crop — sons learnt a lesson.

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You play to win but a good sportsperson __(a)__ that defeat may also come once in a while. There are times when others __(b)__ do better than you. What you should look to do is to maximize your chances of success. And __(c)__ only way you __(d)__ do this is by being yourself.

(a)   (i) knew   (ii) knowing (iii) knows   (iv) know

(b)   (i) are   (ii) is   (iii) will   (iv) have

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platform when five policemen rushing   (a) _____ _____

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train. After sometimes one of them   (c) _____ _____

comes out with two young men.   (d) _____ _____

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(a)   join / college / decided to / at the / I / thirty-five / age of

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3   A series of bangles — of shell or ivory or thin metal — clothe her left upper arm all the way down to her fingers. A necklace with three pendants bunched together and a few bangles above the elbow and wrist on the right hand display an almost modern art.

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SECTION B – (Writing and Grammar)   *30 marks*

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OR

You are Sarita/Saurabh. Your school organised an adult literacy camp. Many people benefitted from it. You realised the importance of educating the adults. Write an article on 'Importance of Adult Education' for your school magazine in 100 – 150 words.   *8*

4. Complete the following story in 150 – 200 words :   *10*

It was my cousin's wedding. Preparations were being made for the departure of the baraat. But suddenly ... ...

OR

Taking help from the cues given below, develop a story in 150 – 200 words : *10*

A boy falls in bad company — father brings apples — puts them in a basket — places a rotten apple among them — next day all apples rotten — teaches a lesson to the boy.

5. Read the paragraph given below and fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate words from the given options. *1×4=4*

After ___(a)___ a week in the cottage, he decided that he didn't really enjoy ___(b)___ in the countryside and began ___(c)___ of an excuse for ___(d)___ the cottage.

(a) (i) spending   (ii) have spent   (iii) spent   (iv) spends

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cases is a half foot taller	(c)	_____	_____
then their grandmothers.	(d)	_____	_____

7. Rearrange the following words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. *1×4=4*

(a) Ramesh / the park / a boy / met / one day / in

(b) was / old / young boy / seven years / the / only

(c) asked / the nearest / he / bookstore / about / him

(d) wanted / buy / he / to / books / a few

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : *1×4=4*

"Never shall a young man,
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SECTION B – (Writing and Grammar)   *30 marks*

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OR

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OR

Develop the following story in 150 – 200 words using the hints given below : *10*

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        (iii) gastric   (iv) science

    (c) The antonym of 'agreeable' as given in paragraph 5 is _____ .

    (d) The antonym of 'simple' as given in paragraph 6 is

        (i) difficult   (ii) complicated

        (iii) easy   (iv) tricky

SECTION B – (Writing and Grammar)   *30 marks*

3. You are Aashima/Ashish studying in Seaface School, Kochi. The school session started a month ago. All the textbooks are not available in the market. Both students and teachers are put to great inconvenience. Write a letter to the Deputy Director (Sales), NCERT, New Delhi, complaining about the non-availability of textbooks. (100 – 150 words)   *8*

OR

You are Anil/Anita. You visit your aunt's house after five years. You are from a village and have come to Delhi. You are alarmed at the way Delhi air has become polluted in the past five years. Write an article in 100 – 150 words for a city newspaper expressing your alarm and cautioning people against environmental pollution. Use the cues given below :   *8*

trees felled — multistorey buildings constructed — more vehicles — more factories — increasing pollution

4. Complete the following story in 150 – 200 words using the beginning given below :   *10*

Once a child was playing on the bank of a river. Suddenly, his ball rolled into the river. He ran after the ball and fell into the river. A man passing by ... ...

OR

Develop the following hints into an interesting story of 150 – 200 words : *10*

Gandhiji travelling by train — standing in the doorway — talking to a friend — one shoe slipped off the foot — fell near the track — Gandhiji promptly dropped the second shoe — "Why," friend asked — "someone will get a complete pair and use it," said Gandhiji.

5. Read the paragraph given below and fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate words from the given options. *1×4=4*

26th January is a very special day __(a)__ India. It is __(b)__ this day that

India became a Sovereign Democratic Republic __(c)__ 1950. Dr. Rajendra

Prasad __(d)__ the first President of the Indian Republic.

(a)	(i) for	(ii) of	(iii) by	(iv) to
(b)	(i) by	(ii) of	(iii) in	(iv) on
(c)	(i) on	(ii) in	(iii) for	(iv) to
(d)	(i) become	(ii) has become	(iii) became	(iv) becomes

6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the error and the correction in your answer-book against the correct blank number. *1×4=4*

		Error	*Correction*
Some political thinkers thinks that	(a)	_____	_____
liberty and equality couldn't go together.	(b)	_____	_____
They think that liberty implied the freedom	(c)	_____	_____
to do what one may like to doing.	(d)	_____	_____

7. Rearrange the following words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. *1×4=4*

(a) when / doctors / patients / as gods / there / was / a / time / considered

(b) was / part of / the patient's / the doctor / family

(c) for / patients / nowadays / doctor / wait / the

(d) trust / patients have / even today / their / doctor / in

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :   *1×4=4*

"Never shall a young man,

Thrown into despair

By those great honey-coloured

Ramparts at your ear,

Love you for yourself alone

And not your yellow hair."

(a) The lady's hair is compared to _____ .

     (i)   ramparts   (ii)   ears

     (iii)   honey   (iv)   despair

(b) The young man has fallen in love with the lady for her _____ .

     (i)   wealth   (ii)   social position

     (iii)   looks   (iv)   mind

(c) Name the poem and the poet.

(d) According to the poet, the lady wants the young man to love her for _____ .

OR

Ausable moved to an armchair and sat down heavily. "I'm going to raise the devil with the management this time, and you can bet on it," he said grimly. "This is the second time in a month that somebody has got into my room through that nuisance of a balcony !"

(a) Who is Ausable ?

     (i)   A secret agent   (ii)   A tourist in a hotel

     (iii)   A reporter   (iv)   A businessman

(b) Why was Ausable angry with the management ?

     (i)   His room was unsafe.

     (ii)   The food was not good.

     (iii)   The balcony was a nuisance

     (iv)   The armchair was not soft.

(c) Was there a balcony with the room ? Yes/No.

(d) Ausable was playing a _____ on his visitor.

9. Answer any *five* of the following questions in 30 – 40 words each : *2×5=10*

    (a)   Did the letter reach God ? Why did the postmaster send a reply to Lencho ?

    (b)   What does Mandela refer to as 'an extraordinary human disaster' ?

    (c)   What is the central idea of the poem, 'Animals' ?

    (d)   Why does Anil not hand Hari Singh over to the police ?

    (e)   Why did Ebright lose interest in tagging butterflies ?

    (f)   Why did Bholi not marry Bishamber ?

10. How did the Buddha make Kisa Gotami realise the reality of death ? (100 – 150 words)   *8*

<div align="center">OR</div>

"Valli was a mature girl and ahead of her age." Justify the statement with instances from the text. (100 – 150 words)   *8*

11. Mme Forestier proved to be a true friend of the Loisels. Elaborate. (100 – 150 words)   *8*

<div align="center">OR</div>

Discoveries of science can be used for the welfare of mankind as well as for its destruction. How is this applicable to Griffin's scientific discovery ? Explain giving examples from the text. (100 – 150 words)   *8*