

SSPKJ 8

1300-X

ENGLISH

(Term-Ist)

Time : 3 Hours

[Maximum Marks:60]

SECTION - A

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given at the end, choosing the correct/most appropriate answer from the given options :

“My father didn’t know that the saddle was torn and it had caused the sore. It was the month of June and there was a storm. The poor horse got a lot of dust into the sore and with the dust some grains of wheat too. Then it rained, and so the grains of wheat began to sprout.”

(i) The word ‘Sore’ means :

(a) Sound

(b) Bound

(c) Wound

(ii) 'Sprout' means :

(a) Sow

(b) Grow

(c) Bow

OR

Sri Ramakrishna was not satisfied with giving up the pleasures of the world. He taught that everyone ought to work to make others happy, and he spent most of his time serving the poor and helping those in difficulties.

(i) Sri Ramakrishna spent most of his time in :"

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(a) suffering difficulties

(b) serving the poor

(c) earning money

(ii) Sri Ramakrishna taught that :

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(a) everyone ought to work for others

(b) one should work to make others happy

(c) one should make others unhappy

2. Read the following passage and answer the question given at the end in 25-30 words :

One day Robin Hood, tired after a long walk in the forest, was returning home. There was a stream on the way, with two logs thrown across for a bridge. As Robin Hood stopped on to the bridge, he saw a giant about seven feet tall getting on the bridge at the other side.

Questions :

What did Robin Hood see when he stopped on to the bridge ?

OR

Now Edison had enough money to start a factory and a laboratory. He employed a number of assistants. He was a very good employer and very kind to all his assistants. He worked very hard himself and made others work hard also.

Question :

How did Edison treat his assistants ?

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3. Why must we have good manners ?

OR

Why are the stones and the rocks on the moon rough ?

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4. Where was the merchant going ?

OR

Why should people avoid quarrelling in the name of religion ?

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5. Give the summary of the poem 'Give A Man Horse He Can Ride'

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OR

Paraphrase the following :

O', she's a fresh and fair, land,

O', she's a rare and true land !

Yes, she's a rare and fair land,

This native land of mine.

6. Give the main idea of the poem "No Men Are Foreign".

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OR

Why does everybody like the bee ?

7. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given at the end, choosing the correct/most appropriate one from the given multiple choices :

Tom came sadly out of the house. In one hand he held a long brush. In the other he carried a bucket which was full of whitewash. His aunt was making him whitewash the fence. Tom looked sadly at the fence. "How high it is! How long it is!" he thought. Indeed the height of the fence was nine feet and its length was thirty yards.

- (i) The fence was high by :

(a) eight feet

(b) ten feet

(c) nine feet

- (ii) 'Tom looked sadly at the fence'. Here 'sadly' means :

(a) happily

(b) unhappily

(c) angrily

OR

There are three main groups of oils-animal, vegetable and mineral. Great quantities of animal oil come from whales, those enormous creatures of the sea which are the largest remaining animals in the world.

(i) The main groups of oils are : 1

(a) five

(b) three

(c) four

(ii) Great quantities of animal oil come from : 1

(a) Vegetables

(b) Minerals

(c) Whales

8. Read the following passage carefully and answer the question given at the end :

Bose felt that people who did the same amount and same kind of work should be paid the same salary whatever race they belong to. It is worth remembering that discoveries do not come from the faithful followers and the yes men of science, they come from the doubters and the rebels.

Question :

What did Bose feel ?

OR

Monty, the dog, took an active part in the packing. Monty's ambition in life is to get in the way and make a nuisance of himself. If he can get in anywhere where he particularly is not wanted, and make people mad, and have things thrown at his head, then he feels his day has not been wasted.

Question :

What was Monty's ambition ?

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9. What did the narrator tell George and Harris ? How did they react to this ?

(Packing For A Holiday)

OR

What are the three important uses of vegetable oil ?

(Oil)

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10. Why did the school boy help the old woman ? (Somebody's Motor)

OR

The poor man's help is greater than gold. Why ?

(Sympathy)

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11. Give the sum and substance of the poem 'Sympathy'

OR

Paraphrase the following :

‘And I hope some fellow will lend a hand

To help my mother, you understand.

If ever she’s poor and grey,

When her own dear body is far away.

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SECTION – B

12. Your friend is in Delhi on a holiday. Write a message to him about the Educational Tour which your school is going to organize for you next month, so that he can fulfill the necessary formalities well in time.

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13. Write a short description, in about 100 words, on any one of the following topics :

(a) Your School

(b) Your Classroom

(c) Your Father.

14. Write a short paragraph on “How you spent your first day in your school after the winter break”.

OR

Give a short description of ‘A scene at a Bus Stop’.

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15. Rewrite the given sentences in such a way so that you can produce a coherent and cohesive paragraph : 4

(a) It was, however, not easy to convince others.

(b) Bose realized that there was a similarity in the behaviour of both lifeless and living things.

(c) People held on to their old beliefs and do not like to change them.

(d) He suggested that the animals, vegetables and minerals kingdoms were one and had a great deal in common.

16. Match the words with their meanings in columns given below :

‘A’

‘B’

(i) Invalids

(a) group

ii) Fuel

(b) to make a plan

(iii) Band

(c) sick and weak people

(iv) Hatch

(d) substance burnt to give heat

OR

Give one word substitution for each of the following :

(i) One who invents 1

(ii) One who teaches students. 1

17. Fill in the blanks with the given words/phrases :-

To listen to, to help

(i) We should our teachers keenly. 1

(ii) The young should always try the old. 1

18. Fill in the blanks with suitable form of verbs : 1

(i) The child..... well. (talk/talks)

(ii) The players cheered. (was/were)

19. Form words using prefixes and suffixes :

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(i) circle.

(ii) Doubt

20. (A) Identity the underlined words in the following sentences as countable nouns :

(i) Honesty is the best policy

(ii) I have got a few pencils in my bag.

(iii) Here is a note-book.

(B) Fill in the blanks with suitable articles :

..... man is known by company he keeps.

(C) Give the Comparative and Superlative Degrees of the following :

(a) small

(b) beautiful

(D) Do as directed (Do any three) :

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(i) I did not help you.

(Change into Positive)

(ii) The students learn the lesson.

(Change into Simple Past Tense)

(iii) He likes sweets.

(Change into interrogative)

(iv) He did not eat food.

(Change into affirmative)

(E) Change the voice (any two) :

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(i) They drank milk.

(ii) The boys are playing the match.

(iii) A spade is used for digging the earth by then.