SECTION A - READING (20 MARKS)

Q1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (8 Marks)
1. Walter Elias “Walt” Disney was born on December 5, 1901, in Hermosa, Illinois. He lived most
   of his childhood in Marceline, Missouri, where he began drawing, painting and selling pictures to
   neighbours and family friends. Disney attended McKinley High School in Chicago, where he took
drawing and photography classes and was a contributing cartoonist for the school paper. At night, he
took courses at the Chicago Art Institute.
2. When Disney was 16, he dropped out of school to join the army but was rejected for being underage.
   Instead, he joined the Red Cross and was sent to France for a year to drive an ambulance. When Disney
   returned from France in 1919, he moved back to Kansas City to pursue a career as a newspaper artist.
   His brother Roy got him a job at the Pesmen-Rubin Art Studio, where he met cartoonist Ubbe Eert
Iwwerks, better known as Ub Iwerks. From there, Disney worked at the Kansas City Film Ad Company,
where he made commercials based on cutout animation. Around this time, Disney began experimenting
with a camera, doing hand-drawn cel animation, and decided to open his own animation business. From
the ad company, he recruited Fred Harman as his first employee.
3. Walt and Harman made a deal with a local Kansas City theater to screen their cartoons, which they
called Laugh-O-Grams. The cartoons were hugely popular, and Disney was able to acquire his own
studio, upon which he bestowed the same name. Laugh-O-Gram hired a number of employees,
including Harman’s brother Hugh and Iwerks. They did a series of seven-minute fairy tales that
combined both live action and animation, which they called Alice in Cartoonland. By 1923,
however, the studio had become burdened with debt, and Disney was forced to declare bankruptcy.
4. Disney and his brother, Roy, soon pooled their money and moved to Hollywood. Iwerks also
relocated to California, and there the three began the Disney Brothers’ Studio. Their first deal was
with New York distributor Margaret Winkler, to distribute their Alice cartoons. They also invented
a character called Oswald the Lucky Rabbit, and contracted the shorts at $1,500 each.

1.1 On the basis of your reading of the passage given above, answer the following questions:(1 × 8 =
8)
(a) Why was Walt not selected in the army?
   (i) For being overweight   (ii) For being underage
   (iii) For being colour blind   (iv) For being underweight
(b) The first employee of the Ad Company was:
   (i) Fred Harman   (ii) Ubbe Eert Iwwerks
   (iii) Roy   (iv) Hugh
(c) The studio was burdened by debt in:
   (i) 1927   (ii) 1926
(iii) 1923  (iv) None of these

(d) Walt Disney moved back to Kansas City to pursue a career as a:
   (i) Newspaper  (ii) Cartoonist
   (iii) Studio artist  (iv) distributor

(e) Walt and Harman made a deal with a local Kansas City theater to:
   (i) act as their distributor  (ii) screen their cartoons
   (iii) Self their cartoons  (iv) become a studio artist

(f) Walt Disney learnt to _____ in his childhood.
   (i) do woodwork  (ii) be a mimic
   (iii) paint  (iv) sing

(g) Disney worked at the Kansas City Film Ad Company, where he made commercials based on.

(h) Their first deal was with New York distributor Margaret Winkler, to distribute their Alice cartoons.
   (True/false)

Q2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (12 Marks)

1. To make our life a meaningful one, we need to mind our thoughts, for our thoughts are the foundation, the inspiration, and the motivating power of our deeds. We create our entire world by the way we think. Thoughts are the causes and the conditions are the effects.

2. Our circumstances and conditions are not dictated by the world outside; it is the world inside us that creates that outside. Self-awareness comes from the mind, which means soul. Mind is the sum total of the states of consciousness grouped under thought, will and feeling. Besides self-consciousness we have the power to choose and think. Krishna says: “no man resteth a moment inactive”. Even when inactive on the bodily plane we are all the time acting on the thought plane. Therefore if we observe ourselves, we can easily mould our thoughts. If our thoughts are pure and noble, naturally actions follow the same. If our thoughts are filled with jealousy, hatred, and greed, our actions will be the same.

3. Karmically, however, thought or intent is more responsible and dynamic than an act. One may perform a charitable act, but if he does not think charitably and is doing the act just for the sake of gain and glory, it is his thoughts that will determine the result. Theosophy teaches us that every thought, no matter how fleeting, leaves a seed in the mind of the thinker. These small seeds together go to make up a large thought seed and determine one’s general character. Our thoughts affect the whole body. Each thought once generated and sent out becomes independent of the brain and mind and will live upon its own energy depending upon its intensity.

4. Trying to keep a thought from our mind can produce the very state we are trying to avoid. We can alter our environment to create the mood. When, for instance, we are depressed, if we sit by ourselves trying to think cheerful thoughts, we often do not succeed. But if we mix with people who are cheerful we can bring about a change in our mood and thoughts. Every thought we think, every act we perform, creates in us an impression, like everything else, is subject to cyclic law and become repetitive in our mind. So, we alone have the choice to create our thoughts and develop the kind of impressions that make our action more positive.

2.1. On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions in 30-40 words:
   (2 × 4 = 8)
   (a) How can we make our life meaningful?
   (b) Why does Krishna say, “No man resteth a moment inactive”?
   (c) How do our thoughts affect the whole body?
   (d) How can we change our mood when we are depressed?

2.2. On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following: (1 × 4 = 4)
   (a) In para 1, the word which means stimulation is_____
      (i) inspiration  (ii) effect
      (iii) foundation  (iv) consequence
(b) In para 4, the word which means ‘ceaselss’ is _____

(c) In para 1, the word opposite in meaning to ‘discouraging’ is _____
- (i) meaningful
- (ii) inspiration
- (iii) motivating
- (iv) foundation

(d) In para 4, the word opposite in meaning to ‘happy’ is _____

SECTION B - WRITING & GRAMMAR (30 MARKS)

Q3. In almost all big cities in the country there is a mushrooming growth of slums where people are living in inhuman conditions. Write an article in about 100-150 words about this problem suggesting steps to deal with it. You are Sagar/Seema. (8 Marks)

OR

You are Neelam/Rakesh, Store Incharge Diksha Stores, 32/54, Rajeev Nagar, Delhi. Your school requires school bags and accessories in bulk for the commencement of the new session. Write a letter of inquiry to the Sales Manager, Sky Bags Industries Ltd. 15/3, Ravi Nagar, Delhi enquiring about the details of goods manufactured.

Q4. Write a story in about 150-200 words with the help of the following hints. (10 Marks)

**Hints:** Divya excited/her favourite Honey Singh concert/car ride/tyre burst/mom changes tyre.

**OR**

Develop a story with the help of the following outline.
There was a boy Atul—father and mother gifted cricket set—thought girls cannot play cricket—girls practised—proved.

Q5. Fill in the gaps by choosing the most appropriate words from the options given below. (1 × 4 = 4)

The meat-eating competition is another popular event. Meat being (a) _____ major part of the Northeastern cuisine, all possible meat dishes are (b) _____ offer for tourists (c) _____ relish. Roasted, dried and smoked meat are available (d) _____ the traditional Naga style.

(a) (i) a (ii) the (iii) an (iv) most
(b) (i) on (ii) an (iii) the (iv) a
(c) (i) of (ii) with (iii) in (iv) to
(d) (i) to (ii) of (iii) on (iv) in

Q6. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction against each line of the passage. (1 × 4 = 4)

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Q7. Rearrange the following groups of words and phrases to form meaningful sentences: (1 × 4 = 4)

(a) threat/earth/global/to/on/today/is/warming/the/biggest/life/single
(b) average/used/tenn/earth’s/rise/the/describe/in/temperature/is/to/unnatural/the
(c) the/warming/increased/driver/dioxide/primary/global/is/carbon/of
(d) impact/already/warming/is/creating/global/significant

SECTION C - LITERATURE
(30 MARKS)

Q8. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow: (1 × 4 = 4)

Or if some time when roaming round.
A noble wild beast greets you,
With black stripes on a yellow ground.
Just notice if he cats you.
This simple rule may help you learn
The Bengal Tiger to discern.

(a) The Bengal tiger is:
(i) a clever wild beast
(ii) ferocious wild beast
(iii) sturdy wild beast
(iv) noble wild beast

(b) His skin is:
(i) yellow with white stripes on it
(ii) yellow with red stripes on it
(iii) yellow with brownish stripes on it
(iv) yellow with black stripes on it

(c) The moment he sees you; he will _____ to eat you.
(d) The simple rule will help you to learn that you are _____ the Bengal Tiger.

OR

Writing in a diary is a really strange experience for someone like me. Not only because I’ve never written anything before, but also because it seems to me that later on neither I nor anyone else will be interested in the musings of a thirteen-year old schoolgirl. Oh well, it doesn’t matter. I feel like writing, and I have an even greater need to get all kinds of things off my chest.

(a) Writing a diary for Anne Frank was:
(i) a really strange experience
(ii) a really bad experience
(iii) a really pleasant experience
(iv) a really unpleasant experience

(b) Anne has written a diary:
(i) never before
(ii) much before
(iii) much earlier
(iv) even in the past

(c) No one will be interested in the musings of_____
(d) Anne wanted to get all kinds of things _____ her heart.

Q9. Answer any five of the following questions in 30-40 words each: (2 × 5 = 10)

(a) Why did the pilot call the Paris Control Room the first time? Why could he not contact it the second time?
(b) Why did Anne start writing a diary?
(c) What was Fowler’s perception about a secret agent?
(d) How did the vet cure Tricki of his ailment?
(e) Why was Matilda Loisel always unhappy?
(f) What is the Indian legend regarding the discovery of tea?

Q10. Answer any one of the following questions in about 100-150 words.  (8 Marks)
Hope and faith still exist in the society. Lencho is the perfect example of this saying. Write a paragraph ‘Hope and Faith’ on the basis of reading ‘A Letter to God.’

OR
Explain Mandela’s experience of freedom as a child and as an adult.

Q11. Answer any one of the following questions in about 100-150 words.  (8 Marks)
Give the character sketch of Bholi’s teacher.

OR
What guesses are made by Think-Tank about the books found on earths? (NCERT)