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SECTION – I (Prose) (Reading Skills, Vocabulary and Grammar)

Q.1. (A) Read the following passage carefully and do the activities: [10 marks]

A1. Complete:

Complete the following choosing correct answers from the passage: (2)

- (i) Asma Khan started _____.
- (ii) She did not know _____.
- (iii) She saved nearly _____.
- (iv) Asma watched _____.

It could be a scene straight out of a horror film. Only it was reality in suburban Mumbai. Rain lashed on the ground. A hundred children wailed in terror in a cramped, dark hall. Water gushed in from all sides and inched up. The inmates of Additional Bal Griha of the Children's Aid Society, mostly terrified children, sang their daily prayer : "*Itni shakti humein dena data.*" Asma, however, was the odd one out. She started calculating how soon the children will start drowning. "I could only think of one thing. That I couldn't bear to see the smaller ones drown. I am their didi." She picked up two of the smaller kids and jumped into the water nearly five feet of dirty, black liquid. "I don't know how to swim. So, slowly I moved across the slippery ground, keeping my head up to keep the water from getting into my mouth and nose." She made over a dozen such trips, carrying nearly 40 kids on her shoulders to safety. Wasn't she scared? "Nothing scares me," she says. Why didn't any of other inmates join her? "Oh well, I'm the tallest!" The girl doesn't know who or where her parents are ("*Kya pata,*" she says). Nor does she care to know about her life history from the orphanage files. But Asma certainly knows more about parenting than most. She loves to watch TV serials.

A2. Arrange:

Arrange the following sentences in a way as they occur in the passage (2)

- (i) The children sang their daily prayer.
- (ii) Asma picked up two kids and jumped into the water.
- (iii) The incident took place in suburban Mumbai.
- (iv) She made over a dozen such trips.

A3. Find:

Find non-English words or expressions from the passage (2)

A4. Language study: (2)

- (i) Nothing scares me.

(Begin your sentence with 'I am _____'.)

- (ii) She made over a dozen such trips _____.

(Rewrite using 'Past perfect tense' of an underlined verb)

A5. Personal Response:

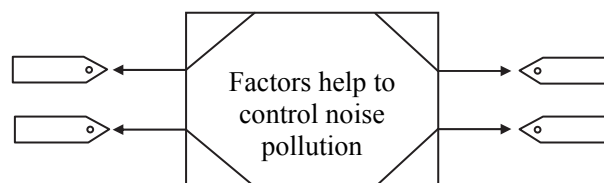
If you come across a situation of this type, what will you do? (2)

**(B) Read the following passage carefully and do the activities:****[10 marks]****B1. True or False:****State whether the following statements are 'True' or 'False':****(2)**

- (i) Noise pollution was a major grouse earlier with residence cities.
- (ii) 'NGO's tie up with various clay idol makers every year.
- (iii) Idols made of POP dissolve easily.
- (iv) Traffic and construction noise adds to pollution.

Noise: Although noise pollution, especially during festivals such as Ganesh Chaturthi and Diwali, was a major grouse earlier with residents in cities such as Mumbai, levels have dropped significantly in recent years due to increased awareness by environmental groups and strict enforcement by the police which ensures low volume and sound not travelling beyond limits, and no loudspeakers. However, vehicular traffic and noise due to construction are still a bone of contention.

Water: Due to the efforts by various NGO's and the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB), eco-friendly celebration of festivals has caught on. For example, eco-friendly Ganpatis have become hugely popular in cities such as Mumbai and Pune. This is important as idols made of POP do not dissolve easily and pollute the water. At the government level, MPCB ties up with various clay idol makers every year and puts up a list of such makers on their website to promote the practice besides conducting various awareness campaigns in conjunction with local NGO's.

B2. Web:**Complete the following web choosing appropriate information from the passage:****(2)****B3. Words:****Fill in the blanks with appropriate words selecting them from the given bracket:****(2)****(dissolves, eco-friendly, popular, campaign)**

- (i) NCC cadets _____ for tree plantation.
- (ii) Ganpatis in cities like Mumbai, Pune have become _____.
- (iii) Nowadays people are using products that are _____.
- (iv) When salt is added to water, it _____ with water.

B4. Tail Tag:**Match the following sentences with their correct tail tag and rewrite:****(2)**

	'A'		'B'
(i)	Noise pollution levels have dropped recently,	(a)	isn't it?
(ii)	Vehicular traffic and noise are still a bone of contention,	(b)	doesn't it?
(iii)	This is important,	(c)	aren't they?
(iv)	MPCB ties up with clay idol makers.	(d)	haven't they?

B5. Personal Response:

Give your own suggestions for the people who live in big cities for their health safety.

(2)



Q.2. (A) Read the following passage and do the activities:

[10 marks]

A1. Fill:

Fill in the blanks with correct words from the passage:

(2)

- (i) Disposal of solid waste is important for _____.
- (ii) Indian cities produce about _____ tons of waste.
- (iii) Earthworms are _____ bioreactors.
- (iv) _____ percent of solid waste is biodegradable.

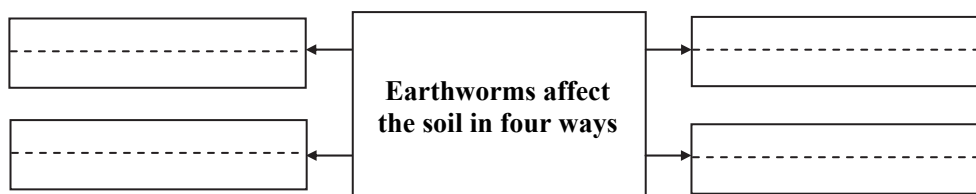
Proper collection and destruction of solid waste is very important for the overall health of urban citizens. Indian cities generate about 80,000 tons of solid waste everyday. It is very hard that none of the cities in the country collects and destroys its waste in safe way. About 60% of India's solid waste consists of biodegradable organic waste. It originates from kitchens and markets. By using earthworms this solid waste can be turned into rich organic manure. This is an eco-friendly way of making manure.

Earthworms play a key role in soil biology by serving as natural agent. They convert organic wastes into valuable organic manure. Earthworms improve the soil texture and soil aeration. They enrich the soil with nutrients. They promote useful soil required for plant growth.

A2. Web:

Complete the following web:

(2)



A3. Matching:

Match the pairs of synonyms:

(2)

	'A'		'B'
(i)	generate	(a)	turn into
(ii)	promote	(b)	produce
(iii)	manure	(c)	develop
(iv)	convert	(d)	fertilizer

A4. Choose:

Choose the correct answer form of the alternatives below:

(2)

- (i) Earthworms play key role in soil biology.
(Choose the correct Wh-question for the above sentence)
 - (a) Who play a key role in soil biology?
 - (b) What play a key role in soil biology?
 - (c) Which play a key role in soil biology?
- (ii) Earthworms improve the soil texture.
(Choose the passive voice of the above sentence)
 - (a) The soil texture improves by earthworms.
 - (b) The soil texture improves the earthworms.
 - (c) The soil texture is improved by the earthworms.

A5. Personal Response:

Suggest some solutions about disposal of wet and dry garbage.

(2)



(B) Read the passage and do the following activities:

[10 marks]

B1. Tick mark:

Write the statements and put a tick mark (✓) against those which appear in the passage and put a cross (×) against those not from the passage:

(2)

- (i) tunnels and bridges =
- (ii) paradise on earth =
- (iii) famous for beaches =
- (iv) crown of India =

Have you ever seen Paradise? If not yet, fly to Jammu Kashmir. It is the sixth largest state in India. The crown of India lies in the extreme north of the country and is bounded on three sides by China, Afghanistan and Pakistan. Nestling in the lap of the dazzling, snow-capped Himalayas, the Kashmir valley is undoubtedly a jewel in India's crown.

An inspiration for so much art, music and poetry, Kashmir is also a nature lover's wonderland and Shopper's dream-come-true. A land where beauty and the serenity of nature welcomes you almost wherever you look, Kashmir is one of the most popular tourist destinations of India. One of the most picturesque provinces of India, where the bright rays of the sun act as a foil against which a variety of flowers bloom in a riot of colors, Jammu and Kashmir is truly a miniature paradise on earth, drawing people from all around the world, with the fame of her divine beauty.

B2. Complete:

Complete the following sentences:

(2)

- (i) Kashmir is situated in _____.
- (ii) Kashmir is surrounded by _____.
- (iii) Kashmir inspires _____.
- (iv) Kashmir is a wonderland for _____.

B3. Fill:

Complete the following sentences, choosing the suitable words / phrases from the bracket:

(2)

(a variety of, popular, inspiration, picturesque, jewel)

- (i) Dal lake is a _____ destination for the stay in 'House-Boats'.
- (ii) Kashmir is filled with _____ flowers and trees.
- (iii) Pehalgam provides _____ landscape to the tourists.
- (iv) Kashmir gives _____ to the photographers too.

B4. Language Study:

(2)

- (i) Kashmir is one of the most popular tourist destinations of India.
(Begin with "Very few" and complete)
- (ii) It is India's pride.
(Use the adjective form of the underlined word and rewrite)

B5. Personal Response:

What do you think are the advantages of tourism?

(2)

SECTION II (Poetry)

Q.3. (A) Read the following extract and complete the activities:

[5 marks]

A1. Complete:

Complete the following:

(2)

- (i) Our world is _____.
- (ii) Mankind is _____.
- (iii) Mother nature tries to teach how _____.
- (iv) Mother Nature tells _____.



Our world is always changing.
 Constantly re-arranging.
 From ocean depths to mountain peaks,
 Mother Nature moves and speaks
 While telling stories of our past
 She tries to teach us how to last.
 Mankind, so smart, sometimes blind
 Leaves common sense far behind.

A2. Complete and write the following sentences. (2)

- (i) Mother Nature teaches us to _____.
- (ii) Mankind forgets to show _____.

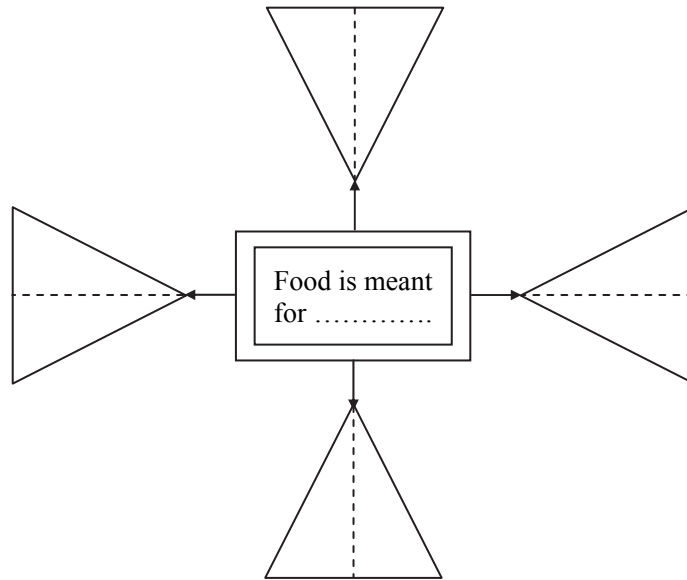
A3. Choose the rhyming words for the following: (1)

- (i) peaks _____
- (ii) last _____

(B) Read the following extract and do the activities: [5 marks]

B1. Web: (2)

Complete the following web:



Food is for senses
 Food is for mind, body and soul
 If not had on time
 On our health, it takes a toll
 There is nothing to be ashamed of
 when you eat
 Sweating it out later is what you do
 When you overeat
 The more you eat, the more it shows
 Vertically you may not but horizontally you grow

B2. What happens if we do not take our food on time? (2)

B3. Find from the extract words related to growth. (1)



SECTION – III
(Rapid Reading)

Q.4. (A) Read the extract and do the following the activities: **[5 marks]**
A1. Find: **(1)**

- (i) The number of characters in the scene _____.
- (ii) Name of the mountain _____.

Grandmother: I am a great-grandmother. I was born at the turn of the century when there were no motor cars, no aeroplanes, no television, no movies and much less noise (Pauses) I was born here—grew up, married, had my children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. I have lived here all my life. Here, in this village, on the slopes of Dharmagiri. The river, trees, flowers, birds and animals are all my friends, I have had a tough life, but a happy one. (Pauses) Now I am almost ninety. My grandson, Narayan, he is the School Headmaster, came to me with the most shocking news (Pauses) Shall I tell you about it?
 Wait I think you better see what actually happened. (She hobbles off the stage).
 Enter Narayan from one side of the stage and Sagar from the other. They meet centre-stage and greet each other.
Narayan: Welcome ! Welcome to our village ! I am the School Headmaster.
Sagar: Sagar, from Bangalore. Pleased to meet you.

A2. Give the following information from the above extract: **(2)**

Grandmother’s place of living	
Her age	
Her grandson’s name	
His profession	

A3. What do you learn about the nature of the grandmother? **(2)**

SECTION – IV
(Writing Skills)

Q.5. (A) A1 or A2. Do any one of the following activities: **[5 marks]**

<p>A1. Informal Letter Write a letter to your friend about your journey to Chikhaldara. Route, nature, hills, turns, valleys, forest.</p>	OR	<p>A2. Formal Letter You are going to Chikhaldara with your family. Write a letter to the manager of ‘Red Rangoli Hotel’ for reserving rooms and making some arrangements.</p>
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*** ‘EVERGREEN TOURS’ ARRANGES ***

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 Only for School Children
 Visit — Kashmir of Vidarbha

- * Attractive Concession
- * Fresh Veg. and Non-Veg. Food
- * Small buses to move around

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(B) B1 or B2. Do any one of the following activities:

[5 marks]

B1. Describing

You have recently visited the 'Raman Science Centre', Nagpur. Describe it in about 100 words. Add your own points.

OR

B2. Narrating

Narrate your experience of visiting the 'Raman Science Centre', Nagpur in about 100 words. Add your own points.

RAMAN SCIENCE CENTRE – NAGPUR

**An amusement park for fun
knowledge and entertainment,
planatorium, city darshan,
games and water park**

- Concession for the school children
- Free water bottle and snacks
- A/C buses with minimum charges

Q.6. (A) A1 or A2. Do any one of the following activities:

[5 marks]

A1. Speech writing:

You have to deliver a speech in a class on 'How to Achieve Great Success'. Prepare a speech with the help of the given points.

- * Concentration
- * Continuity
- * Confidence

- * Devotion
- * Determination
- * Dedication

OR

A2. Dialogue writing:

Anil is late for school. Anil's class teacher asks him the reason. Complete the dialogue between Anil and class teacher with the help of the following points. You may add your own points:

Class Teacher	Anil
● reason	● Mother ill
● illness	● fever, cough and cold
● treatment given	● Dr. Rathi
● wishing speedy recovery	● Thanks

You may begin as _____

Class Teacher : Why _____ late, Anil?

Anil : Sir, _____

Class Teacher : Whose _____

Anil : Dr. _____

(B) B1 or B2. Do any one of the following activities:

[5 marks]

B1. Information Transfer

Here is some information about the 'Gulmohar' and 'Banyan' trees. Classify the information in the following table:

The Gulmohar tree is of medium size. It has modest height. It has compound leaves that have a feathery appearance. They are bright green in colour. Its flowers are bright orange, red and yellow. It bears fruits which are flat in shape and green in colour. It has leguminous roots that have nitrogen fixing properties. The Banyan tree, on the other hand, is large and tall. Its leaves too, are large. They are glossy green in colour and elliptical in shape. The Banyan tree has no flowers, but it bears fig fruit which are round in shape and red in colour. The Banyan tree is specially noticeable for its aerial roots.



	Gulmohar	Banyan
Size	_____	_____
Height	_____	_____
Leaves	_____	_____
Flowers	_____	_____
Fruits	_____	_____
Roots	_____	_____

OR

B2. Information Transfer:

(2)

Non-verbal to Verbal

The table given below is the health chart of your friend. Write a short paragraph using the information.

• Regular diet	Rice, <i>roti</i> , <i>dal</i>
• Favourite dish	<i>Aloo paratha</i> , <i>puran poli</i>
• Pleasurable activity	Computer games and roaming
• Study hours	8 hours a day and 1 hour at night
• Exercise	yoga, morning walk
• Feelings at the end of the day	Tired, sleepy, early to bed

Q.7. Translation:

[5 marks]

Translate the following advertisement for your friend who can't understand English:

<p>FREE ! FREE !! FREE !!!</p> <p>Buy One, Get One !</p> <p>Select from thousands of books Purchase any book for Rs. 100 and one book of your choice free ! Hurry up. Limited stock.</p> <p>— Ideal Book Exhibition —</p>
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