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अधिकतम अंक/Max. Marks: 60

विषय/Sub.: अंग्रेजी / ENGLISH

समय/Time: 2 ½ घंटे / Hrs.

General Instructions:

The question paper is divided into three sections:

Section	A	:	Reading	15 Marks
Section	B	:	Writing & Grammar	20 Marks
Section	C	:	Literature	25 Marks

SECTION: A READING (15 MARKS)

Q.1 Read the following passage carefully.

8 Marks

1. Name the smallest insect you have seen, and the wisest. It is the ant—the commonest, the smallest but the wisest insect. The story of an ant’s life sounds almost untrue. An ant uses its feelers or antennae to ‘talk’ to other ants by passing messages through them. Watch a row of ants moving up or down the wall. Each ant greets all the others coming from the opposite direction by touching their feelers.

2. There are many kinds of ants. The commonest among them are the black or red ones. We have seen them since we were children, but have not paid enough attention to them. Where do they live? In their comfortable homes called ‘nests’ or ‘anthills’. Each has hundreds of little rooms and passages. In some of these rooms the queen ant lays eggs. Others are nurseries for the young ones (called ‘grubs’). Workers have their reserved quarters. They spend most of their time searching for food. Some rooms serve as storehouses for this food. Soldiers have separate barracks.

3. No worker has ever tried to live in a soldier’s house; no soldier has ever gone out searching for food. No worker or soldier or cleaner has ever harmed a grub. So you see, an ant’s life is very peaceful. Each does its share of work intelligently and bravely, and never fights with other members of the group.

4. Have humans learned as much as ants have? Perhaps they have, but they have not put their learning to good use. They may still learn a few things from this tiny teacher— hard work, sense of duty and discipline, cleanliness, care for the young ones, and, above all, a firm loyalty to the land where they live.

Based on your understanding of the passage, answer the following questions:

i) Look at the second paragraph. Find and copy one word that means the same as: “a place to reserve food.” **1**

ii) What irony is present in the comparison between humans and ants? **1**

- a) Humans are bigger yet less disciplined b) Ants are weaker yet more powerful
c) Ants sleep more than humans d) Humans build smaller houses

iii) “No worker has ever tried to live in a soldier’s house.” What lesson can humans learn from this? **1**

- a) To protect their personal property b) To respect each other’s roles and duties
c) To compete for better positions d) To work in isolation

iv) Which conclusion can be logically drawn about human society from the passage? **1**

(v) The word distinctive in the context of anime means 1

(a) unique (b) ordinary (c) common (d) unfamiliar

(vi) Select the option that applies to both the Assertion and the Reason 1

Assertion (A): Watching cartoons helps in the proper development of speech in young children.

Reason (R): Cartoons encourage interaction and communication.

- a) Both A and R are true b) Both A and R are false
c) A is true, R is false d) A is false, R is true

SECTION- B WRITING AND GRAMMAR (20 MARKS)

3. Answer ANY ONE of the following questions in about 100-120 words: (1 X 5 = 5)

(A) Doing something meaningful for the environment today, you realised the importance of individual efforts. Write a diary entry reflecting on the incident. You are Subrata/Sutapa.

(B) Recently, you visited your ancestral village with your parents after a long time. Write a descriptive paragraph describing the village environment, your interactions with relatives and villagers, the contrast with city life, and the significance of this visit for you.

4. Answer ANY ONE of the following questions in about 100-120 words: (1 X 5 = 5)

(A) Write a letter to the Principal of your school requesting for the installation of drinking water purifiers in your school premises. Mention the problems faced by students and the benefits of clean water. You are Sumit / Susmita of Modern Public School, Kolkata.

(B) You are Surjeet/ Surekha who is much bothered about the cases of theft in the secondary Building of your Vidyalaya floor. You might have a clue about the culprit. In this regard write a letter to your best friend asking for advice.

5. (A) Fill in the blanks with 'a,' 'an,' 'the.' Put an 'x' where no article is required.

(1X3=3)

My uncle bought (i) _____ European history book. He says it was (ii) _____ honour to own such a book. (iii) _____ book was very costly.

(B) Transform the word/sentence according to the instruction: (1X2=2)

(i) Convert the form of the given word as directed.

The noun form of 'successful' is _____

(ii) Convert into indirect speech:

The boy said, "I can solve this sum."

(C) Do as Directed:

(1X5=5)

(i) The machine suddenly stopped working due to a malfunction.

Which word best explains the meaning of the prefix *mal-* here?

- A. normal B. harmful C. faulty D. fast

(ii) Fill in the blank space with correct form of verb:

Suresh told Rahul that he _____ a drama. (watch)

(iii) Combine the sentences using suitable subordinating conjunction given in the bracket:

This is the park. We play every evening. (where)

(iv) Fill in the blank space by choosing the correct option:

The Three Musketeers _____ (is /are) a very good book.

(v) Select the option that identifies the error and supplies the correction for the following line:

The cat jumped in the table and slept there.

Sl. No	Error	Correction
A.	jumped	jumps
B.	in	on
C.	slept	sleep
D.	there	here

SECTION- C LITERATURE (25 MARKS)

Q 6. Answer ANY ONE of the following extract-based questions: (4 X 1= 4)

(A) I was happy to hear that you got an opportunity to visit the National War Memorial. I have heard a lot about it. Some people might see a war memorial as just a monument, statue, an edifice to celebrate a war or victory and commemorate those who sacrificed their lives or got injured in the war. In my view, it is also an expression of deep gratitude for the supreme sacrifice made by our brave soldiers defending the sovereignty and integrity of the country.

(i) The phrase ‘supreme sacrifice’ refers to

- A. giving up comfort B. serving the nation
C. losing one’s life for the country D. winning a war

(ii) The main idea of the passage is to

- A. describe the architecture of the memorial B. highlight victory in wars
C. express gratitude towards soldiers D. compare different war memorials

(iii) Which of the following best reflects the writer’s attitude towards soldiers?

- A. Casual B. Indifferent C. Critical D. Respectful and grateful

(iv) Fill in the blank space with suitable word:

The supreme sacrifice of soldiers ensures the _____ and integrity of the country.

(B) **Rani Abbakka:** We are a sovereign country. We don't pay tribute to Portugal. And we don't take orders from the Portuguese.

Portuguese Envoy: Your Majesty, you will regret your stand

(i) The line "We don't pay tribute to Portugal" reflects which underlying principle?

- (a) Economic weakness (b) Political submission
(c) National independence (d) Cultural isolation

(ii) Pick out a word which is not a synonym of Sovereign

- (a) supreme (b) independent (c) subordinate (d) free

(iii) What does Abbakka's declaration reveal about her leadership?

- (a) She was determined to protect Ullal's independence
(b) She was willing to compromise with the invaders
(c) She wanted to make Ullal a Portuguese colony
(d) She didn't understand political matters

(iv) Two statements are given – Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read them carefully and choose the correct options.

Assertion (A): Rani Abbakka refused to pay tribute to the Portuguese.

Reason (R): She believed Ullal was a sovereign country and should not be controlled by foreign powers.

- (a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.
(b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
(c) A is true, R is false
(d) A is false, R is true

Q 7. Answer ANY ONE of the following extract-based questions: (4 X 1= 4)

(A) *All night there isn't a train goes by,
Though the night is still for sleep and dreaming,
But I see its cinders red on the sky,
And hear its engine steaming.*

(i) What positive value is reflected through the poet's thoughts in the silent night?

- A. Acceptance of loneliness B. Power of imagination and aspiration
C. Fear of darkness D. Dependence on machines

(ii) Identify whether the following statement is True or False:

The poet actually witnesses a train passing during the night.

(iii) Select the option that applies to both the Assertion and the Reason:

Assertion (A): The stanza reflects the poet's deep longing for travel.

Reason (R): The poet imagines sights and sounds of a train even in complete stillness.

- A. Both A and R are true and R explains A
B. Both A and R are true but R does not explain A
C. A is true, R is false
D. A is false, R is true

(iv) Identify the rhyme scheme of the stanza.

(B) *My heart is warm with the friends I make,
And better friends I'll not be knowing;
Yet there isn't a train I wouldn't take,
No matter where it's going.*

(i) What does the phrase "My heart is warm with the friends I make" suggest about the poet?

- A. She prefers solitude
B. She values emotional connections
C. She gives importance to her family
D. She avoids relationships

(ii) The word "Yet" in the third line is used to show:

- A. Cause
B. Comparison
C. Contrast
D. Conclusion

(iii) Which value is best reflected in the stanza?

- A. Material success
B. Loyalty
C. Fear of attachment
D. Indifference to people

(iv) Complete the analogy:

Friends: Warmth :: Travel : _____

- A. Comfort
B. Routine
C. Fear
D. Adventure

8. Answer ANY FOUR of the following questions in about 40 to 50 words: (4 X 3 =12)

(a) Why is Sunder Singh referred to as a 'firefly'?

(b) Why would Rani Abbakka's victory inspire others?

(c) Arunima says, "Failure is when we don't have goals worthy enough." What would be the most likely impact of this statement on readers?

(d) Lance Naik Albert Ekka is an example of selflessness, determination, and exceptional courage. Elaborate.

(e) What is the significance of the line 'Prime of your youth given to the nation!!' with reference to sacrifice and service?

9. Answer ANY ONE of the following questions in about 100 to 120 words: (1 X 5 =5)

(a) How does 'A Homage to our Brave Soldiers' inspire readers to look beyond fear and act with courage in real life?

(b) In what ways does Arunima Sinha's story promote gender equality and women's empowerment?
