

SECTION I : LANGUAGE STUDY

Q. 1 A1) Do as directed.

- a) to get – infinitive
to buy – infinitive
- b) Imperative sentence
- c) Did I remember?
- d) to coax someone – Reena coaxed me to accompany her to this amazing photography workshop.
- e) **KLEPTOMANIA: LEPT, MAN, MANIA, TO**
- f) Questions, Solution, Nature, Education.
- g) “Follow my example,” She said as we shook hands “and never eat more than one thing for luncheon”.
- i) It is very pretty, isn't it?

A2) Do as directed.

- a) Fight – Noun – We went to see a boxing fight yesterday.
Fight – Verb – My sister and me keep fighting for small things.
- b) may – Permission
- c) **Identify the non finite verbs and state the type.**
 - i) overloading – Gerund
 - ii) to leave – infinitivehaving – Participle
- 4) Conversion – dialogue, discussion, debate, address, talk, retorted, mention, answer

B) Do as directed

- a) i) Very few women of India were as great as Sarojini Naidu.
ii) Sarojini Naidu was greater than most other women of India.
- b) He was called Jim and greatly hugged – Main Clause
Whenever Mr. James Young came home and reached his flat – Adverb Clause of Time

SECTION II : TEXTUAL PASSAGES

(Reading skills, Vocabulary and Grammar)

Q. 2 A) Read the following passage and complete the activities.

A1) Fill in the blanks with the right words from the passage.

- i) An old and experienced Cuban fisherman has a run of terrible bad luck.
- ii) The old man and the sea is the story of the old man's struggle against sharks.

A2) Read the passage and name the following.

- i) Manolin
- ii) Cuban waters
- iii) Shrapnel
- iv) Marlin

A3) Make sentences of your own using the following words.

- i) bait – The hunter laid a bait for the tiger.
- ii) Defeat – We should not be defeated by worries and problems in life.

A4) Do as directed.

- i) On reading his work again and again, the reader can find new layers of meaning.
- ii) The Marlin is strong and start pulling the boat.

A5) The novel draws heavily on his own life. He had the experience of fishing in the Cuban waters and like the old man he was also a fan of baseball. He was wounded seriously by a mortar fire, whereas the Old man is

wounded by the shrapnel during the First World War. The story is about the old man's struggle with the Marlin and his later battle against sharks and emerging triumphant. Hemingway's own life is a tale of endurance and ultimate triumph.

Q. 2 B) Read the following extract and do the activities.

B1) Fill in the blanks.

- i) State parties that are elected for six year terms by the world heritage centre's general Assembly.
- ii) The state parties are then responsible for identifying and nominating new sets for inclusion on the World Heritage list.
- iii) There are five steps in becoming a World Heritage site.
- iv) The World Heritage Committee meets once a year.

B2) Answer the following in one or two sentences.

- i) Select sites from the list, Review of the list by two advisory bodies, The Advisory bodies recommend to World Heritage list, meet the ten criteria, becomes a heritage site.
- ii) Once a site goes through all the process and is chosen it becomes the property of the country on whose territory it sits.

B3) a) Make meaningful sentences using:

- i) inclusion – The inclusion of the guitar in the band enhanced its performance.
- ii) territory – The territory near the factory was sealed as it was considered dangerous.

b) Add prefix to the following words:

- i) irresponsible ii) insignificant iii) unimportant iv) unelected

B4) Identify the tenses in the following sentences.

- i) Present Continuous Tense
- ii) Simple Past Tense

B5) I will first stop the child from doing more harm and then find the parents and tell them what their child was doing. If the parents don't take it seriously then I will tell the concerned authority.

Section III Poetry

Q. 3 A) Read the following extract and do the activities

A1) Match the following:

	A	B
i)	mighty dead	Lovely tales
ii)	endless fountain	Immortal drink
iii)	trees	Temple
iv)	passion poesy	Cheering light

A2) Answer the following.

- i) The mighty dead are our ancestors who were great in their own ways and we come to know about them by reading or hearing various tales which speak of their innumerable sacrifices. It is this greatness of theirs which is attributed to grandeur.
- ii) A beautiful visual scene holds on to our memory, stays with us and become a source of joy till the end of life.

A3) Identify figures of speech.

- i) Metaphor
- ii) Personification

Q. 3 B) Read the following poem and write an appreciation of it with the help of the given points in paragraph format.

This poem written by Oliver Wendell Holmes is a light - hearted one. The poet who is a sober man once wrote a poem in a cheerful mood. He thought it had turned out to be a good one, so he called his servant and told him to take it to the printer. When the servant took a glimpse at the poem, his face broke into a grin, as he continued reading the grin became broader and he broke into a chuckle. The servant then roared with laughter splitting his waist band and bursting five buttons and finally he tumbled in a fit. The poet watched the wretched man in a such a state for ten days and nights without any sleep. Since

then the poet never dared to write anything fancy again.

This poem has the rhyme scheme 'abcb' and has used a variety of figures of speeches. There are the basic ones like Alliteration and Repetitions as well as others like Tautology, Hyperbole, onomatopoeia and Transferred Epithet.

Holmes has created imagery by giving the example of the servant grinning, laughing and tumbling in a fit. I personally like the lines describing the reaction of the servants.

SECTION IV : NON TEXTUAL PASSAGE

(Reading Skills, Vocabulary, Grammar and Summary)

Q. 4 A) Read the following passage and answer the questions.

A1) Fill In the in the blanks.

- i) In the 16th century rackets were introduced and it changed the way people played the game
- ii) In the 1800s, the sport became more structured and the Wimbledon Championships began.

A2) Answer the following.

- i) Tennis developed in the 1400s whereas rackets were introduced in the 16th century and by 1800s, sport became more structured and Wimbledon Championships started.
- ii) Playing tennis decreases your risk for heart diseases and increases your bone health. It helps with weight loss and enhances flexibility balance and coordination.

A3) Write the antonyms of the following from the extract.

- i) Unnecessary × necessary
- ii) insignificant × significant
- iii) ended × began
- iv) worthless × worthwhile

A4) Do as directed.

- i) In the 16th century, rackets were introduced, changing the way people played the game.
- ii) It can be picked up by people of all different ages and abilities.

A5) My favourite sport is badminton. It improves my concentration and flexibility.

Q. 4 B) Read the above passage and write a summary of it. Suggest a suitable title.

Tennis – A Super Sport

Tennis has been played since hundreds of years for fun or competition. It needs a racket, sneakers, and a playing court. Tennis dates back to 1400s but rackets introduced in 1600s changed the way it was played. Before that, people used to play with their palms of their hands to hit the ball. Wimbledon Championships began in 1800s.

Tennis is a sport which can be easily played by all. It helps weight loss, enhances flexibility, balance, coordination, increases bone health and decreases our risk for heart diseases.

SECTION V : WRITING SKILL

Q.5 A) Letter writing. Attempt any one of the following activities.

A1) 33, Mayur Apartment,
Sector V, Panvel.
23rd November, 2017

The Editor,
Times of India.

Subject : Concern over city losing green cover

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I, an environment friendly student of DPS would like to bring to your notice the sad but true fact about how our city is losing its green cover. Trees are being cut down slowly and the city is having a bare look with no trees, no flower and no fauna. The city will have a deadly look. People cut trees to build societies and as a result of it one has to search for green areas in the vicinity.

Mass tree plantation drives can be taken by people to grow trees which are man's best friends. If we do not take action soon, we shall have to face severe consequences.

I request you to print some interesting articles for public awareness so to apprise them about the importance of preserving and caring for the green cover. If this is not done at the earliest we may soon have to build oxygen parlours to get our daily oxygen.

I hope you take some immediate steps to prevent further loss of green cover.

Thanking you,

Yours Sincerely,
XYZ

OR

A2) 25, Sadashiv Peth,
Lokmanya Nagar, Pune
India.
21st September, 2018

Dear cousin Paritosh,

I received your parcel last evening and cannot thank you enough for the set of Arthur Conan Doyle books that you sent me as a birthday gift. I have taken a great liking to the deductions of the master detective, Sherlock Holmes.

In Pune, this month has great importance as we celebrate 'Ganesh Chaturthi' with great happiness. It is a ten day festival of the Elephant God who is believed to come down to visit our homes and bless us. Earlier individual homes would celebrate it, but Lokmanya Tilak transformed it into a mass community event.

Did you know that Pune is the birthplace of this festival? The first five Ganapatis of this community festival were: Kasaba Ganapati, Tambdi Jogeshwari, Guruji Talim, Tulshibaug Ganapati and Kesarhvada Ganapati. They are generally the first ones to lead the procession during this festival. Another famous Lord Ganesh from Pune is Shrimanta Dagdu Sheth Halwai.

Schools and colleges get a mini-vacation of 10 days to enjoy this festival. My favourite part of this festival is the Modaks, a sweet delicacy offered for Lord Ganesh. I hope you can come down to India next year to enjoy all of it with me. Give my love to Aunt Sinhalata and Uncle Pradyumna.

Your loving cousin,
Sankarshan

Q.5 B) Dialogue Writing / Interview writing

- B1)** Shopkeeper : Good morning Sir, What do you need?
Customer : Hello, Good morning. 1/2 kgs of Tea leaves and 1 kg of Sugar. Also 1 kg of toor dal.
Shopkeeper : Here Sir, Just check your orders. And your total bill is Rs. 590/-
Customer : Oh, the prices of all essential things have gone up.
Shopkeeper : Yes Sir, We are also finding it difficult to cope-what with increasing prices and taxes.
Customer : How has the sale been after this price hike.
Shopkeeper : Oh, this is a slag season sir. Only the essential items like what you purchased keep disappearing from the shelves but things such as bags, bottles and clothes are not moving at all.
Customer : What about luxury things like – TV sets, laptops etc.
Shopkeeper : Sir, Many Companies have been giving discounts on their items. There's some movement because of that.
Customer : I hope things change soon.
Shopkeeper : Yes Sir, We also need to keep our shop going.
Customer : Alright, see you and thanks.

OR

B2) Good morning Vidya Salvi. Firstly heartiest Congrats on securing the 2nd place in state level scrabble championship. The school is really proud of you.

May I ask you few questions?

- 1) How and when did you develop interest in the game?
- 2) How many hours of practice? Do you give to this game?
- 3) What do you refer for new words?
- 4) Who plays with you at home?
- 5) Do you read a lot of books for new words?
- 6) Which dictionary do you refer?
- 7) What are your interests other than scrabble?
- 8) What are your score in this competition?
- 9) What are your future plans?
- 10) What advice would you give to young enthusiasts of scrabble?

Q.6 A) Information Transfer: Attempt any one of the following activities.

A1) Non-Verbal to Verbal:

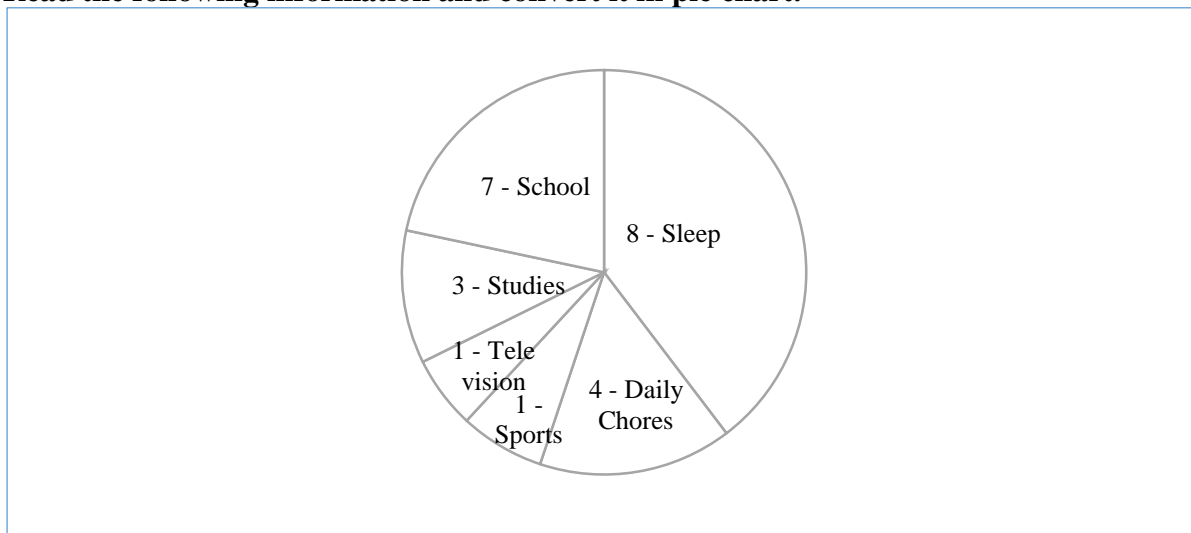
Observe the chart given below and write a paragraph on it.

Water pollution may occur due to three given reasons, that comprise domestic wastes, agricultural wastes and industrial wastes. Domestic wastes are further of three kinds, which include suspended wastes such as dust, colloidal wastes like bacteria and dissolved wastes which consist of salts dissolved in the waste water. Agricultural wastes generally comprise the excess fertilizers or pesticides that flow away into water bodies. Industrial wastes are further classified as chemical or physical pollutants. Chemical pollutants may contain organic wastes such as pesticides or inorganic wastes, for example heavy metals like lead, while physical pollutants may be of the thermal kind or may include oil spills.

OR

A2) Verbal to Non-Verbal:

Read the following information and convert it in pie chart.



Q.6 B) View – Counterview /Drafting a Speech:

Attempt any one of the following activities.

B1) Views/Counterviews:

‘Children must play outdoors for at least 2 hours a day’

With the emergence of mobile technology, all technological devices have been contained in a single device: the cell phone. Right from education, to entertainment, the world has shrunk for the user.

Children particularly are hooked to this device, as gaming is a very popular form of entertainment for them. Children will use all the tricks up their sleeve to lay a hand on their parents' cell phones. Once, in their hands, they go to a virtual world that is completely their own and long hours are spent in front of the display of this device. Playing outdoors has been reduced to the point of absence, so eyes have.

become weaker. Creativity and imaginative thinking have greatly reduced as everything is available on the internet through the cell phone. Hence, it is now necessary that children should spend at least a couple hours a day by playing outdoors. This way, their physical health will improve as they will enjoy the fresh air outside. It will rejuvenate them completely and also ensure that they have a sufficient dose of social interaction beyond their school hours. All the problems that children develop such as obesity, health related diseases, lack of social skills and moral values would be compensated just by spending 2 hours playing outdoors.

OR

B2) Drafting a Speech:

Respected Principal Sir, all the teachers and my dear friends.

Good morning to one and all and I am here to talk on – how to save natural resources for World Nature Conservation.

Natural resources are the natural gift given by the God to u. We use them to sustain our life. For example, forest, coal, petroleum, land, water, wind, metals, etc.

For economic growth, the presence of the natural resources in the country is essential. If the existing resources are not being properly exploited and utilized, the country cannot develop. We should understand their importance and use within limit only when required. We need to conserve them because they are limited only. The three R's – Reduce, Reuse and Recycle - represent the best strategy for conserving non renewable oil, coal and natural gas. Recycling saves trees and water. If we do not preserve our natural resources, we are going to lose the entire ecosystem. We need to use alternative forms of energy to reduce the burden on natural resources.

Finally to sum it up – Lets think and act in an eco-friendly manner by preserving nature's beauty.

Q.7 Expand the theme:

A) Expansion or News Report: Attempt any one of the following activities.

A1) Expansion based on Proverb/ Maxim/ Quotation/ Slogan:

Expand any one of the following ideas.

1) Rome was not built in a day.

Man has been striving to better himself since the dawn of time. The process of evolution helped him discover fire, build tools, hunt, and eventually build a civilisation. This process didn't happen overnight, but it took centuries for man to get where he is today. Similarly, Rome took years to build and a lot of hard work went into creating the architecture of this magnificent city. It took years of persistent efforts to make it a symbol of beauty. The proverb thus states that it takes time to create important things or perform important tasks. Whether it is success or perfection, it cannot be achieved at once. One needs to have patience, persistence and the desire to work hard to achieve something significant. For example, an artist cannot craft a masterpiece in a day. It takes days of hard work and creativity to finally create a piece of art. Thus, once we set our mind to something, we should not give up easily and continue doing it without getting discouraged by however long it takes. Instead, we should keep trying to achieve our goals, because constant efforts and determination is the key to achieving success.

2) You can't have your cake and eat it too.

This proverb literally means that we cannot have everything we desire in life. It implies that compromises need to be made when one has to choose from between two mutually exclusive options. Human wants are endless and we often have a choice to make when it comes to taking important decisions in life. When faced with such a choice, we need to understand that we can only choose one of the two options. The proverb conveys the message that we should learn to be content with what we have in life, instead of going after the things that are beyond our reach. It states that our dreams should be realistic and not mere fantasies. Only when we learn that there are things we are going to miss out on in life, will we truly be able to make peace with it and lead a happy life. It does not mean that we should

settle for something that we don't really want. The choice may be difficult, but once we know what's best for us, we won't feel bad about the decision that we make. Thus, when we are faced with a choice between two irreconcilable options, we should understand that we can't have our cake and eat it too.

OR

A2) News Report based on the following information:

Summer camp for students of Std. VIII to X on the theme art and culture.
Bandra, 9th May 2017

A summer camp for students of Std. VIII to X was held at Galleria at Bandra. The camp which was held for 3 days was a Mastiki Dhara for all those who had enrolled. The theme was art and culture and there were local artisans from the nearby villages which flourish on the outskirts of Mumbai. Warli painting was taught to the students who learnt the skill with ease and expertise that the final products made showed no signs that were made by amateurs. Bamboo and cane basket making was taught to the students too. Students and children from different areas enjoyed the way the artisans taught and worked. Pottery was another subject which was taught to the children, those small little hands on the wheel shaping pots was a right to see. Each child who tried it did not want to leave the clay molding wheel. To add to all this was the local food cooked by the villagers. Students enjoyed the summer camp. The grand finale came up with a small entertainment and an exhibition cum sale of the products made by the children crowds thronged to buy these products which were amazing.

This summer camp shall surely go down memory lane by all those who were a part of it. The entire venue had a festive look. Soon it may have time for the camp to come to a close but it surely has been etched up in the minds of many.

Q.7 B) Story or Narrating an experience: Attempt any one of the following activities.

B1) Writing a story:

Develop a story in about 150 – 180 words with the following ending. Give a suitable title.

Once there lived a small girl named Rani in a village. She was exceedingly beautiful and too proud of her looks. She hardly played with other children in the neighborhood, because she thought none of them are fit to mingle with her as they were so plain looking.

One day this proud and beautiful girl was sitting alone in the recess period at school, while other children played around. There was a girl called Meena who lived near Rani's home and studied in the same school. Meena was dark and plain, looking. She had none of the charms of the Rani's. As Rani was sitting alone, Meena approached her and asked her to join them in a Kho-Kho match. Rani indignantly refused "I don't Want to have anything to do with you, just leave me alone." While other children Were very angry, Meena pacified them and they kept to themselves.

A few days later, there was the annual picnic at school. All the girls planned beforehand how they were going to enjoy the day with great foods, games etc. 'Nobody included Rani in the group, nor did she want to be included.

The picnic was actually a trekking through a hilly terrain and forests. All the girls made groups and started trekking while Rani had no partner. Meena did come and asked Rani to be her partner but Rani did not want to join such an ordinary girl in trek. After an adventurous journey to the hill top, started the descent, which was even more risky since it had started raining. All the girls were busy, chattering away, holding each other's hands to keep their balance. Nobody even noticed that Rani was not in the group. In fact she had a nasty fall while climbing down and landed up in a narrow road side ditch. She had a sprain and could not walk. She cried for help, but since she was not in the group, nobody heard her. By now Rani was very scared.

Then all of a sudden she heard somebody calling out by her name. It was Meena. Rani quickly responded. Meena found her and held out a hand to help Rani come out of the ditch. She bandaged Rani's ankle with her scarf and helped her to limp back to the group. But for Meena, Rani would perhaps have been left behind in the ditch!

It was that day Rani learned a lesson never to judge anyone by the appearance.

B2) Narrating an experience:

Narrate the following experience in about 150 – 180 words. Give a suitable title.

A House on Fire

One evening I heard fire engines with loud alarm bells rushing past my house, I quickly ran out and, a few streets away joined a large crowd of people; but we could see the fire only from a distance because the police would not allow any one near the building on fire.

What a terrible scene I saw that day! Huge flames of fire were coming out of each floor, and black and thick smoke spread all around. Every now and then tongues of fire would shoot up almost sky-high, sending huge sparks of fire round-about.

Three fire engines were busily engaged and the firemen in their dark uniform were playing the hose on various parts of the building. The rushing water from several hoses soaked the building but it did not seem to have any effect on the flames. Then the tall red ladders of the fire engine were stretched upwards and I could see some firemen climbing up with hoses in their hands. On reaching almost the top of the ladder, they began to pour floods of water on the topmost part of the building. This continuous flooding brought the fire under control but the building was completely destroyed.

While fire is a blessing in many ways, it can also be a great danger to human life and property.

*This question paper is for practice purpose only.