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CLASS-IX

(2023 - 24)

ENGLISH

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SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER (2023-24)
ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE (Code No. 184)
CLASS-IX

Time allowed: 3 Hrs.

Maximum Marks: 80

General Instructions:

1. The Question Paper contains THREE sections-READING, GRAMMAR & WRITING and LITERATURE.
2. Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.

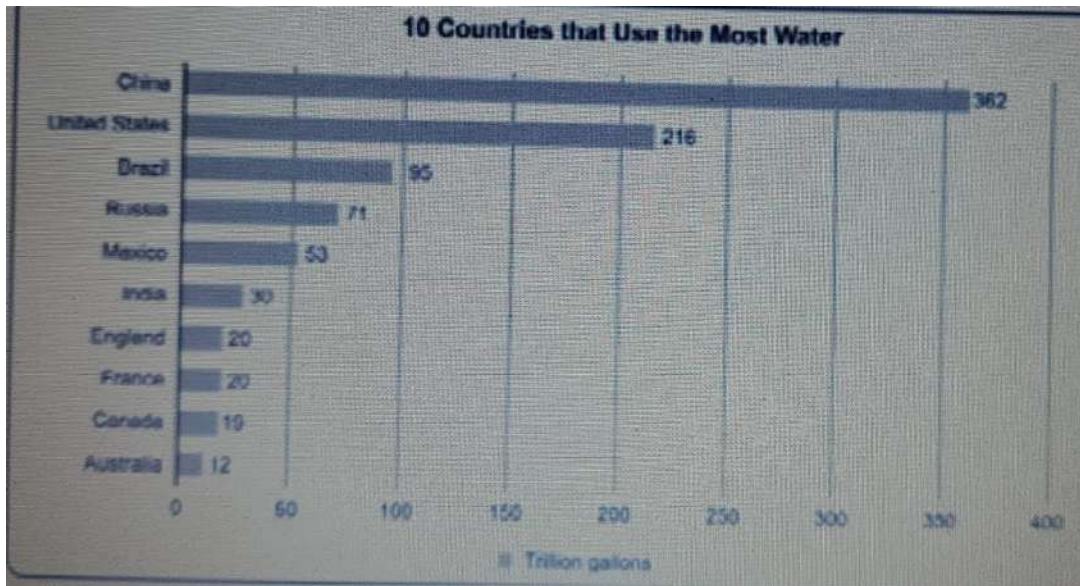
SECTION A : READING SKILLS (20 marks)
Reading Comprehension Through Unseen Passages

1	Read the interview of Sadguru during World Economic forum’s Great Narrative meeting in Dubai	10
(1)	<p>Interviewer: In the meetings, you kept repeating one word: soil, soil, soil.</p> <p>Sadhguru: Humanity is facing many issues — economic challenges, lack of inclusion, and disparity. Soil is an issue that we must attend to now, or we will regret it as a generation. Every scientific study is clearly pointing out that we have enough soil only for another 80 to 100 crops — 45 to 60 years maximum. In another 30 years’ time, there’s going to be a serious food crisis. That is inevitable, it’s going to happen. At the same time, our population will be over 9 billion. I am not a doomsayer. Responsible scientists are pointing to this scenario. And this is not new in the history of the world. The Mayans, the Mesopotamians, and the Romans did the same thing: they over-farmed their lands—and their civilisations collapsed.</p>	
(2)	<p>Interviewer: Why is the soil dying?</p> <p>Sadhguru: Today this is not limited to one geographic location, it’s happening across the world. What is this about? We are turning living soil into a dead thing. Soil is a living entity: 87% of life on this planet is lived within the first 12 inches of soil, which is dying at an unimaginable rate, to a point where 80% of the insect biomass is already gone. That happened in the last 30 years. And they’re saying that by the end of the century, more than 50% of the bio-organisms or microorganisms will be extinct. When that happens, you cannot revive the soil. So, if we act now, in the next 15 to 25 years, we can turn this around. If we act after 50 years, it will take 200 to 500 years to turn this around. To pull back one inch of topsoil normally takes 500 years.</p>	

<p>(3)</p>	<p>Interviewer: Should we be focusing on agribusiness? Sadhguru: The important thing is every nation has to have a policy to preserve the soil. Because this is not just ours, we are just a link in the chain. We are enjoying it right now, but we can't deplete it completely and go away. Future generations have a right to rich soil. Soil is living, it's not dirt. In the United States, they refer to soil as dirt. That means we are all dirtbags because we are all made out of that. So, it's very important that we understand it's a living soil and at least 3% of it has to be kept alive, a baseline minimum. I'm talking about keeping a minimum of 3% organic content. If you do that, with whatever kind of farming you choose, the soil will be kept alive. If we take that away and the soil becomes sand, then it's over.</p>					
<p>(4)</p>	<p>Interviewer: Could you tell me a bit about the Isha Foundation? Sadhguru: The Isha Foundation is committed to human well-being. At its core, it is a non-religious, spiritual process called inner engineering, which is offered to millions of people across the world. It is a 100% volunteer organization. We have over 5,600 full-time and 11 million part-time volunteers across the world. So, it's a movement by itself. source.</p>					
<p>Answer the following questions, based on the passage above.</p>						
<p>i</p>	<p>Which of the following statements best describes that there will be a Food Crisis in future ? A. World is facing economic challenges. B. Population will increase . C. Doomsday is the prediction . D. Insufficient soil and over population .</p>	<p>1</p>				
<p>ii</p>	<p>What is the tone of the writer in paragraph (1)? Rationalize your response in about 40 words.</p>	<p>2</p>				
<p>iii</p>	<p>Complete the sentence appropriately. Sadguru has highlighted the 'role of Soil' elaborately because ____.</p>	<p>1</p>				
<p>iv</p>	<p>.The passage includes some words that are similar in meaning. From the sets (a)-(e) below, identify two sets of synonyms.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="293 1780 1357 1885"> <tr> <td data-bbox="293 1780 943 1835"> <p>(a) Disparity- Inequality</p> </td> <td data-bbox="943 1780 1357 1835"> <p>(b)Inclusion-Exclusion</p> </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="293 1835 943 1885"> <p>(c) Inevitable- Inescapable</p> </td> <td data-bbox="943 1835 1357 1885"> <p>(d) Extinct- Living</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>(a) Disparity- Inequality</p>	<p>(b)Inclusion-Exclusion</p>	<p>(c) Inevitable- Inescapable</p>	<p>(d) Extinct- Living</p>	<p>1</p>
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	(e) Spiritual- Material	
v	Complete the sentence appropriately. We can say that the author's tone becomes more stressful and objective in the second paragraph because _____.	1
vi	Based on the reading of the passage, examine, in about 40 words, What is Isha Foundation all about.	2
vii	What is the message conveyed by Sadguru's observation, in the following case? Raman visits a tribal village and teaches the people why it is important to protect soil . Thus people become aware and learn the gravity of the situation. A. One should try to teach the tribal people. B. Uneducated do not understand anything. C. Persisting lectures can make enforcement better. D. Education can enlighten the masses.	1
viii	State whether the following lines display an example of a simple / complex / thought provoking/ realistic poem. The fragrance of the soil Somehow is more tenderness to me To me than the fancy Fragrance of the flower	1
2	Read the passage given below.	10
1	When we think of countries that are the major consumers of water resources we tend to think of the water used in our homes, such as water used for bathing and lawn sprinklers. However, studies have shown that home water use is only the tip of the iceberg and a large majority of the water consumed is hidden from plain view. The chart showing the largest water consuming countries of the world is thus an eye opener.	
2	As India is an agricultural country, the most important crops of India are rice, wheat and sugarcane. Significantly these crops are the most water-consuming crops. Rice, a major crop export, consumes about 3,500 litres of water for a kilogram of grain produced. Punjab which is the 3rd largest producer of rice in India is completely dependent on	

groundwater for the production of its rice and consumes two to three times more water than Bihar and West Bengal to produce a kilogram of rice.

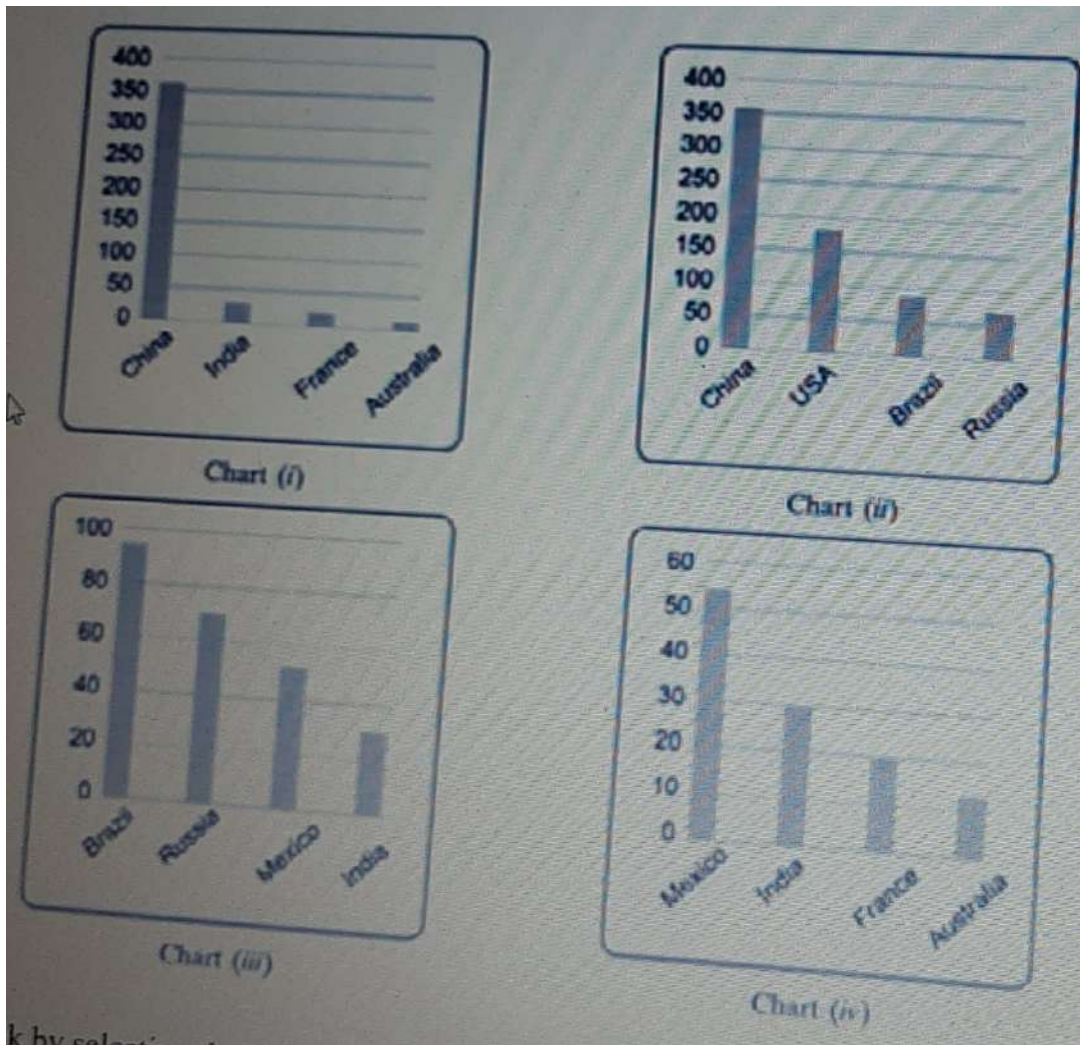


3 Sugarcane is another water-guzzling crop in India, which is a very popular crop among farmers in Maharashtra because they are assured of marketing by sugar mills. The primary source of water for growing this crop is groundwater, whereas states like Bihar which is more suitable for the production of sugarcane produces only 4% of the country's total sugar cane output.

4 Thus, measures need to be taken to ensure that crop production patterns within the country, across different states, are aligned to regional water availability. Also, Agriculture policies should be put in place to limit the export of water-intensive crops. Emphasis should also be placed on the adoption of water- efficient technologies, management systems, farmer education, and advisory services to improve water consumption in agriculture.

5 . . Crops in India are irrigated by several methods. Some farmers take to flooding the whole field. Others resort to channelling water between rows of plants while others resort to watering using large sprinklers. But the better method is to let water drop into plants using drip irrigation. Hence, India should consider investing in scaling up micro-irrigation to make India's agriculture more water-efficient. Drip irrigation is the most efficient and appropriate irrigation system. Instead of wetting the whole field surface, water is applied only to the plant root zone. The P.T.O Government of India's 'Per Drop More Crop' component under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana promotes the use of drip and sprinkler irrigation by farmers.

	Answer the following questions, based on the passage above.	
1	<p>Complete the following analogy appropriately, based on your understanding of paragraphs 1 & 5.</p> <p>We can say that the importance of conserving water is comparable with our health because _____.</p>	1
2	<p>Fill the blanks with the appropriate option from those given in brackets, based on your understanding of paragraph 1.</p> <p>The statement that “studies have shown that home water use is only the tip of the iceberg and a large majority of the water consumed is hidden from plain view.” is a _____ (fact/ opinion) because it is a _____ (subjective judgement/ objective detail).</p>	1
3	<p>Justify the following, in about 40 words.</p> <p>Sugarcane is another water-guzzling crop in India, which is a very popular crop among farmers in Maharashtra because they are assured of marketing by sugar mills.</p>	2
4	<p>Based on the survey results, which two measures need to be taken to ensure that crop production patterns within the country, across different states, are aligned to regional water availability.</p>	1
5	<p>Drip irrigation is the most efficient and appropriate irrigation system. Justify why it is the need of the hour.</p>	1
6	<p>Select the chart that appropriately represents the countries that consume 6 times less water in comparison to China.</p>	1



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- A. (i) , (iv) and (v)
 - B. Only (ii)
 - C. Only (iv)
 - D. (ii) and (v)

7	List any two methods how crops are irrigated by farmers across different states in the country as referred to in Para 5 (Answer in about 40 words)	2
8	Which of the following is the main takeaway from the study mentioned in the passage? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Macro irrigation in India is most effective. B. Micro irrigation system in India should be adopted. C. Nothing will yield results as long as farmers are ignorant. D. Water scarcity would hit agricultural production . 	1

	SECTION B : WRITING SKILLS & GRAMMAR (20 marks)					
	GRAMMAR	10				
3	Complete ANY TEN of twelve of the following tasks, as directed.	1x10				
i	<p>Fill in the blank by using the correct form of the word in the bracket, for the given portion of a letter: Dear Sir I would like to bring to your kind notice the inability of the authorities to tackle the current situation which----- (cause) havoc with the lives of people.</p>	1				
ii	<p>Read the given sentence from the newspaper, 'Morning News' . Identify the error and supply the correction in the sentence. Chandrayaan's successful landing on moon is applauding by one and all.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Error</th> <th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Correction</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="height: 20px;"></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Error	Correction			1
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iii	<p>After the exam Gopal went to his friend. Report Gopal's question. Are you coming for dinner with me?</p>	1				
iv	<p>Read the dialogue between Malini and her mother regarding her marriage next month. Mother : When will you go to finalize your wedding dress? Malini: I am very happy to tell you that the shopkeeper will show me new designs tomorrow. Select the correct option to complete the reporting of the above dialogue. Mother asked the daughter when_____ wedding dress. The daughter Shabnam excitedly exclaimed that the shopkeeper would show her new designs the next day. A. you would go to finalize your B. she would go to finalize her C. would she go to finalize her D. she would go to finalize your</p>	1				
v	<p>Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option, to complete the concluding line of an article in a newspaper. Despite all _____(that/ this / then), it was encouraging that the railways came forward to help a young girl complete her education.</p>	1				
vi	<p>Identify the error and supply correction for the given sentence from a tourist company's website talking about Hornbill Festival in Nagaland The festival owed it's name to Indian hornbill.</p>	1				

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viii	<p>Complete the given narrative, by filling the blank with the correct option.</p> <p>To get somebody to stumble over him and _____ steadily for an hour, is his highest aim and objective of his life.</p> <p>A. Curse B. have cursed C. cursed D. Curses</p>	1															
ix	<p>Report the dialogue between two friends, by completing the sentence:</p> <p>Meera: It is nice to see you after so many days, dear friend ! Reema: Yes, indeed! I am also happy to meet you. Meera greeted her friend Reema lovingly and mentioned that she was pleased to see her. Reema answered in the affirmative that _____</p>	1															
x	<p>Fill the blank by choosing the correct option to complete the live feed on a cricket match channel.</p> <p>Congratulations Viewers! The regional Cricket awards have been announced and Punjab Cricket Team _____ the overall trophy.</p> <p>A. had been won</p>	1															

	<p>B. will win C. was winning D. has won</p>					
xi	<p>Complete the line from the song of Nature , by filling the blank with the correct option.</p> <p>Tree is beautiful anywhere you find Tree is beautiful anybody could plant Stretching out it's beauty and dignity Growing wisdom on it's leaves Overwhelming ___its' being Fulfilling the nature by it's being</p> <p>A. by B. with C. on D. for</p>	1				
xii	<p>Identify the error and supply correction for the following note outside the operation theatre in the hospital.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Attendants are requested to see the patient before taking the permission from the doctor.</p> </div> <p>Use the given format for your response.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%; padding: 5px;">Error</th> <th style="width: 50%; padding: 5px;">Correction</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="height: 30px;"></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Error	Correction			
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	Note : All details presented in the questions are imaginary and created for assessment purposes .					

<p>4A.</p>	<p>Write a story in about 100-120 words from the given beginning line</p> <p>An old couple was living in Shobhit's adjacent flat. One day he saw a commotion in their house. He went there and found.....</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>OR</p>		
<p>4B.</p>	<p>Based on the clues given below, develop a story of your own in about 100-120 words :</p> <p>Sakshi driving- late for college--busy road-- attends a call from college-- function at college-- she was the anchor--became careless for a moment --hit a pedestrian--seriously injured—hospital– blessed her.</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>5A</p>	<p>Read the cues and describe the person in 100-120 words. (5x1=5)</p> <p>5A. HINTS: Mahatma Gandhi – Oct, 1869: Born at Porbander, to Karamchand and Putlibai 1888-1893: Completed studies in England. Went to South Africa to practice law. Suffered discrimination there. Started nonviolent civil disobedience for civil rights of Indian Community. 1914-1915: Left South Africa and came back to India. 1915-1947: Worked very hard through Satyagraha, civil disobedience, fasts, marches, movements and jail sentences to free India from the British. Jan. 30, 1948: He was shot dead by Nathuram Godse at Birla House.</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>OR</p>		
<p>5B</p>	<p>HINTS: Mark Zuckerberg – CEO Facebook – Youngest billionaire – social networking site - popular among all age groups — supporting the idea of staying in touch with everyone – transcending geographical barriers – overnight celebrity – engages in charity and donations to society.</p> <hr/> <p>SECTION D : LITERATURE TEXTBOOK AND SUPPLEMENTARY READING TEXT (40 marks)</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the</p>	<p>5</p>

<p>A</p>	<p>two, given.</p> <p>He was a bachelor. His needs were simple and he was able to adjust himself to all kinds of odd conditions, whether it was an ill-equipped circuit house or a makeshift canvas tent in the middle of a stone quarry. But one asset he had was his cook, Iswaran. The cook was quite attached to Mahendra and followed him uncomplainingly wherever he was posted. He cooked for Mahendra, washed his clothes and chatted away with his master at night. He could weave out endless stories and anecdotes on varied subjects. Iswaran also had an amazing capacity to produce vegetables and cooking ingredients, seemingly out of nowhere, in the middle of a desolate landscape with no shops visible for miles around. He would miraculously conjure up the most delicious dishes made with fresh vegetables within an hour of arriving at the zinc-sheet shelter at the new workplace. (Iswaran the storyteller)</p> <p>(i) State any one inference about Iswaran from the given context: “He cooked for Mahendra, washed his clothes and chatted away with his master at night.”</p> <p>(ii) State TRUE or FALSE. The cook could not think of the ways to entertain Mahendra</p> <p>(iii) Mahendra’s approach to keeping Iswaran with him proved to be beneficial. Elaborate in about 40 words, with reference to the extract.</p> <p>(iv) Which phrase would correctly substitute 'weave' , in the given sentence from the extract. “ He could <u>weave</u> out endless stories and anecdotes on varied subjects.”</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>At the urging of a colleague, Einstein wrote a letter to the American President, Franklin D. Roosevelt, on 2 August 1939, in which he warned: “A single bomb of this type . . . exploded in a port, might very well destroy the whole port together with some of the surrounding territory.” His words did not fail to have an effect. The Americans developed the atomic bomb in a secret project of their own, and dropped it on the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August 1945.</p> <p>Einstein was deeply shaken by the extent of the destruction. This time he wrote a public missive to the United Nations. In it he proposed the formation of a world government. Unlike the letter to Roosevelt, this one made no impact. But over the next decade, Einstein got ever more involved in politics — agitating for</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>1</p>
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	<p>an end to the arms buildup and using his popularity to campaign for peace and democracy.</p> <p>(i) Which of the following is NOT a reason why Einstein wrote a letter to the American President?</p> <p>A. He wanted to warn the President about the impact of the atom bomb. B. He could anticipate the repercussions of dropping atomic bomb. C. He wanted the Americans to use his formula of making a bomb D. He was worried for humanity.</p> <p>((ii) ‘Einstein got ever more involved in politics’. Did Einstein become a political leader? Answer in about 40 words.</p> <p>(iii) State any one inference about Einstein from the given context: “Einstein was deeply shaken by the extent of the destruction. This time he wrote a public missive to the United Nations.”</p> <p>(iv) Which phrase would correctly substitute 'missive' , in the given sentence from the extract. This time he wrote a public <u>missive</u> to the United Nations.</p> <hr/> <p>7 Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given.</p> <p>Every tinkle on the shingles</p> <p>Has an echo in the heart;</p> <p>And a thousand dreamy fancies</p> <p>Into busy being start,</p> <p>And a thousand recollections</p> <p>Weave their air-threads into woof,</p> <p>As I listen to the patter</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>5</p>
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	Of the rain upon the roof.	
(i)	When the speaker says that the sound of rain repeats in his heart, and he has many different, fanciful imaginations, he refers to many _____ in his mind.	1
(ii)	Explain ‘ thousand recollections’.	1
(lii)	“Has an echo in the heart; And a thousand dreamy fancies”	2
	What is the significance of the word “echo”? Does the poet feel nostalgic ? Answer in about 40 words.	
(iv)	Complete the sentence with the appropriate option. The word from the poem that does not tell about sound is _____.	1
	A. shingle	
	B. patter	
	C. Echo	
	D. Woof	
	OR	
	I will arise and go now, and go to Innisfree, And a small cabin build there, of clay and wattles made: Nine bean-rows will I have there, a hive for the honeybee, And live alone in the bee-loud glade.	
(i)	What is the figure of speech used in ‘ a hive for the honeybee’?	1
(ii)	Comment on the kind of life the poet is looking for in these lines.	2
(iii)	Fill in the blank with one word.	1

	<p>The lines from the poem tell us that the poet is still in _____.</p> <p>(iv) Complete the sentence with the appropriate option.</p> <p>The tone of the poet is _____.</p> <p>A. Happy B. Wistful C. Fearful D. Nostalgic</p> <p>Attempt <u>ANY FOUR</u> of the following five questions in about 40-50 words each. (4x3= 12)</p> <p>Q8)</p> <p>a)Tommy called real book a waste.Why? b)Why did Kezia say,"What a big heart you've got,father dear" c)What kind of a student Einstein was in his childhood? d)Why did the little woman not give Saint Peter any of her cakes? e)Who are" the darling dreamers"? Why have they been called so?</p> <p>Attempt <u>ANY TWO</u> of the following three questions in about 40-50 words each. (2x3= 6)</p> <p>Q9)</p> <p>a) Why did God's angel pick up the leaden heart of the Prince and the dead bird as the two most precious things? b) What kind of relationship did Mahendra and Iswaran share? c) Grandfather's love for animals brought a lot of problems for him and his family. Justify</p> <p>Attempt <u>ANY ONE</u> of the following questions in about 100-120 words (1x6=6)</p> <p>Q10)</p> <p>A1. You are Kalam and you were startled by the new teacher's behavior in the classroom. Write a diary entry and tell your feelings about the teacher's action and the values the new teacher learned after the incident? (My Childhood)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p>	1
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	<p>You have been chosen to address a student gathering from the neighbourhood schools, to speak on</p> <p>“The relationship between Children and Parents in today’s scenario. Prepare the speech draft in not more than 120 words, with reference to the story The little Girl analyzing the character of Kezia and her father</p> <p>You may begin this way:</p> <p>Good morning, Everyone. Today, I'd like to discuss the most burning topic; Relationship between Children and Parents.</p> <p>You may end this way.</p> <p>To conclude, I’d like to say that ...</p> <p>Thank you</p>	
<p>Q11</p>	<p>Attempt <u>ANY ONE</u> of the following questions in about 100-120 words (1x6=6)</p> <p>Sometimes wisdom lies in being tactful.It was the guru”s wisdom and knowledge that saved the life of the disciple.Write a diary as disciple showing your gratitude towards Guru.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>A character arc is the transformation or development of a character throughout a story and refers to the changes a character undergoes as a result of their experiences, challenges, and interactions with other characters.</p> <p>In the light of the above information, trace the character arc of the Lost Child in MulkRaj Anand’s The Lost Child Story.</p>	

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Q1. Read the passage given below.

I Insufficient soil and over population

II *The writer is pointing towards the dark future .He is warning that there will be a food crisis .Even the scientists are pointing towards the gravity of the situation. The productivity of soil would decrease.The civilisation would collapse.*

III If soil will not be there, food will not be grown and the human race will come to an end.

IV **Disparity- Inequality**

(c) **Inevitable- Inescapable**

V Here he discusses the importance of protecting the living soil.

VI The Isha Foundation is committed to human well-being. At its core, it is a non-religious, spiritual process called inner engineering, which is offered to millions of people across the world. It is a 100% volunteer organization. We have over 5,600 full-time and 11 million part-time volunteers across the world. So, it's a movement by itself.

source.

VII (D) Education can enlighten the masses.

VIII Yes it's absolutely true.

Q2. Read the passage given below.

1) If we donot take care of our health we shall not be able to livi long.Similarly if we do not feel the necessity of conserving water , life will come to an end.

2) Fact and subjective judgement

3) It means water intensive crop which requires a lot of water .This water would have used for household purpose.but farmers use it to grow sugarcane as it is sold in the market easily.

4) **Agriculture policies should be put in place to limit the export of water-intensive crops. Emphasis should also be placed on the adoption of water- efficient technologies, management systems, farmer education, and advisory services to improve water consumption in agriculture.**

5) **Instead of wetting the whole field surface, water is applied only to the plant root plant zone thus saving a lot of water.**

6) **C. Only (iv)**

7) **Some farmers take to flooding the whole field. Others resort to channelling water between rows of plants while others resort to watering using large sprinklers. But the better method is to let water drop into plants using drip irrigation.**

8) **D.Water scarcity would hit agricultural production .**

Grammar and Writing

Q3.

1. has caused
2. applauding - applauded
3. Gopal asked his friend if he was coming for dinner with him.
4. B. she would go to finalize her
5. This
6. Owed— owes
7. reflect- reflects
8. A. Curse
9. She was also happy to meet her
10. -Has won
11. —by
12. —after

Q 4 Story would be evaluated on following parameters:

Content 2 marks

Accuracy 2 marks

Fluency 1 mark

Q 5.Descriptive writing skill would be evaluated on following parameters:

Content 2 marks

Accuracy 2 marks

Fluency 1 mark

Q6. A

1. Mahendra was an asset
2. False
3. Mahendra kept Iswaran with him as he would cook,wash his clothes, would entertain him with stories and anecdotes at night.
4. Think / narrate

OR

B

1. C He wanted Americans to use his formula
2. Einstein got more involved in politics because he was a supporter of world peace and harmony and in this manner he launched an agitation to end arms buildup and campaigned for peace and democracy.
3. He was a visionary and he loved mankind
4. Einstein was worried for humanity and he was even called a the world citizen
5. a long letter

Q7. A

1. Memories

2. The poet recollected thousands of memories in the rainy season that joined together to form a beautiful picture just like in weaving thread meshes together to form a picture.
3. As the rain falls on the shingles its tinkling sound creates an echo in the poet's heart. As he listened to the patter of the raindrops on the roof, his gloom was lifted and his heart got filled with thousand fantasies and fond memories of his mother.
4. D. Woof

OR

B

1. Alliteration
2. He says that the open space, where he will build his room will be full of the buzzing sound of the bees and over there he will live all alone, in peace and tranquility.
3. City
4. B. wistful

Q8. 1) In the short story 'The Fun They Had' by Isaac Asimov, Tommy compared the real book with his telebooks and called the real book a waste. This was because he thought that after reading the printed books one would have to throw them away as they could not be reused.

2) Kezia's view of her father underwent a change for better when her father came to her rescue when she had a nightmare. He carried her to his room, he and carefully tucked her up. Kezia felt comforted and safe and snuggled up to him. This is when she realised that her father was not a cruel giant but a large hearted and hardworking man who got extremely tired by the end of the day.

3) His teachers didn't like him. They did not have good opinion regarding him. They believed he would be unsuccessful in life. He was not in the good books of his teachers.

4) She was greedy and selfish and did not want to share her cakes with anyone.

5) They are the poet's siblings. They are called so as their mother looks at them fondly.

Q9.

1. The generous prince who was a statue (who was not a real human) and the gentle swallow(a bird) sacrificed themselves to bring happiness to the poor and the needy.
2. Mahendra was totally dependent on Iswaran. His job was transferable and Iswaran would follow him uncomplainingly. Iswaran was very loyal to him. He was his valuable asset.
3. The grandfather always loved animals and had many animals at his home. He in addition brought Toto too who was notorious and created a lot of troubles. Even taking him to Saharanpur cost the grandfather a fine of ___ rupees. In the end ultimately, the grandfather had to sell him back.

Q10.

Tuesday

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Today was quite an eventful day at school. We had a new teacher in our classroom, and I must say, I was startled by their behavior. It was quite unusual and unexpected.

The teacher seemed to lack patience and understanding towards the students. They were constantly raising their voice and reprimanding us for the slightest mistakes. It created a tense atmosphere in the classroom, making it difficult for us to focus and learn.

I couldn't help but feel disappointed and disheartened by the teacher's actions. It made me realize the importance of empathy and compassion in teaching. A good teacher should not only impart knowledge but also create a nurturing and supportive environment for the students to thrive.

However, I believe that every experience has a lesson to offer, and I hope the new teacher realizes the impact their behavior had on us. Perhaps this incident will serve as a valuable lesson for them, teaching them the significance of patience, understanding, and the power of positive reinforcement in shaping young minds.

As students, we deserve to be treated with respect and kindness, and I hope that the new teacher learns these values and becomes a better educator for the sake of future students.

OR

Good morning, Everyone. Today, I'd like to discuss the most burning topic; Relationship between Children and Parents. It is the most sacred bond which God has made. The parents should be kind and compassionate towards children. They should be close to them to such an extent that children should share all the ups and downs of life with them. But if they are dominating and are always scolding their children, the children develop a fear for their parents. This is what happened in the story. Kezia was so scared of her father that she would stammer only in front of him. So parents should handle the children with utmost love and care. Children should also show respect towards them. They should also realize that parents are their true well-wishers. This is what Kezia realized in the end that her father was not so strict when he looked after her in the absence of her mother.

11) Monda

11 September, 2023

It is rightly said that God sent angels to help us. This is what happened to me today. My Guru, my saviour took me out of the turmoil in which I was sinking deep down. My heart is filled with gratitude towards him. His timely help saved my life. His intelligence at that hour of crisis is beyond description. The way he trapped the foolish king and his minister

has won my heart . I shall remain indebted to him throughout my life. Today I realized his words of wisdom that one should always stay away from fools as they are unpredictable.

OR

Parents play a pivotal role in the life of a child and are irreplaceable. Material things are immaterial without the love and security which only parents can give to their child. The lost child in the story is no longer tempted with the things, he wanted in the fair, when he realizes that his parents are no longer beside him. He runs around looking for them in desperation. Anxiety grips him and he feels insecure. The man who rescued him cannot console him. The child only wants his parents. Thus his priorities change when he is separated.