

Seat No. : _____

JM-91

March-2013

COMPULSORY ENGLISH

TEXT: CHINAR

Other than English Medium

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

- Instructions:** (1) Mention clearly the options you attempt.
(2) Figures to the right indicate full marks.
(3) All questions are compulsory.

1. (A) Answer briefly any **five** of the following questions : **10**

- (i) Why did Pyotr's friend ask for a stag party ?
- (ii) What does Dr. Karan Singh mean by 'having muscles of iron and nerves of steel' ?
- (iii) Why is it good to have a variety of species ?
- (iv) Where did the Sandys decide to hide the diamond ?
- (v) What is the evil effect of national prejudices ?
- (vi) Why did Maggie come to meet Mr. Gupta ? What did she give him ?
- (vii) Why did the narrator enjoy going to the mosque ?
- (viii) Why did the others refuse to do the Hangman's work ?

(B) Attempt short notes on any **two** of the following : **10**

- (i) Bio-Piracy and its effects
- (ii) Pyotr
- (iii) Maggie
- (iv) Dr. Robert Sandy

2. Answer in short any **five** of the following questions : **10**
- (i) When and where did the poet see the daffodils ?
 - (ii) Did any one answer the traveller's knock at the door ?
 - (iii) What does Tagore mean by 'narrow domestic walls' ?
 - (iv) Where had the poet's mother spent her childhood ?
 - (v) Why does the poet call the mosquito a 'ghoul' ?
 - (vi) Why has the poet described solitude as being blissful ?
 - (vii) What, in the poet's opinion, is the mosquito's purpose for standing high on its legs?

3. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below : **10**

In Kerala, Onam is a very popular festival. It comes in the month of August. The people of Kerala celebrate it with great joy. They remember their Dear King Mahabali on that day. King Mahabali was a very just King. He was also very kind. He was a very popular King. The people loved and worshipped him like a God. The Gods did not like this. They took away his Kingdom and turned him out of his Kingdom. But the King said to the Gods, "Please allow me to see my people." The Gods granted his wish. So he visits his people once in a year. The people celebrate his visit as Onam. They decorate their houses with a special decoration called Kolam. Kolam is a rangoli of flowers. There is a special item for the feast. It is called Payasam. In the evening at some places there are mock fighting and boat – races in the rivers. All have a happy time.

Questions :

- (i) Why did people worship King Mahabali like a God ?
- (ii) When does the festival of Onam come ?
- (iii) What was the King's wish ?

- (iv) How do people celebrate Onam ?
(v) Find words from the passage which mean :

Competition = _____

Not real = _____

4. Develop a short composition (Essay) on any **one** of the following : **10**

- (i) My ambition in life
(ii) Books, our best friends
(iii) Pollution, man's deadly enemy

5. (A) Fill in the blanks with proper verb forms : **05**

- (i) The film _____ before they reached the cinema-hall. (start)
(ii) My neighbour _____ smoking last month. (leave)
(iii) Vandana's younger sister _____ with me in F.Y. B.Com. this year.
(study)
(iv) We _____ the function if Shyamal invites us. (attend)
(v) Listen, Lata _____ this sweet song. (sing)

(B) Fill in the gaps with the right forms of auxiliaries of : be / have / do : **05**

- (i) One of my uncles _____ a doctor who _____ his own hospital.
(ii) _____ Sangita been in your place, she would have won the race.
(iii) How many brothers and sisters _____ Ashwin _____ ?

(C) Fill in the blanks with suitable articles : **05**

- (i) Mr. Trivedi is _____ M.L.A. from our constituency.
(ii) _____ Indian Ocean is to _____ south of India.
(iii) We waited for you for _____ hour and _____ half.

(D) Fill in the gaps with proper prepositions : (Choose from : at, with, to, on, in, by) **05**

(i) Are you all familiar _____ the new system ?

(ii) Some books are _____ the table ; the others are _____ that drawer.

(iii) Please, look _____ this painting and listen _____ me carefully.

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TEXT: Prose & Poetry for the Young Reader

English Medium Only

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

- Instruction:**
- (1) Mention clearly the options you attempt.
 - (2) Figures to the right indicate full marks.
 - (3) All questions are compulsory.

1. Answer the following questions in brief : (Any **five**) **10**

- (i) What makes Charles Dickens term the road as 'the Corduroy road' ?
- (ii) How does the experience of letter-writing become an annoying one for Sam ?
- (iii) Why, according to Miss Mebbin, would people be amused if they knew what actually had happened ?
- (iv) According to Katharine Wilson, when do the cat and the dog live in peace ?
- (v) What shocking sight did Haria see when he suddenly looked back ?
- (vi) How did the name 'vitamins,' come about ? What are the extreme symptoms of vitamin A shortage ?
- (vii) In what way were Pele and Babe Ruth compared ? What did people believe about the comparison ?

2. Write short notes on any **two** of the following : **10**

- (a) The various causes of soil erosion as enumerated by Dr. C.V. Raman
- (b) The positive aspects of our civilization
- (c) The significance of the title 'A Hero on Probation'.

3. Answer the following questions in brief : (Any **five**) **10**
- (i) What does the song of 'The Solitary Reaper' make Wordsworth think ?
 - (ii) Describe the broken statue that the traveller saw in a desert.
 - (iii) What makes Keats call the beautiful lady 'sans merci' ?
 - (iv) In what way does the speech delivered by Ulysses reveal his character ?
 - (v) Describe the condition of the young rider of 'Incident of the French Camp'. Why does he keep his lips shut tight ?
 - (vi) Where does the poet Robert Frost stop ? Why ?
 - (vii) What cost did Matilda pay for her habit of telling lies ? How ?
4. Write a paragraph on any **one** topic : **10**
- (i) The changing Face of Reality shows on T.V.
 - (ii) Ambitions and values in Career Mapping
 - (iii) Diet and Exercise
5. (A) Fill in the blanks with appropriate verb forms : **05**
- (i) I _____ (allow) to participate in the competition.
 - (ii) She _____ (give) the finishing touches to her creation when somebody _____ (knock) at the door.
 - (iii) I wish I _____ (take) proper care of my ailing pet.
 - (iv) We often _____ (mistake) her for her sister.
- (B) Fill in the blanks with appropriate auxiliaries : **05**
- (i) She is happy because she _____ do it.
 - (ii) Whatever may be the consequences, I _____ file a case in Consumer court.
 - (iii) He believes, he _____ (negative) participate in strike.
 - (iv) "Please _____ be careful about your health", the doctor insisted.
 - (v) Look at the way he is shouting, _____ he gone crazy ?

(C) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions : 05

- (i) Her tragic story is painful _____ hear.
- (ii) We are fond _____ music.
- (iii) She spoke _____ me in Tamil.
- (iv) Smoking is injurious _____ health.
- (v) We have not seen him _____ last seven days.

(D) Fill in the blanks with proper articles : 05

- (i) I usually drive at 50 kilometres _____ hour.
- (ii) She is still _____ apprentice to this firm.
- (iii) Beware of Mr. Mehta, he is _____ cheat.
- (iv) _____ Mrs. Thaker came to address the meeting.
- (v) _____ gold in this ornament seems to be adulterated.

6. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow : 10

Gopal Krishna Gokhale (May 9, 1866 – February 19, 1915) was a front rank reformer. Among the early figures in the Indian National Congress, Gokhale's position was very high. He was feared by the Government and respected by the people. In politics, he belonged to the moderate group opposed to the extremist school led by Tilak. He, however, placed equal emphasis on social reform as on political progress. For nearly three decades Gokhale dedicated his rare qualities to the exclusive service to his country and his people in a way which few could lay claim to. He deprecated the caste-system and untouchability, pleaded for the emancipation of women and championed the cause of female education. He was a firm believer in the theory that mass education was a pre requisite to national political consciousness. He advocated that primary education should be free in all schools throughout India at once. In his opinion, the economic results of British rule in India were absolutely disastrous, resulting in frightful poverty. According to him, the greatest need of the hour in India was industrial education. In agriculture, he pleaded that old methods should be changed as much as possible. Some of his memorable speeches were made in the Imperial Legislative Council, especially on the Annual Budgets from 1902 to 1908.

Questions :

- (i) How did the British Government and common people look at Gokhale ? **1**
- (ii) Name the two major areas that Gokhale found equally important. **1**
- (iii) For how many years did Gokhale remain devoted to his nation ? **1**
- (iv) What, according to Gokhale, could be considered the root cause of poverty in India ? **1**
- (v) Find, from the paragraph, words that are similar in meaning to the following words:
Liberation, fearful **2**
- (vi) Find, from the paragraph, words that are opposite in meaning to the following words : (First letter of each word is given.) **2**
extremist × m
richness × p_____
- (vii) Frame antonyms of the following words using prefixes – ‘dis’, ‘un’, ‘ir’, ‘im’, or ‘il’. (Any **two**) **2**
equal, respect, possible
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