



**Time Allowed : 45mins**

**Maximum Marks : 20**

**General Instructions :**

1. The question paper comprises of **three Sections A, B and C**. You have to attempt all sections.
2. **All** questions are **compulsory**

Section A	:	Reading	4 Marks
Section B	:	Writing and Grammar	10Marks
Section C	:	Literature	6 Marks
3. Answer the questions in a neat and legible handwriting.
4. Do not exceed the prescribed word limit.

**SECTION A: READING (4 Marks)**

**1 Read the given passage carefully—**

**4**

**[1]** A sparrow is a small bird which is found throughout the world. There are many different species of sparrows. Sparrows are only about four to six inches in length. Many people appreciate their beautiful song. Sparrows prefer to build their nests in low places-usually on the ground, clumps of grass, low trees and low bushes. In cities they build their nests in building nooks or holes. They rarely build their nests in high places. They build their nests out of twigs, grasses and plant fibers. Their nests are usually small and well-built structures.

**[2]** Female sparrows lay four to six eggs at a time. The eggs are white with reddish brown spots. They hatch between eleven to fourteen days. Both the male and female parents care for the young. Insects are fed to the young after hatching. The large feet of the sparrows are used for scratching seeds. Adult sparrows mainly eat seeds. Sparrows can be found almost everywhere, where there are humans. Many people throughout the world enjoy these delightful birds.

**[3]** The sparrows are some of the few birds that engage in dust bathing. Sparrows first scratch a hole in the ground with their feet, then lie in it and fling dirt or sand over their bodies with flicks of their wings. They also bathe in water, or in dry or melting snow. Water bathing is similar to dust bathing, with the sparrow standing in shallow water and flicking water over its back with its wings, also ducking its head under the water. Both activities are social, with up to a hundred birds participating at once, and is followed by preening and sometimes group singing.

**On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions-**

- (a) What is the chief food for adult sparrow?
- (b) Where can sparrows be found?
- (c) What all kind of bathing do sparrows indulge in?
- (d) Give synonym of 'enchanted' from paragraph 2.

**SECTION B: WRITING AND GRAMMAR (10 Marks)**

- 2** It was the happiest day of your life when your class teacher informed you that your name is there in the Scholar list and you will be awarded scholarship on the Appreciation Day of the school. You are thrilled as this was your dream since the day you joined. Express your feelings in the form of a diary entry in about 120-150 words. You are Navya/Neil. **4**

- 3 The following passage has not been edited. There is an error in each of the lines. Write the incorrect word and correction in your answer sheet against the correct blank number. The first one has been done for you- 1/2 \*4

Inactivity is the greater cause of  
 overweight this days.  
 People physical activity  
 had decreased these days. The main  
 reason is there are many labour saving devices.

Error	Correction
greater	greatest
(a) _____	_____
(b) _____	_____
(c) _____	_____
(d) _____	_____

- 4 Complete the following passage by choosing the most appropriate option from the ones given below. 1/2 \*4

Reading a novel, poetry or even a short story (a) \_\_\_\_\_ second language could dramatically (b) \_\_\_\_\_ physiological responses to emotions such (c) \_\_\_\_\_ smiling. It enables us to (d) \_\_\_\_\_ various mental abilities at all ages.

[a][i] of	[ii] in	[iii] from	[iv] at
[b][i] reduce	[ii] reduces	[iii] reduced	[iv] reducing
[c][i] like	[ii] similar to	[iii] as	[iv] alike
[d][i] developed	[ii] develops	[iii] develop	[iv] developing

- 5 Rearrange the following to form meaningful sentences. 1\*2

- (a) can be/two/ blamed/ people/ the murder/ for  
 (b) to the / there are / culprit / many clues / real / pointing

#### SECTION C: LITERATURE (6Marks)

- 6 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow- 1\*2

“The Inspector had smiled after he was finished and patted Margie’s head.”

- (a) Why was Margie visiting Inspector?  
 (b) What resolution was offered by the Inspector?

- 7 Answer any two questions in about 30-40 words each- 2\*2

- (a) In what ways was Margie’s school different from the present day schools?  
 (b) In what ways the digital books are better than printed books?  
 (c) Why was Tommy’s Teacher away for long?

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