

SECTION – (A) READING

Q.1 Read the passage give below carefully and answer the questions that follow:

(a) Answer the following questions in 2 - 3 lines each:

Q.1 What does knowledge mean? [2]

Ans. Knowledge means all that we acquire from what we read, hear or see.

Q.2 What does wisdom mean? [2]

Ans. Wisdom means the ability to choose from what is available to us then use it for our own benefit.

Q.3 What does value based education convey? [1]

Ans. Value based education means two things firstly, it accepts that current education has hardly let down secondly, it lays stress on values.

Q.4 Why, according to the writer, do we need education? [1]

Ans. We need education only to make us live better and more joyously.

Q.5 Why is yoga ideal for schools? [1]

Ans. Yoga is inexpensive and require little space and can be done without the least bit of fuss that is why yoga is ideal for schools.

(b) Find words from the passage which mean as the following:

Ans. (i) Prepared - equipped
(ii) Merrily - Joyously
(iii) Obligatory - Mandatory [3×1=3]

Q.2 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

(a) On the basis of your reading the passage make notes on it, points only using recognizable abbreviations wherever necessary. Supply a suitable title to it. [4]

NOTE MAKING

Title - Reading

A. Types of Reading Material

A1 Book, Magazine, Newspaper, Leaflet or notebook

- A2 Electronic displays, television, mobile Phones or e - reader
- A3 Words or images carved in stone, wood or metal
- B. Visual word recognition
 - B1 A technique that studies how people read individual words.
 - B2 To learn certain linguistic regularities
- C. Reading as an Activity
 - C1 It is an individual activity
 - C2 To read out loud
 - C3 Increase intrapersonal comm.
 - C4 Way to learn language and expression
 - C5 Beneficial for young children

Abbreviations used		
&	-	and
Comm.	-	Communication

Q.2 Write a summary of the above passage in about 80 words.

[3]

Summary of Passage

Reading is typically an individual activity. Currently most reading is either of the printed words from ink or toner on paper, book, magazine, newspaper, leaflet, electronic displays, television or e - readers. Reading is a good contrast between letters and back ground. The field of visual word recognition studies how people read individual words. Reading to young children is a recommended way to instill language and expression, and to promote comprehension of text personalised books for children are recommended to improve engagement is reading by featuring the child themselves in story.

- Q.3 You want to sell your scooter. Write a suitable advertisement to be published in the 'For Sale' column a newspaper. [5]**

<p>For Sale</p> <p>A Blue Colour Bajaj second hand scooter 2015 model single hand driven well maintained accident free is available for sale. Genuine buyers contact contact : 1745 sector 37 C. Chandigarh.</p>
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- Q.4 Your school has just started a new vocational course Health Care. Write a report of the inaugural ceremony in 100- 125 words for an English newspaper. [8]**

Inaugural Ceremony

A REPORT

There have arisen several valuable vocational courses in the field of health care which might go a long way in fulfilling the aspiration of the students. Keeping this in mind our school introduce vocational course in health care. The inaugural ceremony of the vocational course Health Care commenced with the lighting of lamp by our Principal Sh. S.K. Kashyap. The programme was followed by Sararwati Vandana. Our Principal Dr. S. K. Kashyap formally welcomed all the dignitaries present on the dais colleague and students. In his speech he mentioned the importance and significance of vocational courses. He spoke at length about the vocational course available in field of healthcare and medicine and its scope. He encouraged the students to pursue it for their better future. The ceremony ended with vote of thanks to all the guests and dignitaries gracing the occasion by their solemn presence. The introduction of vocational course will prove to be good step for the benefit of the students.

Reported by

ABC

OR

You are Vikas, student editor of your school magazine. Write a report in about 125 words, on the '7 Day Special camp' organized by your school NSS unit during summer vacation.

NSS CAMP

A REPORT

The N.S.S. unit of the school organised a seven day camp at Sadampur village. Sixty students took part in it. Different projects were taken up. Adult literacy classes were taken up. They were taught how to read and write. They were also made to understand the importance of healthy environment. Streets and drains were cleaned with the help and cooperation of the villagers. With the help of the forest department a large number of saplings were planted. The villagers were also enlightened about social evils like smoking, drinking, drugs and dowry. The need for personal hygiene was also stressed. A number of good speakers were invited to deliver lectures on cleanliness and value of cooperation. The camp concluded with a valedictory function presided over by the District Health Officer.

Reported by

Vikas

Student Editor

School Magazine.

Q.5 You are Vikas, Housing Board Colony Dharamshala. Write a letter to the Police Commissioner complaining about the increasing thefts in your area. [8]

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To

The commissioner of Police

S. P. Office

New Delhi

Subject : Rising rate of crime in the city

Sir,

I am constrained to draw your attention to the growing menace of thieves in my locality.

The policeman is a rare sight in this crowded and growing locality. Taking advantage of the absence of the police around, some goondas are freely indulging in the thefts and robberies. During this week as many as twenty thefts have taken place. No house which is locked even for a few hours during the day is safe. Burglary too is on the increase. The other day four

miscreants broke into a house and relieved the inmates, at the point of the knife, of all the cash and jewellery they had.

I request you to take immediate steps to stem this tide of insecurity.

Your truly

Vikas

OR

Write a letter to your friend requesting him / her to spend summer vacation with you in Shimla. Sign yourself Smriti / Vansh.

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My dear

I am glad to know that you are enjoying your summer vacation these days with your parents, brothers and sisters. But there is very hot at your place. I have read in the newspaper that the temperature is shooting up in the plains. So, I invite you to spend a few days with me here at Shimla.

Shimla is a beautiful hill station. The weather is very cool, pleasant and bracing. Occasional rains have started. After a shower the weather becomes more pleasant. There are a number of beauty spot in Shimla. I shall take you round all these. Hiking among the mountains has joy of its own. I shall really feel obliged if you come here for some days. We shall have a good time here. My parents also join me in extending you an invitation. They will be really happy.

Please don't disappoint. I am really looking forward to your arrival here. Please inform when you are making it.

Yours sincerely

Vansh

- Q.6 Write an article on the impact of Demonetization (OLD CURRENCY BANNED) in India Nov. 2016. (150 -200) words). [8]**

Impact of Demonetization

India witnessed a historical decision in the month of November 2016, When 500 and 1000 notes were banned and completely withdrawn from the market. These were the highest denomination notes, almost 87 % of cash in the Indian Economy became invalid overnight. It was aimed at curbing black money and its use in terrorist activities. It resulted in drastic drop in the amount of black money in India. This is because the unaccounted money in 500 and 1000 denomination had to be deposited in bank with valid ID. The note ban helped in bringing down the level of terrorist and other criminal activities. The four month long turbulence in kashmir came to the rest because of the lack of monetary supply. In other words a serious issue of national security was taken care of by the note ban. Moreover all kinds of illicit and illegal activities carried out by the land and underground mafia who came to a screeching halt. The cash ban automatically forced people to use more plastic money in the form of online transaction, credit, debit cards, mobile wallets etc. Or PM's dream of cashless and Digital India started taking shape. Though initially it led to an undesirable and unaccountable rush of the common man towards the ATMs and bank for the purpose of currency exchange. The people in village, remote areas, street vendors etc suffered a lot. but in the end we can say that all the troubles our country went through because of note ban lead to a better future for our India.

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OR

Write an article on " The Value of Games in life", in about 150 - 200 words.

The Value of Games in life

Games and sports are the life springs of a nation. They play an important part in our life. They are a part and parcel of education. Education means the development of both the body and the brain, and games and sports help in this development. Games make us physically strong and mentally healthy. They improve our digestion and sharpen our appetite. We feel fresh, active and smart throughout the day. They save us from disease born of physical weakness. It is rightly said that all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. They give us thrill, excitement and entertainment. While in the play ground, we forget books, examinations and other worries of life. Games build our character and develop our personality. They teach us team spirit, discipline, obedience, fair play, tolerance, self confidence and a sense of cooperation. The battle of life is won at the play ground. Games, therefore, are an indispensable part of our life. But they have their dark side also Students devote too much time to them so that their studies begin to suffer. When game are played to their excess, they prove harmful to our health. Over exertion weakens the heart and thus, shortens life. There is often an unhealthy rivalry between team and player which creates bad blood. But on the whole, games are very useful.

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SECTION-C (Literature)

Q.7 I looked Amma. [4]

(i) Name the poem and the poet from which this stanza has been taken.

Ans. Name of poem - My Mother at Sixty Six
Poet - Kamala Das

(ii) Why has the mother been compared to the 'late winter's moon'?

Ans. In the late winter the moon looks faded and dim. It has no brightness. So is the case with poet's Mother.

(iii) What did the smile signify?

Ans. It signify her attempt to overcome the pain inside her heart that she is feeling at separation from her mother.

(iv) What are the parting words of the poetess?

Ans. ' See You soon Amma' are the parting words of the poetess.

OR

It is the any more.

(i) Name the poem and the poet from which this staza has been taken.

Ans. Name of the Poem - A Road side stand
Poet - Robert Frost

(ii) What is in the news?

Ans. The news is that the pitiable and measureable village people will be settled in the villages next to the theater and the store.

(iii) Who will be bought out and from where?

Ans. Poor villagers will be bought out from their merciful lot .

(iv) Explain : where they won't have to think for themselves?

Ans. It means that after that they will be leading very happy and peaceful life and would be enjoying all comforts of life.

Q.8 Answer the following questions:

(i) What does the poet want for the children of the slums? [2]

Ans. The poet request all representatives of different sections of the society to come forward in order to give some relief to these poor children. They should be provided with better and natural environment. So that they could be nourished.

(ii) Do you think the poet advocates total inactivity and death? [2]

Ans. No, the poet does not advocated total inactivity and death as it brings destruction but poet is concerned with inner strength and power and new life.

(iii) Why is 'grandeur' associated with the mighty dead? [2]

Ans. Grandeur means majestic and mighty dead are those warriors who have sacrificed their lives for the sake of country. Death of those people is regarded beautiful who have done something great in their life.

(iv) What is suggested by the image 'massive weight of Uncle's wedding band'?[2]

Ans. The wedding band represent the unbreakable bond of marriage between husband and wife. During her marriage Aunt Jenifer had difficult and harsh experiences and the massive weight of Uncle's wedding band is suggestive of her unpleasant and hard experiences of life.

Q.9 Answer the following questions:

(i) What makes the city of Ferozabad famous? [2]

Ans. Ferozabad is famous for its bangles. Here, every family is engaged in making bangles. It is centre of India's glass-blowing industry.

(ii) Why is the Englishman's visit referred to as unexplained mystery? [2]

Ans. The Englishman was a poet. It was difficult to understand why he came in a film studio that made Tamil films for simple people. They could have no taste for English poetry. Moreover the Englishman was too confused to experience such incongruity.

(iii) What is the reason for the huge success of the novel. 'The Name of the Rose'? [2]

Ans. Even Umberto is not sure about the huge success of the novel 'The Name of the Rose'. And consider is as a mystery. It is a detective novel. It also deals with metaphysics and medieval history. Though people are in habit of reading trash and not difficult experiences like those given in the novel.

(iv) Why was Douglas determined to get over his fear of water? [2]

Ans. The author William Douglas determined to get over his fear of water because it rooted deep in his heart and mind. He wanted to enjoy all the water activities but this fear of water deprived him of the joy of water. That is why he was determined to get over his fear of water.

Q.10 Answer the following questions: [8]

Q. The people in the story suddenly realize how precious their language is to them. What shows out this? Why does this happen?

Ans. It is M.Hamel's last day at the school and also the last day teaching of French because it has been stopped through orders from Berlin. M.Hamel's asked Franz to reside the rules of participles. But he had not learnt it. He said that he had been putting of learning feeling that there was plenty of time and he would learn the next day. But the next day never came. This was the trouble with all of them. And the result was that they could neither write or speak French. What right then they had to say that they were Frenchmen? Their parents and also the teachers were also to blame for this sorry state of affairs. Their parents were not keen about their learning the teachers were also sending them to water their plants instead of learning.

In the end M.Hamel told them that the French was the most beautiful language in the World. It was the clearest and the most logical language. It was their duty to guard it and they should never forget it. When a Nation is enslaved, as long as people do not lose their language, they have the key to the prison. They can open it and set themselves free. In this

way the teacher made them realize the importance of their language. and the people in the story suddenly realize how precious their language is to them

OR

Q. Why do you think Gandhi considered the Champaran episode to be a turning point in his life?

Ans. Gandhiji considered champaran episode to be a turning point in his life. Even ordinary people of India also contributed a lot to the freedom movement. This contribution began with Rajkumar Shukla a share cropper from Bihar who took Gandhiji to his home district Champaran to Apprise him of the distress and suffering of poor peasants there.

The news of Gandhiji's arrival spread quickly thousand of share cropper's from chamaran guttered they came on foot and by conveyance. Lawyers from Bihar also joined Gandhiji in his fight against injustice. It became a mass movement for the liberation of the Country. He was able to declare that British could not order him about his own country. He did it in his own manner based on his own principles. It was a kind of loyalty to words living human beings. His politics was based on practical's, day to day problems of common people.

This episode is bound with India's independence and Gandhiji got name and fame after the champaran episode.

Q.11 Answer the following questions: [5]

Q. The story 'Tiger King' is a satire on the conceit of those in power. How does the author employ the literary device of dramatic irony in the story?

Ans. Dramatic irony involves a situation in a play or a story in which the audience shares with the author, knowledge which a character is ignorant of.

The author used this device to bring out the conceit of the maharaja in a beautiful manner. The royal astrologers predictions that death will come to maharaja from a Tiger. When the maharaja becomes an adult to prove the prediction wrong killed around 99 tigers. He bans Tiger hunting in his state expect himself. He is able to kill 70 Tiger's in his state. Then he marriage the daughter of a king of a state with large Tiger population. But on the third birthday of maharaja's son maharaja wishes to gives a special gift to him. He gets a wooden Tiger from a toy shop. One day Maharaja and his son were playing with the wooden tiger it so happens that one of the slivers over the body of the tiger pierces the right hand of the maharaja. Infection flares up leading to the death of maharaja. The hundredth tiger finally took its revenge.

Q.12 Answer the following questions:

(i) Do you think third level was a medium of escape for Charley. Why? [2]

Ans. The third level latterly refers to the third floor of Grand Central Station. It does not really exist. It is only in Charley's mind. He find's it hard to cope up with the insecurity, fear, stress of the modern world and wants to escape from the realities of life. Thus third level is just the part of his imagination and does not exist in reality.

(ii) Who was Hana where did Dr. Sadao met her? [2]

Ans. Hana was Dr. Sadao's wife. He had met her in America at an American professor's house. But he had waited to fall in love with her till he was sure that she was Japanese. Because his father would not have accepted her in his family otherwise.

(iii) How does Derry get into Mr. Lamb's Garden?

[2]

Ans. He enters in his garden by climbing over the wall. He enters the garden not to steel apples he just want to be in a lonely place where he could avoid people.

(iv) How did the wizard help Roger Skunk?

[2]

Ans. He asked roger skunk what he wanted to smell like. Roger said he wanted to smell like roses. The wizard then took his magic wand and chanted a spell and the foul smell of roger changed into fragrance of roses.
