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**ENGLISH**

**Time : 3 Hours]**

**[Maximum Marks : 100**

**Section-A**

**(READING)**

1. Read the following poem and then complete the summary by writing in the blanks the missing words/phrases etc. :

And bending down beside the glowing bars

Murmur, a little sadly, how love fled

And paced upon the mountains overhead

And hid his face amid a crowd of stars.

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**Summary :**

The poet visualises a time when his beloved will grow. (a) .....  
 and he will be no more in this world. Then his poems will remind  
 his beloved of his true (b) ..... she will sit by the side of the  
 hearth and feel sad for the (c) ..... whose love she had not  
 (d) ..... She will feel sad over the Fate of the dead  
 (e) ..... The poet says that his soul will fly high above  
 the (f) ..... and hide itself behind the stars. 1/2x6=3

2. Study the following expression used by the poet and write appropriate meanings for each expression :

Expression from the poem	To suggest that
(a) Speak up	(i) .....
(b) Murmur	(ii) .....
(c) Glowing bars	(iii) .....

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**Suggestions :**

- (i) Speak softly
- (ii) Ability to talk
- (iii) Sitting by the fireside
- (iv) A fireplace
- (v) Pure heart

1x3=3

3. Read the given extract and answer the questions :

Not in their right minds,

With the other deaths she, too, pursues her ends,

Brutal as the stars of this month,

Her pale head heavy at metal.

*Questions :*

- (a) What does the word 'their' refer to ? 2
- (b) Give a brief description of the flower snowdrop. 2

(c) Give the meaning of the following words :

(i) Brutal

(ii) Pursues

$\frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 1$

4. Read the following passage and answer the questions given at the end :

Paper has more patience than people. I thought of this saying on one of those days when I was feeling a little depressed and was sitting at home with my chin in my hands, bored and listless, wondering whether to stay in or go out. I finally stayed where I was brooding; Yes, paper does have more patience, and since I'm not planning to let anyone else read this stiff backed notebook grandly referred to as a 'diary', unless I should ever find a real friend, it probably won't make a bit of difference.

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Questions :

(a) Give the antonyms of the following words :

more, patience, real, ever

$1\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2$

(b) Fill in the blanks :

(i) 'I' in the above passage refers to .....

(ii) According to the writer ..... has more patience than people.

(iii) She calls her diary a ..... notebook.

(iv) She would let no one read her diary unless she finds

.....

$\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2$

5. Read the passage given below and complete the sentences given at the end :

Reading is a source of great pleasure. There is nothing like passing time in the company of great books. Books are the light houses

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which show us our way in life. Books are carries of knowledge. It is because of books that knowledge spreads from one place to the other. And that is how civilizations move forward. In order to get maximum pleasure as well as benefits out of reading, we should judiciously choose reading material. The pleasures of reading are far more lasting and far sweeter than other pleasures of life.

*Questions :*

Fill in the blanks :

- (a) A great source of pleasure, is passing time in .....
- (b) Books are ..... which show us our way in life.
- (c) Knowledge is carried forward by .....
- (d) The reading material should be ..... chosen.
- (e) The word 'Judiciously' is used as ..... .

1×5=5

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## Section-B

## (WRITING SKILLS)

6. Rashid-ud-Din of class X-A has just passed his annual examination. Two of his books are in fairly good condition and he wants to sell them at reduced prices. He put up a notice on the school notice board giving all the necessary details. Write the notice using not more than 50 words. Put the notice in a box. 1×4=4
7. You are Simran. You are told by Rashika to inform Rajat, Your brother, that a cricket match is arranged this morning and his participation is a must. You left a message for Rajat in about 50 words. Write the message. 1×4=4
8. Your family is planning a visit to Shimla early next month to attend a wedding. Write a letter to your class teacher asking for leave for five days. 1×5=5

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9. You are Mohd. Sadiq of 10th class. You have to participate in a speech competition on the topic 'Uses and Abuses of Science'. Write a speech on the given topic in about 200-250 words. 1×7=7

**Section-C**

**(LITERATURE)**

10. Read the following stanza and answer the question that follows :

How many loved your moments of glad grace,

And loved your beauty with love—false or true,

But one man loved the Pilgrim soul in you,

And loved the sorrows of your changing face.

*Question :*

Write *three* images used by the poet in the poem 'When You Are Old'.

1×3=3

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11. Read the lines and answer the question given below :

Now is the globe shrunk tight

Round the mouse's dulled wintering heart

Weasel and crow, as if moulded in brass,

Move through an outer darkness;

Not in their right minds.

*Question :*

Identify the poetic device used in the above lines. Name the poetic device and explain.

1×3=3

12. How is the Journey from youth to old age described in the poem

'When You Are Old' ?

*Or*

What do you think 'take the toll of their insults in punishments'

means ? (Last lesson of the Afternoon)

1×4=4

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13. What are the major themes of the play 'The Proposal' ?

*Or*

Write the character sketch of 'Natalya'.

1×5=5

14. The course of the Loisel's life changes due to the necklace. Comment.

*Or*

Do you approve of the behaviour and approach of Gortsby in the story 'Dusk' ? Explain.

1×5=5

15. How does Bholi find her teacher different from other people ?

*Or*

What did the coachman tell Gerasim when he narrated his story ?

1×5=5

16. What was the curious episode that took place in the clergyman's study ?

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Or

What facilitated Ghosh to fulfil his pledge ? How did it help him ? 1x5=5

17. Write a character sketch of Mrs. Bennet.

Or

What is a Sermon ? How is it different from a lecture ? 1x5=5

**Section-D**

**(GRAMMAR)**

18. (a) Edit the following unedited passage :

One day, the Nawab sent words

.....word.....

to his minister that I wanted

.....

a entire earth measured from

.....

Side to side and of end to end.

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He would also great appreciate .....  
it, if the minister can count the .....  
Stars on the sky as well. The .....  
minister say it was impossible; .....  
no one will do such a thing .....  $\frac{1}{2} \times 8 = 4$

(b) Re-arrange the words to form meaningful sentences :

(i) an/Griffin/eccentric/scientist/was :

(ii) will/you/when/come/Srinagar/to/?

(iii) tree/a/of/killing/is/process/a/painful

(iv) will/prove/it/to humanity/a/great boon

(v) this/movie/saw/yesterday/we

(vi) since/raining/has/morning/been/it

$\frac{1}{2} \times 6 = 3$

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(c) Change the narration of the following :

(i) The old man said, "I have seen many ups and downs in life."

(ii) She said to me, "Will you help me in solving these questions ?"

1×2=2

(d) Fill in the blanks with suitable modals :

(i) I ..... lift this stone.

(ii) ..... I come in ? Sir.

½×2=1

(e) Fill in the blanks with suitable articles :

(i) It is ..... useful method.

(ii) His father is ..... M.L.A.

½×2=1

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(f) Fill in the blanks with appropriate homonyms :

(i) One shouldn't ..... the rules. (Brake/Break)

(ii) What ..... you ? (Ails/Ales)

(iii) We shouldn't ..... the proposal. (Except/Accept)  
1×3=3

(g) Join the following sentences by changing one of the sentences

into a relative clause :

(i) We met a girl. The girl was Smiling.

(ii) The manager spoke to the workers. Their work was below  
standard.

(iii) Where is the cheese ? It was in the fridge. 1×3=3

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(h) Punctuate the following :

why are you late to the school asked the teacher to raju sir there  
was a traffic jam i was held up for one hour said raju  $1 \times 3 = 3$

(i) Match the words in Column 'A' with their meanings in

Column 'B' :

Column 'A'

Column 'B'

(i) Ramble on

(a) stay indoors

(ii) Plunge in

(b) which cannot be corrected

(iii) Incurable

(c) go straight to the topic

(iv) Stay in

(d) write or speak without focus

$\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2$

(j) Complete the dialogue between Aadhya and Bhaumik :

Aadhya : Hi Bhaumik ! Here is a Photo of Aditya.

Bhaumik : Oh (a) ..... Pretty !

Aadhya : Yes (b) ..... she's got big green eyes.

Bhaumik : She has got beautiful curly hair (c) .....

Aadhya : Yes, it's very (d) .....

Bhaumik : (e) ..... Aadhya. She's n't tall but (f) .....  
 $\frac{1}{2} \times 6 = 3$

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