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SECTION A (READING)

Q1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

I entered the second class compartment and took a corner seat. A few minutes later, a large, noisy family rushed in and spread themselves all over the compartment.

The parents arranged and rearranged their belongings on the luggage racks. A suitcase fell on the grandmother's feet and she shouted at them. The children quarrelled and the baby cried.

Suddenly the whistle blew and with much clanging and groaning the train moved out of the station. It soon gathered speed and rushed on through the night.

My companions opened large tiffin carriers and settled down to their meal. But the baby's cries became howls and the grandmother hung a sari from the chain on the side wall of the carriage. She put the baby in this cradle and the baby stopped crying almost at once.

At the same time the train came to a stop. There was a great commotion. I looked out of the window and found that a large crowd had gathered outside and everyone was asking who had pulled the chain. Suddenly I saw that the grandmother had hung the cradle on the alarm chain.

A. Based on the above passage, answer the following questions:

1. Who were the occupants of the second class compartment?

- a) Students
 - b) A family
 - c) Office goers
 - d) Hawkers
2. In order to make a cradle she used a
- a) skirt
 - b) sari
 - c) rope
 - d) dupatta
3. Why did the grandmother shout?
- a) because she was sick
 - b) because she was scared
 - c) because a suitcase fell on her feet
 - d) none of these
4. What did the grandmother mistakenly hang the cradle on?
- a) The luggage rack
 - b) The side wall of the carriage
 - c) The window handle
 - d) The alarm chain
5. Complete the following sentences.
- As soon as the baby was put in the cradle,
_____.
6. A word from the passage which means the same as 'a lot of noise and confusion' is _____.
7. What did the parents do after entering the compartment ?
8. Why did the crowd gather outside the train?

Q2. Giraffes are the tallest of all land animals. Such a height enables them to escape the competition for ground-level grass that exists among other leaf-eaters and also helps them see an approaching enemy early.

Giraffes eat a variety of leaves, but acacia leaves are their favourite. In spring, when many trees are bare, they spend 80 percent of the day eating. In summer, when trees are in full leaf, they need only 15 per cent. The rest of the time is spent resting and quarreling.

A giraffe's long neck is made up like that of man and most other mammals, of only seven vertebrae. The bones are attached to one another with ball and socket joints. These make the neck flexible. It can run at 50 km per hour. Rising from a lying position is a problem for such a large animal. So it usually keeps standing even while it sleeps.

To reach water with such a long neck and legs, a giraffe spreads its front legs wide apart. Then it lowers its neck to drink. This awkward position makes it easy for the lion to attack it.

A. Based on the above passage, answer the following questions:

1. What is the primary advantage of a giraffe's height?
 - a) It allows them to reach water more easily.
 - b) It helps them run faster.
 - c) It enables them to avoid competition for ground-level grass.
 - d) It makes them harder for predators to see.
2. What is the favourite diet of giraffes?
 - a) Grass
 - b) Acacia leaves
 - c) Fruits
 - d) Flowers

3. Why does a giraffe spend less time eating in the summer?

- a) Because it prefers to rest more in summer.
- b) Because there is more food available.
- c) Because it migrates to a different area.
- d) Because it sleeps more in summer.

4. In the passage, "quarreling" means the same as:

- a) Playing
- b) Sleeping
- c) Eating
- d) Fighting

B. Complete the following sentences:

1. A giraffe's long neck is made up of only _____ vertebrae, similar to that of humans.
2. When drinking water, giraffes are vulnerable to lion attacks because _____.
3. A giraffe usually keeps standing even while it sleeps _____.

SECTION B (WRITING SKILLS AND GRAMMAR)

Q1. Write a paragraph on any of the given topics:

- a) Books are our best friends
- b) 'Don't judge a book by its cover.'

Q2. Write a message on the following topics in about 50 words:

- a) **You are Tara. Today, while your sister was resting, you received a phone call from Anika, a classmate of hers. The conversation went as follows :**

Anika: Hello! Is this Riya?
Tara: Hello. No, this is Tara, Riya's sister. May I know who is speaking?
Anika: Hi Tara. My name is Anika. I am Riya's classmate. She didn't come to school today, is everything okay?
Tara: Actually, Riya is quite unwell and she is currently sleeping. May I take a message?
Anika: Oh! Once she feels better, please tell her that today we did a storytelling activity in English and finished chapter 5 in Science. I will give her my notes to catch up later.
Tara: Sure
Anika: Wish her a speedy recovery from my end as well please.
Tara: I will do so. Bye!
Anika: Bye!

As Tara, write a message in not more than 50 words to Riya about Anika's phone call so that she can read it when she wakes up. Put your message in a box.

b) You are Arjun. You had received a call from your father's office in his absence. The conversation went as follows:

Secretary: Hello, am I speaking to Mr. Nagpal?
Arjun: Hello. No, he is not available at the moment. This is his son speaking. May I take a message?
Secretary: Yes. Kindly tell sir that he is required to bring the annual report tomorrow. There is a meeting with the CEO at 11 am.
Arjun: Noted.
Secretary: Ok. Thank you. Goodbye!
Arjun: Goodbye!

Draft a message in about 50 words for your father to read later.

Q3. Letter Writing

- a) Write a letter to your grandfather inviting him to spend time with you during your summer vacation.
- b) Write a letter to your brother advising him to work hard for his upcoming exam as his performance in previous terms was not up to the mark.

Q4. Diary Entry

- a) Write a diary entry about discovering a secret place near your home or school. Describe what you found, how you felt, and any adventures you had there.
- b) Write a diary entry about the day you found a wounded bird in your neighborhood. Describe how you found it, how you cared for it, and how you eventually helped it fly.
- c) Write a diary entry about a surprise birthday party that you organised for your best friend. Describe the preparations, who you invited, your friend's reaction and the fun activities you did during the party.

Q5. Use the articles a, an ,the wherever necessary and X where an article is not required:

- a) Children, do not make _____ noise in the corridor.
- b) We came to _____ lake with _____ Island in the middle.
- c) Ruchi is spending her holidays at Shimla with _____ aunt of hers.
- d) I cannot help you. I have _____ severe headache.
- e) What _____ nuisance! Our train is late by at least _____ hour.
- f) Mr Khanna is _____ honourable man and _____honourable men are always fair and just
- g)_____sugar is lying in the pantry .
- h) We could see _____ moon in the sky.

Q6. Fill in the blanks using appropriate adjectives:

- a) How _____kilograms of rice did you buy?
- b) I like that _____ bike that is parked here.

- c) _____ area do you live in?
- d) _____ mangoes are very tempting.
- e) Your _____ dress was repaired last night

Q7. Use the correct degree of adjectives in the following sentences by choosing the correct option.

- a) Neeraj isthan Pankaj.(old)
 - i) more old
 - ii) older
 - iii) oldest
- b) Which animal is supposed to be the?(cunning)
 - i) cunningest
 - ii) most cunning
 - iii) more cunning
- c) The pen isthan the sword.(mighty)
 - i) more mightier
 - ii) mightier
 - iii) mightiest
- d) No other metal is asas iron.(useful)
 - i) more useful
 - ii) useful
 - iii) most useful
- e) This task seems to be theof all.(easy)
 - i) easier
 - ii) easiest
 - iii) easy

Q8. Identify the following sentences and state their type.

- a) What are you writing these days?

- b) Kindly fetch me a glass of water.
- c) How attractive this butterfly is!
- d) He doesn't like to eat chocolates.
- e) The Earth revolves around the Sun.
- f) Carry proper winter clothing.
- g) How are you related to the teacher?
- h) What a nuisance it is!

Q9. Rearrange the following words to make meaningful sentences.

- a) you/ told /the /story/ by /what/ the /is/ moral/ of. (interrogative)
- b) glitters /all/gold/that/not /is/ (assertive)
- c) impressive/she /what/on/ performance/occasion/gave/an/this.
(exclamatory)
- d) watching/time/don't/cartoons/waste/silly.(imperative)

Q10. Choose the correct pronoun.

- a) Ann writes as well as (him, he).
- b) _____ (she/her) is my best friend.
- c) Can you help _____ (me/I) with this math problem?
- d) This is _____ (my/mine) book. The one on the table is _____
(yours/your).
- e) They told _____ (us/we) about the trip.
- f) He made the model airplane all by _____ (himself/him).
- g) _____ (we/our) have a dog. _____ (Its/It's) name is Max.
- h) The students brought _____ (their/them) own lunch to school.
- i) _____ (You/Your) should complete _____ (your/yours)
homework before watching TV.
- j) The cat cleaned _____ (itself/it) after eating.
- k) _____ (They/Them) are going to the movies tonight. Do you want
to join _____ (them/they)?

Q11. Fill in the blank with an appropriate auxiliary verb:

- a) Anya _____ working on her homework. (is / am / does / are)
- b) Samantha _____ making dinner with her grandma. (is /am/does/ are)
- c) The friends _____ going to South Carolina. (is / am / does / are).
- d) _____ your dad work in this building? (is / am / does / are).
- e) _____ you want to come to my house later? (are / am / do / does).
- f) Meenakshi _____ like animals. (isn't / doesn't / aren't / don't)
- g) The poster _____ hanging on the wall. (is / am / does / are)
- h) Where _____ your family like to eat? (are / am / do / does)
- i) _____ your brother playing hockey this weekend? (is / am / do / are)
- j) Paramdeep _____ watching television anymore. (isn't / doesn't / aren't / don't)
- k) His family _____ go to parties. (isn't / doesn't / aren't / don't)
- l) Tariq and Tenzin _____ planning a vacation. (is / am / does / are)

Q12. Choose the right option and fill in the blank.

- a) We _____ (can / could not) find the keys anywhere in the house yesterday.
- b) The baby _____ (can / cannot) walk yet because she is too young.
- c) You _____(should/must not) obey traffic rules.
- d) We _____ (may / can) go to the park if we finish our chores.
- e) It looks like it _____ (cannot / might not) rain today, but we should still take an umbrella.
- f) When he was younger, he _____ (can / could) run very fast.
- g) You _____ (would / should) apologize if you make a mistake.
- h) She _____ (can't / might not) come to the party because she is feeling unwell.
- i) If you practice hard, you _____ (can / could) become an excellent pianist.
- j) He _____ (would / should) prefer to stay home tonight and relax.

Q13. Identify the tense of the verbs in the following sentences.

- a) She goes to the market every Saturday.
- b) They are playing football in the park right now.
- c) I visited my grandparents last weekend.
- d) He finished his homework two days ago.
- e) We will go to the beach next month.
- f) She was reading a book when I called her.
- g) They are living in this city now.
- h) I saw you when you were entering the mall.
- i) He left before the party started.
- j) They will finish the project by tomorrow.

Q14. Rewrite the sentences using the tenses indicated in the bracket.

- a) She goes to the market on Saturday. (Change to Past Simple)
- b) They will play football in the park. (Change to Present Continuous)
- c) I visited my grandparents last weekend. (Change to Present Simple)
- d) He finished his homework already. (Change to Past Continuous)
- e) We will go to the beach in the summer. (Change to Present Simple)
- f) She was reading a book in the library. (Change to Future Simple)
- g) They were living in this city with their grandchildren. (Change to Present Continuous)
- h) I will clean the house in half an hour. (Change to Past Simple)
- i) He left before the party started. (Change to Future Simple)
- j) They will finish the project in 24 hours. (Change to Future Continuous)

Q15. In the passage given below, there is an error in each line which has been underlined. Write the correct word in the space provided.

- a) One day, Aryan throw a ball for Max. _____
- b) Max run quickly to catch it. _____
- c) He brought a ball back to Aryan. _____
- d) Aryan and Max plays for a long time. _____

- e) Suddenly, Max see a squirrel. _____
- f) He chase it up a tree. _____
- g) Aryan laughed and called her back. _____
- h) Aryan and Max goes inside the house. _____
- i) They was both very tired. _____
- j) Aryan hugged Max and say goodnight. _____

Q16. In the passage given below, there is an error in each line. Replace the incorrect word with the correct one and rewrite the sentence.

- a) About the year 1900, a small, dark-haired boy
- b) name Charles Chaplin was often seen
- c) wait outside a back entrance
- d) of London theaters. He looks thin and
- e) hungry but his blue eyes was determined
- f) He could sing or dance. His parents
- g) was music hall performers and
- h) He will born into the life of the theatre.

SECTION C (Literature)

REFERENCE TO CONTEXT

*Q1.If you can't be a pine on the top of the hill,
be a scrub in the valley-but be
the best little scrub by the side of the rill.
Be a bush,if you can't be a tree.*

- a) This poem is composed by
- b) The rhyme scheme of this poem is
- c) What do you mean by the word 'rill'?
 - 1. A small stream

2. tree
3. Shrub
4. spring

d) Name the poetic device used in the fourth line?

1. alliteration
2. metaphor
3. Simile
4. Imagery

Q2.

*But comes the summer, golden light
is trapped within the tree.*

In May, the crystallised sunbeams

break out for all to see.

- a) Complete the sentence: The 'golden light' mentioned in the text comes from _____.
- b) The name of the poet is _____.
- c) 'Crystallised sunbeam' is an example of which poetic device?
 1. Simile
 2. Personification
 3. Metaphor
 4. Imagery
- d) How does the laburnum tree change during summer, according to the stanza?
 1. It traps golden light within itself
 2. Its leaves become brighter
 3. It attracts more crows
 4. It loses its ordinary appearance

Q3.

Help clean a beach

Or recycle bottles and cans,

Learn about the problems we face

And help others understand. (What Can You Do)

- a) What is the main idea of this stanza?
 - 1) Learning about historical events
 - 2) Helping to keep beaches clean
 - 3) Exploring new hobbies
 - 4) Help people solve their problems

- b) What is one action the poem suggests to help the environment?
 - 1) Drive more cars
 - 2) Clean a beach
 - 3) Use more plastic
 - 4) Ignore litter

- c) What should we do after learning about environmental problems?
 - 1) Forget about them
 - 2) Complain to others
 - 3) Help others understand
 - 4) Ignore them

- d) What does the phrase "help others understand" mean in the poem?
 - 1) Teaching friends to dance
 - 2) Showing how to ride a bike
 - 3) Explaining why recycling is important
 - 4) Gift your loved ones hand-made gifts

Q4. *"I have to go to the hospital, Reeta," she said worriedly. "Grandpa has met with an accident."*

- a) Who needed to go to the hospital?
 - 1) Reeta
 - 2) Ma
 - 3) Jay
 - 4) Latika

b) How did Ma feel when she told Reeta about the accident?

- 1) Excited
- 2) Angry
- 3) Worried
- 4) Indifferent

c) What can we infer about Ma's relationship with Grandpa based on her reaction to his accident?

- 1) She is indifferent to Grandpa.
- 2) She cares deeply about Grandpa.
- 3) She is angry with Grandpa.
- 4) She rarely thinks about Grandpa.

d) How did Ma's announcement about Grandpa's accident affect Reeta's morning plans?

Q5. *"Father, you told me once that we must always place the welfare of others over our own desires. If the people of Jhansi need me, I am prepared to work for their good. I accept the proposal."*

a) Who is the speaker?

- 1) Meera
- 2) Tambe
- 3) Manu
- 4) Daima

b) According to the passage, what does Rani Lakshmibai agree to do for the people of Jhansi?

- 1) Train soldiers for battle
- 2) Fight against her father
- 3) Take care of the palace
- 4) Work for their good

c) What does the word "welfare" mean in this context?

- 1) Happiness and well-being
- 2) Money
- 3) Food
- 4) Travel

d) What does Rani Lakshmibai prioritize according to her father's advice?

Q6. *And that's why... Sher Singh continued, 'Pukar Singh, the mukhiya has chosen you to go into the forest and catch Bhootnath.'*
(Operation Blackbeard)

a) Who is Pukar Singh in the story?

- 1) The mukhiya
- 2) Nawab Rangile
- 3) The Nawab's friend
- 4) The bandit

b) What is the task assigned to Nawab Rangeele by Pukar Singh?

- 1) Sell eggs
- 2) Catch a bandit
- 3) Hunt a tiger
- 4) Cook halwa puri

c) What might have influenced Pukar Singh to choose Nawab Rangeele for the task?

- 1) Nawab Rangeele's wealth
- 2) Nawab Rangeele's boastful stories and perceived bravery
- 3) Nawab Rangeele's cooking skills
- 4) Nawab Rangeele's previous encounters with Bhootnath

d) How does Nawab Rangeele react to the task given by Pukar Singh?

Very Short Questions

- Q.1 How much money did Kali's father earn on catching every poisonous snake ?
- Q2. Where was the marshal taking the criminal to?
- Q3. What was Maibon's wish ?
- Q4. What is Nawab Rangile known for in his village?
- Q5. What job does Nawab Rangile do to earn a living?
- Q6. What activities does Manu prefer over housework?
- Q7. What did Reeta discover about Simon's condition that might have caused the accident?
- Q8. How did Grandpa surprise Reeta on Christmas morning?
- Q9. How does the laburnum tree differ from the cawing crows?
- Q10. What happens to the laburnum tree in the summer?
- Q11. Despite the thundery grey sky, how does the laburnum tree appear?
- Q12. According to the poem 'What Can You Do', how can we help keep the rivers clean?
- Q13. Which special day does the poem 'What Can You Do' mention for showing care for our planet?
- Q14. Who proposed marriage to Manu when she was thirteen?
- Q15. What does Manu find more interesting among the gifts from the King of Jhansi?
- Q16. Who does Nawab Rangile meet in the forest, and how is the person disguised?
- Q17. How does Begum Rangili try to protect her family from Bhootnath?
- Q18. What do you mean by the phrase 'But be the liveliest bass in the lake'?

Short Answer Questions

- Q1. Who is the criminal in 'Hearts and Hands' and what crime has he committed?
- Q2. Why did Miss Fairchild assume Mr Easton to be the marshal ?
- Q3. Who was wiser Maibon or his wife Mordona? Justify your answer.
- Q4. How was Mordona's reaction when Maibon revealed the magic stone ?

- Q5. Why was Kali's teacher fond of him ?
- Q.6 What did Kali plan to do with the money he would get after catching the snake in his class?
- Q7. What made Maibon aspire for a magic stone?
- Q8. Describe how Reeta and her family took care of Simon after Grandpa's accident.
- Q9. How did Grandpa manage to live on his own despite losing his eyesight?
- Q10. What does the phrase "crystallised sunbeams break out for all to see" suggest about the laburnum tree?
- Q11. How does the laburnum tree look during most of the year?
- Q12. What are the signs of environmental pollution mentioned in the poem 'What Can You Do'?
- Q13. What does Tambe believe about girls' education and marriage?
- Q14. What was Rani Lakshmibai's attitude towards household chores?
- Q15. What plan does Bhootnath make after hearing Nawab Rangile's offer?
- Q16. What mistake does Nawab Rangile make with the halwa?
- Q17. Why did Nawab Rangile never actually display any valour?

Long Answer Questions

- Q1. Give the central idea of the poem 'Be The Best' in your own words .
- Q2. Write the Character sketch of Kali's teacher.
- Q3. Justify the title 'Hearts and Hands'. Is it apt?
- Q4. What would you have done, had you been in Marshal's place ?
- Q5. How would you react if a visitor like a snake enters your class?
- Q6. How does Manu's stubborn nature benefit her?
- Q7. According to you, how does Manu's dedication to her education and skills inspire others?
- Q8. Why is it important to consider the welfare of others over personal desires, as Manu does?
- Q9. In your opinion, why is it important for each person to take responsibility for the environment? Elaborate your answer with reference to the poem 'What Can You Do'.
- Q10. What does Reeta's behavior towards Simon during his illness tell us about her character?

Q11. How does the relationship between Grandpa and Simon show us the importance of companionship and loyalty?

Q12. What do you think is the main message or lesson that the poet wants readers to learn from the poem 'Laburnum'? Explain using examples from the poem.

Q13. What is the overall message of the poem 'What Can You Do'? Do our actions to help the environment need to be grand? Justify your answer.

Q14. Why is education important for both boys and girls according to Tambe?

Q15. Give a character sketch of Rani Lakshmibai.

Q16. What values did Rani Lakshmibai show when she accepted the marriage proposal for the good of Jhansi's people? Why do you think these values are important?

Q17. Do you think it is wrong to boast or tell untrue stories? Explain using examples from 'Operation Blackbeard'.

ANSWER KEY

SECTION A (READING)

Q1.

1. b) a family
2. b) sari
3. c) A suitcase fell on grandmother's feet.
4. d) The alarm chain
5. the baby stopped crying almost at once.
6. Commotion
7. After entering the compartment, the parents arranged and rearranged their belongings on the luggage racks.
8. A large crowd had gathered outside the train because someone had pulled the alarm chain, causing the train to come to a sudden stop.

Q2.

1. c) It enables them to avoid competition for ground-level grass.
2. b) Acacia leaves
3. b) Because there is more food available.
4. d)

Fighting

B. Complete the following sentences:

1. Seven
2. they must spread their legs and lower their heads, making them less alert and more exposed.
3. because it needs to be ready to escape from predators at any moment.

SECTION B (WRITING SKILL & GRAMMAR)

Q1. **Paragraph writing**

Format - 1 Mark

Content - 2 Marks
Expression

-1

Marks

Value Points

a) Books are our best friends

- Are best passtime
- Improves communication and comprehension skills
- Enhances vocabulary
- Provides broader spectrum of the world around
- Weans us away from the digital world
- Examples of good books

b) Don't judge a book by its cover

- Appearances are deceptive
- What appears is not always true
- Quote examples from real life

Q2. _____ **Message** **Writing**

Format -1 Mark
Content -2 Marks
Expression-1

Marks

Sample Answers

a)

MESSAGE

10th December, 2024
pm

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Dear Father

Your secretary called when you were out. He left a message that you are required to bring the annual report tomorrow and that there is a meeting with the CEO at 11 a.m.

Arjun

(b)

MESSAGE

2nd January, 2024
7pm

Dear Riya

Your friend Anika called when you were sleeping. She asked me to tell you that at school, a storytelling activity in English was conducted, and chapter 5 in Science was completed. She will give you her notes to help you catch up later. She also wished you a

Q3. Letter writing

Content -2 Marks

Expression-2 Marks

Format -1 Marks

Presentation-1 Marks

i) Letter to Your Grandfather (Value Points)

(Your address
City, State)

Date

Salutation (Dear grandfather)

Introduction

- Inquire general well being of your grandfather
- Purpose of writing the letter

Main Body

- Invite grandfather to spend time with you during your summer vacation
- Convince him to join you
- Mention activities that can be done together and places to visit

Conclusion

- Pay regards to others in family
- Anticipate his visit

Complimentary close

Name

ii) Letter to Your Brother (Value Points)

(Your address
City, State)

Dear (name of brother)

Introduction

- Warm greeting to your brother

- Purpose of writing letter

Main Body

- Suggestions as to how to improve one's performance
- Personal experience
- Importance of hardwork

Conclusion

- Express your confidence in your brother's ability
- Closing of letter with a positive remark

Complimentary close

Name

Q4. Diary Entry

Content -2 Marks

Expression-2 Marks

Format -1 Marks

Presentation-1

Marks

Format

Date, Day

Time

Dear Diary

Main body or content

Your name/Signature

Value Points

a) Discovering a Secret Place Near Your Home or School

- Date and time of the discovery
- Brief mention of how you came across the secret place
- Describe what the place looks like (for e.g. hidden garden, old treehouse, abandoned building)
- Any unique features (for e.g. plants, structures, artifacts)
- How you felt exploring the place (for e.g. adventurous, thrilled)
- Any interesting things you found (for e.g. old books, hidden notes)
- Any activities you did there (for e.g. exploring, playing)
- Any plans to revisit or tell friends about it

b) Finding a Wounded Bird in Your Neighborhood

- How you found the bird (e.g. during a walk, outside your house)
- Type of bird (if known)
- Condition of the bird (wounded wing, unable to fly)
- Steps you took to care for it (e.g. picking it up carefully, creating a safe space for it)
- Any help you received from adults or friends
- How the bird's condition improved over time
- The moment the bird finally flew (feelings of joy, satisfaction)
- Reflection on the experience (what you learned, how you felt helping the bird)

c) Organizing a Surprise Birthday Party for Your Best Friend

- Reason for organizing the surprise party
- Planning process (e.g. selecting a location, deciding on a theme)
- Invitations (e.g. who you invited, how you invited them)
- Decorations and setup (e.g. balloons, banners, cake)
- How you surprised your friend (e.g. turning off the lights, shouting "Surprise!")
- Your friend's initial reaction (e.g. surprise, joy, tears of happiness)
- Games and activities you organized (e.g. treasure hunt, musical chairs)
- Any memorable incidents during the party

- How the party ended (e.g. everyone saying goodbye, cleaning up)
- Reflection on the event (success of the surprise, how happy your friend was)

Q5.

- a) Children, do not make **X** noise in the corridor.
- b) We came to **a** lake with **an** island in the middle.
- c) Ruchi is spending her holidays at Shimla with **an** aunt of hers.
- d) I cannot help you. I have **a** severe headache.
- e) What **a** nuisance! Our train is late by at least **an** hour.
- f) Mr Khanna is **an** honourable man and **X** honourable men are always fair and just.
- g) **The** sugar is lying in the pantry .
- h) We could see **the** moon in the sky.

Q6. (multiple answers possible)

- a) How **many** kilograms of rice did you buy?
- b) I like that **new red** bike that is parked here.
- c) **Which** area do you live in?
- d) **These** mangoes are very tempting.
- e) Your **torn** dress was repaired last night

Q7.

- a) Neeraj is **older** than Pankaj.
- b) Which animal is supposed to be **the most cunning**.
- c) The pen is **mightier** than the sword.
- d) No other metal is as **useful** as iron.
- e) This task seems to be the **easiest** of all.

Q8.

- a) What are you writing these days? **Interrogative Sentence**
- b) Kindly fetch me a glass of water. **Imperative Sentence**
- c) How attractive this butterfly is! **Exclamatory Sentence**

- d) He doesn't like to eat chocolates. **Declarative /Assertive (negative)**
- e) The Earth revolves around the Sun. **Declarative Sentence**
- f) Carry proper winter clothing. **Imperative Sentence**
- g) How are you related to the teacher? **Interrogative Sentence**
- i) What a nuisance it is! **Exclamatory Sentence**

Q9.

- (a) **What is the moral of the story told by you?**
- (b) **All that glitters is not gold.**
- (b) **What an impressive performance she gave on this occasion!**
- d) **Don't waste time watching silly cartoons.**

Q10.

- 1. Ann writes as well as **he**.
- 2. **She** is my best friend.
- 3. Can you help **me** with this math problem?
- 4. This is **my** book. The one on the table is **yours**.
- 5. They told **us** about the trip.
- 6. He made the model airplane all by **himself**.
- 7. **We** have a dog. **Its** name is Max.
- 8. The students brought **their** own lunch to school.
- 9. **You** should complete **your** homework before watching TV.
- 10. The cat cleaned **itself** after eating.
- 11. **They** are going to the movies tonight. Do you want to join **them**?

Q11.

- 1. Anya **is** working on her homework.
- 2. Samantha **is** making dinner with her grandma.
- 3. The friends **are** going to South Carolina.
- 4. **Does** your dad work in this building?
- 5. **Do** you want to come to my house later?
- 6. Meenakshi **doesn't** like animals.

7. The poster **is** hanging on the wall.
8. Where **does** your family like to eat?
9. **Is** your brother playing hockey this weekend?
10. Paramdeep **doesn't** watch television anymore.
11. His family **doesn't** go to parties.
12. Tariq and Tenzin **are** planning a vacation.

Q12.

- a) We **could not** find the keys anywhere in the house yesterday.
- b) The baby **cannot** walk yet because she is too young.
- c) You **should** obey traffic rules.
- d) We **can** go to the park if we finish our chores.
- e) It looks like it **might not** rain today, but we should still take an umbrella.
- f) When he was younger, he **could** run very fast.
- g) You **should** apologize if you make a mistake.
- h) She **might** not come to the party because she is feeling unwell.
- i) If you practice hard, you **can** become an excellent pianist.
- j) He **would** prefer to stay home tonight and relax.

Q13. Identify the tense of the verbs in the following sentences.

- a) Present Simple
- b) Present Continuous
- c) Past Simple
- d) Past Simple
- e) Future Simple
- f) Past Continuous
- g) Present Continuous
- h) Past Continuous
- i) Simple

Future

Q14.

- a) She went to the market every Saturday.
- b) They are playing football in the park.

- c) I visit my grandparents every/each weekend.
- d) He was finishing his homework.
- e) We go to the beach in the summer.
- f) She will read a book in the library.
- g) They are living in this city with their grandchildren.
- h) I cleaned the house in half an hour.
- i) He will leave before the party starts.
- j) They will be finishing the project in 24 hours.

- Q15. a) threw
 b) ran
 c) the
 d) played
 e) saw
 f) chased
 g) him
 h) went
 i) were
 j) said

Q16.

In the year 1900, a small, dark-haired boy
 named Charles Chaplin was often seen
 waiting outside a back entrance
 of London theaters. He **looked** thin and
 hungry but his blue eyes **were** determined
 He could sing **and** dance. His parents
were music hall performers and
 He **was** born into the life of the theatre.

SECTION C (Literature)

Q1.

- a) Douglas Malloch
- b) abab
- c) 1. A small stream
- d) 1. alliteration (be a bush)

Q2.

- a) the sun.
- b) Meera Uberoi
- c) 4. Imagery
- d) 1. It traps the golden light within itself

Q3.

- a) 2. Helping to keep beaches clean
- b) 2. Clean a beach
- c) 3. Help others understand
- d) 3. Explaining why recycling is important

Q4.

- a) 2. Ma
- b) 3. Worried
- c) 2. She cares deeply about Grandpa.
- d) Ma's announcement made Reeta stay at home to take care of her younger brother, Jay and to give her biology test at school instead of going to the hospital.

Q5.

- a) 3. Manu
- b) 4. Work for their good
- c) 1. Happiness and well-being

- d) Rani Lakshmibai (or Manu) decides to give more priority to the welfare of others than her own desires.

Q6.

- a) 1. The mukhiya
- b) 2. Catch a bandit
- c) 2. Nawab Rangeele's boastful stories and perceived bravery
- d) Nawab Rangeele was shocked and frightened but he pretended to be brave and declared that he would catch the bandit.

Very short questions

Answer 1. Kali's father earned one hundred and fifty rupees per poisonous snake.

Answer 2. The marshal was taking the criminal to Levenworth prison.

Answer 3. Maibon wished for attaining eternal youth.

Answer 4. Nawab Rangile is known in his village for his boastful nature and tall tales of bravery and valour.

Answer 5. Nawab Rangeele earns a living by doing odd jobs like selling eggs and catching crooks.

Answer 6. Manu prefers climbing trees, riding horses, and practicing sword fighting over housework.

Answer 7. Reeta discovered that Simon was almost deaf, which might have caused him to lead Grandpa into the path of the car.

Answer 8. Grandpa surprised Reeta by walking in from the verandah with Simon leading him, showing that he was able to walk again.

Answer 9. The laburnum tree differs from the cawing crows in that it does not advertise itself or seek attention, whereas the crows are noisy and noticeable.

Answer 10. In the summer, the laburnum tree traps golden light within itself. / In May, the crystallized sunbeams break out, making the tree bright and glow.

Answer 11. The laburnum tree appears untouched and burns with topaz light.

Answer 12. We can help keep the rivers clean by participating in activities like such as cleaning a beach and recycling bottles and cans.

Answer 13. The poem mentions Earth Day as a special day for showing care for our planet.

Answer 14. The King of Jhansi, King Gangadhar Rao, proposed marriage to Manu when she was thirteen years old.

Answer 15. Manu finds the warrior horse and the bejeweled sword more interesting among the gifts from the King of Jhansi.

Answer 16. Nawab Rangile meets Bhootnath in the forest, who is disguised as Lallu, the sweet-seller.

Answer 17. Begum Rangili tries to protect her family from Bhootnath by mixing sleeping pills into the halwa hoping that he would eat it.

Answer 18. If you can't be a muskie ,be the liveliest bass in the lake. Give your best no matter how big or small the task is. Always put in your best effort.

Short Answer Questions

Answer1. Mr Easton was the actual criminal and he had committed counterfeiting. He was imprisoned for seven years for his misdeeds.

Answer2. Mr Easton was a handsome, young gentleman with a bold expression and manner whereas the marshal was ruffled and had a heavy physique and a glum face.

By the virtue of their appearances Miss Fairchild assumed that Mr Easton was the marshal and not the criminal. Hence, it is rightly said that 'Appearances are deceptive'.

Answer3. In my opinion , Mordona was wiser than Maibon as she was more practical and sensible than Maibon. Maibon asked Doli for a stone which would grant him eternal youth whereas he could have asked for magic pot , money or jewels with which he could have fed his family but his wishes were confined to himself.

Answer 4. Mordona was furious on seeing the magical stone . She called Maibon selfish and a fool. She told that he was duped by the dwarf and it is just an ordinary stone.

Answer5.Kali was a diligent student.Although he loathed school but his teacher was very fond of him.No matter how badly he wrote his lessons,his teacher was always impressed by him.According to the teacher Kali's work was the best and he was constantly appreciated for his work.

Answer6. After catching the snake in his class,Kali planned to purchase a new dress for his baby sister with the money he would earn after selling the rat snake at the Vandalur Zoo.

Answer7.One day Maibon saw a frail ,old man hobbling along with creaking bones,rattling teeth.This pitiful sight made him aspire for a magical stone which could turn his wish into reality.

Answer8. Reeta and her family looked after Simon by taking him to the vet when he got sick and made sure he felt loved at home. Reeta walked him, fed him, and stayed close to him to keep him company.

Answer9. Grandpa managed to live on his own with the help of his trained guide dog named Simon. Simon was a German shepherd who helped Grandpa by guiding him safely whenever he went for his walks or to the shops.

Answer 10. The phrase suggests that in May, the laburnum tree becomes very bright and beautiful, like sunbeams turning into sparkling crystals. It shows its true beauty to everyone.

Answer 11. During most of the year, the laburnum tree looks ordinary with plain leaves and it's not very tall. It doesn't attract much attention compared to other things like noisy crows.

Answer 12. The signs of environmental pollution include the air which no more feels fresh and smells of pollution, unclean beaches and rivers, and forests which are not green anymore.

Answer 13. According to the poem, each person can make a difference by taking actions like cleaning beaches, recycling bottles and cans, learning about environmental issues, and helping others understand how they can contribute.

Answer 14. Rani Lakshmibai avoided household chores like cooking and plaiting her hair. She preferred activities such as climbing trees, riding horses, and practicing sword fighting.

Answer 15. Bhootnath decides to pretend that it's safer to leave the forest and go to Nawab Rangeele's house. His real plan was to steal Begum Rangili's jewellery while he's there.

Answer 16. Nawab Rangeele accidentally served the halwa dish without any sleeping pills to Bhootnath, allowing him to stay awake and carry out his plan.

Answer 17. Nawab Rangeele never showed bravery because his stories of courage were exaggerated and not based on real experiences. He had never been in a situation where he needed to be brave.

Long Answer Questions

Answer 1. We must take pride in our job and accomplish it with our best effort. It's good to be a pine tree on the top of the hill, but you can still be noticeable by being the best bush beside the stream making the valley beautiful. Whatever we do, we must put in all our efforts in accomplishing that task.

Answer 2. Kali's teacher was very fond of Kali. Despite his efforts to fail, Kali acquired the best position as a perfect role model in the class. Kali's teacher always appreciated his efforts.

In the fit of adversity Kali's teacher proved to be a coward. When a snake entered the class instead of rescuing the students, he hid himself under the table to save his skin. After realization of the fact that the snake has been caught the teacher scolded the students for being scared of the snake and on hearing this the students grinned at each other.

Answer 3. The marshal offered a lie about his handcuffs to prove he has compassion (or heart) for the prisoner. Therefore, the author has perfectly titled it "Hearts and Hands" because by having the marshal lie about his hand being that of the prisoner, he is also showing his heart for Mr. Easton.

Answer 4. Had I been in the marshal's place, I would have done what he did. I totally agree with his righteous behaviour of portraying Mr. Easton as the marshal to save him from embarrassment. (As per child's response.)

Answer 5. If I ever encounter a deadly animal like a snake in my classroom I would be petrified and freeze because of fear. I would shout and seek help of an elderly person rather than dealing myself. (Student's response may differ)

Answer 6. Manu's stubborn nature benefits her by making her determined and persistent in her efforts, such as her studies and physical activities like sword fighting and horse riding and allows her to be successful and skilled in various areas.

Answer 7. Manu's dedication to her education and skills inspires others by showing that with determination and hard work, one can achieve excellence in various fields. Her commitment to learning sword fighting and horse riding despite challenges sets an example of courage inspires others to follow their passions as well.

Answer 8. Considering the welfare of others over personal desires, as Manu does, is important because it shows kindness and empathy towards others. It helps build strong relationships and a supportive community where everyone's needs are considered.

Answer 9. It's important for each person to take responsibility for the environment because when we clean beaches and recycle, we keep our planet clean and healthy. Learning about environmental problems helps us understand how to protect nature. By helping others understand, we can all work together to make a positive impact on the Earth.

Answer 10. Reeta's caring behavior towards Simon when he was sick shows that she is kind and responsible. She made sure Simon went to the vet when he needed help and stayed with him at home to comfort him. Her actions tell us that she deeply loves animals and takes care of them just like she cares for her family.

Answer 11. In 'Simon Says', Simon, Grandpa's guide dog, was dedicated to guiding Grandpa safely and stayed close to him all the time. This shows that having a loyal friend like Simon can make a big difference in someone's life, showing support and care in difficult situations. It teaches us how strong bonds and trust between people and animals can make life better.

Answer 12. The poet teaches us in "Laburnum" that things may seem ordinary at first but can hold surprising beauty. The laburnum tree looks plain most of the year. However, in summer, it traps golden light. By May, this light bursts out, shining brightly. This transformation shows us that appearances can be misleading. The tree teaches us to not judge a book by its cover.

Answer 13. Tambe believes that girls should have the freedom to choose their husbands rather than having marriages arranged for them. He also believes that girls deserve equal access to education as boys.

Answer 14. Tambe believes that education is important for both boys and girls because he dreams of a future where everyone, regardless of gender, has equal opportunities to learn and grow. He thinks that educated girls, like boys, can contribute a lot to society and make smart decisions about their lives.

Answer 15. Rani Lakshmibai, known as Manikarnika or Manu in her childhood, was a brave girl. She preferred activities like sword fighting and horse riding over traditional household chores, showing her adventurous spirit and determination to excel. Her decision to accept the marriage proposal from the King of Jhansi was driven by her sense of duty towards her people, reflecting her selflessness and commitment to their welfare.

Answer 16. When Rani Lakshmibai accepted the marriage proposal from the King of Jhansi, she showed values of selflessness, duty, and sacrifice. She prioritized the well-being of her people over her personal desires, showing a strong sense of responsibility as a leader. These values are crucial because they inspire trust and loyalty among the people she ruled.

Answer 17. Yes, it's not good to boast or tell untrue stories. In 'Operation Blackbeard', Nawab Rangile liked to tell big stories about his bravery, but when he had a chance to show it by catching Bhootnath, he couldn't do it. This made people disappointed because they believed him. When we tell untrue stories, it can cause problems and make it hard for people to trust us. It's better to be honest and show courage when it's needed, like Begum Rangile tried to protect her family honestly with the halwa.