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General Instructions:

1. The Question Paper contains four parts.
2. All the parts are compulsory.
3. Read carefully and answer the optional questions according to the specific instructions.

SECTION- A (READING)(20 marks)

1. Read the passage given below.

1. It has been said that the best way of judging a person's character is to see how he behaves when there is nobody to see him. The motorist who speeds through a red light when there are no traffic policemen to stop him; the man who slips a bribe under the table; the parent who helps his child cheat in the exam; the teacher who does not put his heart and soul into teaching his class so that they may come to him for private tuition. All of these and many more such instances we see all around us only too frequently every day, are morally corrupt and deserve to be censured.
2. As we go through life, there will be numerous occasions when we will be drawn towards the easy way out, the temptation of earning a fast rupee or attracted to something we know is wrong because 'everyone is doing it' or a friend is particularly insistent. The way in which you are able to resist all these temptations is the true test of your moral integrity.
3. It has been said that the person who tolerates injustice is as much a sinner as a person who is unjust in his dealings with others. have the moral courage to speak up against wrong even if it does not personally concern you. If you see someone being abused or exploited, it is your duty to make your voice heard.
4. If the law no longer exists for my neighbour, it will not exist for either when I need it. So it is up to each one of us to ensure- if for nothing but our own selfish interests- that the moral fiber of our society remains intact. No matter how many styles change or how much people alter their perspectives and goals, trust will never go out of fashion.
5. In the fast-changing world today, people are sacrificing moral values in their pursuit of quick success and easy money. This is a major cause of the stress and stress-related diseases that we can see all around us today, affecting both young and old.
6. It is important to understand that the age-old moral values of truth, honesty and hard work are as relevant and essential today as they were in the age of the Ramayana. The path of moral uprightness leads to lasting happiness, peace and prosperity.

Answer the questions given below.

- (a) Why are people sacrificing their moral values? (1)
- (b) What happens to one who lives life with righteousness? (1)

Complete the sentences

- (c) Motorists speed through red light _____ . (2)
- (d) Styles may change but _____ .

- (e) Moral fibre means the inner strength to what you believe to be right in (1)
A. normal situation B. difficult situation
C. confused situation D. tensed situation (1)
- (f) Stress and stress related diseases affect (1)
A. the person who abuses or exploits B. the person who is unjust
C. only old people D. both young and old
- (g) Find out words from the passage which are synonyms of: (1)
(i) feelings that you want to do something, even if you know that it is wrong (Para 2)
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2. Read the passage carefully.

1. Vegetables are an important part of human diet. The number of plants families we used to eat thousands of years ago was greater than the restricted range we eat today.
2. The green vegetables consist of leaves, buds, young shoots and often the entire plant. They contain plenty of vitamins, certain proteins, cellulose and water. Roots and tubers can be stated a source of nutrients for the plant itself and may have different nutritional value for humans. Though some of the vegetables can be eaten raw, cooking these with a reasonable amount of oil or ghee and the common kitchen spices is an established practice in most parts of the world.
3. Vegetables are a delightful way to lighten up a meal, and they combine well with most other food items like cereals and grains. Being, in general, light and moist, they are some of the easiest foods to digest when properly prepared. Researchers have found that regular and more use of vegetables can help in preventing serious health hazards like cancer, heart disease and obesity.
4. Not only are vegetables a rich source of vitamins, minerals and many other essential nutrients, they are also one of the natural foods for mankind which act as a good anti-oxidant agent. Iron is an essential constituent of our blood chemistry and is needed to maintain a healthy level of haemoglobin. Some of the vegetables like spinach (palak), lettuce (chukander), tomatoes and peas are a good source of natural iron and their regular use, especially by women, is a great nutritional help. Since vegetables are low in calories and help to lose weight, one should, while increasing the level of activity, escalate their consumption.
5. Vegetables are also very low in the kind of fat linked to heart disease and they do not raise cholesterol. Health scientists have shown their concern that due to the change in the lifestyle, the average Indian is now more prone to heart disease. An easily digestible diet made of simply boiled or freshly cooked vegetables with a minimum amount of oil is the recommended way to keep the body fit and healthy.
6. Cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, pumpkin, capsicum, broccoli, green beans, spinach, mustard leaves, peas and tomatoes are some of the vegetables which have very good nutritional value. Apart from their consumption as a dish, some other of these like onion, garlic, coriander, mint, radish and cucumber are also used as household health remedies. Due to the increased use of pesticides, all the vegetables should be sufficiently washed before cooking. Eating of salads and raw vegetables require more careful cleansing.

Answer the questions given below.

- (a) What happens if raw vegetables are not washed properly? (1)

(b) People who are health conscious should consume more vegetables in their diet. Give a reason. (1)

(c) Write the line which conveys the idea that we eat less vegetables today than before? (1)

Complete the sentences: (2)

(d) Due to change in lifestyle, the average Indian may suffer from _____.

(e) Nutrition in women can be gained by eating _____.

(f) Find out words from the passage which are synonyms of: (2)

(i) dangers or risks (Para 3)- _____

(ii) increase or speed up (Para 4)- _____

3. Read the poem carefully.

The Late Worm

Mummy says I take too long to dress,
And that I fuss when she combs my hair,
And that I dilly-dally over breakfast,
And that I walk too slow to school.
Today,
The school keeper
Closed the gate
On the dot
Of five to nine,
So once again
Into the late books,
My teacher puts my name.
“Try not to be late”, she says,
“And remember,
It’s the early bird
That gets the worm”
“But Miss,” I say,
“The late worm misses the early bird,
And lives to wriggle another day.”
“Don’t be too sure about that”, she says,
“For just as there are late worms,
So too there are late birds-
And they are usually the hungriest ones!”

Answer the following questions on the basis of the poem.

(a) What is the teacher trying to teach the child by giving the example of late worms? (1)

(b) Which two words from the poem sound almost the same? (1)

A. too and slow B. once and ones

B. they and there C. fuss and dress

(c) What does the child really mean when he says ‘The late worm misses the early bird’? (1)

A. That being late could have some advantages.

B. That late worm can never be eaten.

C. That it is always better to do things fast.

D. That the early bird will get the late worm someday.

(d) Why is the child late to school? (1)

(e) What does the teacher tell the child not to be sure about? (1)

SECTION- B (WRITING) (16 Marks)

4. (a) Your school is organising a Book-Fair on the occasion of Children's Day. Design a poster to inform the students to promote reading and introduce varieties of books. Inform the readers about special offers and gifts. Encourage them to participate with enthusiasm. (3)

OR

- (b) The advent of summer brings diseases like malaria and dengue. Directorate of Health Department, Government of Gujarat has issued a poster to create awareness among citizens to prevent the spread of dengue. Design the poster and write suggestions and add slogans.

5. (a) You had been to Lucknow to attend your cousin's wedding. Describe the event with reference to the place, weather, decoration, ceremonies, arrangements, food etc. (80-100 words) (3)

OR

- (b) You have bought a new television set. Describe it with reference to its size, brand, features, use, purpose etc. (80-100 words)

6. (a) Write a paragraph on the 'Importance of having a positive attitude'. You may consider these points while writing the paragraph in not more than 120-150 words. (5)

- Learn to accept things that we can't change.
- Power to control our mood.
- Remain relaxed and happy in all situations.
- Avoid negative criticism and those people who always find faults.

OR

- (b) Here are some facts about your favourite author Ruskin Bond's life. Write a biographical sketch of the famous writer.

● Birth	19 May, 1934, Kasauli, Himachal Pradesh
● Early education	Bishop Cotton School, Shimla
● First Creative Writing	Still at school when a story was published in the <i>Illustrated Weekly of India</i>
● First Book	Wrote ' <i>Room on the Roof</i> ' (novel) at the age of 17; Got the John Llewellyn Rhys Memorial Award for this book in 1957
● Other famous books	<i>An Island of Trees, A Bond with the Mountains, The India I Love, The Beauty of All My Days</i> -famous and major writings
● His major concerns	About environment and simple hill folk of Uttarakhand
● Style of writing	Simple, lucid, fluent, understanding human nature
● Awards	Sahitya Academy Award for Indian Literature

7. (a) Write an email to your friend living abroad inviting him to visit your country and briefing him on the climate, food habits and culture of your country so that he has an enjoyable stay. (5)

OR

- (b) The power supply is causing a problem in the area where you live in. Refer to accidents, thefts, difficulty for students and old people, affecting water supply etc. Write a letter to the Chairman, Electric Supply Corporation, bringing the matter to his notice and request him to take action for improving the condition.

SECTION- C (GRAMMAR) (14 Marks)

8. Choose the correct answers from the given options in bold letters. Do not copy the paragraph. (5)

Dear Ram

I am so sorry to have (a) **miss/ missed/ missing** you. I came to Udaipur (b) **for/ in/ on** a business trip and I (c) **have been/ has been/ had been** here for two weeks now. Your neighbour told me (d) **a/ an/ the** sad news that your father had been hospitalized. I wish I could see him (e) **and/ but/ as** unfortunately I am leaving for Chennai today. Please send my best wishes to your father.

Ganesh

9. Complete the following passage by choosing the correct passive forms of the verbs from the given options. (3)

Our city (A) _____ tobacco free by the Chief Minister. The people (B) _____ not to use tobacco in any form to avoid diseases like cancer. The users (C) _____ treatment in the local clinics at present.

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| (A) | (i) declares | (ii) declared | (iii) were declared | (iv) was declared |
| (B) | (i) advise | (ii) advised | (iii) were advised | (iv) are advised |
| (C) | (i) gave | (ii) are given | (iii) was given | (iv) were given |

10. Read the conversation and complete the paragraph in the reported speech. (3)

Lata: How was your interview?

Reena: It went quite well as the interviewer is a very pleasant man.

Lata: What did he ask you?

Reena: First of all, he offered me a glass of juice. I accepted it because my throat was dry. Then he asked me what do I do in my spare time.

Lata: What did you reply?

Reena: I enjoy reading books on travel.

Lata asked Reena how her interview had been. Reena replied (a) _____ as the interviewer was a very pleasant man. Lata enquired what he had asked her. Reena said that first of all (b) _____. She had accepted that because her throat had been dry. Then he had asked her what she was doing in her spare time. Lata curiously enquired what she had replied. Reena said (c) _____.

11. Rearrange the words to make meaningful sentences. One has been done for you. 3x1=3

(a) made/ man's/ machines/ to be/ were/ servants/

Machines were made to be man's servants.

(b) become/ he has grown/ on them/so dependent/ that/ they have/ his masters

(c) most of/ looking after/ men spend/ waiting for / their lives/ and/ machines

(d) difficult/ the machines/ without/ we find it/ to work/ either/ or play

SECTION - D (LITERATURE) (30 marks)

12. Read the extract from the poem 'The Kite' and answer the following questions. 2x2=2

*When string goes slack
You wind it back
And run until
A new breeze blows
And its wings fill
And up it goes!*

(a) When does the kite flyer have to wind the kite back?

(b) State the poetic device used in line four with the correct expression.

OR

Read the extract from the poem 'The Wonderful Words' and answer the following questions.

*But only words can free a thought
From its prison behind your eyes
May be your mind is holding now
A marvellous new surprise!*

(a) What helps us to express our thoughts?

(b) According to the poet, what could be the 'surprise' in the last line?

13. Read the extract from the lesson 'A Game of Chance' and answer the following questions. 2x1=2

"You don't know child", uncle said, "they were all friends of the shopkeeper. They were playing tricks to tempt you to try your luck. They wanted your money and they got it. Now forget about it, and don't tell anybody of your bad luck or your foolishness."

(a) Who were playing tricks on Rasheed?

(b) What did the uncle forbid him not to say to anybody?

OR

Read the extract from the lesson 'Desert Animals' and answer the following questions.

They like to hunt together, keeping in touch whenever they go out of sight behind rocks or bushes by twittering and calling. Always on the lookout for danger- hawks, eagles and large snakes- they warn one another with a special alarm call if they spot anything suspicious.

- (a) How do 'they' keep in touch whenever they go out of sight?
- (b) Why is the special alarm call used?

14. Read the extract from the lesson 'Tansen' and answer the following questions.

3x1=3

When he began to sing, the air became warm. Soon people in the audience were breathing in perspiration. As the music continued, birds felt dead because of the heat and water in the rivers began to boil. People cried out in terror as flames shot up out of nowhere and lightened the lamps.

- (a) Where did this incident take place?
- (b) Why did the atmosphere suddenly turn hot?
- (c) Did the fire extinguish? How?

OR

Read the extract from the lesson 'The Strange Wrestling Match' and answer the following questions.

Almost the entire village turned up that evening to bid farewell to Vijay Singh, who was ready to set out west. Just then an old woman came forward and thrust a small packet into his hands, and Vijay Singh started walking into the red sunset of the desert.

- (a) Why did Vijay Singh set out towards the west?
- (b) What made the old woman give him the packet?
- (c) Where did Vijay Singh use the packet?

15. Answer the following questions from the book 'A Pact With The Sun'. (ANY THREE)

3x2=6

- (a) "Though poor and uneducated the shepherd was very wise". What qualities made him famous and wise?
- (b) List out any two things that happen to our body when we are sleeping?
- (c) The specialist doctor advised Saeeda's mother to bring about two important changes besides food and medicines. What were they?
- (d) In the story 'The Old Clock Shop', Ray gave the older man more money than the wrist-watch was worth for? Explain.

16. Answer the following questions from the book 'HoneySuckle'. (ANY FOUR)

4x2=8

- (a) Why did the waterfall give Taro sake' and other people water?
- (b) Kalpna Chawla and her crew performed various experiments in space? State any two.
- (c) Jumman was happy when Algu was made the head Panch. Give reasons.
- (d) In the poem 'The Quarrel' the poet had a fight with his brother. Who took the lead to patch up? What did the poet realise?
- (e) The children in Miss Beam's School are made to appreciate and understand misfortune? How do they do it?

17. Answer the following question in not more than 100 – 120 words. All questions are compulsory. 3x3=9
- a) Write a brief character sketch on **ANY ONE** of the following characters describing their qualities and attitude with evidence from the story. Also state their strong impact and the message they portray in the story.
- Patrick
 - Taro
 - Vijay Singh
- (b) In the poem ‘Beauty’ the poet describes what beauty is and where we find it? Write about the beauty you have observed and experienced around you.
- (c) ‘Peace on earth, goodwill towards all’ Elaborate the statement in the context of the chapter ‘The Old Clock Shop.’