

English (Special) 2018

Time :3 Hours]

[M.M.: 100

Instructions: (i) Attempt all the questions.

(ii) Read the Instructions carefully and do accordingly.

(iii) Marks allotted to each question are indicated against it.

UNIT-1 (Text & Detail Study)

Q.1. Read the extract carefully and answer the questions given below it:

Skvortsov flew into a rage and gave the beggar a merciless scolding. The ragged fellow's insolent lying aroused his disgust and aversion, was an offence against what he, Skvortsov, loved and prized in himself: kindness, a feeling heart, sympathy for the unhaspy. By this lying, by his treacherous assault upon compassion, the individual had, as it were, defiled the charity which he liked to give to the poor with no misgivings in his heart. The beggar at first defended himself, protested with oaths, then he sank into silence and hung his head, overcome with shame.

Questions:

- (1) What kind of man was Skvortsov? 2
- (2) Find an equal word from the passage for the expression "great anger". 1
- (3) Give adjective form of the word 'mercy'. 1
- (4) What did Skvortsov like to give the poor? 1
- (i) assault (ii) charity (iii) love (iv) sympathy

Q.2. Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions given below it:

But not because of its magnificence

Dear is the Casuarina to my soul;

Beneath it, we have played; though years may roll,

O sweet companions, loved with love intense.

For your sakes, shall the tree be ever dear.

Blent with your images, it shall arise

In memory till the hot tears blind mine eyes!

What is that dirge - like murmur that I hear.

Like the sea breaking on a shingle - beach?

It is the tree's lament, an eerie speech,

That haply to the unknown land may reach.

Questions:

- (1) What is Casuarina?
- (2) What will blind the eyes of the poet?

- (3) Who is the composer of these lines?
(4) What does the tree do in this stanza?.

Q.3. Answer any six of the following questions in about 30 words each: $6 \times 2 = 12$

- (a) What made Arjuna lose his nerve in battlefield?
(b) What are the similarities between Alice, the mother and Alice, the daughter?
(c) Who exhales a dirge – like murmur and for what reason?
(d) What is the poet's opinion about 'overmuch beauty'? Does he want his daughter to possess it?
(e) Why does the poet call the children sullen?
(f) How does the poet address Autumn?
(g) Why does the speaker consider the earth a favoured place in comparison to heaven?

Q.4. Answer any two of the following questions in about 75-120 words: $2 \times 4 = 8$

- (1) What things did Mathilde resent in her life?
(2) Describe the effects of deforestation on the eco-system.
(3) Critically analyse the poem, “On Being Arrived At the Age of Twenty Three”.

UNIT-2 (Grammar)

Q.5. Do as directed : (any five) $5 \times 1 = 5$

- (1) He wrote his name ink. (in / with / from)
(2) She is never late. (Change into affirmative sentence)
(3) You do your work. (Change into negative)
(4) Their son was born.
(in the year 2006, at 10:00 a.m., on 7th June)
(Insert the adverbs given in brackets in their correct places)
(5) He said to me, “I did not see you at the party last night”.
(Change into indirect narration)
(6) He is so poor that he can not pay his school fee.
(Rewrite the sentence using 'too .. to')

Q.6. Do as directed $5 \times 1 = 5$

- (1) How many syllables are there in the word “psychology”?
(a) one (b) two (c) three (d) four
(2) Rewrite the given word in American English "analogue".
(3) Write phonetic transcription of the word "student".

Look for the marked similar sound in the given word and pick the odd one out.

speech, greet, great, deal

(5) Choose the correct syllable structure of the word given below: "develop"

- (a) CV-CV-CVC (b) CV-CV-CV
(c) C1-CVC-CCVC (d) V-CV-CV

UNIT-3 (Fiction)

Q.7. Answer any one of the following questions in 120-150 words: 5

Who was Rajam? Why was Mani angry with him?

Q.8. Answer any five of the following questions in 30 words: 5x2=10

(1) What were the similarities between Swaminathan and Samuel, the Pea?

(2) Whom did Swami suspect for writing 'Tail on the black board'?

What did he do then?

(3) What thought's crossed Swaminathan's mind when he gazed at the maps in the atlas?

(4) What did the Headmaster ask the student to do during the vacation?

(5) Who challenged Mani's authority? <http://www.mpboardonline.com>

(6) Why did Singaram, the peon rush into the crowd of boys with a stick?

UNIT-4 (Drama)

Q.9. Answer any one of the following questions in about 120 to 150 words:

"The play 'The Silver Box' written by John Galsworthy is an attack on the hypocrisy of the British higher class". Discuss.

(OR) What shortcomings of the British Judicial system emerge out of the play?

Q.10. Attempt any five of the following questions in 30 words each: 5x2 = 10

(1) What was the reaction of Mr. Barthwick after meeting with unknown lady?

(2) What comment did Mr. Barthwick make regarding the case of the two girls?

(3) Give an account of the way "The Silver Box' was recovered from the residence of Jones.

(4) Who is Snow? What makes Snow come to the residence of Mrs. Jones?

(5) What were the two charges made by the police against Jones?

(6) Why does Jones, towards the end of the play say, "Call this Justice"?

UNIT-5 (Reading Unseen)

Q.11. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

As the dreaded examinations crawl to a halt, students look forward to the much awaited "Creative Outlets", the summer camp is conducted over a short period of four to five' weeks involving interesting and fun-filled activities. The colourful spectrum of summer camps provides a wide variety of activities which include artistic skills, such as painting, origami, art, music, craft and also spoken

English, cookery and computer courses. Not only this, the summer camps keep the child “fit as a fiddle”. by importing lessons in yoga, cricket, tennis and swimming, with changing times the trends, parents have

Today the parents want to top the potential of their children to develop their hobbies and talents. The importance of creative play is often underestimated whereas the fact is that art and craft projects can excite even a young child's imagination and promote a sense of great achievement and pride when they show them to their parents. Summer camps develop a child's confidence and his ideas. They also encourage children to do things on their own. The camps are beneficial for hyperactive and aggressive children as they help channel energies fruitfully by drawing out the best in them. They also promote mutual understanding not only among teachers and children but also bring about interaction between the taught. This provides a good experience for a better future, a future of confidence.

Questions:

- (1) What lessons do the summer camps import? 2
- (2) What do the parents want to top today? 2
- (3) What sort of future do the summer camps provide? 2
- (4) Give the synonym of the word : “yielding”. 1
- (5) Find a word opposite in meaning to : "backward" 1
- (6) Summer camps develop a child's 1
 - (a) confidence and his ideas
 - (b) lethargic behaviour
 - (c) proper guidance
 - (d) habit of hard working
- (7) Find a word used in the sense of “multiple” from the passage. 1

Read the following poem carefully and answer the questions that follow:

Knowledge is truest wealth, not this which dies-
It cherishes a strange deep peace within.
Unutterably, nor the robber's eyes
Ever shall find it out; to give it is gain,
It then grows most when parted with, and poured
With sleepless hand fills gloriously its lord.
Worlds perish may, knowledge survives their fall;
The wisemen cherish; O kings, your pride recall,
You have but wealth, the inner royalty
Of lordiest wisdom, who will these shall vie?

Questions:

- (a) What has knowledge been compared to? 1

- (i) wisdom (ii) glory (iii) health (iv) wealth
- (b) What does knowledge bring in silently? 1
- (c) Is knowledge a safe treasure? If yes, how? 2
- (d) Give the noun form of the word "gloriously". 1

Q.13. Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 250 words: 7

- (a) Importance of English
- (b) The missile Man of India
- (c) Science and Human Happiness
- (d) The Problem of Pollution in India
- (e) Importance of Game and Sports.

Q.14. Himanshu of Class XII C has lost his watch somewhere in the school campus. 4

Besides being valuable, the watch has an emotional value for him. He puts up a notice on the school notice-board, promising a good reward to the one who finds it. Write the notice and put it in a box.

(OR) You are Harsh residing at 215 Chambal Colony, Guna, Recently, you have attended a seminar or 'Road Safety Movement' organized by the Rotary Club of your district. Write a report on this seminar.

Q.15. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper about the insanitary condition of the street and bad state of roads. 4

(OR) You are Nidhi Sinha, a resident of Sheopur. Write a letter to the superintendent of Police of your district for a ban on the free use of loudspeaker during examination.