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Section - A

Read the following extracts and answer the questions given below them. (10)

Do his best ! Of course he would . For Alan was playing in the school cricket match and was mightily proud of being chosen to paly. He had practised bowling with his father for weeks now, and Daddy said he was shaping well. Daddy was nearly as excited as Alan over the match, and he promised that if Alan's side won, he would buy him a bicycle.

1. What was Alan proud of?
2. What did Alan's Daddy promise him ?

Montreal is a very large city of Canada and it has some very wide and big streets like Prince Edward street. No one knew this street as well as did Pierre Dupin Pierre had delivered milk to the families on this street for thirty years. He was one of the many milk-wagon drivers that worked for a milk company.

3. Who knew Prince Edward Street the best ?
4. What was Pierre's Occupation ?

I was taken aback. Such poverty and yet such honesty !

Hanumanthappa knew I expected no account of the money sent to him for his monthly expenditure. Yet he made it a point to return the balance money. Unbelievable but true !

5. What surprised the writes about Hanumanthappa ?
6. Use the phrase 'taken a back' in a sentence your own.

In Naini there were thousands of parrots, and large numbers of them lived in the crevices of my barrack walls. Their courtship and love-making was always a fascinating sight, and sometimes there were fierre quarmels between two male parots over a lady parrot, who sat calmly by waiting for the result of the encounter and ready to grant her favours to the winner.

7. What did the lady parrot do during the fierre quarrel between two male parrots ?
8. Find out the words from the passage which means :
 (a) narrow opening of cracks (b) attractive

Jill looks at the cheque and exclaims "Ten Pounds". Then she hurries to the table, address an envelope, endorses the cheque and slips it inside with a bill which she taken from her bag, and seals the envelope. Then she rings the bell, In a moment the nurse comes in with a baby in her arms.

9. Why does Jill show surprise ?
10. Who looks after the baby ?

(P.T.O.)

Answer the following questions based on the text book in three to four sentences each. (04)

11. Why did uncle Ken lose his job ?
12. Why do Jack and Jill call their house 'Our little nest' ?

Write short notes on any two of the following in about 8 to 9 sentences each using the clues given below them. (Q.13 & 14) (06)

Pierre's Deep Concern for Joseph

Clues : he named the horse Joseph - never thought Joseph in terms of animal - often found talking with him - he never used reins - Joseph's death deeply shocked him - in grief he could not hear the yelling of the driver of truck - died.

Nehru's Principle of 'Live and Let Live' in the prison.

Clues : Observant - insect - animals - was not alone - living without interference to their life.

Uncle Ken as a tutor

Clues : forty yet jobless - good for nothing - got a job to teach children - himself did not know - took Rusty with him - gave wrong answers correct - played noughts and crosses - managed to pass time.

Section - B

Read the following extract and answer the questions given below it. (05)

"He went in the morning to confess his ingratitude to his kind neighbour and to ask his forgiveness, and the very man who had been noted for nothing but his wickedness, became the friend of all.

There is a greatest difference in the world between conquering by power, and conquering by kindness. The former is like building a dam across a stream of water. It may stop its flow for a little while, but presently the dam will give way, and then the stream will rush on with more force and fury than ever. Conquering by power is like chaining a Lion; conquering by kindness keeps the lion from doing harm, by changing his nature, and turning him into a lamb.

15. What does the writer say about conquering by power and conquering by kindness ?
16. What does the writer want to say by giving an example of a dam ?
17. Why did the ill-natured farmer go to Mr. Green ?
18. What change did come in the behaviour of the wicked man ?
19. Find out from the passage the words that mean
(i) winning (ii) to submit

Read the following stanzas of the poem and answer the questions given below them. (05)

Woodman, spare that tree !
 Touch not a single bough !
 In youth it sheltered me,
 And I'll protect it now.

'Twas my forefather's hand
That placed it near his cot;
There, woodman, let it stand,
Thy ax shall harm it not.

20. What did the poet warn the wood-man ?
21. How did the poet's fore fathers spend their days ?
22. What will the poet do for the tree ?
23. Find out the rhyming words.
24. Find out the similar words.
(i) branch (ii) ancestors

Read the following unseen extract and answer the questions given below it. (05)

Man has always felt a need to express himself. In ancient times, before paper was invented, man used to inscribe his thoughts on stones or walls. Later, he began using the leaves of the palm and the lotus to write. The art of printing was invented in 1454. Soon it became popular all over the world. Knowledge could now reach even the common man. Thousands of editions of any book became available for anyone who wanted them.

The latest invention, the E-book has brought about a great change in the field of printing. The E-book is an electronic book. It is a book printed in digital form. You can read an E-book on a computer on laptop. The E-book needs neither paper not ink. The CDs of the E-books have a life of many years. The same E-book can be made available in different languages. Even CDs of famous Gujarati books are available today. In the future, there will be libraries of E-books. What a wonderful invention the E-book is !

25. What does E-book mean ?
26. How did man express his thoughts before the invention of paper ?
27. Why did printing become popular soon ?
28. What are the advantages of E-book ?
29. Give a suitable title to the passage.

30. Read the following passage and write its summary. Also give a suitable title to it. (05)

Ang Dorjee was going to climb without oxygen. But because of this his feet would get very cold. He thus wanted to avoid long exposure at heights and a night at the summit camp. He had therefore to either get to the peak and back to the South Col the same day or abandon the attempt.

He was keen to start immediately and asked if I would like to go with him. Going to the top from the South Col and back in a day would be strenuous and tough and there was the risk of Ang Dorjee turning back if his feet got too cold. I, however, had full confidence in Ang Dorjee as well as in my stamina and climbing capability. Besides no one else was ready to move at that time.

Section - C

31. Hetal Trivedi from 25, Harikrushna Park, Sector-26, Gandhinagar - 382024, writes a complaint letter to the postmaster as she has not received the money-order sent by her father. (07)
32. Write a report of Independence Day Celebrations in your School. (05)
33. Write an essay on any one of the following in about 150 words using the points given below. (08)

Cinema : Advantages and disadvantages

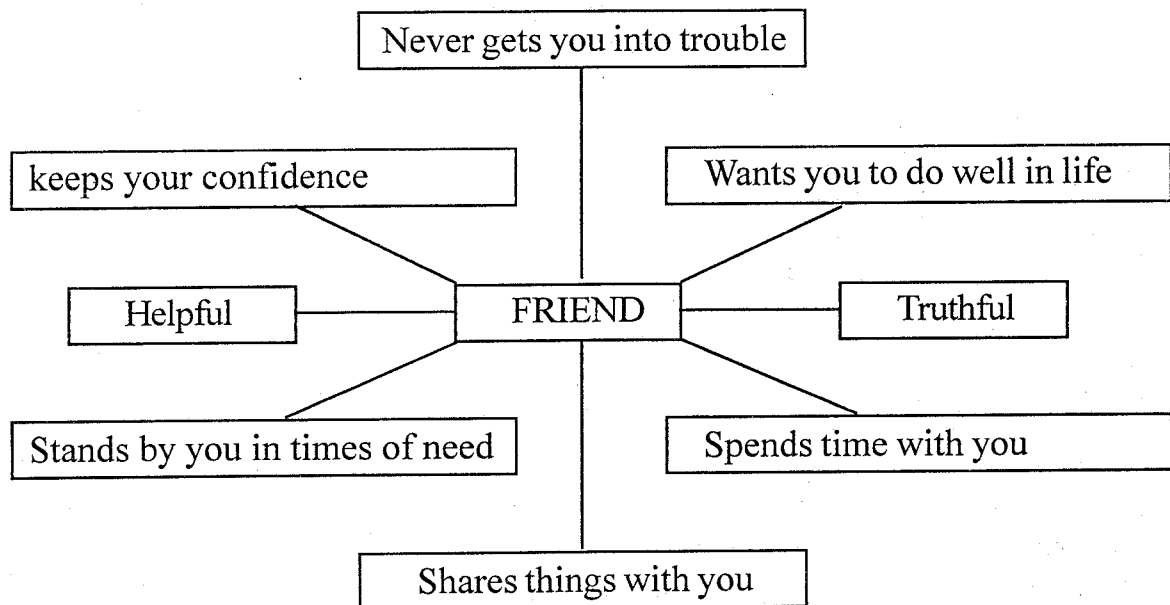
Points : popular means of entertainment - vital role in shaping society - information - educational films - wholesome fare to family - negative aspects - their results educative purpose - social change.

The Most Horrible Dream I Had

Points : tired - sleep - narrations of the dream - the most horrifying moments - getting up - sweating - a horrible experience - wish not to have it again. of your liking - general view.

Section - D

34. Study the following map showing the characteristics of good friend. Write 8 sentences based on it. (04)



35. Priyanka A. Mehta from 125, K. K. Nagar Part-II, Maninagar, Ahmedabad-380 052 applies for the post of a physiotherapist in a reputed hospital. (06)

Rewrite the following paragraph correcting the underlined words. (05)
(Q.36 to 45)

Man is a society animal but he should not live alone. Many of us lives in a family. Father an earning member, spend his earning's to all the family member. Mother works and helps each and every family members. The work of the house is also sharing by the children and another members.

46. Turn the following conversation into the Indirect form of narration. (04)

Jill : What do you think of our little nest, Aunt Jane ?
Aunt Jane : I think it's wonderful, my dears.
Jack : And we owe it all to you.
Aunt Jane : Yes, Jack that's what's worrying me.
Jack : Worrying you, Aunt Jane ?

Section - E

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate forms of the verbs given in the brackets. (05)
(Questions 47 to 51)

The day _____ (be) very hot, we _____ (postpone) our programme _____ (visit) the exhibition. A huge discount _____ (announce) on some electronic items and we _____ (make) our programme to go there.

Complete the following sentences using the words given in the brackets. (06)

52. I wish I _____. (Clear, C.A. examination)
53. The detective followed the criminal _____. (in order that, know, activities)
54. _____, she went to the market. (finish, writing)
55. _____ in the garden that time. (plants, thin)
56. They wre treating me _____. (as if, patient)
57. The stranges requested me _____. (lend, my pen, for two minutes)

58. Combine the following sentences and make one meaningful sentence. (03)

Shah Jahan was the Emperor of Delhi.
He was a great architect
He was a patron of art.
He built the Red Fort of Delhi.

Rewrite the following text by replacing the underlined words with those given in the brackets. Make necessary changes. (Q.59 to 61) (03)
(pass, whatever happens, qualified for)

You will have to get through the entrance test to be eligible to take admission there, so you'll have to work hard in any case.

Rewrite the following paragraph filling in the gaps using the proper forms of words given in the brackets. (Q.62 to 65) (04)

Our _____ (education) system has many _____ (defective). It _____ (requirement) a great _____ (transform).