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Section - I**Q.1 A) Read the passage and do the activities.****12**

The young lift-man in a City office who threw a passenger out of his lift the other morning and was fined for the offence was undoubtedly in the wrong. It was a question of "Please." The complainant entering the lift, said, "Top." The lift-man demanded "Top-please," and this concession being refused he not only declined to comply with the instruction, but hurled the passenger out of the lift. This, of course was carrying a comment on manner too far. Discourtesy is not a legal offence, and it does not excuse assault and battery. If a burglar breaks into my house and I knock him down, the law will acquit me, and if I am physically assaulted, it will permit me to retaliate with reasonable violence. It does this because the burglar and my assailant have broken quite definite commands of the law. But no legal system could attempt to legislate against bad manners, or could sanction the use of violence against something which it does not itself recognize as a legally punishable offence. And our sympathy with the liftman, we must admit that the law is reasonable. It would never do if we were at liberty to box people's ears because we did not like their behaviour, or the tone of their voices, or the scowl on their faces. Our fists would never be idle, and the gutters of the city would run with blood all day.

I may be as uncivil as I may please and the law will protect me against violent retaliation. I may be haughty or boorish and there is no penalty to pay except the penalty of being written down an ill-mannered fellow. The law does not compel me to say "Please" or to attune my voice to other people's sensibilities any more than it says that I shall not wax my moustache or dye my hair or wear ringlets down my back. It does not recognize the laceration of our feelings as a case for compensation. There is no allowance for moral and intellectual damages in these matters.

A1. Select the statement that explains the theme of the passage and rewrite.**2**

1. Courtesy and civility is not important than free will.
2. It is difficult to deal with everyone we come across as they all lack civility.
3. Dealing with lift - men is very challenging.
4. Courtesy and civility and good manners play important role in life.

A2. One may get the legal protection in one of the following situations.**2****(Select the wrong option and correct the wrong one and rewrite.)**

- i) If a burglar enters into your place.
- ii) I harm someone physically.

A3. The result of the freedom of violence in case if we hate someone's tone or facial expression will be:**2**

- i) _____
- ii) _____

A4. According to me, benefits of good manners are:**2**

- a) _____
- b) _____

A5. Follow the instruction given in the brackets:

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- i) The law does not compel me to say "Please".
(Select the correct option to convert it into a rhetorical question.)
- Doesn't law compel me to say "Please"?
 - Does law compel me to say "Please"?
 - Can law compel me to say "Please"?
 - Can't law compel me to say "Please"?
- ii) The burglar and my assailant have broken quite definite commands of the law.
(Select the correct option to change the voice)
- Quite definite commands of the law were broken by the burglar and my assailant.
 - Quite definite commands of the law have been broken by my assailant.
 - Quite definite commands of the law have been broken by the burglar and my assailant.
 - Quite definite commands of the law are broken by the burglar and my assailant.

A6. Match the pairs to form four suitable collocations.

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'A'	'B'
Social	Work
Hard	Forest
	Justice
	Time

Q.1 B) Language Study.**Do as directed.**

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- i) Use the correct articles and rewrite the sentence.
Covid - 19 is one of _____ most hazardous diseases faced by _____ world. 1
- ii) This method is tedious and complicated.
(Select the correct option to rewrite using 'Not only but also') 1
- Not only is this method very tedious but also very complicated.
 - This method is not only very tedious but also very complicated.
 - This is not only but also tedious and complicated.
 - This method is not only tedious but also complicated.
- iii) In those days we would watch a lot of movies.
(Select the correct option indicating model auxiliary expressing past habitual / discontinued action) 1
- We are watching a lot of movies in those days.
 - We were watching a lot of movies in those days.
 - In those days we used to watch a lot of movies.
 - In those days we would be watching a lot of movies.
- iv) Spot the error and rewrite the correct sentence. 1
- All the childrens had been playing in the garden since morning.

Q.2 A) Read the extract and do the activities given below.

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It is true that progress in knowledge has led to the development of science and technology. which has, in turn, profoundly altered our environment. For example, fertilizers and insecticides have increased agricultural output, which is required to feed the swelling population of the world. However both give rise to pollution. Each one in the modern world has accumulated in our bodies a few milligrams of D.D.T. which is organo-chlorine, a type of insecticide. The D.D.T. level in fish is rising and already some fish eating birds are becoming sterile. Fertilizers used in farmlands are washed away by rain into rivers, lakes and reservoirs. The heavy intake content in fertilizers leads to wild growth of vegetation in them, which in turn de-oxygenize the waters and as a result, all the fish is lost.

Massive industrialization too has led to serious pollution of the environment. Millions of tons of smoke, sulphur gas, ash and unknown quantities of toxic byproducts are sent up every day all over the world and we simply do not know if our chemical environment is slowly poisoning us all. What is even worse, the increase in the carbon dioxide content of the atmosphere from burning oil and coal may in time, prevent the escape of the sun's heat from the earth. Leading to a rise in the earth's temperature, the melting of ice-caps and a rise in the level of the ocean.

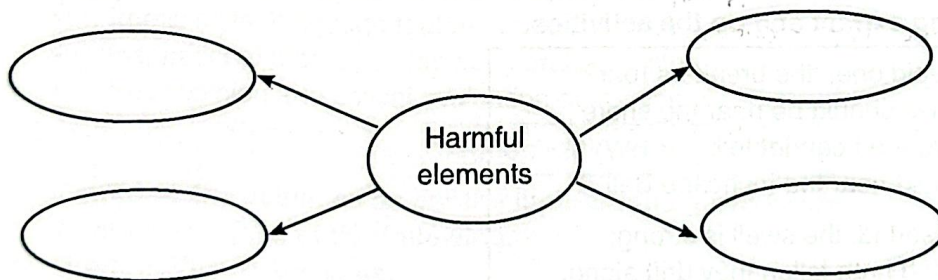
The sea has become a cheap dumping ground for all kinds of waste products. Although the sea has a great capacity to break down all kinds of waste. This capacity is not unlimited, especially in shallow seas. Industrial effluent gets washed out to sea for industries tend to concentrate in coastal areas in order to be able to dispose unwanted waste cheaply. Atomic wastes as well as poison gases are dumped in the sea by industrial and military authorities.

It would be foolish to shut our eyes to the dangers of the pollution that human beings cause. It is true that more and more people have become aware of the dangers of pollution. Rivers are being gradually restored to health: international organizations are trying to keep the seas clean. Industries are being asked to pay large sums to meet the cost of disposing of effluents. Campaigns are being organized against cutting down trees. Public opinion is gradually being aroused to concern and if all of us become concerned about our environment we shall be able to keep the earth habitable for future generations.

A1. State whether the following statements are true or false. (Write the answer on a new line) 2

- i) Excessive industrialization has led to serious pollution of the environment.
- ii) The Sea is used as a dumping place.
- iii) Maintaining the earth today for better tomorrow is in our hands.
- iv) D.D.T. level in fish is not rising so there is no harm.

A2. There has been an emission of several harmful elements every day. Complete the web diagram. 2



A3. Complete the following statements which state the result of increase in the carbon dioxide level on the earth. 2

The increase in carbon dioxide may lead to :

- a) the prevention of
- b) a rise in

A4. I can protect the environment in my own small way in the following ways: 2

- i) _____
- ii) _____

A5. Language study.

- i) Industrial effluent gets washed out to the sea. 2
 (Choose the correct alternative to get the present continuous tense from the given sentence.)
 a) Industrial effluent is getting washed out to the sea.
 b) Industrial effluent has been getting washed out to the sea.
 c) Industrial effluent is being getting washed out to the sea.
 d) Industrial effluents have been getting washed out to the sea.
- ii) This capacity is not unlimited.
 (To convert it into affirmative sentence, select the correct alternative.)
 a) This capacity is hardly unlimited.
 b) This capacity is hardly limited.
 c) This capacity is limited.
 d) This capacity is unlimited.

A6. Find out words from the passage which mean.

- 1) Poisonous
 2) Movement or a drive

Section - II Poetry, Appreciation**Q.2 B) Summary.**

Write a summary of the above extract with the help of the given points.

Give it a suitable title.

Progress in science results in pollution air water pollution
 its impact measures.

Q.2 C) You are planning to visit a hill station with your family.

Draw / Prepare a mind map with the help of case in your past experience of a trip.

Poetry Section**Q.3 Read the following extract and do the activities.****A)**

'Canst hear', said one, 'the breakers roar?
 For methinks we should be near the shore'.
 'Now where we are I cannot tell,
 But I wish I could hear the Inchcape Bell'.

They hear no sound, the swell is strong;
 Though the wind hath fallen they drift along,
 Till the vessel strikes with a shivering shock,-
 'O Christ! it is the Inchcape Rock!'

Sir Ralph the Rover tore his hair;
 He curst himself in his despair;
 The waves rush in every side,
 The ship is sinking beneath the tide.

But even in his dying fear
 One dreadful sound could the Rover hear,
 A sound as if with the Inchcape Bell,
 The Devil below was ringing his knell

A1. Arrange the following incidences in the order as they occurred.

- i) The ship dashed on the Rock.
 ii) Sir Ralph and others thought that they were about to approach the seacoast.



- iii) The wind had stopped blowing.
- iv) The ship sank in the ocean.

- A2. Write two lines from the extract which express the regrets of Sir Ralph. 2
- A3. "There is a justice in the court of the Lord" Give your opinion on it in 50 words. 2
- A4. Name the figures of speech. 2
- i) They hear no sound, the swell is strong
 - ii) The devil below was ringing his knell.
- A5. Compose two poetic rhyming lines on "good deeds". 2

Q.3 B) Appreciation.

Read the given extract and write the appreciation of the given poem based on the following aspects, given below the extract : 4

Weavers, weaving at break of day,
 Why do you weave a garment so gay?.....
 Blue as the wing of a halcyon wild,
 We weave the robes of a new-born child.
 Weavers, weaving at fall of night,
 Why do you weave a garment so bright?.....
 Like the plumes of a peacock, purple and green,
 We weave the marriage-veils of a queen.
 Weavers, weaving solemn and still,
 What do you weave in the moonlight chill.....
 White as a feather and white as a cloud,
 We weave a dead man's funeral shroud.

- About the poem, significance of the title
- Form of the poem, theme and its significance
- Poetic style, language features, poetic devices
- Inspirational message, values, morals reflected
- Your opinion and critical evaluation of the poem.

Section - III (Writing Skill)

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Q.4

Complete the activities as per the instructions given below:

A) Attempt any ONE of the following.

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1) Drafting Virtual Message:

Using the information given below, write a message which Mohit left for his brother Mohan. Do not add any new information, the message should not exceed more than 50 words.

Rajan called up - self written story reading competition - occasion: National Book Day and A P J Abdul Kalam birthday - venue is city Library at Churchgate. He will pick him up at 5.00 pm and will attend the programme together.

OR

2) Group Discussion.

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The English Language Literary Club is conducting an Online Webinar for Jr. College students and few selected students have been called for a group discussion on the topic of "Online Classes: Blessing or Curse?"

Prepare four or five views in the form of discussion.

Q.4 B) Attempt any One of the following.

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1) Email Writing.

Write an email to your younger sister congratulating her on her success as the "Best Singer Award" in the inter - school competition.

OR**2) Interview Questions.**

Frame a set of 8 to 10 questions to be asked while interacting a well - known Bollywood star, whose film recently broke all records at box office.

Name of the interviewee (distinguished personality)	
Area of Success / Reputation	
Date / Venue / Time	
Duration of interview	
Questions :	
1. Preparation for role	
2. Reason to do this role	
3. Challenges in role performance	
4. Fitness and role	
5. Weight gain and role	
6. Memorable incident	
7. Criticism and reaction	
8. Source of varying ideas	
9. Next movie / plan / message	

Q.4 C) Attempt any One of the following.

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1) Speech writing:

You wish to take part in Elocution Competition in your college, one of the topics there in 'Disadvantages of Television'. Prepare a speech on it in about 100 words.

OR**2) Expansion of Idea.**

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Attempt an expansion of idea on the following.

"A Book cannot be judged by its Cover".

Q.4 D) Attempt any ONE of the following:

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1) Book Review :

Write a review of a book that you have recently read. Write your review based on any four points given below:

- Name of the characters. (main and supporting roles)
- About the story/theme of the book.
- Why did you like or not like the book.
- Genre/style of writing

2) Appeal :

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Prepare an appeal making the people aware about the importance of cleanliness and personal hygiene. Use attractive slogan and illustrations.

SECTION - IV : LITERARY GENRE - (NOVEL)

Q.5 A) Do as directed :**A1 Find out whether the following sentences are true or false and rewrite them :****2**

- i) Novel makes life easier to understand than in drama and poetry.
- ii) Agatha Christie wrote many novels based on politics.
- iii) Plot is essentially the story or the course of events that make up the theme.
- iv) The realistic novel is a fiction that gives the effect of fantasy.

A2 Match the type of the novel given in a column A with its information given in column B.**2**

A		B	
i)	Picaresque novel	a)	story that bears more than one level of meaning
ii)	Epistolary novel	b)	set in a period earlier than that of the writing
iii)	Allegorical novel	c)	writer presents the narrative through a series of correspondence or other documents.
iv)	Historical novel	d)	connected with the growth of the protagonists mind
		e)	narrates the adventure of protagonist

A3 Fill in the blanks and rewrite the sentences.**2**

- 1) The reader follows the action of one main character throughout the novel and this character is referred on a _____ .
(protagonist, antagonist, round)
- 2) _____ is the central idea of the novel which can be expressed in a nutshell.
(conflict, character, setting, theme)
- 3) Utopian is an _____ community or society possessing the ideal qualities.
(real, historical, imaginary, social)
- 4) _____ fiction is a genre of speculative fiction dealing with imaginative concepts.
(imaginative, historical, science, psychological)

Q.5 B) Describe/Explain/Compare/Contract/Name/Discuss.**4**

- 1) Discuss in brief the theme of the novel 'To sir with love'.

2**illustrate / interpret / Narrate / Justify / Find / Identify.****2**

- 1) Interpret the meaning of the statements :

Miss Phillips is transformed into a very convincing personality.

Q.5 C) Describe / Explain / Compare / Contract / Name / Discuss.**2**

- 1) Sherlock Holmes is the leading character in the extract. Explain.

- 2) **illustrate / interpret / Narrate / Justify / Find / Identify.**

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Narrate in brief the meeting of Miss Morstan and Holmen.

- 3) Describe in brief why most fiction readers prefer reading 'Defective novels and specially, 'Sherlock Holmes'.

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