

**Q.1 Answer any TEN of the following in 2-3 sentences each :** [20]

**Q.1(a) What are the measures to be taken to avoid the use of plastic bags?** [2]

(A) One should always carry a shopping bag to avoid taking plastic bags from the shops. One should put a basket into the dickey of the car into which you can fill a whole shopping cart. Packaging can be left behind in the shop for recycling. If we cut the consumption of plastic responsibly, there will be less floating around the garbage dumps in the city.

**Q.1(b) How did Ajay's teacher help him ?** [2]

(A) Ajay wore ragged clothes and worn out tennis shoes. Therefore Mrs. Kumar took Ajay into a shoe shop and purchased a pair of shoes for him that fitted him perfectly. She also bought shirt and shorts for him.

**Q.1(c) What is the effect of eating too much ?** [2]

(A) Eating too much food in one go may result in drain of energy after some time. It also gives feeling of being bloated or deprived of energy. Therefore to keep our energy evenly distributed, we should take small amounts of food at regular intervals.

**Q.1(d) What does Dr. Kalam think about failures ?** [2]

(A) As per Dr. Kalam's experience, every successful person goes through the failures. He thinks that great success has some elements of failure also. He also thinks one need to be positive about it and should learn through failures so that it does not reappear.

**Q.1(e) State the principles, of capacitive touch screen.** [2]

(A) Capacitive touch screens work on the principle of transverse wave theory and interference where the surface of still water is even, devoid of disruption but the instant you touch it, small concentric circles are created that depart from the finger and grow bigger until they go to edges of the vessel.

**Q.1(f) What advice was given to Malathi Holla by her father ?** [2]

(A) Malathi Holla's father advised her to accept herself. He also advised her not to discriminate herself from others. He asked her that she should ask herself for what she wanted rather than succumbing to situations.

**Q.1(g) What is self-awareness ?** [2]

(A) Self-awareness means know who we are and why we think and feel the way we do. We need to understand the forces and influences that have shaped our character from earliest childhood. We need to know why we react and respond the way we do to the people and situations around us.

**Q.1(h) What are the types of touch screen ?** [2]

(A) There are three types of touch screens, which are as follows:

- (i) Capacitive touch screen
- (ii) Resistive touch screen
- (iii) Surface acoustic touch screen

**Q.1(i) How does slouching affect the posture ?** [2]

(A) When we slouch for long periods of time, our posture suffers horribly. Poor posture not only shows tiredness and boredom, but it can also be a start for many health problems. When we slouch, our blood flow is impaired and our muscles get contracted.

**Q.1(j) Why did Narayana Murthy not join IIT ? [2]**

(A) Though Narayan Murthy ranked seventeenth in India in IIT exam, he did not join IIT, because his family could not afford the cost of education at IIT. His father had the responsibility of five daughters and three sons and he could not spend all the money for the sake of Murthy's education.

**Q.1(k) When does Ajay recall his teacher ? [2]**

(A) In early 1991, Ajay suffered a massive heart attack. This was the time when he recalled his teacher, Mrs. Sheila Kumar.

**Q.1(l) Why does Dr. Kalam stress on the importance of acquisition of usable skills ? [2]**

(A) Dr. Kalam stresses on the importance of acquisition of usable skills because these are not taught in the secondary school education or in higher education or university education. People have to acquire such skills to get the job.

**Q.2(a) Answer any THREE of the following in about 75 words : [12]**

**Q.2(a) (i) What are the different ways to maintain good health ? [4]**

(A) Beauty, health and nutrition are all integrate. If you eat a balanced diet you will be able to maintain your physique and glowing beauty externally and good health internally.

Use of junk food should be avoided to maintain good health. One can take some simple precautions like not sitting cross legged, avoiding unclean combs, changing toothbrush after two to three months, avoiding wrong posture like slouch, taking proper diet, not eating too much. Eat plenty of whole grains, fruits and vegetables. One should exercise every day, walk or take up aerobics, dance or join a gym. Regular exercise removes accumulated toxins from the body. To maintain good health, one should also be stress free and be happy from within and think positive.

For good health, it is also important to stay with optimistic and humorous people and avoid or cope up with pessimistic people. Regular exercise is also important for good health. Daily walk can also help in maintaining good health.

**Q.2(a) (ii) How can a person with a positive attitude contribute to the society ? [4]**

(A) People with a positive attitude in life can contribute a lot to the welfare of the society by making a difference in their work and way of working. They can motivate and encourage the people to serve the society. Such people keep the society happy by their positive thinking. They can help the people to develop peace of mind in them. They are always ready to help the needy people of the society.

Social reformers, such as Anna Hazare, inspire people to join the drive for social cause. Positive attitude of a person maintains healthy relations amongst each other which is quite necessary now a days to stay away from stress. In this way, a person with a positive attitude is really an important asset to any society.

**Q.2(a) (iii) Explain the importance of a teacher in a student's life ? [4]**

(A) A Teacher plays very important role in a student's life. Student gets knowledge from the teacher which plays an important role throughout his/her life. Teacher also teaches moral values to the students which make them good human being. A teacher is sometimes a guide, a philosopher, a counselor, an encourager etc.

Every part of the students' life is influenced by the teacher. Teacher guides the students to select proper career path and to take some important decision in their life. Teacher also encourages the student in various situations like competition and examination. Therefore one can say that a teacher is a blessing in a student's life in a true sense.

**Q.2(a) (iv) What is the contribution of Infosys to the society ? [4]**

(A) Narayana Murthy, his wife Sudha and his six friends established Infosys on 7 July 1981, with a dream of creating a software revolution in India. The company was not established for earning profits any way, but to ensure that the value systems are carefully adhered to and taken care of.

Within a short span of time, it has spread its wings worldwide. In this way, foreign currencies have increased in India. The company has created vast employment and has employed many needy ones. The mission statement of Infosys is based on the power of intelligence and the motivation of values.

Infosys gives importance to top quality products, timely delivery, delivering more than the expected value, to changing with time, to improving continuously, saving on costs etc. Infosys also provides the courteous treatment to all employees, and the encouragement is given to the best performers.

Thus Infosys not only employs people massively but also endeavours to follow the conviction of value systems.

**Q.2(b) Change the narration (any FOUR) : [4]**

**Q.2(b) (i) She said, "I had never seen such a movie." [1]**

(A) She said that she had never seen such a movie / a movie like that.

**Q.2(b) (ii) The mother said to the son, "Are you drawing your pictures ?" [1]**

(A) The mother asked the son whether/if he was drawing his pictures.

**Q.2(b) (iii) Nita said, "I shall go tomorrow." [1]**

(A) Nita said that she would go the next day/the following day.

**Q.2(b) (iv) He said, "I am going to Mumbai tomorrow morning." [1]**

(A) He said that he was going to Mumbai the next morning.

OR

He said that he is going to Mumbai the next morning..

**Q.2(b) (v) Rani asked, "What do you want ?" [1]**

(A) Rani asked what he/she/I/they/we wanted.

**Q.3(a) Develop a paragraph on the following in about 75 words (any ONE) : [6]**

(i) Effects of Water Pollution

(ii) Honesty is the best policy

(A) (i) Effects of Water Pollution

Water pollution is one of the most serious environmental problems. The effects of water pollution are very dangerous. The main problem caused by water pollution is that it kills life that depends on the water bodies like river, sea etc. Fish, crabs, dolphins, and many other animals are killed by pollutants in their habitat. Pollution disrupts the natural food chain as well. Pollutants such as lead and cadmium are eaten by tiny animals. Later, these animals are consumed by fish and shellfish, and the food chain continues to be disrupted at all higher levels. Eventually, humans are affected by this process as well. In many poor nations, there is always outbreak of cholera and diseases as a result of poor drinking water treatment from contaminated waters. Polluted water contains germs, chemicals or other materials that can cause illness or death. Therefore we all should see that water pollution is reduced.

**(ii) Honesty is the best policy**

One should be honest in one's dealings. Dishonest and unfair means may succeed in the short run, but they may not pay off in the long run. But because of the prevailing trends, even the honest people are forced to adopt dishonest means. One is judged by the wealth that one possesses and nobody cares how that wealth is acquired. One will not be plagued with a guilty conscience and will not suffer the mental agony resulting from such if one lives honestly. Therefore we can say that honesty gives a kind of satisfaction which no amount of money can buy.

**Note:** The information in the paragraphs may vary.

**Q.3(b) Write about 6-8 dialogues on any ONE of the following situation :**

**[6]**

**(i) Two students discussing about the timetable of final exam.**

**(ii) A teacher and a student talking about the student's attendance problem.**

**(A) (i) Two students discussing about the timetable of final exam.**

**Ajay** : Hello Namrata!

**Namrata** : Hello Ajay! How was your practical exam?

**Ajay** : It was good. Did you see the time table of final exam?

**Namrata** : Yes. It is displayed on the notice board.

**Ajay** : Oh! Which is the first paper?

**Namrata** : English, of course! It will be the followed by Maths, Physics and Chemistry respectively.

**Ajay** : All right. I guess we start with the exam on 26 November

**Namrata** : Thank God! You at least know the date of commencement of exam.

**Ajay** : I know that but I had not seen the board time table.

**Namrata** : Please be aware of it. Take down the time table from the notice board.

**Ajay** : Yes, I will do it now. All the best.

**Namrata** : Thank you. Wish you the same.

**Ajay** : Thanks. Bye.

**Namrata** : Bye.

**(ii) A teacher and a student talking about the student's attendance problem.**

**Student** : Good morning madam.

**Teacher** : Good morning Riya.

**Student** : Madam, you told me to meet you.

**Teacher** : Yes. I called you here. Please be seated. Do you have any idea why you have been called?

**Student** : Yes Ma'am. I know my attendance is very poor.

**Teacher** : Good that you know the reason. Riya, what is the reason behind frequent absence?

**Student** : Nothing ma'am.

**Teacher** : See, be honest to me and share your problems if any. We will try to find some solution for that.

**Student** : Ma'am I belong to a poor family. My parents work on wages and could not earn much. Being elder in family I also have to earn. I am doing a part time job in a saree shop. So I cannot attend the classes. I am sorry ma'am.

**Teacher** : Don't be sorry Riya. I did not know the reason. But remember, that education is quite important for a better future. I will definitely find out the solution for your problem. I know an NGO that helps poor and bright students like you. I will talk to them today itself.

**Student** : Thank you very much ma'am.

**Teacher** : It's my pleasure dear. Now be regular hereafter. Student: Surely Ma'am.

**Note** : Information may vary.

Q.3(c) Develop a speech on (any ONE) situation given below: [4]

(i) As an In charge of the Annual Social Gathering of your institute, prepare a vote of thanks for the event in about 100 words.

(ii) As the class representative prepare a welcome speech of the chief guest for a seminar arranged for the first year students on 'Communication skills.'

(A) (i) As an In charge of the Annual Social Gathering of your institute, prepare a vote of thanks for the event in about 100 words.

Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen. I am standing before you to propose vote of thanks. At the outset I would like to thank our honorable Founder President, for giving us an opportunity to organize Annual Social Gathering. I am also thankful to our principal who motivated and supported us for the success of this event. I thank the chief guest from the bottom of my heart for taking out some time for us and gracing the event by his presence. I express my heartfelt thanks to all the teachers who inspired us during this Annual Social Gathering. I thank all the organisers, event coordinators, technicians and my colleagues; without their support the event would not have been successful. Before I conclude, I want to thank our mess incharge for providing us the tasty food and tea. I extend my thanks to all the students for attending the Annual Social Gathering. Thank you all.

(ii) As the class representative prepare a welcome speech of the chief guest for a seminar arranged for the first year students on 'Communication skills.'

Good morning ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the seminar on 'Communication skills'. I take this opportunity to welcome Mr. Sanjay Patil, Chief Mentor, Excellent Spoken English Academy Pune for this seminar today. He was conferred 'The Best Tutor Award' of the year 2014 by Association of Spoken English Academies. He has an expertise in delivering lectures on personality development. He is also associated with well known companies as a trainer. It is an honour and a privilege for us Sir to have you with us today. I also welcome the dignitaries on and off the dais, media representatives and my dear friends. Today we have gathered here for the seminar arranged for the first year students on 'Personality Development'. Once again I welcome all of you for this function. Hope you have a great time.

**Note :** Information/details may vary.

Q.4(a) Write the meaning of the following pairs of words and use them in sentences of your own (any TWO) : [4]

(i) know-no

(ii) see-sea

(iii) quiet-quite

(A) (i) know-no

**Know**

**Meaning:** to have knowledge or information about something in your mind.

**Sentence:** Do you know where the station is?

**No**

**Meaning:** Something that you say in order to disagree, give a negative answer, or say that something is not true.

**Sentence:** "Have you seen Raj?" "No, I haven't."

(ii) see-sea

**See**

**Meaning:** to notice people and things with your eyes.

**Sentence:** Turn the light so that I can see.

**Sea**

**Meaning:** a large area of salt water

**Sentence:** I'd like to live by the sea.

(iii) quiet-quiet

**Quiet**

**Meaning:** making no noise.

**Sentence:** The children are very quiet. I wonder what they're doing.

**Quite**

**Meaning:** a little or a lot but not completely.

**Sentence:** I'm quite tired, but I'm happy to walk a little further.

**Note:** Sentences may vary.

Q.4(b) Make sentences using the following collocations (any FOUR) :

[4]

- (i) Have a good time      (ii) Keep a diary      (iii) Bird's eye view  
(iv) Do nothing      (v) Take a look

(A) (i) Have a good time

Teacher said to the students, "Enjoy the picnic, have a good time."

(ii) Keep a diary

My mother made me to keep a diary since the beginning of my primary education.

(iii) Bird's eye view

Bird's eye view means a general view from above.

(iv) Do nothing

They always fail in the exams as they do nothing to pass.

(v) Take a look

He took a look at the audience and started his presentation.

Q.4(c) (i) Write the synonyms for the following words (any TWO) :

[2]

- (1) knowledge      (2) beautiful      (3) dangerous

(ii) Write antonyms for the following words (any TWO) :

[2]

- (1) guilty      (2) lend      (3) natural

(A) (i) (1) **Knowledge:** education/expertise/ information/wisdom.

(2) **beautiful:** attractive/ charming / graceful/pretty.

(3) **dangerous:** destructive/ grave/harmful.

(ii) (1) **guilty:** innocent

(2) **lend:** borrow

(3) **natural:** artificial/duplicate

Q.4(d) (i) Write two words beginning with the prefix - auto.

[4]

(ii) Write two words ending with the suffix - ness.

(A) (i) (1) Autobiography

(2) Autograph

(ii) (1) Happiness

(2) Goodness

**Note:** word and words can vary

5. (a) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below:

[12]

If you are not in the grip of avarice, you will choose a profession that appeals to you as the means of self-expression and social service, even if you cannot earn much money by it. Your daily duty is not just money - making drudgery; it is

your contribution to social progress and the path of personal development. How sad must be the lot of the man or woman who must do uncongenial work simply for the sake or more money ! I know a younger professor who lived literature passionately and taught it admirably, but his salary was small, and he became a lawyer in order to secure a larger income I tell you that man was guilty of a crime and he will not be happy as a lawyer, though he may be a little more comfortable, a little better fed and dressed and lodged. A musician who is born a violinist can never be personally happy or socially useful as a prosperous merchant or stock-broker, as he will miss the violin all the time. Avarice puts round men in square jobs and square men in round jobs. At present many persons in all classes, rich and poor, are unhappy and restless because their daily work is not interesting. It does not provide an outlet for their creative impulse and the insistent urge of personality. Therefore, don't ask in youth, "How can I earn the biggest salary ?" Ask rather, "How can I truly be happy and do must good to society ?" Then you may have less money, but you will have more of life and joy.

Questions :

**Q.5(a) (i) How a man can choose a profession for expressing himself ? [2]**

**(A)** A man can choose a profession for expressing himself by not being in the grip of avarice. That profession appeals to him as the means of self expression and social service, even if he can not earn much money by it. The profession is not just money-making drudgery but it is the contribution to social progress and the path of personal development.

**Q.5(a) (ii) Why the author consider that the lawyer is guilty of a crime ? [2]**

**(A)** The lawyer is actually was a professor who lived literature passionately and taught it admirably. But his salary was small. So he became a lawyer only in order to secure a larger income. This is the reason the author considers him guilty of a crime as it is really sad to do uncongenial work simply for the sake of more money.

**Q.5(a) (iii) What do you mean by the word drudgery ? [2]**

**(A)** The word drudgery means a boring/ servile / menial / dull/ hard task.

**Q.5(a) (iv) Why most of the people are unhappy at present ? [2]**

**(A)** At present, most of people are unhappy because their daily work is not interesting. It does not provide an outlet for their creative impulse and the insistent urge of personality.

**Q.5(a) (v) Who are the misplaced persons according to the writer ? [2]**

**(A)** People like a professor turned lawyer and a musician turned merchant or stock broker are the misplaced persons. Avarice puts round men in square jobs and square men in round jobs.

**Q.5(a) (vi) What is the advice of the writer to the youth ? [1]**

**(A)** The writer advised the youth not to ask how the youth can earn the biggest salary. Ask rather how they can truly be happy and do good to society. Then they may have less money but they will have more of life and joy.

**Q.5(a) (vii) Give a suitable title to the above passage. [1]**

**(A)** Avarice

OR

Effects of Avarice

**Note:** Title may vary but it should be related to the context.)

Q.5(b) Rewrite the following sentences in active/passive voice. (any FOUR) [4]

- (i) I love the children. (ii) The work was done by us.  
(iii) Get out. (iv) He had visited us.  
(v) She will pay you some money.

(A) (i) I love the children.  
The children are loved by me.

(ii) The work was done by us.  
We did the work.

(iii) Get out.  
You are ordered to get out.

(iv) He had visited us.  
We had been visited by him.

(v) She will pay you some money.  
You will be paid some money by her.  
OR  
Some money will be paid to you by her.

Q.6(a) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles. (any FOUR) [4]

- (i) England is \_\_\_\_\_ European country.  
(ii) He likes to play \_\_\_\_\_ flute.  
(iii) This world is \_\_\_\_\_ happy place to live in.  
(iv) She is \_\_\_\_\_ untidy girl.  
(v) \_\_\_\_\_ Titanic disappeared in the sea.

(A) (i) England is \_\_\_\_\_ European country.  
England is a European country.

(ii) He likes to play \_\_\_\_\_ flute.  
He likes to play a/the flute.

(iii) This world is \_\_\_\_\_ happy place to live in.  
This world is a happy place to live in.

(iv) She is \_\_\_\_\_ untidy girl.  
She is an untidy girl.

(v) \_\_\_\_\_ Titanic disappeared in the sea.  
The Titanic disappeared in the sea.

Q.6(b) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions. (any FOUR) [4]

- (i) We are \_\_\_\_\_ the station.  
(ii) This road goes \_\_\_\_\_ the jungle.  
(iii) The directors did not agree \_\_\_\_\_ his proposal.  
(iv) Karan hid himself \_\_\_\_\_ the sofa.  
(v) A man is known \_\_\_\_\_ the company the knows.

(A) (i) We are \_\_\_\_\_ the station.  
We are at the station.

(ii) This road goes \_\_\_\_\_ the jungle.  
This road goes towards/across/to/through the jungle.

(iii) The directors did not agree \_\_\_\_\_ his proposal.

The directors did not agree to his proposal.

(iv) Karan hid himself \_\_\_\_\_ the sofa.

Karan hid himself behind the sofa.

(v) A man is known \_\_\_\_\_ the company the knows.

A man is known by the company he knows.

Q.6(c) Fill in the blanks with appropriate conjunctions. (any FOUR)

[4]

(i) She is intelligent \_\_\_\_\_ she is lazy.

(ii) She will wait \_\_\_\_\_ you arrive.

(iii) We love \_\_\_\_\_ honour him.

(iv) You were not in office \_\_\_\_\_ I called you.

(v) \_\_\_\_\_ he ran fast, he missed the train.

(A) (i) She is intelligent \_\_\_\_\_ she is lazy.

She is intelligent but she is lazy.

(ii) She will wait \_\_\_\_\_ you arrive.

She will wait till/untill you arrive.

(iii) We love \_\_\_\_\_ honour him.

We love and honour him.

(iv) You were not in office \_\_\_\_\_ I called you.

You were not in the office when I called you.

(v) \_\_\_\_\_ he ran fast, he missed the train.

Though/although he ran fast, he missed the train.

Q.6(d) Fill in the blanks with appropriate form of the verbs. (any FOUR)

[4]

(i) He (come) next week.

(ii) The manager (visit) Australia recently.

(iii) The servant (work) since morning.

(iv) The task is being (complete) by us.

(v) I (speak) to her yesterday.

(A) (i) He (come) next week.

He will come / is coming next week.

(ii) The manager (visit) Australia recently.

The manager visited Australia recently.

(iii) The servant (work) since morning.

The servant has been working since morning.

(iv) The task is being (complete) by us.

The task is being completed by us.

(v) I (speak) to her yesterday.

I spoke to her yesterday.

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