

SECTION - A

(8 MARKS)

- A. Choose the correct synonym for the underlined words from the options given below:
- The common link of friendship was snapped.
a) increased b) blurred c) cut d) praised
- B. Choose the correct antonym for the underlined words from the options given below:
- All the demands were accepted wholeheartedly.
a) refused b) intended c) marred d) deputed
- C. Answer the following:
- Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word 'Water' to form a compound word.
a) wheel b) knob c) proof d) gate
 - We should never misuse or _____ (waste, waist) natural resources. (Fill in the blank with correct Homophone)
 - Add suitable prefix to the root word 'honest' by choosing the right option.
a) un b) in c) im d) dis
 - Select the correct expansion of GST
a) Goods & Sales Tax b) Goods & Service Tax
c) Goods & Serving Tax d) Goods & Small Tax
 - Fill in the blanks with suitable Preposition: The letter is _____ my aunt.
a) to b) in c) from d) above
 - The two boxers were ready to square off. (Substitute the underlined idiom with right meaning)
a) to give up b) a state of near collapse
c) unfair behaviour d) prepare for a conflict

SECTION - B

(13 Marks)

- A. Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions that follow: (4)
- 'But now they only laugh with their teeth,
While their ice-block-cold eyes...'
a. Explain : ice-block-cold eyes.
b. Identify the figure of speech used here.
 - With all my heart I do admire
Athletes who sweat for fun or hire.
a. Whom does the poet admire?
b. For what reasons do the athletes sweat?
- B. Explain with reference to the context of the following line: (6)
- I want to be what I used to be.
 - They do not ever in their dealings
Consider one another's feelings....

C. Answer the following questions: (Any one)

(3)

13. What made the dogs follow the grandmother after school hours?
14. Why did Mary Kom think that she should not return empty-handed?

SECTION - C

(4 Marks)

Do as directed

Use the given verbs in brackets in their correct forms:

15. She always _____ (make) excuses for coming late.
16. Nirjala _____ (be) to the concert several times.
17. When Koushik was a child, he _____ play in the street. (Use a semi-modal verb)
18. _____ I have some more juice, please? (Use a modal verb)

SECTION - D

Answer the following

4 x 5 = (20 Marks)

19. Describe the experience of the author from "The Portrait of a Lady".
20. Narrate the confessions of a born spectator.
21. Write a paragraph by developing the following hints.

A policeman – down the street – checking doors - a man standing – stops to talk - about childhood friends who agreed to meet - after twenty years – his friend there shows up – how each of them has changed – The criminal – arrested, and the undercover cop says – 20 years - change a good man into a criminal.

22. Answer any one of the following:

a) Prepare a notice to be displayed on the notice-board of your school informing them about the Workshop on Precis Writing in your school.

(or)

- b). Write a summary of the following passage.

We live in an age of Science. Science is a good friend of man. At the same time it is the greatest enemy of mankind. There is not even a single field in which science has not yet reached. So it is in our hand to treat it as an enemy or a friend. Science has made life easier and more comfortable. Development in transport and communication has shrunk the world. T.V has enlarged our boundaries of knowledge. With the help of satellite, we know about climatic conditions and also the impending calamities. The computer has changed the modern man's life more than anything else. Many modern devices are manned by the computer. Cell phone which is an important scientific invention has changed the style of the world and improved the communication system. In the field of medicine today, we get a lot of powerful lifesaving drugs. The modern diagnostic equipments like CT scan, MRI are based on-computer. Computers have improved the medical management. In the field of agriculture too, We use modern farm equipments like tractor, harvesting machines etc., which have led to the green revolution.