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**Subject: ENGLISH**

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पूर्णांक : 100

Time: 03 Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

- Note :-**
- (i) **All questions are compulsory.**
  - (ii) **The question paper has four sections - A, B, C, D.**

### **SECTION - A**

Q.1 Read the following paragraph carefully and answers the questions given below:

India is a land of many great men and women. Their work and deeds are remembered even hundreds of years. One such great figure is Ahilyabai Holkar. She was born in 1725 in a small village named Chondi in Beed district, Maharashtra. Her father, manakji shinde, was the patel of the village, and her mother, sushila, was a religious woman. At that time girls did not go to school, But Ahilyabai's father taught her to read and write at home.

Ahilyabai's entrance on to the stage of history was something of an accident. According to legend, Malhar Rao Holkar, the king of Malwa territory, stopped at Chondi on his way to Pune and saw the eight year old Ahilyabai, at the temple service in the village. Recognising her piety and character, he brought the girl to Holkar territory as a bride for his son, Khande Rao.

Questions:

- (a) When was Ahilyabai born? (1)
- (b) Why did her father teach her to read and write? (1)
- (c) Who brought Ahilyabai to Malwa territory? (1)
- (d) What qualities did he recognize in her? (1)
- (e) Give the verb form of 'deed'. (1)

Q.2 Read the following passage carefully and answers the questions given below:

A couple of wolves lived with their cubs in a cave, in the Seconee Hills. One evening father wolf woke up from his days rest, yawned, stretched his paws to get rid of the sleepy feeling and said to mother wolf, "it is time to hint again. "Good luck be with you, O chief of the wolves" Whired the mischievous and terrible jackal Tabaqul as he entered the cave. Tabaqul upset father and mother wolf by saying spitefully that Sher khan, the tiger living near the Waingangā River had shifted his hunting grounds to the hills. Father wolf said angrily, "By the law of Jungle, Sher khan has no right to change his quarters without due warning. He will frighten every head of game within ten miles, and have to kill for two these days.

Mother wolf said, "Sher khan has been lame in one foot by birth. That is why he has killed only one cattle. The villagers of Wainganga belt are very angry with him. They will scour the jungle for him, when he is far away and we will have to run to safety when the grass is set alight.

Questions:

- (a) What did father wolf do to get rid of his sleepy feeling? (1)
- (b) What has Sherkhan done? (1)
- (c) By the law of jungle what did Sherkhan not do. (1)
- (d) The couple of wolves lived in - (1)
  - (i) Kanha Forest (ii) Gir Jungles
  - (iii) Seconee Hills (iv) Satpuda Hills
- (e) Give the adjective form of 'safety' (1)

Q.3 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below:

In the kingdom of fools, both the king and the minister were idiots. They did not want to run things like other kingdoms, so they decided to change night into day and day into night. They ordered that everyone should be awake at night, till their fields and run their business only

after dark, and go to bed as soon as the sun came up. Anyone who disobeyed would be punished with death. The people did as they were told for fear of death. The king and the minister were delighted at the success of their project. One day a guru and his disciple arrived in the city. It was a beautiful city, it was broad daylight but there was no one about. Everyone was asleep not a mouse stirring. Even the cattle had been taught to sleep by day. The two strangers were amazed at what they saw around them and wandered around town till evening, when suddenly the whole town woke up and went about its nighty business.

**Questions:**

- (a) What did the king and the ministers order? (1)
- (b) What was the punishment for disobeying the order? (1)
  - (i) Death sentence (ii) Life sentence
  - (iii) Beaten by soldiers (iv) No food will be given
- (c) How did the king and minister feel about the success of their project? (1)
- (d) Who were the two strangers? (1)
  - (i) A man and a women (ii) Amerchand and his servant
  - (iii) A king and his queen (iv) A guru and his disciple
- (e) Give adjective form of 'Idiot'. (1)

**SECTION – B**

- Q.4 Write an application to your principal, to issue you a character certificate. (6)

**OR**

Write a letter to your friend to attend your brother's / sister's marriage.

- Q.5 Read the passage carefully and answers the questions given below:

Mankind has been struggling for peace since time immemorial. We are aware that we can thrive when there is peace all around. Our culture and our civilization can grow and develop in

a peaceful environment. If we want to think of material and spiritual progress we need to propagate peace.

Now that we seem to have a war virtually on our doorstep, we need to understand that every action has an equal and opposite reaction. If through centuries of war, the human civilization has not achieved eternal peace, on more show of strength might not provide the answer to the world's woes.

(a) Make notes for the given passage. (3)

(b) Write a summary of the passage given above. (3)

(c) Write the title for the passage. (1)

Q.6 Write a paragraph on any one of the following topic in about 100 words. (7)

(i) Science in our lives

(ii) Importance of games and sports

(iii) Any great leader

(iv) Any festival

### **SECTION – C**

Q.7 (a) Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct words from the bracket: (any five) (5)

(i) You are setting ..... Seeta and Geeta. (between, among)

(ii) He is not suitable .....this post. (to, at, for)

(iii) Mr. verma is a rich person .....not happy. (but, and, or)

(iv) My brother is .....S. P. (a, an, the)

(v) The student.....in this ground daily. (play, plays, playing)

(vi) He has invited .....to his birthday party. (they, them, their)

(b) Fill up the blanks with the correct word: (any five) (5)

(i) The student has been suffering from fever .....three days. (For, since, from)

(ii) We .....go to school in time. (can, must, may)

(iii) Mohan met his friend .....he was on holiday. (during, while, since)

(iv) She is thinking of .....a car. (buy, buying)

(v) India was not independent.....14 August, 1947. (during, until)

(vi) Rama wanted to know .....she was doing. (Where, what, while)

Q.8 Do as directed (any five) (5)

(i) You bring nice apples. (Make negative)

(ii) She replied my letter. (Make interrogative)

(iii) The post man drops bags. (Into past indefinite)

(iv) She did not wash dishes.

She did not clean the room. (Combine using 'nor')

(v) A story/ last night/ told/ grandmother. (Rearrange the words to make a meaningful sentence)

(vi) It was not true. (Combine using noun clause)

What he said.

Q.9 Choose the correct option in the given sentence (any 5) (5)

(i) I always listen to the radio .....I am having breakfast. (When, while, because)

(ii) He is not allowed to leave the class room .....he submits his home work. (If, unless, because)

(iii) .....there is life, there is hope. (As long as, As soon as)

(iv) Mumbai is bigger .....Bangalore. (Because, than, since)

(v) You may go .....you like. (Where, why)

(vi) I could not go to school yesterday .....I was not well. (Because, until, unless)

## **SECTION – D**

Q.10 Read the following extract carefully and answers the questions below:

An old grey haired man came out of the house. He knew the cure for snake bite. Grandfather asked him to cure me. The old man took me inside. He looked at my finger and then asked me to sit down and not to move. I sat on grandfather's lap. The old man then took some water in a small brass vessel, sat in front of us and started reciting some mantras.

**Questions:**

- (a) An .....grey haired man came out of the house. (1)
- (i) Young
  - (ii) Old
  - (iii) Middle – aged
- (b) He looked at my .....and then asked me to sit down and not to move. (1)
- (i) Finger
  - (ii) Face
  - (iii) Legs
- (c) The old man then took some water in a small .....vessel. (1)
- (i) Iron
  - (ii) Brass
  - (iii) Copper
- (d) How did the old man “cure” him? (2)

Q.11 Read the following extract carefully and answer the following questions:

Anju Dua is one of the most well known coaches in Gymnastics in the state of Haryana and a number of her students are today winning awards in many Gymnastic competitions in the state and outside. An excellent Gymnast, Anju's achievements are far greater since she is a special person being both deaf and dumb. The story of Anju Dua (born in 1967) is the story of a person who did not allow her handicapt to come in the way of her ambition.

Questions:

- (a) Anju Dua is one of the most well known coaches in ..... (1)
- (i) Gymnastics
- (ii) Wrestling
- (b) 'Anju's achievements are for greater' because Anju is ..... (1)
- (i) A weak girl who cannot run fast
- (ii) Both deaf and dumb.
- (c) Anju Dua was born in ..... (1)
- (i) 1947
- (ii) 1967
- (d) Why has Anju been called a special person? (2)

Q.12 Answer any five questions from the following: - (2×5=10)

- (i) What according to Tenali Raman was the most difficult job in the world?
- (ii) Where did the mountain goat live?
- (iii) "The scene with the sweet seller and the dog could not be shot" why?
- (iv) What was "Golibar"?
- (v) How did the king use his drum in the forest?
- (vi) Why did Anusha feel that life was tough for the villagers?

Q.13 Answer any two questions from the following: (2×3=6)

- (i) Kondiba was blind? Yet he became a hero. What qualities of kondiba helped him change his life?
- (ii) The king was a changed man after a long stay in the forest. List three changes in his character.
- (iii) Was Anusha able to cut grass easily?

Q.14 Read the following poem and answer the given below questions:

I love all shining things –

The lovely moon,

The silver stars at night,

Gold sun at noon,

**Questions:**

- (i) What is the name of the poem? (1)
- (ii) Rhyming word of “moon” is..... (1)
- (iii) How does the moon appear to the poet? (1)
- (iv) Why is the sun described as “gold sun”? (2)

Q.15 What did Jijabai told her Mantri? (5)

**OR**

Who was the third Sadhu?

Q.16 Answer the questions given below (any three) (3×3=9)

- (i) Who was Bhagya? How old was she when this story was written?
- (ii) What does the speaker want Indians to do for India?
- (iii) How did Gandhiji's father react on reading his confession letter?
- (iv) Who is Amartya Sen? Why is he famous?

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