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Time : 3 Hours ]

[ Maximum Marks : 100

**Instructions :**

- (i) All questions are **compulsory**.
- (ii) Read the questions carefully and answer them.
- (iii) Marks of each question are indicated against it.
- (iv) Internal choices are given as per the blue print.

### SECTION - A

1 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions below it :

Modern etiquette is an art. It has to be cultivated by persistent practice. The first requirement of good etiquette is a pleasing personality, which includes a good dress in tune with times. After these basic requirements are in place, the person desiring to learn the art of etiquette must develop the power of speech to be a good communicator. He must have a smooth accent in the language in which he converses. Modern etiquette includes having a clear idea of the day-to-day topics and happenings in the society or in the community in which one lives. These ideas enable a person to be interesting and entertaining at various functions, dinners, evening parties or in the clubs. To be sociable is a great asset in society. A sociable man, being popular, can crack good jokes when there is an occasion for him, can raise interesting issues for discussion and win friends and admirers.

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**Questions :**

- (i) What is the first requirement of good etiquette ? 1
- (ii) What does modern etiquette include ? 1
- (iii) What is modern etiquette ? 1
- (a) An art
- (b) persistent practice
- (c) good dress
- (iv) Give one word for → "One who is liked by a large number of people" \_\_\_\_\_ 1
- (v) Choose a correct word from the passage that means – Way of speaking \_\_\_\_\_ 1

2 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it :

City children suffer from a great disability. They have little contact with nature. They do not know the joys of living in the open air. In cities there is no space to live. So one story is piled upon another. Their lives are so artificial that they don't enjoy the benefit of seeing the stars at night. They buy flower pots and put paper flowers or plastic flowers in them. They hang pictures of sun-rise or sun-set on the walls. Whenever one turns, one finds artificial lights during the day as well as in the night. They have lost even darkness of night which is given to man for peace and quiet thought. So the task before education is to change the whole system of values that are current in our cities.

**Questions :**

- (a) What is the task before education ? 1
- (b) How have the lives of city children become artificial ? 1
- (c) City children have little contact with nature. True/False ? 1
- (d) According to the passage night gives \_\_\_\_\_ to man. (Fill in the blank) 1
- (e) Find the opposite of 'Natural' from the passage. 1



3 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it :

Helen Keller lost her eyesight and hearing at the age of two because of an illness. She became deaf. She also lost the ability to speak, for we learn to speak by imitating what we hear. At first it seemed impossible that she would ever understand others or be understood by them. Her's was thus a lonely world. She was helped by a wonderful teacher called Miss Sullivan who had herself been blind as a child but recovered her sight after an operation. Miss Sullivan volunteered to help Helen and taught her to speak, read and write. Helen later went to a university and even gained a degree. She then spent the rest of her life working to help the blind and deaf.

**Questions :**

- (a) How did Miss Sullivan help 'Helen' ? 1
- (b) What did Helen do for the blind and the deaf ? 1
- (c) When did Helen lose her eye-sight and hearing ? 1
- (i) At birth (ii) At the age of two
- (iii) At the age of four
- (d) We learn to speak by hearing others. True/False ? 1
- (e) Which word in the passage means "One who is unable to see". 1
- (i) Deaf (ii) Sight
- (iii) Blind

**SECTION - B**

4 You are Tanushree studying in Govt. H.S.S. Bhopal. Write an application to your principal requesting him to issue your school leaving certificate. 6

**OR**

You are Prakash Sharma, residing at Nehrunagar, Rewa. Write a letter to your friend Himanshu inviting him to attend your elder brother's marriage.



- 5 Read the following passage carefully and do as instructed in (a) and (b) below the passage :

It is an admitted fact that union or cooperation is strength, disunion is weakness. A united family, a united community, a united society, a united nation is strong; but those who are disunited or split up into fractions or groups, are all weak. Take the case of a football or hockey team. If the members of the team play together and cooperate with one another, they form a strong team. But if each member of the team plays his own game, they will surely be defeated, however strong the individual players may be. The same is true of an army. To win a battle, an army must work as one man. Napoleon's motto was, 'Divide and conquer.' He tried to split up the armies fighting against him. Then he would overcome them one by one. Divided they were weak. A united team, a united army, a united nation is strong.

**Questions :**

- (a) Make notes on the contents of the passage and give a title also. 4
- (b) Prepare summary of the passage. 3
- 6 Write a paragraph in about 80 words on "Clean India Campaign (Swachhha Bharat Abhiyan) with the help of the verbal inputs given below : 7
- (1) Cleanliness is based on health.
  - (2) To put the garbage in the dustbin.
  - (3) Cleanliness : a national mission.
  - (4) To develop the habit of cleanliness.
  - (5) Use of cotton bags only.
  - (6) Awareness in the society.
  - (7) Availability of water for cleanliness.

**OR**

Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 200 words :

- (1) Any Great Leader.
- (2) Values of Games and Sports
- (3) Your Hobby
- (4) Science - A Blessing or curse.



## SECTION - C

7 Grammar :

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(a) Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct option from the bracket : (any five)

- (i) He gave me \_\_\_\_\_ one rupee note. (a / an / the)
- (ii) His father is \_\_\_\_\_ M.P. (a / an / the)
- (iii) I have two pens \_\_\_\_\_ my pocket. (in / on)
- (iv) She writes \_\_\_\_\_ pen. (with / by / in)
- (v) Ravi always \_\_\_\_\_ to school. (go / goes)
- (vi) \_\_\_\_\_ is a good exercise. (swimming / swim)
- (vii) I don't have \_\_\_\_\_ money. (some / any)

(b) Choose the correct word from bracket and fill in the blanks : (any five)

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- (i) \_\_\_\_\_ you lift this box ? (Can / May)
- (ii) He promised \_\_\_\_\_ the money. (to return / returning)
- (iii) She did not \_\_\_\_\_ her duty. (do / did)
- (iv) Rohit \_\_\_\_\_ a pen yesterday. (by / bought)
- (v) I am busy \_\_\_\_\_ I can't talk to you. (so / because)
- (vi) The boy \_\_\_\_\_ is singing is my friend. (who / whom)
- (vii) She is fond of \_\_\_\_\_ songs. (to sing / singing)

8 Do as directed : (any five)

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- (i) Shreya does her homework. (Change into Negative)
- (ii) I sing a song. (Change into passive voice)
- (iii) Rohan is very weak. He can't run fast.  
(Combine the sentences using 'so....that')
- (iv) If he does his homework, the teacher will not be angry.  
(Rewrite using 'UNLESS' in place of 'if')
- (v) The thief saw the police. He ran away.  
(Rewrite these sentences using 'As soon as'.)
- (vi) Ravi tells a lie. (Make the sentence emphatic)
- (vii) Hema teaches Hindi. (Change into present continuous)



9 Translate into English : (any five)

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- (i) मेरी कक्षा में 40 छात्र हैं ।
- (ii) शिक्षक सुबह से अंग्रेजी पढ़ा रहे हैं ।
- (iii) तुम्हारा क्या नाम है ?
- (iv) राम अयोध्या के राजा थे ।
- (v) मेरे पास एक रेडियो है ।
- (vi) भोपाल मध्य प्रदेश की राजधानी है ।
- (vii) वह पतंग उड़ायेगा ।

### SECTION - D

10 Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions given below it :

Sardar Kishan was on the verge of losing his nerve. He continued delivering his speech in his delirious manner. When the milkman ran towards him and gave the dreaded news that the execution was over, Sardar Kishan Singh announced to the crowd "Bhagat Singh has been executed. I am going to fetch his body. None of you should budge from here. I don't wish that in taking away the body of Bhagat Singh I shall have to take away many more".

**Questions :**

- (a) 'Don't budge from here' means : 1
  - (i) don't move from here
  - (ii) don't buy from here
  - (iii) don't play over there
- (b) From which lesson has the extract been taken ? 1
  - (i) The power of determination
  - (ii) Salutation to the Nation
  - (iii) Children
- (c) Sardar Kishan was Sardar Bhagat Singh's brother. (True / False) 1
- (d) Who was going to take Bhagat Singh's body ? 2



11 Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions given below it :

Once more the brave boy made up his mind. He would not be a cripple. He would walk. But unfortunately from the waist down, he had no motor ability. His thin legs just dangled there, all but lifeless. Ultimately, he was released from the hospital. Everyday his mother would massage his little legs. But there was no feeling, no control, nothing. Yet determination that he would walk was as strong as ever. This determined young man Dr. Glenn Cunningham, ran the world's fastest mile !

**Questions :**

- (a) The word in the passage similar in meaning to 'disable' is \_\_\_\_\_ 1  
(i) dangle (ii) cripple (iii) determination
- (b) What had caused the disability to the boy ? 1  
(i) He suffered an accident by bus  
(ii) A truck ran over him  
(iii) He got burnt.
- (c) The name of the boy was ? 1  
(i) Roger Bannister  
(ii) Glenn Cunningham  
(iii) Burt Dubin
- (d) How did the mother help the boy to overcome his disability ? 2
- 12 Answer the following questions in 30 words : 3  
(a) What did three revolutionaries do while going towards the place of execution ?  
**OR**  
What did Tcherviakov's wife advise him ?
- (b) What were the qualities of Subuddhi and Kubuddhi ? 3  
**OR**  
How did people live in the villages during the writer's childhood ?
- 13 Describe the qualities of Bhama Shah ? (in 60 words) 4  
**OR**  
Why did Pratap Singh call Bhama Shah the "Saviour of Mewar" ?



14 Read the extract carefully and answer the questions given below it :

"I saw different things you did,  
But always you yourself hid.  
I felt you push, I heard you call,  
I couldn't see yourself at all."

Questions :

- (a) About whom is the poet talking ? 1  
(i) The sky (ii) The wind
- (b) 'Always' means. 1  
(i) ever (ii) every
- (c) Name the poet. 1
- 15 Why does the poet want God to light the lamp ? 3
- OR**
- What are the types of work of the wind as described in the poem ?
- 16 Answer the following questions in 20 words : (any two) 4  
(1) What does the wind always do ?  
(2) Who is noble, brave and wise ?  
(3) What does the poet say about books ?
- 17 Answer any three of the following questions in 30 words each : 9  
(1) Why did the woman start running ?  
(2) In what places does Malaria occur most ?  
(3) What was the problem of the soldier ?  
(4) What are the things that seem moving faster than fairies and witches ?
- 18 Answer any two of the following questions in 30 words each : 6  
(1) What qualities can be acquired through playing game.  
(2) What is the factor that assures strength ?  
(3) Why was the boy happy all the day ?

