

- 15 minutes is given as cool off time.
- Read the questions carefully during this time.
- **Activity 1** is compulsory.
- Attempt **ANY four** activities from activity 2 to 6.

Activity 1. Reading Comprehension

Read the given passage and answer the questions below.

Dolphins are considered as the friendliest creatures in the sea. Stories of dolphins helping the drowning sailors have been common since Roman times. When we learn about dolphins, we realize that their society is more complex. As we the people do, they look after other dolphins when they are ill. They take care of pregnant mothers and protect the weakest in their community. Some scientists have suggested that dolphins have a language. But it is much more believable that they communicate with each other without words. They are highly intelligent. They live in social group of five to several hundreds. Dolphins spread everywhere. Most kinds of them prefer warm waters of the tropic zones, but some prefer colder climates. Dolphins feed largely on fish and squid. A few of them feed on large mammals also. Calves (the young ones) are typically born in the spring and summer months. Female dolphins bear all the responsibility of caring them.

1) Dolphins are regarded as the friendliest creatures because they.....

- a) are nice to see in the sea.
- b) help drowning sailors.
- c) have their own language.
- d) live in a community.

2) Dolphins are able to communicate

- a) with their wings.
- b) with their hands.
- c) with their legs.
- d) without words.

3) What do the dolphins feed on?

4) Dolphins behave like humans. Give two examples.

Activity 2 Thoughts

You have read the screenplay 'The Boy and the Balloon'. The bus conductor did not allow the boy with the balloon to get into the bus. He was deeply hurt by the attitude of the conductor. What would be the thoughts of the boy?

Write his thoughts.

Activity 3 - Profile

Prepare the profile of MT Vasudevan Nair, the well known writer in Malayalam.

Name : M.T. Vasudevan Nair.

Born : 9th August, 1933, in Kudallur.

Parents : T. Narayanan Nair and Ammalu Amma.

Education : Malamakkavu Elementary school, Kumaranelloor High school, Victoria College, Palakkad

Awards : Padma Bhushan, Jnanpith, Sahitya Akademy award etc.....

Notable works : Naalukettu, Randaamoozham, Manju, Kaalam, Asuravith, Iruittinte Athmaavu

Occupation : Novelist, short story writer, screen play writer, film director.

Activity 4 - Letter

Polya found a letter in Ivan's jacket. Since she was illiterate, she could not read it. Polya decided to learn to read. It took three months for her to read the letter. She learned that it was the letter from Maria. Polya wrote a letter to Maria.

Write the letter.

Activity 5 - Editing

Read the passage carefully and edit the words underlined.

The boy doesn't wants the balloon for get wet. he sees an old man with a open umbrella. The boy runs after he and talks to him.

Activity 6 - Conversation

Imagine that the author in the story 'My Financial Career' returns home. At home he explained to his mother everything that happened in the bank. What could be the conversation between the author and his mother?

Write the conversation.