

**Part A : Grammar (60 marks)**

1. **Fill in the blanks with the words from the box. You may need to change the forms of some of the words. You may need to use one word more.**  $0.5 \times 10 = 5$

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|-------|--------|----|-----|-----|
| after | travel | an | at  | the |
| land  | by     | to | for |     |

Long ago, people did not know any (a) ——— or people. (b) — that time traveling was a difficult task (c) ——— people who were afraid of (d) ——— unknown. But yet there were some people who liked (e) ———. They were very curious (f) ——— know the unknown. Marco Polo was (g) ——— adventurous man. In 1271 he started (h) ——— China from his motherland. He was accompanied (i) ——— his father and uncle. (j) ——— over three years they reached China.

2. **Fill in the blanks with suitable words.**  $0.5 \times 10 = 5$

Books are man's best companions (a) ——— life. You may have very good friends (b) ——— you not get them (e) ——— the time of need. They may not behave gently (d) ——— you. One or two may prove (e) ——— betrayers and do you much (f) ———. But books are always there (g) ——— you. Some books may (h) ——— you laugh, some books may give you much pleasure and some again may provide you (i) ——— new knowledge and new ideas. They remain your friends (j) ——— your life.

3. **Make five sentences using parts of sentences from each column of the table below.**  $1 \times 5 = 5$

|                              |           |   |
|------------------------------|-----------|---|
| So,<br>preventive<br>measure | waste     | not careful of utilizing<br>natural gas and thus are<br>wasting these resources         |
| Many<br>people               | are       | be taken to minimize the<br>waste of our resources                                      |
| They                         | should    | in city areas are not careful<br>of using natural resources                             |
| If this<br>wastage           | living    | our resources will run out<br>very soon   |
| People                       | continues | water by leaving the taps<br>running whenever they use<br>it for day – to – day purpose |



4. Complete the following text with right forms of the verbs given in the box. 0.5×10=5

|            |      |          |        |       |
|------------|------|----------|--------|-------|
| understand | base | praise   | depend | judge |
| have       | pass | discover | see    | read  |

The greatness of a book (a) ——— mainly on the acceptability among the readers. If we read a book only once, we (b) ——— many things in it. But (c) ——— on one reading, we (d) ——— the standard of a book. When a book (e) ——— highly, we (f) ——— no doubt about the greatness of the book. Only through the first reading we may (g) ——— a book but if it is (h) ——— more than once we (i) ——— why it was read and praised. So, the great books are those that have (j) ——— the test of time.

5. Change the narrative style of the following text. 5

“What’s your programme after the examination?” asked Salam. Kamal said, “I’ve not yet decided. Can you suggest any?” “Let us go on a picnic”, said Salam. “What an excellent idea! I shall certainly join you,” said Kamal.

6. Change the sentences according to directions: 1×10=10

- Honesty is the best way of leading life through which one can get mental peace. (Simple)
- It is a great rational virtue that leads a man to the way of humanity. (Compound)
- Life of a man is not very peaceful but honesty can open a door of peace before him. (Complex)
- An honest man is more respected than other men. (Positive)
- No other person is as happy as he in the earth and even after death. (Superlative)
- He can perform his life with the holy touch. (Passive)
- He must be received heartily by everyone in his lifetime. (Active)
- Everybody must be humble to him. (Negative)
- What a wonderful life this is! (Assertive)
- Thus, we shall never be dishonest people. (Interrogative)

7. **Complete the sentences :** 1×5=5
- (a) He could not attend the meeting because ——
  - (b) We went to his residence as soon as ——
  - (c) He was so ill that ——
  - (d) We immediately decided to shift him to a hospital where ——
  - (e) No sooner had we reached the hospital ——

8. **Complete the text adding suffixes, prefixes or the both with the root words given in the parenthesis.** 0.5×10=5
- Books are the unique medium through which we contact
- (a) —— (might) —— minds of ages. Books tell us about their
  - (b) —— (feel) ——, what they said and what they did. Books are one of the
  - (c) —— (great) —— friends to us. They introduce us to the best
  - (d) —— (human) ——.
  - They are (e) —— (rely) —— records of the history of postmen. A book is a valuable
  - (f) —— (live) —— voice. We can know about the thoughts and
  - (g) —— (write) —— of postmen through books. We should read good books and avoid
  - (h) —— (worth) —— ones. A good book is a friend in
  - (i) —— (lone) —— and a nurse in ailment. We can find real
  - (j) —— (happy) —— by reading good books.

9. **Make tag questions of these statements.** 1×5=5
- (a) Let us have a discussion, ——?
  - (b) Time and tide waits for none, ——?
  - (c) Many of us waste our time, ——?
  - (d) None could prosper in life without utilizing time, ——?
  - (e) Everybody should realize this truth, ——?



**10. Complete the passage using suitable connectors. 1×5=5**

Higher education is needed in our national life, (a) ——— now a question has risen (b) ——— it is a luxury. (c) ——— higher education is not a luxury, the poorer section of people now think it to be so (d) ——— they cannot afford the educational expenses of their children. For the greater interest of the nation the government should (e) ———., help the meritorious students so that they can be highly educated.

**11. Use capitals and punctuation marks where necessary in the following text 5**

What are you whispering about inquired the eldest of the sisters mistress said the porter rising to his feet my friends desire to know the history of the two black bitches and why you whipped them and then fondled them and kissed them.

**Part B: Composition (40 marks)**

- 12. Suppose, you have completed your graduation. You have seen a vacancy for the post of an Office Executive in The Health Care Centre, Magura. Now write a CV with a cover letter for the above post. 5**
- 13. Write an application to The Deputy Commissioner of your district for setting up a charitable dispensary in your locality. 15**
- 14. You are a student of Class ten. You live in a city with your family. Now write a paragraph on “The City Life” in about 250 words. 10**
- 15. Write a composition about “Rural Development.” 12**