

Answer the following questions:

I. Read the following lines from the poem 'Any Woman' and answer the questions given below:

" I am their wall against all danger,
Their door against the wind and snow,
Thou whom a woman laid in a manger,
Take me not till the children grow!

1. Identify the figure of speech employed in the lines. (1)
2. What does 'wind and snow' symbolise? (1)
3. Comment on the idea conveyed through these lines. (2)

II. Read the excerpt from 'Dangers of Drug Abuse' and answer the questions that follow:

Drug related health disorders are many and varied. Dirty needles and solutions used for injecting drugs can cause abscesses in the arms and veins, liver disease, venereal disease, and infection of the kidneys and brain.

4. Pick out the word from the passage which means 'swelling in the veins'. (1)
5. List out four drug-related disorders. (2)
6. How do abscesses form in the arms and veins? (1)

Answer the following questions from 7 to 12. Each carries two marks:

7. Edit the following passage

It is 1983. We lived in Jakarta, in a lovely white Colonial home on a street which was quiet. It is a pleasant, almost perfect life, until the day I am taken to visit an orphanage in the city.

8. You have seen your relative who is addicted to drugs. Give him two pieces of advice to stop the usage of drugs. You can begin using the expressions I think..., You should... You had better....etc.

9. Fill in the blanks choosing the correct options from the brackets

He (a) (came, comes) home late today. But yesterday he (b) (had arrived, arrived) on time.

10. A debate was conducted by the English Club of your school on the topic 'Women are not born to do everything a man can'. As a member of the group that opposes the topic write two sentences expressing your view.

11. Report the following:

Evie: Why did Mr. Gresham send for him?

Martha: He wanted to talk to him.

12. Write the significance of the title 'Crime and Punishment'

Answer the following questions from 13 to 19. Each carries 3 marks. Write any 6.

13. Express your opinion in 4 sentences about the character of the postal Assistant in 'Post Early for Christmas'.
14. Comment on the teacher-student relationship portrayed in the story 'Crime and Punishment'.
15. Elaborate the idea given in the lines below:
"And thou, O Fate, is I think the most vicious circle that thou ever seestest".
16. Prepare a blog entry based on your reading experience related to the poem 'This is going to hurt just a little bit'.
17. Write 3 sentences on the attitude of the father and the son in the poem 'Rice'.
18. Write a short note on Commercial Farming.
19. Write three dangers of drug abuse.

Answer the following questions from 20 to 24. Each carries 6 marks. Attempt any 3.

20. Prepare an e-mail to your friend about Akansha Foundation.
21. Imagine that Sudha Murthy sends a letter to Ratna thanking her. Prepare the letter for her.
22. Prepare the character sketch of Nomita.
23. Prepare a write-up on the friendship portrayed in 'Amigo Brothers'.
24. Sketch the character of Robert Baldwin.

Answer the following questions from 25 to 28. Each carries 8 marks. Attempt any 3.

25. You are Arjun / Arunima. You have seen an advertisement in The Hindu for the post of receptionist in a five star hotel. The candidate may require attractive personality and good communication skills. Apply for the job with complete bio-data to the Manager, Blue Diamonds, Kochi.
26. You are pained to see the atrocities against women taking place in various parts of our country. Prepare an article about the topic
27. Read the poem given below. Compare the poem with 'Mending Wall' by Robert Frost
(Quiet Morning by Elizabeth Bohm)
28. Entrepreneurship stimulates new employment. Prepare an essay on the topic " Entrepreneurship accelerates economic growth of a nation.

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