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SET-A

The question paper is divided into four sections.

Section A: Reading 15 marks

Section B: Grammar 15 marks

Section C: Literature 25 marks

Section D: Writing 15 marks

Instructions:

a. Attempt all questions

b. Do not write anything in the question paper

- c. All the answers must be correctly numbered as in the question paper and written in the answer sheet provided to you.
- d. Attempt all questions in each section before going to next section.
- e. Read each question carefully and follow the instructions.

SECTION- A (READING -15 MARKS)

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

A good book may be the best of friends. It is the same today that it always was and it will never change. It is the most patient and cheerful of companion. It does not turn its back upon us in times of adversity or distress. It always receives us with the same kindness, amusing and instructing us in youth and comforting and consoling us in age. A good book is often the best urn of life enshrining the best thoughts of which that life was capable for. The world of a man's life is, for the most part, but the world of his thoughts. Thus, the best books are treasuries of good words and

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golden thoughts which are remembered and cherished, and become our abiding companions and comforters.

Books possess an essence of immortality. They are by far the most lasting products of human efforts. Temples crumble in to ruin, pictures and statues decay, but books survive.

Books introduce us to the best society; they bring us into the presence of the greatest minds that I have ever lived. We hear what they said and did, we see them as if they were really alive, we are participants in their thoughts, we sympathize with them, enjoy with them, grieve with them, their experiences become ours and we feel as if we were, in a measure, actors with them in the scenes in which they describe.

Choose the most suitable alternative:

 $(1 \times 5 = 5)$

- 1. The author regards good book as
 - a. The best of enemies
 - b. The best of friends
 - c. Worse companions
 - d. Wastage of time
- 2. A good book is very patient and
 - a. Cheerful companion
 - b. Bad friend
 - c. Criticizing mate
 - d. None of the above
- 3. A good book is often the best urn because
 - a. It contains no ideas
 - b. It does not enlightens
 - c. It reflects only negativity
 - d. It contains valuable thoughts

- a. Friends
- b. Products of human efforts
- c. Enemies
- d. None of the above
- 5. Temples are destroyed but
 - a. Books are burnt
 - b. Books get damaged
 - c. Books survive
 - d. Books are lost

2. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow: (1x5=5)

THE MAGIC TREE

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Tommy rubbed his eyes, blinked hard, and looked out of his bedroom window again. But it was still there- an enormous oak tree that definitely hadn't been there yesterday! If it had been there, he'd have known all about it for sure. For a start he would have climbed up it, for Tommy loved nothing better than climbing trees.

No, this tree was definitely not there yesterday! Tommy sat staring at the tree in wonder and disbelief. The tree stood there, outside his bedroom window, with its huge, spreading branches almost asking to be climbed. Tommy wondered how on earth it had suddenly got there, but he decided that before he wondered about that too much, he had better go and climb it first. Afterall, there was always time later to wonder about things but never enough time to do things, he thought.

As soon as he was dressed, he ran outside to take a closer look at the new tree. It seemed just like any other big oak tree. It had lots of wide, inviting branches and lots of green, rounded leaves. And it had deep, furrowed bark just like any other oak tree.

Tommy couldn't resist any longer. On to the lowest branch he stepped and then up to the next. The tree seemed so easy to climb. There were branches everywhere.

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In no time at all, he was in a green, leafy canopy. He couldn't even see the ground any more. But something seemed not quite right. The branches beneath his feet seemed to be so big now that he could stand up on them and walk in any direction. And the branches all around him seemed just like trees themselves. In fact, he suddenly realized that he wasn't any longer climbing a tree, but standing in a whole forest full of trees.

 $(1 \times 5 = 5)$

- 1. What was the strange sight Tommy saw in the morning?
- 2. What did Tommy want to do?
- 3. What was special about the tree?
- 4. What did he realise at the end?
- 5. Find words from the passage which mean
 - (a) deep wrinkles (b) covering hung over as a shelter.

Q3 Read the following poem and answer the questions given below: $(1 \times 5 = 5)$

DON'T GIVE UP

If you've tried and not won, Never stop for crying; All that's great and good is done Just by patient trying.

Though young birds, in flying, fall, Still their wings grow stronger; And the next time they can keep Up a little longer.

Though the sturdy oak has known Many a blast that bowed her, She has risen again, and grown Loftier and prouder. If by easy work you beat, Who the more will prize you? Gaining victory from defeat,-That's the test that tries you!

- 1. The young birds fall repeatedly while flying as _____
 - a. their wings grow stronger
 - b. their wings are not strong enough
 - c. they do not want to fly
 - d. they are very small
- 2. The sturdy oak has grown _____
 - a. Prouder and longer
 - b. Loftier and bolder
 - c. Loftier and prouder
 - d. Prouder and bolder
- 3. According to the poet, what is priceless?
 - a. Patient trying
 - b. Crying if you have not won
 - c. Winning by easy work
 - d. Struck by a blast
- 4. What is the test that tries you?
 - a. Try till you succeed
 - b. Gaining victory from defeat
 - c. Rise again and grow
 - d. Have patient trying
- 5. Write any two pair of rhyming words from the above poem.

SECTION B(GRAMMAR – 15 MARKS)

QI. Change the following sentences from active to passive voice. $(1x3=3)$		
 I am making a Mother's Day card. She checked all the items. He has posted the letters. 		
Q II. Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct option. $(1/2x2=2)$		
 Five hundred years a long, long time. (is, are) I my friends whenever I can. (teach, teaches) His spectacles broken. (was, were) Neha, as well as Aman, coffee. (like, likes) 		
Q III. Punctuate the following sentence. $(1x1=1)$		
do you believe in ghosts asked nisha.		
Q IV. Choose the most appropriate option from the words given in brackets. $(1/2x4=2)$		
. Have you visited the old fort? It was the fort we visited during our holidays. (older, oldest, most older)		
2. Lucy is clever, but Carrol is than Lucy.		
(clever, cleverest)		
3. No one can be as Dhara Singh.		
(strong, as strong, stronger)		

4. The test in Science was easy, but the test in English was _____.

(easy, easier, easiest)

QV Choose the most appropriate word from the bracket. (1/2x8=4)

1.	In many countries men do military service.		
	(must, have to, mustn't)		
2.	Can I have that dessert? It's very tasty.		
	(more of, most of, few of)		
3.	You report to the police at once.		
	(ought to, should, have to)		
4.	You go. You can stay here if you want.		
	(needn't, mustn't, shouldn't)		
5.	My father pick me up when I was in primary school.		
	(should, would, used to)		
6.	The grew silent as the home team lost the match.		
	(audience, spectators)		
7.	7. The students looked carefully while the teacher was doing the experime		
	(peered, witnessed, observed)		
8. A person who designs the movements of a dance.			
	(lyricist, cinematographer, choreographer)		
Q	VI Do as directed. $(1/2x6=3)$		
	1. This fruit is		
(Fill using the negative adjective of 'edible')			
	2. He was appointed as the new of Gujarat.		
	(Fill using the noun form of 'govern')		
	3. Short interesting or amusing story about a real person or event.		
	(Write one word for the above)		
	4. Sunil is getting through his new job		
	(Complete the sentence with a suitable 'house expression')		
	5. The teacher wanted anfrom the student.(alter/explain/invite)		
	(Fill choosing a suitable root word and adding suffix –tion to it)		
	(Fill choosing a suitable root word and adding suffix –tion to it)		
	(Fill choosing a suitable root word and adding suffix – tion to it) 6. Perhaps the officer will come for inspection tomorrow.		
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SECTION C (LITERATURE 25 MARKS)

QI Choose the correct option. (1x3=3) 1 The lesson "The Day the Viceroy Came" is written by _______. a) A K Ramanujan b) R K Laxman c) O.Henry d) Ruskin Bond 2 Cyril wanted to keep ______ as a souvenir. a) his photograph which came in newspaper b) the tiny cup shaped nest c) books on birds d) his binoculars 3 Where did Aunt Iru see the fairies?

- a) in the Hurry- Scurry fields
- b) in a farm near their house
- c) among the thick roots of the old banyan tree
- d) in the seven mansioned palace

QII Read the extracts given below and answer the questions . (3x3=9)

- 1. It is one of the life's mysteries how they managed to converse.
 - a) Who do the 'they' refer to in these lines?
 - b) Why did they have difficulty in conversing?
 - c) Name the author of the lesson.
- 2. "You aren't going to let the chance go, are you?
 - a) Who is the speaker?
 - b) Who is giving chance to whom?
 - c) What did they decide then?
- 3. I've always had a great weakness.
 - a) Who said to whom?

Q III Answer the following questions. (any three)

(2x3=6)

- 1. Write the moral of the poem "The Ant and the Cricket."
- 2. What was the announcement made by the King's town crier?
- 3. What were the instructions given to the school authorities regarding Vicegeral Party's visit? How did they prepare for that?
- 4. What were the belongings which Carole found in Meta's trunk?

Q IV Quote lines from the poem "My bird sings" and write poets name.(3mks)

Your pretty bird in a gilded cage	
Your poor bit thing behind its bars.	
Poe	::

QV Answer any one of the following in detail.

(1x4=4)

1. How did Tricki recover from his illness? Explain.

OR

Why was Dr Rao anxious to save the Black Robins? How did he plan to double the number of eggs?

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SECTION D (WRITING - 15 MARKS)

Q 1. Write a dialogue between father and son/daughter discussing the republic day celebrations at his/her school.

OR

Write a dialogue between Dr.Rao and Cyril about their plans to save black robins. (5 Marks)

Q2. You are Amit/Anita. You travelled by air for first time, between your hometown and Dammam. Write a diary entry describing the experience.

(80-120 words) (5 Marks)

Q3. You are Riya/Riyaz. Imagine your brother went for a fair. He didn't return home. Design a poster giving all the necessary details.(5 Marks)
