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- Please check that this question paper contains 12 printed pages.
- Code number given on the right hand side of the question paper should be written on the title page of the answer-book by the candidate.
- Please check that this question paper contains 9 questions.
- Please write down the Serial Number of the question in the answer-book before attempting it.
- 15 Minute time has been allotted to read this question paper. The question paper will be distributed at 10.15 a.m. From 10.15 to 10.30 a.m., the students will read the question paper only and will not write any answer on the answer-book during this period.

ENGLISH **(Language and Literature)**

Time allowed : 3 hours

General Instructions :

Read the following instructions carefully and follow them :

- This question paper comprises three sections – A, B and C.
- Section A – Reading - 20 marks
- Section B – Grammar and Creative Writing Skills - 20 marks
- Section C – Literature - 40 marks
- There are 9 questions in the question paper. All questions are compulsory.
- Answer should be brief and to the point.
- There is no overall choice in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in Section B and Section C. Make your choices correctly.
- In addition to this, separate instructions are given with each section and question wherever necessary.
- Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

SECTION A - READING

(20 Marks)

1. Read the passage given below.

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The shape of a career depends on the support it gets. Similarly, the personality of a child largely depends upon his or her parental support, love, care and guidance.

A child can not grow well without the strong support of an inspiring and caring adult. In parent-child relationship, there should be no inhibitions, no forcing of ideas and attitudes and no communication gap. If such a gap exists in this relationship, then it is bound to lead to all sorts of misunderstandings and complications. Parents should be like sheltering trees where their children can seek refuge. Different issues which effect the children should be discussed, thrashed and then the children should be given the last say. Gone are the days of awe and fear imposed on them. They should be treated in a friendly manner so that they can share the good and bad experiences of their day to day life.

Childhood experiences are lasting and they affect the development of the whole personality in a positive way. Children might be lost in the labyrinth of life if proper guidance is not given to them or parents don't understand their feelings, ambitions and aspirations. Not only does a child learn by the conscious efforts of the parents but he or she also learns from the responses that are deliberately planned or consciously thought by them. The learning that takes place in a child largely depends upon the parents-child interaction. So more and more interaction and friendly treatment should form the basis of parents-child relationship.

Based on your understanding of the passage answer the following questions :

(i) According to the writer, on which factor does the shape of a career depend ?

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- (a) guidance (b) support (c) interaction (d) relationship

(ii) Select the option on which the personality of a child depends.

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- (a) parental support (d) guidance
(b) love (e) feelings
(c) care (f) good manners

Options :

- (a) (a), (b), (c), (d) (b) (a), (b), (e), (f)
(c) (c), (d), (e), (f) (d) (a), (d), (e), (f)

(iii) Complete the following with a phrase from para II.

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Phrase	Meaning
	Sometimes in the past

(iv) Choose the correct option to complete the given analogy.

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bad : good :: negative : _____.

- (a) negativity (b) positively (c) better (d) positive

- (v) What should be the role of parents towards their children? 1
- (vi) Why should the children be treated in a friendly manner? 1
- (vii) What happens if there is a gap between parent-child relationship? 1
- Children will become fearful.
 - Children will not be ambitious.
 - There will be misunderstandings and complications
 - There will be friendly relations.
- (viii) 'Parents should be like 'sheltering trees'. Select the option that correctly describes the role of parents. 1
- friendly
 - caring
 - understanding
 - protecting
- (ix) The writer wants the parents to understand that they should treat their children _____. (complete the sentence) 1
- (x) Choose the option that sums up the passage most appropriately : 1
- "Parenting is a life time job and does not stop when a child grows up".
- Jake slope
 - " The best inheritance a parent can give his children is a few minutes of his time each day,"
O.A. Battista
 - " We never know the love of a parent till we become parents ourselves."
- Henry Ward Beecher.
 - " Behind every young child, who believes in himself, is a parent who believed first."
- Mathew Jacobson
- (a) Option (1) (b) Option (2) (c) Option (3) (d) Option (4)

2. Read the passage given below carefully.

- Necessity is indeed the mother of invention. When areas in and around Leh began to experience water shortages' life didn't grind to a halt. Why? Because Chewang Norphel, a retired civil engineer in the Jammu and Kashmir government came up with the idea of artificial glaciers.
- Ladakh, a cold desert at an altitude of 3,000-3,500 metres above sea level, has a low average annual rainfall rate of 50 mm. Glaciers have always been the only source of water. Agriculture is completely dependent on glacier melt unlike the rest of river/monsoon fed India. But over the years with increasing effects of climate change, rainfall and snowfall patterns have been changing, resulting in severe shortage and drought situations. Given the severe winter conditons, the window for farming is usually limited to one harvest season.

- (3) It is located between the natural glacier above and the village below. The one closer to the village and lowest in altitude melts first, providing water during April/May, the crucial sowing season. Further layers of ice above melt with increasing temperature thus ensuring continuous supply to the fields. Thus, farmers have been able to manage two crops instead of one. It costs about 1,50,000 and above to create one.
- (4) Fondly called the "glacier man", Mr. Norphel has designed over 15 artificial glaciers in and around Leh since 1987. In recognition of his pioneering effort, he was conferred the Padma Shri by President Pranab Mukherjee, in 2015.
- (5) There are a few basic steps followed in creating the artificial glacier.
- (6) River or Stream water at higher altitude is diverted to a shaded area of the hill, facing north, where the winter sun is blocked by a ridge or a mountain range. At the start of winter/ November, the diverted water is made to flow onto sloping hill face through distribution channels. Stone embankments are built at regular intervals which impede the flow of water, making shallow pools and freeze, forming a cascade of ice along the slope. Ice formation continues for 3-4 months resulting in a large accumulation of ice which is referred to as an "artificial glacier".

On the basis of your understanding of the passage answer the following questions :

- (i) Mr. Norphel designed _____ artificial glaciers in Leh and around. 1
 (a) 15 (b) 13 (c) 14 (d) 12
- (ii) What kind of landform is Ladakh? 1
- (iii) Pick out the sentence from the passage which tells that glaciers play an important role in a cold desert. 1
- (iv) List two evidences that prove that agricultural activities were difficult before the invention of artificial glacier. 1
 1. _____
 2. _____
- (v) 'A cold desert at an altitude of 3000-3500 m'. Select the option that explains the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence. 1
 (a) drought (b) height (c) increasing (d) average
- (vi) What in the passage suggests that Mr. Norphel was dear to the people of Leh? 1

- (vii) Who was Chewang Norphel? 1
- (a) a retired principal (b) a retired activist
- (c) a retired social worker (d) a retired civil engineer
- (viii) Ladakh is at an altitude of _____ meters above sea level. 1
- (a) 2000 - 2500 (b) 1500 - 2000
- (c) 3000 - 3500 (d) 2500 - 3000
- (ix) What is an artificial glacier? 1
- (x) For his innovative efforts, Mr. Norphel was awarded the _____ in _____. 1

SECTION B - GRAMMAR

(20 Marks)

3. Attempt ANY TEN of the following questions. 10
- (i) Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option to complete a newspaper report. 1
- In October 2022, the Delhi government _____ a mobile-learning app called STEM for school going girls.
- (a) launching (b) will be launching
- (c) launched (d) was launched
- (ii) Read the conversation between a student and a teacher. Complete the sentence by reporting the student's question. 1
- Student: When will the vacation begin?
- Teacher: From May, 11
- The student asked the teacher _____.
- The teacher replied that it would begin from May, 11.
- (iii) Select the correct option to fill in the blank for the given statement. 1
- All the Vehicles _____ stop at a red traffic light.
- (a) can (b) might (c) may (d) must
- (iv) Select the option that identifies the error and supplies the correction for the following: 1

Bananas are often known for their soft texture and smooth.

Option No.	Error.	Correction
(A)	Soft	Softness
(B)	texture	texturing
(C)	smooth	smoothness
(D)	known	know

- (v) Complete the given sentence by filling in the blank with the correct option. 1
 He will not pay unless he _____. (compel)
 (a) was compelled (b) compelled
 (c) is compelled (d) will be compelled

- (vi) Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option. 1
 Neither you nor I _____ invited.
 (a) am (b) are (c) is (d) has

- (vii) Identify the error in the given narration and supply the correction. 1
 Madhubani painting is one in the many traditional Indian art forms.
 Use the given format for your response.

error	correction

- (viii) Complete the sentence by choosing the correct option : 1
 My sister _____ (look) very happy for the past few days and when I asked her the reason she told me that she was selected for her favourite role.
 (a) had been looking (b) looking
 (c) was looking (d) has looked

- (ix) Read the conversation between Amit and Manit. Complete the narration by reporting their dialogue. 1
 Manit : Where are you going ?
 Amit : I am going to the market. Do you want anything ?
 Manit asked Amit where he was going.
 Amit replied that he was going to the market and _____.

- (x) Fill in the blank in the following sentence by choosing the correct option. 1
 If we sit in an incorrect posture, we _____ strain our back.
 (a) may (b) might (c) can (d) could

- (xi) Identify the error in the given sentence and supply the correction. 1
 Spending time with your kids bring immediate as well as long-term gain for the parents,
 Use the given format for your response.

error	correction

- (xii) Reena shared some information with her friend Meena about her routine. 1
 Report Reena's question.
 Do you go for early morning walk daily ?

3. **FOR VISUALLY CHALLENGED CANDIDATES.**
 A campaign 'Clean India Campaign' was organised recently in your locality for the cleanliness of surroundings. A survey was conducted related to its success. The responses were collected from 1000 people. Based on the findings given below, write an analytical paragraph on 'A Cleaner and Greener India' in about 100-120 words, highlighting the cause of failure and steps which should be taken to make it a success.
- 20% - Campaign was successful
 - 10% - Not sure
 - 20% - Needed more political will to make it success
 - 50% - Campaign was failure

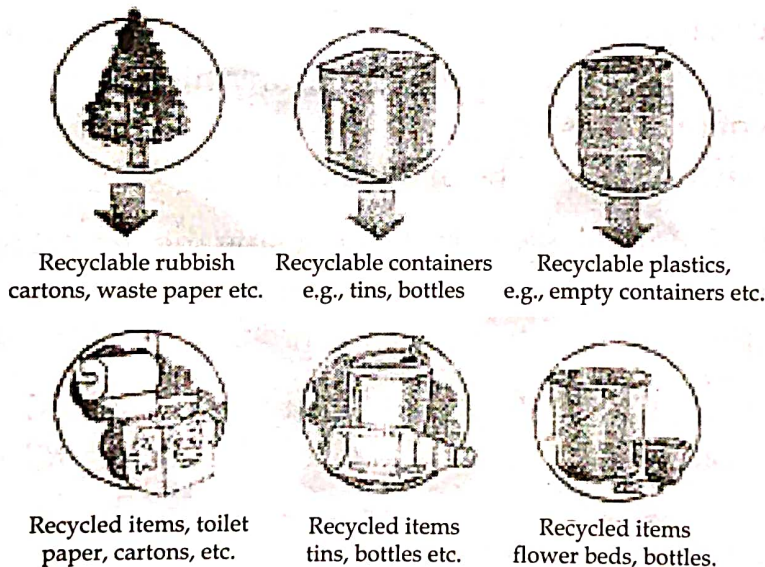
CREATIVE WRITING SKILLS

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[All the names and addresses used in the questions are fictitious. Resemblance, if any, is purely coincidental]

4. (i) Attempt ANY ONE from A and B given below :
- (A) You are Arpit / Arpita of A-65 Janak Puri, New Delhi. Recently, you came across the following poster on 'Need to Recycle Waste'. You also want to start a recycling campaign in your area. Write a letter to the environment officer of your locality suggesting him to start such a campaign. Suggest the need and the ways to implement such a campaign in about 100-120 words, using the ideas from the poster below.

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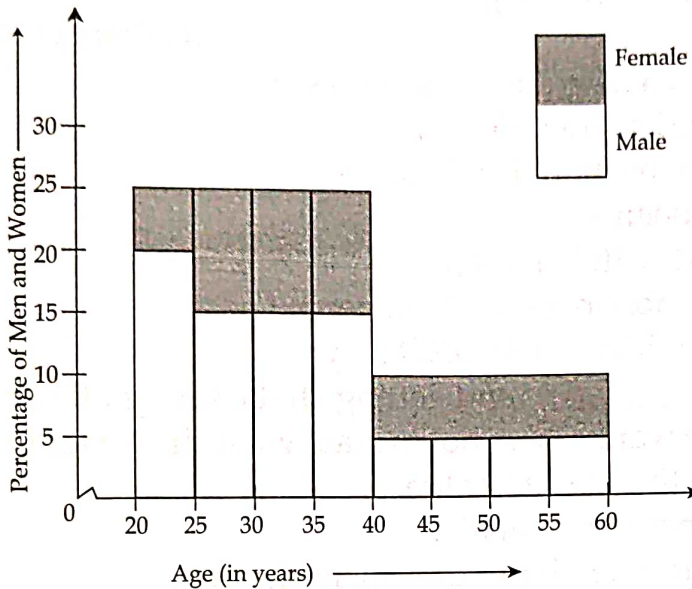
- (B) You are Prem Bhatia, President of Maulana Youth Club. You find newspapers filled with news related to crime and violence. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper suggesting ways of improving the law and order situation in the country. You are residing at C-6/42, Vasanti vihar, UP.

(Word limit : 100-120 words)

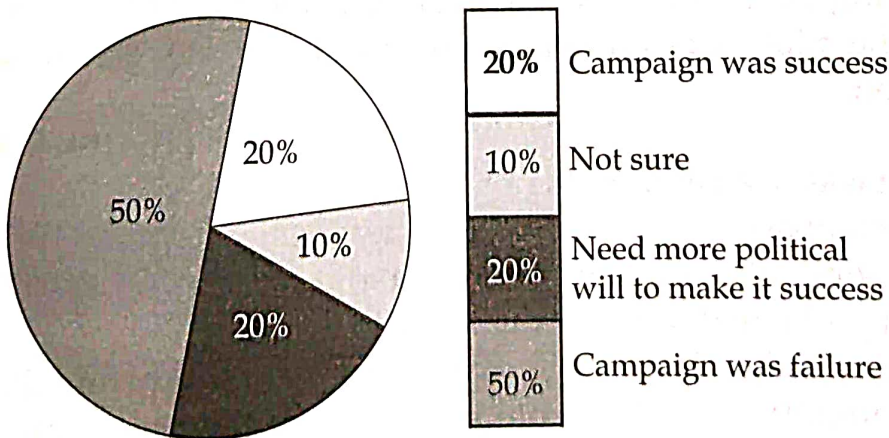
(ii) Attempt ANY ONE from A and B given below :

(A) A survey was conducted regarding the Adult Literacy Program by an NGO. It shows that women have been more receptive to the program than men. The histogram below represents the percentage of men and women in different age groups who have been benefitted from the Adult Education Program.

Using the information, write an analytical paragraph on 'Importance of Adult Education' in about 100-120 words,



(B) A Campaign 'Clean India Campaign' was organised recently in your locality for cleanliness of surroundings. A survey was conducted related to its success. The responses were collected from 1000 people. Based on the findings, write an analytical paragraph, on 'A Cleaner and Greener India' in about 100-120 words, highlighting the cause of failure and steps which should be taken to make it a Success.



Responses collected from survey of 1000 people

SECTION C - LITERATURE
(40 Marks)

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5. Reference to the context :

1. Attempt ANY ONE of the two extracts given below :

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(A) Oh well, it doesn't matter. I feel like writing, and I have an even greater need to get all kinds of things off my chest. 'Paper has more patience than people'. I thought of this saying on one of those days when I was feeling a little depressed and was sitting at home with my chin in my hands, bored and listless, wondering whether to stay in or go out. I finally stayed where I was brooding.

The Diary of Annie Frank.

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- (i) What did Anne do when she was depressed ?
(a) She went to her friend's house.
(b) She sat at home bored and listless.
(c) She wrote poems.
(d) She chatted with her sister.
- (ii) How has paper more patience than people ?
- (iii) Fill in the blank with **ONE WORD** only.
Annie felt like _____ and getting all the things off her chest.
- (iv) Why does Anne want others not to read, what she writes in her diary ?
(a) She is secretive about her life.
(b) It is about her personal life.
(c) She wants to cherish these moments herself.
(d) She is unwilling to share it with anyone.
- (v) Pick out a phrase from the passage which means 'to talk to someone about something that has been worrying you'.

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OR

(B) There was no answer. The radio was dead too. I had no radio, no compass, and I could not see where I was. I was lost in the storm. Then, in the black clouds quite near me, I saw another aeroplane. It had no lights on its wings, but I could see it flying next to me through the storm. I could see the pilot's face turned towards me. I was very glad to see another person.

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(The Black Aeroplane)

- (i) What was dead and could not answer ?
(a) compass (b) aeroplane
(c) wings of aeroplane (d) radio
- (ii) What problem did the narrator face in the storm ?
- (iii) Which word in the passage means 'an instrument to find direction' ?
(a) amplifier (b) compass (c) speedometer (d) radio.
- (iv) The writer was _____ in the storm.
- (v) Why was the narrator glad ?

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2. Attempt ANY ONE of the two extracts given below. 5
- (A) 'Has given my heart
A change of mood
And saved some part
of a day I had rued'.
- (i) What did the poet think about the day ? 1
- (a) part of the day had been saved
(b) part of the day had gone in gossip.
(c) part of the day had been wasted in roaming.
(d) part of the day had been spent in the meeting.
- (ii) What changed the mood of the poet ? 1
- (a) Falling of snow particles on the poet.
(b) Falling of dust particles on the poet.
(c) Falling of crow on the poet.
(d) Falling of cotton on the poet.
- (iii) The poet's mood was _____ before the incident. 1
- (iv) What change does the poet mention here ? 1
- (v) What does the word 'rued' mean ? 1
- (a) feel happy (b) feel ravishing
(c) feel remorse for (d) feel on top of the world
- OR**
- (B) "I heard an old religious man 5
But yesternight declare
That he had found a text to prove
That only God, my dear,
Could love you for yourself alone
And not your yellow hair".
- (For Anne Gregory)
- (i) The above stanza strongly states the idea of _____. 1
- (a) internal qualities (b) external beauty
(c) spiritual self (d) divinity
- (ii) State whether the following statement is True or False. 1
Humans do not have the insight and understanding to look into the soul of a person.
- (iii) Which of the following quotes conveys the central idea of the poem ? 1
- (a) Everything has beauty but not everyone sees it.
(b) Beauty is not in the face ; beauty is a light in the heart
(c) Never apologize for being yourself.
(d) God loves you unconditionally, as you are and not as you should be.

- (iv) According to the given extract, what matters for God more to love human beings? 1
- (v) Choose the phrase that best represents, 'love you for yourself alone'. 1
- (a) unconditional love (b) unrequited love
- (c) unseemly love (d) understated love
6. Answer ANY FOUR of the following questions in about 40-50 words each. $4 \times 3 = 12$
- (i) Why did Kisa Gotami associate the flickering of lights on the street to the life of mortals? 3
- (ii) 'Adversity is the true test of a person's character'. How does the quote hold true for Belinda's pets? 3
- (iii) Why does Chubukov call it 'a burden' to be the father of a grown up daughter? 3
- (iv) How is bread an important part of life in Goa? 3
- (v) How far would you agree that one's positivity can bring in a spark of brightness even in adverse circumstances? Explain in reference to 'A Letter to God'. 3
7. Answer ANY TWO of the following in about 40-50 words each. $2 \times 3 = 6$
- (a) What were the changes that took place in Matilda's life after the ball? 3
- (b) Bholi was a neglected child. Explain. 3
- (c) Scientists contribute to make the world a better place. Griffin is an antithesis to this statement. Justify. 3
8. Answer ANY ONE of the following in about 100-120 words. $1 \times 6 = 6$
- (a) Travelling teaches us many life lessons and enriches us with experiences. Rohit and Amit have a discussion on this statement and their love for travel. Write the dialogues.
You may begin like this:
Rohit: I think travelling is one of the best ways to explore not just the world around you but also helps you introspect about life itself.
Amit: _____
- (b) The tiger in the poem 'A Tiger in the Zoo' presents a contrasting image with the tiger in the poem 'How to Tell Wild Animals'. Compare and contrast the two tigers with reference to the manner in which they have been presented.
9. Answer ANY ONE of the following in 100-120 words. $1 \times 6 = 6$
- (i) Imagine Richard wrote a letter to his mother when he was studying at Harvard University for motivating him and being a constant source of support throughout his growing up years. Write that letter of gratitude as Richard.
- (ii) Hari Singh didn't confess that he robbed Anil. On the other hand Horace Danby requested the lady to forget what she saw. In both the cases Hari and Horace lacked courage to accept their crime. Explain the values one must imbibe to accept their mistake.

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