

*[N.B.—The Figures in the right margin indicate full marks.]***Section A : Grammar (30 marks)**

1. **Fill in the gaps of the following text with appropriate articles. Put a cross (×) for a zero article.** 0.5×6=3

A true friend is (a) — asset. He stands by his friend (b) — in time of danger. He is not a greedy person. He always wishes for (c) — welfare of his friend. But it is (d) — matter of fact that (e) — ideal friend is very (f) — rare today.

2. **Fill in the blanks with prepositions.** 0.5×6=3

Many people commit sin either knowingly or unknowingly. (a) — the long run a sinner atones (b) — his sin because he knows that everyone is accountable (c) — God (d) — his deeds. So when a sinner becomes really penitent, he is seen devoted (e) — God. Sometimes, he is seen absorbed (f) — deep meditation.

3. **Make four sentences from the substitution table.** 1×4=4

A moonlit night	is	in the habit of enjoying a moonlit night very much
The poets		different from any other night
People in the village	are	friendly with others in a moonlit night
		encouraged to write poems sitting in the silvery light of the night

4. **Change the following passage into indirect speech.** 1×4=4

Rahim said to Hamid, "How are you? I went to your hostel yesterday but did not find you. Where did you go?"  
"I went to the station." said Hamid, "I had to receive my maternal uncle there."

5. **Change the following sentences as directed in the brackets.** 1×5=5

- a) Everybody works hard to gain his object (Negative).  
b) Life is nothing but a struggle (Interrogative).

- c) Who does not want to succeed in life? (Assertive)
- d) Industry paves the way to success (Passive).
- e) Industry is one of the most important secrets for shining in life (Comparative).

6. Rewrite the following passage using capitalization and punctuation. 0.5×6=3

i will willingly go away with you but do not know how to get down bring a ladder with you i will descend and you will take me on your horse she said

7. Complete the text adding suffixes, prefixes or both with the root words underlined in the text. 0.5×8=4

Computer is one of the most (a) wonder scientific objects. It is the (b) out of hard labour of many scientists. It took a long time to invent computer and bring it to the present position. It is an electric device that stores information on (c) magnet tape. Computer is not without (d) merits. It affects the eyesight of the (e) operate. (f) Child are very fond of computer. (g) Though it is (h) harm to their eyes, they like to play games on computer for hours together.

8. Complete the following text with suitable verbs in the box with their right form. 0.5×8 = 4

help	need	invent	escape
try	to be	die	to have

Man (a) — no escape from death. Sooner or later he is to (b) —. He dies in many ways. Medicines have been (c) — to preserve dead bodies. But it will (d) — an unsuccessful attempt if man tries to (e) — death. In our short life, we must (f) — to do something for our country. Our country (g) — mass education. About 68% people in our country are illiterate. Education only (h) — them in this respect.

### Section B : Composition (20 marks)

9. Suppose, you are at school. You have caught cold, So you are unable to stay in school any longer. Now, write an application to the Headmaster of your school for early leave. 8

10. Write a composition on "A Journey by Train". 12