

**To err is Human, to forgive is Divine.**

**Please bear with, if there are mistakes.....Ismail.**

### **Prose Paragraph**

#### **1. TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA – A.J. CRONIN**

Nicola and Jacopo were brothers.

They did different works to earn money.

Lucia, their sister was suffering from Tuberculosis.

They spent money for her treatment.

Cronin liked them a lot.

They did not want anybody's sympathy and charity.

They proved their love, devotion and sincerity.

#### **3. IN CELEBRATION OF BEING ALIVE – DR. CHRISTIAAN BARNARD**

Dr. Christiaan Barnard, a heart surgeon met with an accident.

He did not want to see people suffering with illness.

He saw two small boys in a children's hospital in Cape Town.

They were disabled.

They drove the food trolley happily.

Dr. Barnard understood that joy of living is the most important in the world.

### **Poem Paragraph**

#### **1. THE CASTLE – EDWIN MUIR**

The narrator Edwin Muir was a soldier.

The castle's gate and wall were strong.

They had enough food and arms.

So the soldiers were relaxed.

An old guard let the enemies inside for gold.

Thus the castle was captured.

The narrator did not want to reveal this shameful story to anyone.

#### **2. OUR CASUARINA TREE – TORU DUTT**

Toru Dutt immortalizes a casuarina tree in this poem.

A creeper winds around the tree like a python.

The tree stands like a giant.

It attracts birds and bees.

It brings forth her childhood memories.

The poet watches a grey monkey, grazing cows and water lilies.

She feels that the tree should be remembered forever.

### **END Paragraph**

#### **1. GOD SEES THE TRUTH BUT WAITS - LEO TOLSTOY**

Aksionov was a rich merchant for murdering a merchant.  
He was jailed. But he was innocent.  
26 years passed.  
He met Makar in the jail.  
He saved Makar from the officials.  
Feeling guilty, Makar admitted his crime.  
Aksionov got justice but died in the jail.

#### **3. THE HOUR OF TRUTH – PERCIVAL WILDE**

Robert Baldwin was an honest man.  
Gresham was his friend.  
He was arrested for cheating the bank.  
Gresham offered Baldwin a hundred thousand dollars.  
Baldwin's family forced him to accept the money.  
But he refused. Gresham accepted the crime.  
Baldwin was rewarded for his honesty by getting appointed in  
Mr. Marshall's bank.

### **3 marks (34, 35, 36)**

#### **Lesson No : 01**

- 1) Describe the appearance of Nicola and Jacopo.  
One wore a jersey and cut-off khaki pants and the other a shortened army tunic.
- 2) What were the various jobs undertaken by the little boys?  
Shined shoes, hawked newspaper and sold fruits.
- 3) How did the narrator help the boys on Sunday?  
The narrator took the boys to Poleta in his car on Sunday.

#### **Lesson Number : 2**

- 1) What is the second golden rule in the preparation of tea?  
Tea should be made in small quantities in a tea pot which is made up of china or Earthen ware.
- 2) Does the author like drinking tea with sugar? Give reason.  
Sugar destroys flavour of the tea so the author does not like drinking tea with sugar.
- 3) Why does the author advise removing cream from the milk?  
The author advises removing cream from the milk because it spoils the taste of the tea.

### Lesson number :6

1) Define Liberty as perceived by author?

Liberty is not only a personal affair but also a social contract.

2) What is the foundation of social conduct?

A reasonable consideration for the rights or feelings of others is the foundation of social conduct.

3) Why should individual liberty be curtailed?

In order to enjoy a social order one's individual liberty should be curtailed.

4) What does the "rule of the road" mean?

It means in order to preserve the liberties of all and to curtail it.

5) Define Liberty as perceived by A.G. Gardiner?

Liberty is not only a personal affair but also a social contract.

### **Synonyms**

Slackened – reduced

vexation – annoyance

rubble – debris

despised – disliked

Agony – pain/distress

Mutilate – amputate / cut

peril – danger

curtailed – reduced

Conventional – normal

artless – innocent

Intrude – entry without permission

Curious – anxious/eager

prevalent – common

perforated - damaged / punctured

tantalize – taunt

Chaos - confusion

insolence – rudeness

intrepid – bold

### **Antonyms**

Brisk X inactive / lazy

Persuade X dissuade

Despised X liked

Primitive X advanced

Diffidence X confidence

Persisted X ceased / quitted

Liberty X subjection

cautions X careless / lethargic

scarce X surplus / plenty

inferior X superior

fiction X real

criticize X appreciate

controversial X indisputable

curtailed X extended

### **Figure of Speech/ Poetic Device/ Literary Device**

a) "You know, we French stormed Ratisbon." - Synecdoche

b) "Tell him solitude is creative if he is strong  
*And the final decisions are made in silent rooms.*" - Metaphor

c) "Tell him time as a stuff can be wasted.  
*Tell him to be a fool every so often.*" - Repetition

- d) "The growth of a frail flower in a path *up*  
*Has sometimes shattered and split a rock.* - Antithesis
- e) "And left them dead years before burial"
- f) " Let him have lazy days seeking his deepest motives"
- g) "Bringing changes into a world resenting change" - Transferred Epithet
- h) "Thro' scudding drifts the rainy Hyades  
Vext the dim sea: I am become a name;" - Personification
- i) "All the world's a stage" - Metaphor
- j) "Then the whining school-boy, with his satchel  
And shining morning face, creeping like snail" - Simile

### **Begin with "Had/Should/Were" (Q: No; 27)**

- 1) If he had known your address, he would have reached your house earlier. (Begin with "Had")
- 2) If I were a bird, I would fly happily. (Begin with "Were")
- 3) If she should be late once again, She would lose her job. ( Begin with "Should")

### **Rewrite the sentence making an inversion in the conditional clause.**

- 1) If they had come on time, they would have watched the concert live.
- 2) If you were a teacher, you would know our difficulties.
- 3) If I had done the project on time, I would have got the promotion.

### **Combine the sentences (Question No: 30)**

- 1) He is weak. He is active. (combine using " Though")
- 2) You must study well otherwise you will not pass. (Use "Unless")
- 3) Unless we plant more trees, we cannot save the earth. ( Rewrite using " otherwise" )
- 4) If you plant more trees, you can save the earth. (Use " Unless")
- 5) Unless you have a valid passport, you cannot go abroad. (Use" If")
- 6) As it is raining heavily, the match was cancelled. (Use "So")
- 7) He tried his best to reach on time. He failed. (Combine using " But")
- 8) Even though Shyam had only one sandwich, he shared with his friend. (Use " Still")
- 9) As the boy was poor, he could not help generously,(change into compound sentence)
- 10) She is healthy but she walks slowly. (Use "Though")
- 11) Because he was ill, he did not attend the party.(Use "and so")

**Appreciation Question (Question No: 21 to 26)**

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| What is a satchel?                                       | What s a pard?                |
| What is bait?  | Who is Lannes?                |
| What is “Bubble Reputation”?                             | What is turret?               |
| Who are the mowers?                                      | What is meant by wicket gate? |
| Who is the giant referred here?                          | Who was Ulysses?              |
| Who was Telemachus?                                      | What is sceptre?              |
| How does the tree survive the tight hold of the creeper? |                               |
| What is meant by “prone brow”                            | What is meant by oblivion?    |

**Question No: 45**

- a) Write a letter to your friend requesting him to attend your brother’s marriage and to help you in making necessary arrangements.
- (Or)
- b) Respond to the following advertisement. Write XXX for your name and YYY for address.

Wanted  
Computer Designer  
Graduate with good communication skill and 3 years of experience.  
Apply to: Skylark Digital Company Ltd,  
77, PSG Road, Coimbatore-34

**Question No: 31, 32 & 33**

- 1) “To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield”
- 2) “Brutes have been gentled where lashes failed”
- 3) “And oft at nights the garden overflows , ..... close  
Sung darkling from our tree, while men **repose.**”
- 4) “Our only enemy was gold”
- 5) “They have their exits and entrances”
- 6) “Life is hard; be steel; be a rock”
- 7) “Without rich wanting nothing arrives”
- 8) “Mayst thou be numbered when my days are done  
With deathless trees-like those in Borrowdale”
- 9) “Dear is the casuarina to my soul”

- 10) “Is **second childishness** and mere **oblivion**;  
**Sans** teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans everything.”
- 11) ‘Legs wide, arms locked behind,  
As if to balance the prone brow, Oppressive with its mind”

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