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Section-A

(Reading Comprehension)

1. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow:

Why, who makes much of a miracle?

As to me know of nothing else but miracles:

Whether I walk the streets of Manhattan.

Or dart my sight over the roofs of

houses towards the sky.

Or wade with naked feet along the beach

just in the edge of the water.

Or stand under trees in the woods.

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Questions:

- (i) 'I know nothing else but miracles' elaborate.
- (ii) In the fifth verse the word 'wade' refers to :
 - (a) avoid
 - (b) end
 - (c) walk through
 - (d) neglect
- (iii) Write the images used in the above verses.
- (iv) This poem is written in the :
 - (a) First person plural
 - (b) Second person
 - (c) Third person
 - (d) First person singular
- (v) Is there any rhyme scheme in the above lines?

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Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow: Slums, characterized by congested living, inadequate sanitation and limited resources, present a complex landscape for educational opportunities. While the struggle for children's education in these areas deserves attention, equally important is the education of adults residing within them. Investing in their living empowers them to improve their own lives, their families' well-being and contribute positively to their communities, and above all to national development. Barriers to adult education in slums are myriad. Poverty often forces individuals into low-paying jobs, leaving little time or energy for learning. Lack of basic literacy and numeracy skills creates additional hurdles. Childcare responsibilities, particularly for women, further restrict their access to education. Traditional gender roles can also limit women's educational opportunities.

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Despite these challenges, the benefits of adult education in slums are undeniable. Literacy and Numeracy empower individuals to manage finances, navigate government services, and make informed decisions about their health and well-being. Increased knowledge can empower individuals to find better employment opportunities, leading to improved living standards for themselves and their families. Literacy also allows parents to support their children's education better.

Several successful initiatives demonstrate the impact of adult education in slums. Community-based programs offer flexible learning hours, childcare services and vocational training tailored to local needs. Mobile classrooms and digital tools reach individuals who cannot attend, fixed locations. Non-formal educational methods like storytelling, role-playing and interactive activities make learning engaging and relevant.

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However, significant challenges remain. Government support, funding and qualified teachers are often insufficient. Stigma associated with adult illiteracy and lack of awareness about available programs continue to hinder participation. Building partnerships between government agencies, NGOs and local communities is crucial to overcome these challenges and scale up successful initiatives.

To conclude, adult education in slums offers a powerful tool for breaking the cycle of poverty and fostering community development.

By addressing the barriers and investing in innovative learning approaches, we can empower individuals to build better lives and contribute to a more just and equitable world.

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Questions:

- (i) List two main barriers to adult education in slums.
- (ii) The main argument of the passage is:
 - (a) Child education is more important.
 - (b) Investing in adult education has limited impact.
 - (c) Adult education offers a powerful means for individual and community empowerment in slums.
 - (d) Focusing only on technology improves adult education in slums.
- (iii) What is the most important factor for successful adult education in slums?

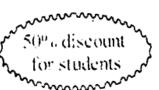
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 (iv) Mention two benefits of adult education for individuals residing in slums.

(v) Give a suitable title to the passage.

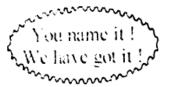
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3. Read the following advertisement and answer the questions that follow:



ABC BOOK SHOP





- Story books for children
- Fiction and non-fiction
- Best-seller collection

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"There is no friend as loyal as a book."

For details, reach us at 123 @ gmail.com

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Questions:		
(i)	What is the advertisement about ?	
(ii)	How much rebate is given on best-seller books ?	
	(a) 10%	
	(b) 15%	
	(e) 20%	
	(d) 25%	
(iii)	The students are offered a discount	
	(Complete the sentence)	
(iv)	Mention the quotation that you can see in the advertisement.	
(v)	In addition to books, the adverisement mentioned the sale on	

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(Fill in the blank)

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Section-B

(Grammar)

4. Fill in the blanks by using correct forms of verbs given in the brackets:

5. Rewrite the following passage in indirect form:

The father said, "Is my son dead"? The inspector said, "No sir, thank God". The father worriedly said, "Do you mean he is fine"?

6. There are four errors indicated by number of brackets in the following passage. Correct the errors and rewrite the corrected passage:

In life, every man have (1) twin obligations — obligations to his family, to their (2) parents, to his wife and childrens; (3) and he has the (4) obligation to his people, his community, his country.

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Section-C

(Writing Skills)

7. Two friends Bhanu and Mushtaq have a conversation about career choices. Following is the beginning of the conversation. Complete the dialogue in 100-120 words:

Bhanu: Well Mushtaq, what profession do you want to take up after your education?

Mushtaq: I want to be a teacher. It's an interesting profession.

What about you?

8. Mr. Jameel Khan, a child psychologist, wants to open a nursery school namely 'Lovedale Nursery School'. He asks you to draft a notice (in not more than 50 words) on his behalf to be printed in a newspaper. Give necessary details without any extra information. Put the words in a box.

Your mother hasn't come home from duty. You are going to your friend's house to prepare a class project, with her/him. Inform your mother, through a message, about this requesting her to call you as soon as she gets home and also tell her about your time to return. (50 words)

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- 10. Attempt any one of the following:
 - (i) You are Aakash living at 101, Mansarovar Park, Sopore. You are upset over the indiscriminate felling of trees. Write a letter to the Editor of 'The Greater Kashmir' in about 150 words on the need of creating awareness among people about the consequences of the ruthless cutting of trees.
 - (ii) Study the following advertisement and write an application in not more than 150 words for the post of a teacher.

Applications are invited for the post of a teacher in JAMMU PUBLIC SCHOOL, JAMMU. Grades and allowances as per Govt. teacher scale. Apply with full particulars to the Principal 'JAMMU PUBLIC SCHOOL', JAMMU, within 10 days of this advertisement.

11. Attempt one of the following:

- (i) Write a speech in 80-100 words about the 'Importance of Discipline'. You can use the following hints:
 - Discipline: Basis of whole universe, everything in nature governed by some laws for harmony.

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- Why needed: For the happiness and welfare of all, strength of individual and nation, helps in prosperity and growth of all.
- Indiscipline: Chaos, weakness, confusion and quarrels.
- Agencies that can help: Home, educational institutions etc.
- (ii) Taking help from the clues given below, write an article on 'Drug Addiction'.

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- 12. Following are the hints of a story. Complete it in 200-250 words. Give a suitable title to the story.
 - The diamond-set gold ring vanished, the king doubts the pilferer among the servants—the situation calls for action—none of the servants admits guilt—the king gives each servant a stick—warns that the robber's stick would be two inches taller—the thief is exposed.

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Section-D

(Literature)

- 13. Answer three of the following questions:
 - (i) What was the curious episode that took place in the Clergyman's study/house ??
 - (ii) Anne says teachers are most unpredictable. Is Mr. Keesing unpredictable? How?
 - (iii) "I never want this to happen again," he told his father, "Ever."

 Who says it and why? https://www.jkboseonline.com
 - (iv) Who is disguised as the learned counsellor (Doctor Balthazar)?

 Why has he come to the court of Venice?
- (v) Why does Mrs. Bennet think that Mrs. Long is selfish? $3\times3=9$
- 14. Answer three of the following questions:
 - (i) "Weasel and crow as if moulded in brass." Explain the simile used by the poet.

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(ii) Lord! You are my hope and trust.

Lead me to the way of truth:

How long shall I dwell in ignorance!

Pour me the nector of knowledge.

Lend ear to my wailing and pleas

Cure me of ills and pains:

- Identify the metaphors used in the above lines.
- (iii) Mouth like a fireplace, chimney for a nose,

And realio, trulio daggers on his toes.

Blinda was as brave as a barrel full of bears,

And Ink and Blink chased lions down the stairs,

Mustard was as brave as a tiger in a rage

Pick out the similes from the above lines.

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- (iv) What image does the poet use to describe death in the poem 'My Mother At Sixty-Six'?
- (v) So shall I take

My last dear fuel of life to heap on my soul

And kindle my will to flame that shall consume

Their dross of indifference, and take the toll

Of their insult in punishments?

- What do you think 'take the toll of their insult in punishment' means?

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- 15. Answer one of the following questions:
 - (i) Write a character-sketch of Gerasim.
 - (ii) Bholi's heart was throbbing with 'a new hope and a new life'.

 What was the new hope and the new life? Comment.
 - (iii) What was the cause of Matilda's ruin? How could she have avoided it?

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- 16. Answer one of the following questions:
 - (i) Write the character sketch of Natalya.
 - (ii) Bring out the humour in the play, 'The Proposal'.

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