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XI-18

Annual Examination 2024

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ENGLISH - (Only One Paper)

Time : 3 Hrs. 15 Min.

Class - XI

M.M. 100

Note : (i) This paper is divided into four sections of A, B, C and D. (ii) All the sections are compulsory. (iii) Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

Section - A (Reading)

1. Read the passage given below and then answer the questions that follow :- 12

A man who possesses a strong will and a firm determination, finds all difficulties solved. To him there are a thousand ways open to steer clear of all dangers and difficulties. Such a man goes on working hard, and even if he fails he is never down cast. Failures make him all the more determined and he persists in his task till he attains the desired success. It is, therefore, the man who labours hard with a strong resolutions and an unshaken will, who achieve success and makes his fortune. It is the height of folly to suppose that wealth, fame or power comes to man by his sitting at home and only saking for it. A person must be persevering and must exert himself, if he wants to shape out his destiny. He who fails to bring strength of mind and industry upon his work in life, has nothing but suffering and troubles as his lot. Man cannot achieve wealth and fortune unless he works hard and unless he has a powerful will. It follows from it that he is the builder of his own fortune. He can make his fortune if he wishes to do so, by being industrious and persevering. He can also bring misery and suffering upon himself if he has not the wish to labour.

- (a) Who can steer clear of all dangers and difficulties? How does he do so?
 (b) What is the role of failoures in the success of a man?
 (c) How is a man builder of his own fortune?
 (d) What happens to a man who does not wish to labour?

(P.T.O.)

- (e) Find the word in the passage which means 'Adhere'
 (f) Find the word in the passage which is the antonym of 'Lazy'
 (g) Find the word in the passage which means 'steer clear of'.

Section - B (Writing)

2. Make notes on the given passage and then make summary of the passage with the help of notes :- 5

Residents of the Bhirung Raut Ki Gali, where Ustad Bismillah Khan was born on March 21, 1916, were in shock. His cousin, 94 year old Mohd Idrish Khan had tears in his eyes. Shubhan Khan, the care-taker of Bismillah's land, recalled: "Wherever, in Dumaraon, he would give rupees two to the boys and rupees five to the girls of the locality." He was very keen to play shehnai again in the local Bihariji's Temple where he had started playing shehnai with his father, Bachai Khan, at the age of six. His original name was Quamaruddin and became Bismillah only after he became famous as a shehnai player in Varansi.

Throughout, his life he abided by the principal that all religions are one. What marked Bismillah Khan was his simplicity and disregard for the riches that come with musical fame. Till the very end, he used a cycle rickshaw to travel around Varansi. But, the pressure of providing for some 60 family members took its toll during his later years.

3. Write an article on the "Harmful Effect of Online Shopping". 8

or

Write an essay on : Impact of Global Warming.

4. Write a letter to the Editor of a news paper to draw the attention of the Nagar Nigam to the insanitary condition prevailing in your locality. 7

or

Write a letter from the Publisher to the bookseller for rejecting the order.

Section - C (Grammar)

5. Answer the following :- 20

(a) Change any one into indirect speech :-

(i) Govind said, "I will do it now or never.

(ii) Anita said to her relatives, "Let us have a nice holiday.

(b) Change any one as directed :-

(i) The weather was fine. We enjoyed the walk.

(Simple sentence)

(ii) He is going to some place. No one knows it.

(Complex Sentence)

(c) Change any one into passive voice :-

(i) Did you see him yesterday?

(ii) Will the postman deliver the letters?

(d) Correct any one of the following sentence :-

(i) His poetries are mystic.

(ii) Ask he to go.

(e) Use any one of the following idioms in your own sentence :-

(i) A white elephant (ii) Castle in the air.

(f) Use any one from the given phrasal verbs in your own sentence :-

(i) Bring up

(ii) Make over

(g) Give the synonym of the following :-

(i) Attack

(ii) Departure

(h) Give the Antonym of the following :-

(i) Arrest

(ii) Defiance

(i) Give one word for the following group of words :-

(i) One who deserts his religion.

(ii) A place where birds, wild animals are kept for exhibition.

(j) Use the following words in sentences of your own so to bring out the difference in their meaning :-

(i) Dose - Doze

(ii) Pale-pail

6. Translate the following into English :-

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हमारा देश महान है। शताब्दियों तक हमारा गौरवपूर्ण इतिहास रहा है। केवल पूर्व के देश ही नहीं बल्कि पश्चिम के समस्त देश भी हमारी प्राचीन संस्कृति की छाप लिए हुये हैं। हमारे दर्शन और साहित्य ने पश्चिमी जीवनधारा को काफी प्रभावित किया है। आज हम उन्नति की दौड़ में अग्रसर प्रयास कर रहे हैं।

Section - D (Literature)

7. Answer the following question in about 100 words each:- 7

(a) Discuss the role of the children in the whole incident.

(b) Draw a character-sketch of Professor Gaitonde/
Gangadharpant.

(P.T.O.)

8. Answer any one of the following question in about 30-40 words:-
- (i) When was it a turning point in their friendship?
 - (ii) What was the effect of the 'Green Movement'?
 - (iii) Who was Ekai Kawaguchi?

9. Read the stanza given below and answer the questions that follow :-

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Where did my childhood go?
It went to some forgotten place,
That's hidden in an infant's face,
That's all I know.

- (i) What shift of thought do you notice in this stanza?
 - (ii) Where has the poet's childhood gone?
 - (iii) Explain "That's all I know."
10. Write the Central Idea of one of the poems given below:- 4
- (a) A Photograph
 - (b) The Voice of the Rain
 - (c) Father to Son.
11. Answer any one of the following question in about 100 words :-7
- (a) Draw a character-sketch of Mrs's daughter the narrator.
 - (b) How did Andrew Manson succeed in saving the newborn child?
12. Answer any two of the following question in about 30-40 words :-8
- (a) What happened when Aram rode the horse?
 - (b) Who was Mrs. Fitzgerald?
 - (c) Why did the king order to construct an arch?