

## Q.1. A. Read the given extract and do the activities that follow:

12 (16)

Walked across a beautiful Mahua tree loaded with reddish-brown leaves. The ground under the tree was cleaned very well. The thought instantly flashed in my mind- 'I'd lost my way'. Next moment, I found another dusky trail. Hastily I took that trail which took me from a narrow gorge to an open field. The area was surrounded by hillocks of dry deciduous tropical forest. I turned back to spot the sun. Now, the geographical west was set. The dusky trail had vanished. Good Heavens! I was lost. Completely lost in this jungle, That too at a very dreadful time! The sun was melting down like a fleeting runner.

Soaked in my own sweat, I felt like shouting to my heart's content. But there was no other soul to listen to my sound in this wilderness. I had two bags with me. The Shabnam bag having the camera and the other was a small colourful hand-made bag used in villages to carry tiffin. The tiffin still had some stuff, but I didn't feel like having it. The blossoming Boxwood trees, the Bhoop Bhoop sound of Coucal bird, the song of Robin bird, all appeared alien to me.

It was more than an hour and I was still there searching for a suitable tree to climb and get secured. "Turn back to the trail you left," my mind was telling me. But there were no signs of the trail. I had no other way to climb the hillock before me. There were more hillocks, and some more around the one I was standing. Near my feet were the driedup droppings of Sloth Bear. "The Sloth Bear of Umbarzara must be out in open sniffing for food," I cautioned myself. Thinking of averting all sorts of eventuality, I made a move. I ran down the hillock that I had climbed up at a frantic speed. The west was to my right-hand side now. The evening breeze flew through my wet curled hair. My stomach was aching. I kept walking in hope.

After around 50 steps I found a bright red soil trail. I found my silver lining on this trail. There were marks of bicycle wheel on this trail. That was a big consolation for me. "There must be a village nearby," I reassured myself. More questions resurfaced, "How far is the village? And where? In which direction?"

I climbed one more hillock and tried to locate signs of human civilisation. My legs were trembling. As I reached the top of the hill, I jumped with joy.

## A1. Arrange the following sentences in order as per the passage :

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- 1) The writer started searching for a suitable tree to climb for his safety.
- 2) He jumped with joy.
- 3) The writer realized he has lost his way.
- 4) He found bright red soil trail.

## A2. Fill in the table to give details of what the writer carried with him.

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| Things he carried | Its contents |
|-------------------|--------------|
| i) _____          | _____        |
| ii) _____         | _____        |

## A3. Give the proofs.

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- 1) The sloth bear must have been out
- 2) The village must be nearby

A4. According to me the two dangers in the jungles are ....

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1) .....

2) .....

A5. Do as directed :

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1) I didn't feel like having it. (Choose the correct option to identify the tense)

a) simple past tense

b) past continuous tense

c) past perfect tense

d) past perfect continuous tense

2) I had no other way to climb the hillock.

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(Select the correct alternative to convert the sentence into a rhetorical question)

a) Had there been any other way to climb the hillock ?

b) Did I have any other way to climb the hillock ?

c) Was there any other way to climb the hillock ?

d) Had I any other way to climb the hillock ?

A6. Give the antonyms of the following words from the passage :

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a) broad

b) dull / pale

B. Do as directed :

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1) Nothing is impossible in this world.

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(Select the correct alternative to make it affirmative)

a) Everything is possible in this world.

b) There is hardly anything which is impossible in this world.

c) Hardly anything is possible in this world.

d) All the things were possible in this world.

2) One will trust one's own inner voice.

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(Select the correct option by using a modal auxiliary to express moral obligation)

a) We may trust one's inner voice.

b) One ought to trust one's own inner voice.

c) All should trust one's own inner voice.

d) Everybody can trust one's own inner voice.

3) He said, "I will help you in all your needs,"

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(Choose the correct alternative to convert it into an indirect speech)

a) I was assured of help by them.

b) They told her that they will help her in all her needs.

c) He assured me that he would help me in all my needs.

d) She assured him of help in all his needs.

4) Spot the error : (underline the error and rewrite the sentence)

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The bell fell in the well.

**Q.2. A. Read the following extract and do the activities that follow.****12 (18)**

Positive thinking helps with stress management and can even improve your health. One can practice overcoming negative thoughts/

Is your glass half - empty or half - full ? How you answer this age-old question about positive thinking may reflect your outlook on life, your attitude towards yourself, and whether you're optimistic or pessimistic - and it may even affect your health.

Indeed, some studies show that personality traits such as optimism and pessimism can affect many areas of your health and well-being. The positive thinking that usually comes with optimism is a key part of effective stress management. And effective stress management is associated with many health benefits.

Positive thinking doesn't mean that you ignore life's less pleasant situations. Positive thinking just means that your approach unpleasantness in a more positive and productive way. You think the best is going to happen, not the worst.

Positive thinking often starts with self-talk. Self-talk is the endless stream of unspoken thoughts that run through your head. These thoughts can be positive or negative. Some of your self-talk comes from logic and reason. Other self-talk may arise from misconceptions that you create because of lack of information or expectations due to preconceived ideas of what may happen.

If the thoughts that run through your head are mostly negative, your outlook on life is more likely pessimistic. If your thoughts are mostly positive, you're likely an optimist - someone who practices positive thinking.

The health benefits of positive thinking :

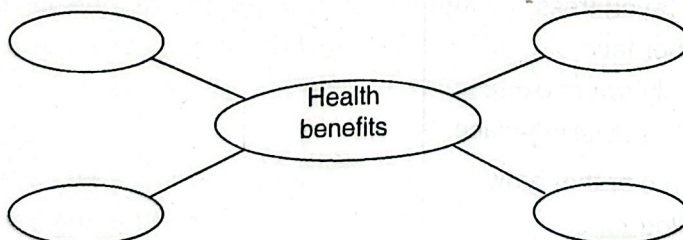
Researchers continue to explore the effects of positive thinking and optimism on health. Health benefits that positive thinking may provide include :

Increased life span, lower rates of depression, lower levels of distress, greater resistance to illness.

**A1. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives provided in the bracket:****2**

(to overlook, negative, best, main part)

- 1) Positive thinking is the \_\_\_\_\_ of effective stress management.
- 2) Positive thinking doesn't mean \_\_\_\_\_ less pleasant situation.
- 3) Negative thoughts in your head will lead to \_\_\_\_\_ outlook.
- 4) If you think positively, you will expect the \_\_\_\_\_, not the worst.

**A2. Fill in the given web-diagram to state the health benefits of positive thinking.****2****A3. The self talks spring from \_\_\_\_\_ (one is given for you)****2**

- 1) logic and reason
- 2) mis conceptions \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_

**A4. Give any one example of negative thinking you indulge into and its effect.**

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- 1) My negative thought : \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Its effect : \_\_\_\_\_

**A5. Do as directed:**

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- 1) Pessimism can affect many areas of your health.  
(Select the correct option to convert the sentence into a passive voice)
  - a) You health in many areas could be affected by pessimism.
  - b) Pessimism could be affected by many areas of your health.
  - c) Many areas of your health can be affected by pessimism.
  - d) As far as health is concerned, many areas of health can be affected by pessimism.
- 2) The thoughts that run through your head are mostly negative.  
(Use participle at the place of the words in bold letters by choosing the correct alternative)
  - a) The thoughts running through your head are mostly negative.
  - b) Most negative thoughts are running through your head.
  - c) Those which are running through your mind are mostly the negative thoughts.
  - d) If you think of the thoughts, running through your mind they are mostly negative.

**B. Write the summary of the above extract with the help of given points and give it a suitable title.**

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Meaning of positive thinking-benefits of positive thinking-negative thinking-effects

**C. Develop a mind map on the topic "environment."**

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Express and present your own ideas with suitable design and structure. Create at least 2-3 main branches and its sub branches.

**Q.3. A. Read the following extract and do the activities that follow:**

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She walks in beauty, like the night  
Of cloudless climes and starry skies;  
And all that's best of dark and bright  
Meet in her aspect and her eyes;  
Thus mellowed to that tender light  
Which heaven to gaudy day denies.  
  
One shade the more, one ray the less,  
Had half impaired the nameless grace  
Which waves in every raven tress,  
Or softly lightens o'er her face;  
Where thoughts serenely sweet express,  
How pure, how dear their dwelling-place.  
  
And on that cheek, and o'er that brow,  
So soft, so calm, yet eloquent,  
The smiles that win, the tints that glow,  
But tell of days in goodness spent,  
A mind at peace with all below,  
A heart whose love is innocent!

**A1. State whether the following statements are true or false:****2**

- 1) The poet is highly impressed by the beauty of the lady but he doesn't declare his love for her.
- 2) The expression 'raven tress' refers to her black dress.
- 3) The lady has an innocent loving heart.
- 4) The lady has a sarcastic smile on her cheeks.

**A2. Select the expressions from the list that describe or convey the real nature of the lady.****2**

- 1) She expresses sweet serene thoughts.
- 2) She looks gaudy.
- 3) Her smile is soft, calm and expressive.
- 4) She wants everything that is best to look more beautiful.

**A3. The real beauty according to me is \_\_\_\_\_****2**

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_

**A4. The rhyme scheme in the first stanzas is \_\_\_\_\_****2**

The rhyming pairs in it are i) \_\_\_\_\_ ii) \_\_\_\_\_

**A5. Compose two lines on anyone who has impressed you in your life in a rhyming pattern.****2****B. Read the following extract and write poetic appreciation with the help of the given points: 4**

Afoot and light-hearted I take to the open road,  
 Healthy, free, the world before me,  
 The long brown path before me leading wherever I  
 choose.  
 Henceforth I ask not good-fortune, I myself am  
 good-fortune,  
 Henceforth I whimper no more, postpone no more,  
 need nothing,  
 Done with indoor complaints, libraries, querulous  
 criticisms,  
 Strong and content I travel the open road.  
 The earth, that is sufficient,  
 I do not want the constellations any nearer,  
 I know they are very well where they are,  
 I know they suffice for those who belong to them.  
 (Still here I carry my old delicious burdens,  
 I carry them, men and women, I carry them with me  
 wherever I go,  
 I swear it is impossible for me to get rid of them,  
 I am fill'd with them, and I will fill them in return.)

- \* About the poem, poet title
- \* Theme
- \* Poetic device/style
- \* Special features - tone
- \* Values,
- \* Message
- \* Your opinion about the poem

**Section III (Writing Skill)****Q.4. A. Complete the activities as per the instructions given below:**

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1) Virtual Message: 50 to 75 words limit

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You are Dipika, a personal assistant to Ms. Priyanka. She was away attending a meeting when Mr. George rang up. You spoke to him and jotted down his message in your note-pad.

**Draft a message for Ms. Priyanka using the information in your notes given below:**

Mr. George - rang up - 5 pm - has received the manuscript and CD's - coming tomorrow - to thank Ms. Priyanka personally - to handover the cheque.

**OR**

2) Statement of Purpose : 150 words

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**Read the following personal details and prepare a suitable statement of purpose.**

You have always been fascinated by building construction. Once your dad saw you completely engrossed in watching construction work next to your house. After that identifying your interest, he registered your name in designing and drawing class. From that time, you wanted to become a Civil Engineer. You have taken science stream in your junior college after an excellent score in SSC board examination. In your free time you love reading national and international magazines on designing and construction. Draft a statement of purpose in 150 words that will help you to get an admission at M. Vishweshwaraya College of Engineering Dharwad, Karnataka.

**OR**

3) Group Discussion:

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Frame a group discussion amongst three (3) students (Meena, Raj & Smita) and their teacher who is leaving for England to witness 400th death anniversary of the greatest dramatist William Shakespeare.

**B. Attempt any ONE of the following:**

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1) Email Writing :

While on a business trip you had to spend a week at a large hotel. However the poor facilities and rude behaviour of the hotel-staff made your stay very unpleasant. Write an email of complaint to the manager of the hotel expressing your feelings of annoyance and suggesting what could be done to improve the standard of the hotel, in about 150 words.

**OR**

2) Report Writing:

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**Your college had organised an intercollegiate Literary Festival, as one of the organizers of the festival, write a report for your college magazine in about 120 to 150 words, using the points below as guidelines.**

Date and venue - purpose of the festival - college invited - events - chief guest - inauguration - standard performances - awards won - closing ceremony - experience gained.

**OR**

**3) Interview questions:**

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Write a set of 8 to 10 interview questions to be asked to a social worker.

Take the help of the following points.

Childhood - education - service - difficulties - future plans - achievements - message

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|-----------------------------------------------------|--|
| Name of the interviewee (distinguished personality) |  |
| Area of Success / Reputation                        |  |
| Date / Venue / Time                                 |  |
| Duration of Interview                               |  |
| <b>Questions :</b>                                  |  |
| 1. Purpose behind social work                       |  |
| 2. Problems / hurdles                               |  |
| 3. Challenges / ups and downs                       |  |
| 4. Essentials                                       |  |
| 5. Experiences                                      |  |
| 6. Opinion to join other profession                 |  |
| 7. Steps taken                                      |  |
| 8. Message                                          |  |

**C. Attempt any ONE of the following :**

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**1. Speech Writing :**

Write a short speech in about 150 words to be delivered in your college on "Tree Conservation" on the occasion of 'The World's Earth Day', with the help of the following points.

- Air, water and noise pollution
- Depletion of natural resources
- Trees prevent soil erosion
- Live in harmony with nature

OR

**2. Compering :**

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Prepare a script for compering a book release event. The event is held in an auditorium of your college where the author of the book to be launched Mr. Ruskin Bond has taken his education. You can take help of the following points to write the script.

- Introduction
- Welcome speech
- Book release and distribution of first signed copies by an author
- Speech and few pages reading by the Principal and teacher on an author
- Speech by Mr. Avinash Raje
- Free distribution of few signed copies of book to the lucky students
- Vote of thanks

**3. Expansion of Idea :**

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"Manners make the Man". Expand the idea in your own words with proper examples, using 100 to 150 words.

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

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**1. Book Review :**

Choose any recent book that you have read and give an account of it based on the following points.

Name of the book - theme and plot of the book - critical appreciation - your final assessment.

**OR**

**2. Blog Writing :**

Write a blog on the following topic in 150 words.

"Man is free by birth"

**OR**

**3. Appeal :**

Prepare an appeal for making the people aware about the tree - plantation.

Use attractive slogan.

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**Q.5. A. i) Complete the activities given below as per the instructions.**

Match the column 'A' with their correct names in column 'B'.

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| Column 'A'                | Column 'B'       |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| 1) World's first novel    | a) Frankenstein  |
| 2) The Pilgrim's Progress | b) Tale of Genji |
| 3) First Science Fiction  | c) DonQuixote    |
| 4) Cervantes              | d) John Bunyan   |

**ii) Write if the following statements are True or False. Correct the statements that are false and rewrite it -**

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- 1) The Indian English novel has undergone many changes and its future appears bleak.
- 2) The main character in the story is known as the 'Protagonist'.
- 3) 'Theme' is the central idea in the novel which can be expressed in a nutshell.
- 4) The struggle between the opposite forces in the story is called 'antagonism'.

**iii) Complete the following statements on the basis of correct alternatives and rewrite.**

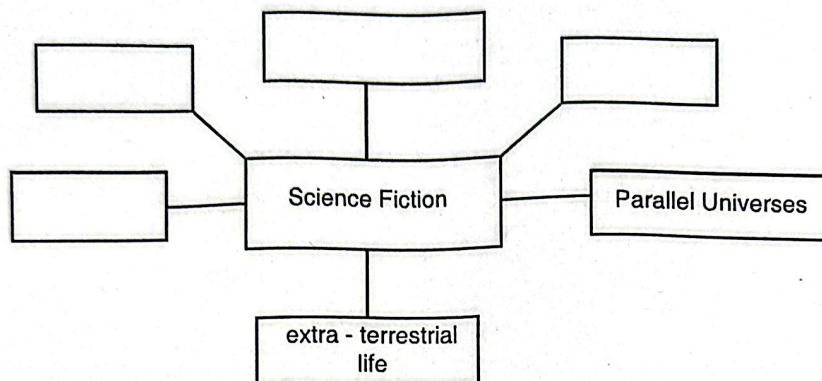
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- 1) A novella is a type of prose fictions which is shorter than \_\_\_\_\_.  
(poem, novel, play)
- 2) The new literature written in the 18th century was characterised by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Spirit of realism, fantasy, mystery)
- 3) The spread of \_\_\_\_\_ contributed to the rise of the novel.  
(Computers, Machines, Cinema)
- 4) Science Fiction deals with the story related to the \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Present, past, future)

**iv) Complete the following web-diagram.****2**

The Science Fiction novel is a category of speculative fiction dealing with imaginative concepts. Fill in the boxes with four imaginative concepts.

(2 are done for you)



**Q.5. B. 1.** Discuss the importance of the following statement in the light of the extract.

**2**

Mary received Pearls every year on the same day.

2. Write in brief the character sketch of Sherlock Holmes.

**2**

3. Arrange the following incidents in correct sequence as per the occurrence in the extract from the novel 'The sign of four'.

**2**

a) Miss Morstan showed Holmes the Pearls and letter.

b) Miss Morstan discussed her problem with Holmes and Watson.

c) They planned to meet the writer of the letter.

d) Miss Morstan met Holmes and Watson at their house.

4. Explain in brief the theme of wealth in the light of the novel.

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