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ENGLISH
(Communicative)

Time allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 100

General Instructions :

- (i) *This paper consists of four sections —*
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| Section A — Reading | 20 marks |
| Section B — Writing | 30 marks |
| Section C — Grammar | 20 marks |
| Section D — Literature | 30 marks |
- (ii) *Attempt **all** questions.*
- (iii) *Do **not** write anything in the question paper.*
- (iv) *All the answers must be correctly numbered as in the question paper and written in the answer sheet provided to you.*
- (v) *Attempt all questions in each section before going on, to the next section.*
- (vi) *Read each question carefully and follow the instructions.*
- (vii) *Strictly adhere to the word limit given with each question. Marks will be deducted for exceeding the word limit.*

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

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- 1 Space is never a constraint for gardening enthusiasts. Those with green fingers can always create their little haven, be it on the ground or atop a multi-storey house. Some of the best gardens are those suspended between the land and the sky. For people living on the upper floors of multi-storey blocks, call it a little paradise or a heavenly oasis, their garden is a cherished possession. Pressure of burgeoning population has forced cities to adopt vertical development. But that does not mean that people living in higher storeys are deprived of the pleasures of their own gardens. Necessity is the mother of invention and so the terrace garden culture is catching the imagination of gardening freaks.
- 2 Leakage below and seepage through walls are the biggest apprehensions. Exposure to the vagaries of weather is another hurdle. Thus creating and maintaining a terrace garden is certainly a challenge. Keep in mind that you cannot create such a garden overnight. It needs immaculate planning regarding leakages below, the weight the roof can take, selection of plants, planting material, the medium in which the plants are planted, garden decoration, garden furniture and above all your own imagination.
- 3 Leakage below the garden could be due to various reasons. Lack of water-proofing, selecting plants with spreading roots or even something like creation of space between bricks by ants. Leakage is mostly found in electric installations below. If you have taken care to provide effective water-proofing by spreading tar or bitumen on the garden floor, then there should be no problems. It is also essential to consider the weight-bearing capacity of the roof-top here. To lighten the load, use pots made of wooden material, aluminium, plastic, fibre glass etc.
- 4 Try to provide the garden with a bamboo fence as a wind barrier. This is also useful as a shade and you could keep shade-loving plants under it. Net shades are available in different colours; these cut light to different intensities and can be used overhead by fastening with hooks. You could remove these shades in winter. Winter is a special time for such gardens : the sun is mild and the range of flowers tremendous.

1.1 Complete the sentences given below.

1×8=8

(a) Terrace garden culture is catching the imagination of garden freaks as

_____ .

Terrace garden is a challenge as

(b) _____ .

(c) _____ .

(d) _____ .

are to be dealt with.

(e) The problem of leakage can be solved by

_____ .

(f) Usage of _____

can reduce the weight to be borne by the roof.

(g) Net shades are useful

_____ .

(h) Bamboo fence acts as

_____ .

2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

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- 1 While conducting a workshop in a school, I was shocked to see that children were punished if they drew mountains without a scale. Each hill had to be of the same size and if any student looked out of the window and drew the landscape as it appeared before his eyes, he was given a 'zero' by the drawing master. In India, once art and life flowed in one graceful balanced line, but now there is a total neglect of art in education. According to Indian classical tradition, a person was considered properly educated and cultured only if he or she was fully knowledgeable about all the sixty-four arts listed in the scriptures.
- 2 Today there is an urgent need to reintroduce art education in school curriculum. All children have a vivid imagination which makes them natural artists. Unless this skill is allowed to grow it will never reach its potential. Most children become conscious of their artistic skills after the age of eight. Till then they draw and paint with immense enthusiasm and are confident about their art. Like seedlings they need to be protected and sheltered at this stage. An insensitive remark kills this budding talent and the child will never be interested in art again.
- 3 Creativity is a misunderstood word. Creativity in education is even more ambiguous. The aim of art activities is not to make the child an artist. In fact, most children will not be interested in professional careers as painters and will choose more conventional professions, but a good art education will help the child to grow into a more sensitive adult. It will enable him to acquire knowledge on a different plane, develop communication skills and express ideas through non-verbal means, since visual art is a highly effective tool to communicate in an abstract and multi-dimensional way. It will help the child to look at his world with new eyes and develop keen powers of observation.
- 4 Art activities need not always be isolated. There are many meaningful ways of integrating visual art experiences with the study of other disciplines. Language, science, maths and even basic hygiene can be taught through creative art workshops. Original thinking, diversity of creative expression and freedom of expression will enhance the learning process and allow the child to experience art at its best and most rewarding form. It is the responsibility of teachers, artists and parents to ensure that even the most simple art activity is carried out with care to enable our children to grow into good human beings.

- 2.1 On the basis of your reading of the passage complete the following summary with only one word in each blank. Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank number. 1×5=5

According to Indian classical tradition only a person who had thorough (a) _____ of arts was considered as educated. So the importance of art in schools has to be (b) _____. Till the age of eight children draw and paint with enthusiasm and (c) _____. At this stage they should be (d) _____. They lose (e) _____ if an insensitive remark is made.

- 2.2 On the basis of your reading the passage complete the following. Write answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. 1×3=3

A good art education enables the child to

- (a) _____
(b) _____
(c) _____

- 2.3 Find words from the passage, which mean the same as the following. 1×4=4

- (a) very clear (para 2)
(b) having more than one possible meaning (para 3)
(c) following the accepted customs (para 3)
(d) increase the quality (para 4)

SECTION B — (Writing)

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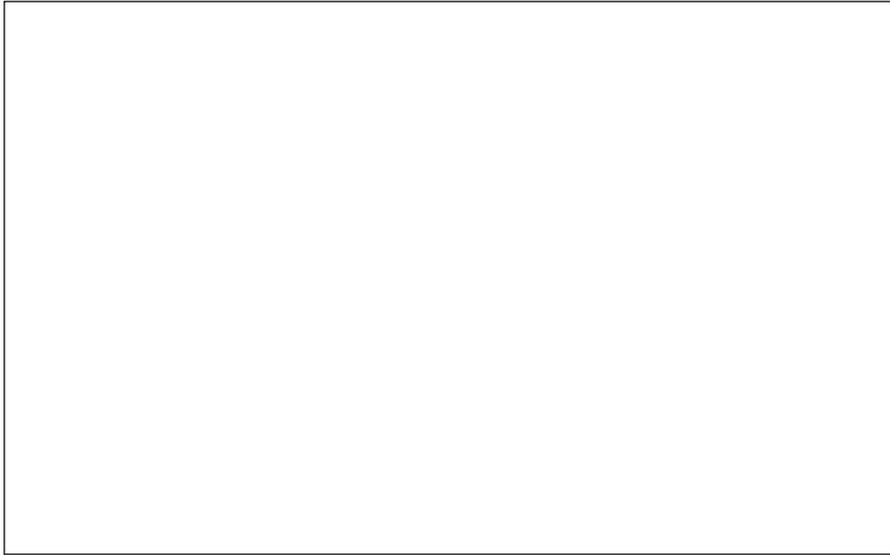
3. You are Raju/Rani living at 22, Boring Road, Patna. You have to attend a seminar on 'Personality and Attitude' at Jamshedpur on 29 April. Write a telegram, in not more than 25 words, to your cousin, Rakesh, 121, Netaji Nagar, Jamshedpur, to book two rooms for you and your friends for three days starting from 28th April. Copy the following format of the telegram in your answer sheet.

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INDIAN POST AND TELEGRAPH	
Name and address of the Addressee	
Name :	
Address :	
Tel. No. :	
MESSAGE	
SENDER'S NAME :	
Sender's Name and Address : (Not to be telegraphed)	

4. You are Rajesh. You along with your friends went to see a match played between India and Australia at Mohali last week. Write a postcard, in not more than 50 words, to your friend, Yogesh, 15, Krishna Nagar, Delhi, about your experience of watching the match. Copy the following format of the postcard in your answer sheet.

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5. Food poisoning in a college hostel led to the death of two students and several others were admitted to the government hospital. It reflects on the indifferent attitude and lack of supervision of the concerned authorities. It also emphasises the need of cleanliness. Taking ideas from the unit, 'Health and Medicine' along with your own ideas, write the letter in about 150 words.

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6. You are Sudhanshu Bhattacharya, Secretary of the Youth Club of J.K. School, Puri, Orissa. The following picture shows you the destruction caused by the cyclone in Orissa, You desire the students, teachers, N.G.O.'s and the government to arrange all possible help in terms of money, material such as clothes, food, medicines and also shelter to the victims. Write a speech in about 150 words to be delivered at a public function on behalf of your school.

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(For Blind Candidates Only)

You are Sudhanshu Bhattacharya, Secretary of the Youth Club of J.K. School, Puri, Orissa. Great destruction has been caused by the cyclone in Orissa. You desire the students, teachers, N.G.O.'s and the government to arrange all possible help in terms of money, material such as clothes, food, medicines and also shelter to the victims. Write a speech in about 150 words to be delivered at a public function on behalf of your school.

SECTION C — (Grammar)

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7. Look at the notes given below and complete the following paragraph. Do not add any new information. Write the answers against the correct blank numbers in your answer sheet. Do not copy the whole sentences.

1×4=4

Srinivasa Ramanujam - great - maths - genius - left behind - results - now
appreciate — people — unable — his mind — by birth — able mathematician

Srinivasa Ramanujam (a) _____ mathematical genius. He left behind a collection of results that are only (b) _____. No one (c) _____ understand the workings of Ramanujam's mind. He is an example of inborn mathematical (d)_____.

8. In the passage given below, there is an error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction as given in the example against the correct blank number in your answer sheet. Remember to underline the word you have supplied. ½×8=4

A biography are a life story are — is
of a really person. If it is (a)
a good biography, it bring its (b)
hero to life as vividly so (c)
if he were stand in the (d)
same room. If you meet it (e)
in person, I would probably (f)
not got more than a polite (g)
handshake but a “How do you do ?” (h)

9. Rearrange the following words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. The first one has been done for you as an example. Write the answers against the correct blank numbers in your answer sheet. 1×4=4

been fascinated / immortality / human beings / and eternal youth / by the / have always / idea of /

Human beings have always been fascinated by the idea of immortality and eternal youth.

- (a) was decoded / ago / three years / human genome /
(b) live longer / genome / of / would / make / the people / the knowledge /
(c) through / decreases longevity / abuse of / unhealthy habits / the body /
(d) not yet / formula for / man has / found the / increased longevity /

10. Complete the following passage with one word in each blank. Write the answers against the correct blank numbers in your answer sheet. ½×8=4

Most aquatic animals are short sighted (a) _____ land. Most terrestrial animals (b) _____ far sighted under water. But researchers have discovered (c) _____ penguins can apparently see equally well in both environments because of the unique structure of (d) _____ eyes. Penguins have to be able to see well (e) _____ water because their diet consists mainly (f) _____ planktons and fish. Through a special slowing down of their heart rate (g) _____ are able to stay submerged in water (h) _____ a long time.

11. Read the conversation and complete the following passage. Write the answers against the correct blank numbers. Do not copy the whole sentences. 1×4=4

Rana : Are you well prepared for today's exam ?

Manav : I have studied. But I am not sure whether I'll be able to answer the application type questions.

Rana : I hope it is an easy paper.

Manav : In that case I can answer the questions well.

Rana asked Manav whether he (a) _____. Manav replied that he had studied but (b) _____ the application type questions. Rana hoped that it (c) _____. Manav said (d) _____.

SECTION D — (Literature)

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- 12.** Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. Number the answers correctly.

Ah! well a-day! what evil looks
Had I from old and young!
Instead of the cross, the Albatross
About my neck was hung.

- (a) Who is T ? 1
(b) Who gave him evil looks ? 1
(c) Why was the Albatross hung around his neck ? 2

- 13.** Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. Number the answers correctly.

Wild Spirit, which art moving everywhere;
Destroyer and preserver; hear, oh, hear!

- (a) Who is the poet addressing in the above lines ? 1
(b) Why is it called 'wild spirit' ? 1
(c) How does it play the roles of a destroyer and a preserver ? 2

- 14.** Mark Antony in the funeral speech says :

“But here’s a parchment with the seal of Caesar;
I found it in his closet, ’tis his will:”

What had Caesar written in his will ? What change did it create in the Roman mob ?
Write your answer in 75 - 100 words. 5

- 15.** What was the contribution made by the second ghost in transforming Scrooge from a miser into a generous, charitable man ? Write your answer in about 75 words. 5

- 16.** “I shivered with cold and my own ingratitude.” What were the thoughts that haunted Babuli’s mind on the day of the partition ? Write your answer in 50 - 75 words. 4

- 17.** You are one of the refugees who left Mozambique for South Africa. Write a letter to a friend, relating your experiences in Kruger Park and in the refugee camp. Write it in 150 - 175 words. 8