

SECTION - A

(Answer the following questions in the answer sheet provided to you)

Q. 1. Write an Essay on any ONE of the following topics. (10)

1. Write a narrative composition about any event from your childhood.

OR

2. The day when you did something very brave.

Q. 2. Your aunt sent you a surprise gift for your birthday. Write a letter thanking her for the gift. (8)

Q. 3. Read the passage carefully and then answer the questions that follow. (12)

One Summer evening, I was sitting by the open window reading a good but rather frightening mystery story. After a time it became too dark for me to read easily, so I put my book down and got up to switch on the light. I was just about to draw the curtains as well when I heard a loud cry of "Help!! Help!!" It seemed to come from the trees at the end of the garden. I looked out but it was too dark to see anything clearly. Almost immediately I heard the cry again. It sounded like a child, although I could not imagine how anybody could need help in our garden, unless one of the boys of the neighbourhood had climbed a tree and could not get down.

I decided, however, that I ought to go out and have a look in the garden, just in case someone was in trouble. I took the flashlight which we keep for going down into the cellar, where there is no electric light, and picked up a strong walking stick, thinking that this might come in useful too. Armed with these, I went out into the garden. Once again I heard the cry. There was no doubt that it came from the trees at the end of the garden. "Who's there??" I called out as I walked, rather nervously, down the path that led to the trees. But there was no answer. With the help of my flashlight I examined the whole of that part of the garden and the lower branches of the trees. There was no sign of anybody or anything.

I came to the conclusion that someone was playing a rather silly joke on me. Still feeling rather puzzled, I went back to the house and put away the flashlight and the stick. I had just sat down and begun to read my book again when I was startled by the cry of "Help!! Help!!", this time it was really close and from right behind my shoulder. I dropped my book and jumped up in astonishment. There, sitting on top of the mantelpiece, was a large green and red bird. It was a parrot!! While I was out in the garden, the bird must have seen the light in my room and flown in through the open window.

1. Answer the following questions:

- Why did the writer go out into the garden? (2)
- What did the writer arm himself with before he went out? (2)
- How did the writer do the investigation in the garden? (2)
- Why did the writer think that someone was playing a rather silly joke on him? (2)

2. Find words from the passage that mean the following: (2)

- inspect closely-
- the self above the fireplace-

3. Give the opposite of the following

- a nervously-
- b silly-



SECTION - B - (25 Marks) GRAMMAR MAGIC

Q.4. a) Underline the Adjective and state its kind

(4)

1. Our laboratory is equipped with the latest apparatus.

2. There is little time for preparation.

3. She was the first lady to fly a commercial aircraft.

4. Our Country expects every child to attain literacy.

Q. 4. b) Fill in the blanks with the correct adjective form of the word given in the brackets:-

(2)

1. This is the _____ diamond I have ever seen. (expensive)

2. The pen is _____ than the sword (mighty)

3. Riding a horse is not as _____ as riding a bike. (easy)

4. Prevention is _____ than cure. (good)

Q.5. a) Do as directed:-

(5)

1. We _____ (bring) a brand new television set. (change to simple past)

2. When we entered the theatre, the movie already _____ (begin) (change to past perfect)

3. It _____ (snow) in Switzerland when we visited. (change to past continuous)

4. We _____ (go) to Lonawala next month for a holiday (change to future continuous)

5. Naina never _____ (forget) to do her homework. (change to simple present)

6. Your friend _____ (call) thrice since morning. (Rewrite in the present Tense)

7. Mary travels to school by bus. (rewrite in the negative form)

8. Savita spoke gently to the old man. (rewrite in the Interrogative form)

9. They watch English telly series regularly. (rewrite in the Negative form)

10. They attend Karate class every Saturday. (rewrite in the Interrogative form)

Q.5. b) Choose the correct verb from the bracket and fill in the blanks:- (5)

1. The United States _____ got a vast navy(has / have)
2. Bells at Villa Theresa proudly _____. (proclaim / proclaims)
3. Either of the two girls _____ accompanying you.(is / are)
4. Each of the paintings _____ examined.(was / were)
5. My friends, who are fun loving _____ to go out for a movie with you.(want / wants)
6. Many children in India _____ (is/are) suffering from malnutrition.
7. Anushka always _____ (celebrate/celebrates) Diwali at her Grandma's house.
8. Neither Shikha nor her friends _____ (like/likes) eating chocolate.
9. I _____ (know/knows) what they _____ (feels/feel).
10. The committee _____ (meets/meet) here every Thursday.

Q.6. a) Underline the verb in the following sentences and identify whether the verb is transitive as Intransitive (3)

1. Aditya finally got his passport.

2. Did you find the house you were looking for?

3. The children played all day long.

4. Vishaka showed Zuber the photo album.

5. The doctor advised me to exercise regularly.

6. It rained heavily yesterday.

Q.6. b) Underline the Adverbs and state its kind. (4)

1. She visits his friend occasionally.

2. Punit readily agreed to do the work.

3. I searched for him everywhere.

4. My grandmother arrived yesterday from her pilgrimage.

Q.6. c) Write down two synonyms for each of the following words. (2)

1. Endeavour _____

2. Adversary _____

WORD PERFECT SPELLING

Q. 7 a) Fill in the blanks with the help of given clues:-

(10)

1. You can claim a tax _____ (freedom from an obligation) for each of your dependents.
2. I am deeply _____ (owing money or gratitude) to my friends for all their help.
3. We saw the look of _____ (the state of looking forward to) in the children's eyes.
4. The children had no protection against the _____ (cruel or unjust acts) of their step father.
5. If the biker would have been wearing a helmet a _____ (death by accident or war) might have been avoided.
6. The jury _____ (to declare not guilty) the defendant because there was not enough evidence to convict him of the crime.
7. The river Damodar in India has two _____, Barakar and Konar. (river swelling to serve a larger river)
8. Agricultural _____ like grain and corn oil is high in demand. (articles of trade)
9. I wish you wouldn't _____ illness on every first day of school. (to pretend or put up on a false appearance of something)
10. There were _____ differences between the parties regarding women who spoke openly about their rights. (difficult to appreciate)

Q. 7 b) Give the full forms of the following abbreviations:-

(5)

1. R. A. C . _____.
4. N.U.T.. _____.
- 5.C.W.S. _____.
3. Ph.D.- _____.
4. MS.- _____.

Q.7 c) Define the following verbs

(5)

1. to rebut - _____.
2. to defer - _____.
3. to acquit - _____.
4. to succumb - _____.
5. to exempt - _____.

