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Class : 12th

(Max. Marks : 80

SECTION I: PROSE

(Reading for Comprehension, Language Study, Summary, Mind Mapping)

Q.1-A) Read the extract and complete the activities given below: (12Marks)

The young lift-man in a city office who threw a passenger out of his lift the other morning and was fined for the offence was undoubtedly in the wrong. It was a question of "please". The complainant entering the lift, said, "Top". The lift-man demanded "Top-please", and this concession being refused not only declined to comply with the instruction, but hurled the passenger out of the lift. This, of course was carrying a comment on manner too far. Discourtesy is not a legal offence, and it does not excuse assault and battery. If a burglar breaks into my house and I knock him down, the law will acquit me, and if I am physically assaulted, it will permit me to retaliate with reasonable violence. It does this because the burglar and my assailant have broken quite definite commands of the law. But no legal system could attempt to legislate against bad manners, or could sanction the use of violence against something which it does not itself recognize as a legally punishable offence. and our sympathy with the liftman, we must admit that the law is reasonable. It would never do if we were at liberty to box people's ears because we did not like their behaviour, or the tone of their voices, or the scowl on their faces. Our fists would never be idle and the gutters of the city would run with blood all day. I may be as uncivil as I may please and the law will protect me against violent retaliation. I may be haughty or boorish and there is no penalty to pay except the penalty of being written down an ill-mannered fellow. The law does not compel me to say "Please" or to attune my voice to other people's sensibilities any more than it says that I shall not wax my moustache or dye my hair or wear ringlets down my back. It does not recognize the laceration of our feelings as a case for compensation. there is no allowance for moral and intellectual damages in these matters.

A1) Global Understanding :

Choose the correct two statements which explain the theme of the extract.

- The author points out that being impolite in social life is accepted by the legal system.
- The author tells us that discourtesy is not a legal offence.
- The author narrates the incident in a city office to prove how ill-manners pollute the atmosphere.
- The author expects that ill-mannered people should be punished by law.

A2) The young lift-man threw a passenger out of his lift because

A3) State whether the following statements are true or false.

- There is no law against ill-manners.
- The passenger threw the lift-man out of the lift.
- Discourtesy is a legal offence.
- The law punishes a person who knocks a burglar in his house down.

A4) Personal Response:

Give / express your views about good manners.

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A5) Language study :

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- i) Discourtesy is not a legal offence.
(Choose the correct alternative of a Rhetorical Question)
i) Does discourtesy not a legal offence ?
ii) Is discourtesy a legal offence ?
iii) What a legal offence discourtesy is !
- 2) There is no allowance for moral and intellectual damages in these matters.
(Choose the correct alternative of using not only but also)
i) There is no allowance for not only moral but also intellectual damages in these matters.
ii) Not only there is no allowance for but also moral and intellectual damages in these matters.
iii) There is not only allowance for moral but also intellectual damages in these matters.

A6) Vocabulary: Give one word substitution for the following.

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- i) do something bad to someone who has done something bad to you _____
ii) having a high opinion of oneself and often a low opinion of other _____
iii) action or feeling that causes damage _____
iv) make a law / laws _____

B) Language study : Do as Directed / Transformation of Sentences:

(4Marks)

- 1) Use the correct articles and rewrite the sentence:
COVID 19 is one of _____ most hazardous diseases witness by _____ world. 1
- 2) As soon as the captain gave an order, the soldiers fired.
(choose the correct alternative to get 'No sooner from the given sentence) 1
- i) No sooner the captain gave an order than the soldiers fired.
ii) No sooner did the captain give an order than the soldiers fired
iii) No sooner does the captain give an order than the soldiers fired.
iv) No sooner has the captain given an order than the soldiers fired
- 3) Travelling is a way to reverse time. 1
(Rewrite the sentence using 'infinitive' form to the underline verb)
- 4) Spot the error and rewrite the correct sentence. 1
I know a man which is very tall.

Q.2) A) Read the extract and complete the activities given below:

(12Marks)

With the onset of winter, the picturesque Nalaban bird sanctuary inside the Chilika Lake is agog with the presence of thousands of migratory birds from faraway Siberia, Iraq, Iran & Central Europe. The birds arrive at their winter abode inside the birds sanctuary, which is spread over 15.5sq. km., to stay for five months till monsoon sets in. This year the migration of winter birds has begun two weeks ahead due to disturbances and scarcity of food in their native places.

The birds have taken shelter in artificial mounds inside the sanctuary which had been constructed by the wildlife division as the core area of the sanctuary.

According to wildlife officers, the migration of birds to the Chilika lake, the second largest in the world, has increased over the years due to the conducive atmosphere prevailing there.

A survey conducted by the Chilika wildlife division has revealed that the number of migratory birds arriving at the lake has increased to over two million.

Many rare birds like the Smew Duck, Mallard, Nakta, Marbled Teal and Goliath Heron have also been spotted last year.

Application of pesticides and chemicals in the fields and loss of natural habitat affect bird migration. Birds and animals have a relationship and their harmonious presence is beneficial for the continuity of a sanctuary.

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A1) Write whether the following sentences are True or False:

- Migration of birds to Chilika Lake has decreased over the years.
- Birds migrate to Chilika Lake during summer.
- Pesticides and chemicals in fields affect the migration of birds.
- Birds are encouraged to migrate to Lake Chilika.

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A2) Give a list of the places and birds related with migration.

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A3) Give reasons: Migration is essential for the birds.

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A4) Personal Response:

Write your own opinion about birds and animals life?

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A5) Language study (Do as directed):

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- The birds have taken shelter in artificial mounds.

(Frame a 'Wh'-question to get the underlined part as its answer.)

- The birds arrive at their winter abode inside the bird sanctuary. (Make it a complex sentence.)

A6) i) In the passage the 'core area' means:

- overflowing area
- central area
- isolated area

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- Make a sentence of your own using the word 'conductive'.

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B) Summary Writing:

(3Marks)

Prepare a summary of the extract given in Q.2 A. Give it a suitable title. You may use the following points:

(Winter- Chilika Lake-migratory birds-second largest lake-conductive atmosphere- artificial mounds- variety of birds-effects of pesticides/chemicals-harmony.)

C) Mind-Mapping:

(3Marks)

Develop a mind-mapping frame/ design to show the preparations you will make while planning your first trek into the Sahyadri Hills. Your plans can include:

- Choice of place
- Physical preparations
- What to carry
- Precautions, etc.

SECTION II: POETRY

(Poetry and Appreciation)

Q.3-A) Read the extract and complete the activities given below:

(10Marks)

He felt the cheering power of spring,
It made him whistle, it made him sing;
His heart was mirthful to excess,
But the Rover's mirth was wickedness.
His eye was on the Inchcape float;
Quoth he, "My men, put out the boat,
And row me to the Inchcape Rock,
And I'll plague the Abbot of Aberbrothok'.

The boat is lower'd, the boatmen row,
And to the Inchcape Rock they go;
Sir Ralph bent over from the boat,
And he cut the Bell from the Inchcape float.
Down sunk the bell with a gurgling sound.
The bubbles rose and burst around;
Quoth Sir Ralph, The next who comes to the Rock
Won't bless the Abbot of Aberbrothok'.

A1) Rewrite the following sentences as per their occurrence in the extract.

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- Sir Ralph cut the Inchcape Bell.
- Sir Ralph asked his men to row him to the Inchcape Rock.
- The Inchcape Bell sank down.
- Sir Ralph kept his eye on the Inchcape float.

A2) Describe the state of mind of sir Ralph.

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A3) Personal Response:

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'Those men who do wrong things, meet with due punishment.' Express your point of view on the above statement.

A4) Make the list of the rhyming words from the extract. Write the rhyme scheme also.

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A5) Compose four poetic lines of your own on- 'A memorable evening on a beautiful beach'.

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- B) Read the poem given below and write the appreciation based on the following aspects: (4Marks)

Weavers, weaving at break of day,
Why do you weave a garment so gay?...
Blue as the wing of a halcyon wild,
We weave the robes of a new-born child.
Weavers, weaving at fall of night,
Why do you weave a garment so bright?...
Like the plumes of a peacock, purple and green,
We weave the marriage-veils of a queen.
Weavers, weaving solemn and still,
What do you weave in the moonlight chill...
White as a feather and white as a cloud,
We weave a dead man's funeral shroud.

- * About the poem/poet and significance of the title
- * The theme
- * Poetic devices
- * Inspirational message, values
- * Special features.
- * Your opinion and critical evaluation of the poem.

SECTION III: WRITING SKILLS

- Q.4) Complete the activities as per the instructions given below:

- A) Attempt any ONE from the given activities :

(4Marks)

1) Drafting a Virtual Message:

Imagine, you are Rahul / Jyoti studying in 12th standard. You are going to attend an International Awareness Programme in New Delhi the next week. Draft a message in about 100 / 150 words to convey the same to your classmate. Give your own reasons to support your message.

OR

2) Statement of Purpose:

You wish to join the Institute of Fashion Designing in Ahmedabad after your 12th Standard. You have a keen interest in fashion and have attended many fashion shows. You have also completed a certificate course in tailoring and worked as an apprentice in a tailoring establishment. Prepare an SOP to be sent along with your application.

OR

3) Group Discussion:

Have a group discussion on the following topic:

* 'CLEAN INDIA' *

- B) Attempt any ONE from the given activities :

(4Marks)

1) E-Mail

You purchased a 42 inches smart T. V. four months ago from M. G. Electronics and Appliances. It is not working properly and also it does not have good sound and picture quality. The warranty period of the T.V. is still valid. Write an E-mail in about 100 / 150 words to the shop owner complaining about the problem.

OR

2) **Report Writing:**

Your junior college recently organised a 'Blood Donation Camp'. You are the students representative. Write a report on the camp in about 100/150 words.

OR

3) **Interview:**

You have to interview a young girl who has been selected to represent India at The Olympics (Swimming Championship). Prepare a set of at least 8 questions for taking her interview, using the following points:

- * childhood
- * inspiration
- * obstacles faced
- * future plans
- * message to others

C) **Attempt any ONE from the given activities :**

(4Marks)

1) **Speech Writing:**

Prepare a speech on 'Teacher's Day' celebration in your junior college.

OR

2) **Compering:**

Imagine that you are a compere for the 'Traditional Day' function in your college. Prepare a script for compering the programme in about 100 -150 words with the help of the points given below:

- 1) Introduction- A brief introduction of the programme function/show
- 2) Welcome speech
- 3) Speech about the value of traditions
- 4) Parade of students in traditional attire
- 5) Vote of thanks

OR

3) **Expansion of Idea:**

Expand the following idea in about 100-150 words with the help of the points given below:

- * Empty vessels make the most sound'.
 - * people without knowledge
- * trying to impress
 - * lack of self-confidence

(4Marks)

D) **Attempt any ONE from the given activities:**

1) **Review:**

You have recently read a book. Write a 'Review in about 100 /150 words of the book with the help of the following points :

- * Title / author of the book
- * Subject / Story / Information
- * Language / Style / Presentation
- * Benefits / Message

OR

2) **Blog Writing:**

Write a blog in a proper format on 'Yoga- a practice for better living' in about 100-150 words with the help of the points given below:

- * Importance of yoga in life
- * Keeps body fit and healthy
- * Refreshes soul and mind
- * Stress buster
- * Meditation helps in focussing

OR

3) Appeal:

Prepare an appeal on the topic 'Keep you city/ village clean-do not spit' in about 100-150 words with the help of the points given below:

- * Spitting spreads germs
- * Unhygienic and repulsive habit
- * Makes the roads/ city/ village dirty
- * Any other points

SECTION IV:(LITERARY GENRE-NOVEL)

Q.5-A) Complete the activities given below as per the instructions:

(4Marks)

1) Pick out the odd element from each line :

- a) Joseph conrad, Graham Greene, Daniel Defoe, Anthony Burgess.
- b) Mystery , Style , Conflict , Character
- c) The turn of the screw, Aphra Behn , Rajmohan's wife, Jane Eyre
- d) Drama , Novel, Psychology , Poetry

2) Chosse the correct alternative and rewrite the sentence:

- a) The novel as a literary genre has a history of about _____ years.
- b) The new literature written in the 18th century was characterised by _____
(mystery , fantasy , spirit of realism)
- c) In _____ novel , the surface meaning is different from the symbolic meaning.
(Allegorical , Dystopian, Gothic)
- d) _____ has coined the phrase.
stream of consciousness. (Jane Austen, Virginia Woolf, William James)

B) Answer the following questions in about 50 words each:

(4Marks)

- 1) Explain in brief the theme of the extract from 'To Sir With Love'.
- 2) Give the character sketch of Denham in the extract from 'To Sir With Love'.

C) Answer the following :

(4Marks)

- 1) Complete the table highlighting various traits of the following characters in the extract from 'Around the World Form Eighty Days'.

Name of the Characters	Traits
i) Aouda	
ii) Detective Fix	

- 2) 'We can go around the world in less time by journeying eastward'.

Justify it with foggs journey in the extract from 'Around the World Form Eighty Days' .(in about 50 words)

D) Answer the following questions given below:

(4Marks)

- 1) Elaborate the following line in the light of the novel 'The Sign of Four' (in about 50 words)
" You really are an automaton- a calculating machine"

2) Arrange the following incidents in correct sequence as per their occurrence in the extract from the novel 'The Sign of Four'

- a) Mis Morstan showed Holmes the pearls and letter.
- b) Mis Morstan discussed her problem with Holmes and Watson.
- c) They planned to meet the writer of the letter.
- d) Miss Morstan met Holmes and watson at their house.