

[N.B.—The Figures in the right margin indicate full marks.]

Section A : Reading Test (Seen passage)

Read the text carefully and answer the questions 1, 2 and 3.

Human beings conquered the distance on earth by discovering wheels. They endeavored further. Then on December 17, 1903, the Wright brothers in America made the first experiment of flying in a plane. In the experiment, a machine carried a man and rose above by its own power. *The machine was called 'aka airplane'*. It flew naturally in a smooth speed, and finally landed without damage. That was human being's first real take-off. And now, they have got a supersonic speed. In a supersonic speed, something travels *faster* than sound! So *the sky's the limit* now!

Modern aircraft companies are making revolutions in aviation technology. Boeing as well as Airbus is producing modern passenger airplanes. These planes fly very fast. Boeing 787 flies 950 km/h. However, Airbus 350 is expected to fly in a couple of years. Its speed will be 945 km/h.

You find attractive ads on the websites of both Boeing and Airbus planes. Both have excellent features. But in speed, neither could beat the Concorde. It is the world's *fastest* supersonic passenger aircraft. Its normal speed was 2,170 km/h. The Concorde was a joint project by France and Britain. It started passenger flight in 1976. Unfortunately, the Concorde fleet was grounded forever in 2003 after a major accident.

1. Choose the best answer from the alternatives.

1×5=5

a. By discovering wheels, human beings—

- i) achieved freedom
- ii) became chained
- iii) took control over distance
- iv) got prizes

- b. Wright brothers in America made the first experiment of flying in a plane in—
i) 18th Century ii) 19th Century
iii) 20th Century iv) 21st Century
- c. 'aka airplane' was a/an—
i) wheel ii) giant
iii) machine iv) old engine
- d. 'Supersonic speed' means—
i) less fast than sound
ii) faster than sound
iii) as fast as sound
iv) relating to sound
- e. Take-off means—
i) journey ii) torn
iii) flying iv) adventure

2. Answer the following questions. 2×5=10

- (a) How did human beings conquer distance?
(b) How many persons did 'aka airplane' carry?
(c) What did the Wright brothers do?
(d) Why was Concorde fleet finally grounded?
(e) What is Airbus 350?

3. Read the passage and summarize it in your own words in about 70 words. 10

Reading Test (Unseen passage)

Read the following text carefully and answer the questions 4 and 5.

The Eiffel Tower in Paris was named after Gustave Eiffel, a Frenchman who built the Tower. He was born in a prosperous family in 1832. He graduated from the Central School of Engineering in Paris and went to work for a railway construction company. For years Gustave made plan after plan of dams, factories, stations and structures of great size. All over Europe engineers copied them. In the middle of 1880s a group of French industrialists persuaded the government to organize a World Fair in Paris. Gustave Eiffel proposed a 989

feet tower of iron as a symbol of the exhibition. The construction of the Tower began in January 1887. Forty engineers and designers under Eiffel's direction worked for two years. The Tower was completed in March 1889. It was the highest structure yet made by men. No such building had ever been constructed before. It is still regarded as one of the wonders of the world. About a million of people visit the Tower annually. The Empire State Building of New York, Buckingham Palace of London are such magnificent buildings.

4. Complete the following table with the information given in the passage. 1 × 5 = 5

Who/ What	Event/ Activity	Where/ What	When
Gustave Eiffel	born	(i) —	in 1832.
Gustave	(ii) —	Central School of Engineering	
(iii) —	organized	Paris	mid 1880s.
The Tower	completed		(iv) —
About a million of people	visit	(v) —	every year.

5. Read the passage again and write True or False beside the following statements. Give answers for the false statements. 1 × 5 = 5

- Eiffel was an American.
- A group of French scientists persuaded the government to organize the World Fair.
- Gustave proposed an iron structure for the fair.
- The Tower took two years for completion.
- About ten lac people visit the Tower annually.

6. **Fill in the gaps with appropriate words.** $1 \times 5 = 5$
 Modern science (a) — an important role in our day to day life. We are (b) — by science in many ways. With the help of science men have been (c) — to make their lives comfortable. Despite advantages modern science has (d) —. But it depends on the (e) — use of it.

7. **Rearrange the following sentences in correct order.** 10

- (a) He showed it to his wife.
- (b) However, he picked it up and carried it home.
- (c) The land yielded him some crops.
- (d) One day he was walking through the fields.
- (e) He thought that it might have been dropped by a passer-by.
- (f) With that he supported his family with difficulty.
- (g) He had a few acres of land.
- (h) So, he always thought how he could add to his income.
- (i) There lived a farmer in a village.
- (j) While walking, he came across a purse of gold.

8. **Fill in the gaps using clues from the boxes. There are more words than necessary.** $0.5 \times 10 = 5$

foodstuff	or	plays	for
vital	industries	our	both
depend	country	people	animal

Ours is an agricultural (a) —. Hence most of the (b) — of our country directly (c) — indirectly depend on agriculture (d) — their livelihood. Many important (e) — of our country also (f) — on agricultural products. Agriculture (g) — a vital role in (h) — national economy. It supplies (i) — for both human and (j) — consumption.

9. The phrases in Column A are the beginnings of some sentences. The phrases in Column B are the endings. Match the phrases in Column A with the phrases in Column B to make complete sentences. $1 \times 5 = 5$

Column A	Column B
(i) We were indebted to	a. for food, cloths and education.
(ii) We were totally helpless	b. make us happy.
(iii) They spend money	c. our parents for our life on earth.
(iv) They are doing	d. their best for us.
(v) They try to	e. when we were children.

Section B : Writing Test

10. Suppose, you are Jamil/Jamila and you have a friend named Saad/Sadia. Your friend is aware of your aim in life. Now, write a dialogue between you and your friend about your aim in life. 10
11. Write a paragraph on 'A Rainy Day' by answering the following questions: 10
 (a) What is a rainy day? (b) How is a rainy day? (c) How do people feel on a rainy day? (d) What do animals do on a rainy day? (e) What is your feeling on the day?
12. Read the beginning of the story. Complete it in 150 words. 10
 Once there lived a hare and a tortoise. The hare was proud of his swift foot and he used to tease the tortoise for its slow pace.....
13. Suppose, you are Mon/Munia. You have a friend named Nayeem/Nayeema who has made a brilliant result in the JSC Examination. Now, write a letter to your friend congratulating him/her on the brilliant success. 10

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1. a. iii) took control over distance; b. iii) 20th century; c. iii) machine; d. ii) faster than sound; e. iii) flying.
2. (a) Human beings conquered distance by discovering wheels.
(b) 'Aka airplane' carried one person.
(c) The Wright brothers made the first experiment of flying in a plane.
(d) Concorde fleet was finally grounded after a major accident in 2003.
(e) Airbus 350 is a modern passenger airplane and its speed will be 945 km/h.
3. By discovering wheels, human beings took control over distance. It is the Wright Brothers who made a machine in 1903, named 'aka airplane' which carried a man and flew in the sky. The modern airplanes fly very fast. But the Concorde is the world's fastest supersonic passenger aircraft with the speed of 2,170 km/h. It was grounded forever after a major accident in 2003.
4. i) France; ii) Graduated; iii) The government of France; iv) March 1889; v) The Eiffel Tower.
5. (a) False. **Corr. Infor.** Eiffel was a Frenchman. (b) False. **Corr. Infor.** A group of French industrialists persuaded the government to organize the World Fair. (c) True. (d) True. (e) True.
6. (a) plays; (b) benefited; (c) able; (d) disadvantages; (e) proper.
7. i + g + c + f + h + d + j + e + b + a.
8. (a) country; (b) people; (c) or; (d) for; (e) industries; (f) depend; (g) plays; (h) our; (i) foodstuff; (j) animal.
9. (i + c) We were indebted to our parents for our life on earth.
(ii + e) We were totally helpless when we were children.
(iii + a) They spend money for food, cloths and education.
(iv + d) They are doing their best for us.
(v + b) They try to make us happy.