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- Please check that this question paper contains 12 printed pages.
- Code number given on the right hand side of the question paper should be written on the title page of the answer-book by the candidate.
- Please check that this question paper contains 18 questions.
- Please write down the serial number of the question before attempting it.
- 15 minutes time has been allotted to read this question paper. The question paper will be distributed at 10.15 a.m. From 10.15 to 10.30 a.m., the student will read the question paper only and will not write any answer on the answer script during this period.

ENGLISH

(Communicative)

Time allowed : 3 hours]

[Maximum marks : 100

General Instructions :

(i) This paper consists of four sections :

Section A Reading 20 marks

Section B Writing 30 marks

Section C Grammar 20 marks

Section D Literature 30 marks

(ii) Attempt **all** questions.

(iii) Do **not** write anything in the question paper.

(iv) All the answers must be correctly numbered as in the question paper and written in the answer sheet provided to you.

(v) Attempt all questions in each section before going on to the next section.

(vi) Read each question carefully and follow the instructions.

(vii) Strictly adhere to the word limit given with each question.

SECTION A (Reading)

(20 Marks)

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : 8 marks

1. In Belgium newspapers refer to their country as the Kingdom of Chocolates. With hundreds of chocolate factories turning out some 140000 tonnes a year, Belgian chocolate is big business and employs nearly 72000 people. How Belgium became the world's chocolate capital relates partly to its colonial past in Africa, giving it special ties to cacao producers. According to Dirk Arens, Director of Operations, at the big Neuhaus plant, the secret of their success is that the Belgian taste in chocolate seems to be universal and they are fortunate to possess traditional craftsmanship for making fine chocolate.
2. Most Belgian chocolate makers learn their craft at vocational schools before being apprenticed to a master chocolatier. Once on their own, they use the cacao beans, roast them longer, and then grind the particles to a miniscule 20 to 35 microns for a super-velvety texture. And they make it rich : pure cocoa content in Belgian chocolate ranges from 35 to 43% and even higher. It also helps that the Belgian government takes chocolates seriously. In 1975, it decreed that only products made of cacao beans, cocoa butter and sugar could be labelled chocolate. That ruled out the cheaper vegetable used in many countries as a substitute for some of the cocoa butter and spurred Belgian chocolatiers to aim high and pay attention to detail. That simple, elegant, little chocolate box with a little ribbon around it called a ballotin, was invented in 1912 by a meticulous member of the Neuhaus clan to protect packed chocolates.

Complete the following sentences :

1×8=8

The secret of the success of Belgian chocolate is that

(a) _____

(b) _____

The processes involved in making Belgian chocolates are

(c) _____

(d) _____

(e) The Belgian government maintains quality in the manufacture of chocolates by _____

(f) Neuhaus clan protected its packed chocolates by _____

Belgium is called the Kingdom of Chocolates because

(g) _____

(h) _____

2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: 12 marks

1. I recently heard a story from a man named Malcolm Dalkoff. He's 48. For the last 24 years he has been a professional writer, mostly in advertising. Here is what he told me. As a boy, Dalkoff was terribly insecure and shy. He had a few friends and no self-confidence. One day in October 1965, his high-school English teacher, Ruth Brauch gave the class an assignment. The students had been reading *To kill a Mocking Bird*. Now they were to write their own chapter that would follow the last chapter of the novel. Today he cannot recall anything special about the chapter he wrote, or what grade Mrs. Brauch gave him. What he does remember – what he will never forget – are the four words Mrs. Brauch wrote in the margin of the paper. "This is good writing."

2. Four words ! They changed his life. "Until I read those words, I had no idea of who I was or what I was going to be," he said. "After reading her note, I went home and wrote a short story, something I had always dreamed of doing but never believed I could do." Over the rest of the year in school, he wrote many stories and always brought them to school for Mrs. Brauch to evaluate. She was encouraging, rough and honest. "She was just what I needed," Dalkoff

said. His confidence grew; his horizons broadened; he started off on a successful, fulfilling life. Dalkoff is convinced that none of this would have happened had that woman not written those four words in the margin of his paper.

3. For his 30th high-school reunion, Dalkoff went back and visited Mrs. Brauch, who had retired. He told her what her four words had done for him. He told her that because she had given him the confidence to be a writer, he had been able to pass that confidence on to the woman who would become his wife, who became a writer herself. He also told Mrs. Brauch that a woman in his office, who was working in the evenings towards a high-school-equivalency diploma, had come to him for advice and assistance. She had respected him because he was a writer – that is why she turned to him. Mrs. Brauch was especially moved by the story of helping the young woman. “At that moment I think we both realized that Mrs. Brauch had cast an incredibly long shadow,” he said. “This is good writing.” So few words. They can change everything.

2.1 Answer the following in a sentence or two :

- (a) What was the assignment given by Ruth Brauch to her students ?
(b) When did Dalkoff meet Mrs. Brauch and thank her ?
(c) Mention the words which Dalkoff will never forget in his life. Where did he see them ?

2.2 Complete the summary given below. Use only a word to fill in each blank. 1×4=

The encouragement and support provided by Mrs. Brauch was a turning point in the life of Dalkoff. He found himself writing short stories which were once a (a) _____ to him. Becoming the co-editor of his high-school newspaper (b) _____ his confidence. He was (c) _____ in passing on the confidence, Mrs. Brauch had given, to others also. He (d) _____ that a few words could change everything.

2.3 Find words which mean the same as the following :

1×4=4

- (a) to assess para 2
- (b) completely sure about something para 2
- (c) unbelievably para 3
- (d) help/support para 3

SECTION B (Writing)

(30 Marks)

3. You are Manu/Manisha and you are going on a cycling expedition to the hills. Write a postcard in not more than 50 words to your cousin, Kumar, C-14, Jawahar Nagar, Chennai, about the details of the cycling expedition. Copy the format of the postcard from the question paper.

5 marks

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4. You are Suma / Sumesh living at 15, Mall Road, Delhi. You have been invited to attend a youth camp at Ootacamand on the 4th of November, 2009. Send a telegram to your friend Sujatha, C-14, Jawahar Nagar, Ootacamand, asking her to pick you up at the bus station. Write the telegram in not more than 25 words. Copy the format of the telegram from the question paper.

5 marks

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| Receiver's Name : |
| Receiver's Address : |
| Message : |
| Sender's Name : |
| (Not to be telegraphed) Sender's Name and Address : |

5. You are Radhika /Raghav, B-12, Jawahar Market, New Delhi. You happened to see the following news item in the New Indian Express. Write a letter in 150-175 words to the editor of the newspaper registering your unhappiness at the lack of safety for women in Krishna Nagar, New Delhi. Mention the measures that can be adopted to solve the problem.

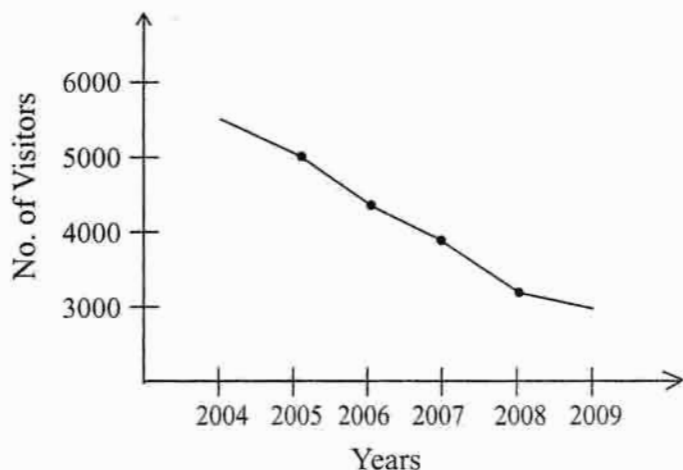
10 marks

New Delhi : Gita, a working woman, was attacked on her way back home at 8.00 p.m. yesterday. Several instances of chain snatching and picking of pockets targeting especially women have been reported from different areas of Krishna Nagar, New Delhi.

6. You are Leila / Lakshman. You visited the Water Park near your city as a part of school excursion. You noticed that the water was not clean and also had a stale smell resulting in a decrease in the number of visitors. Taking ideas from the graph

given below and the unit on “Health and Medicine” along with your own ideas, write an article in 150-175 words for your school magazine about your experience and how the polluted water would further affect the visitors. Include the precautions to be taken in the Water Park.

10 marks



For the Blind Candidates only

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SECTION C (Grammar)

(20 Marks)

7. Look at the notes given below and complete the paragraph that follows. Do not add any new information. Write the answers in the answer sheet against the correct blank numbers.

1×4=4 marks

Rudrapur small town U.P. grow fast hard work of people people migrate from Pakistan attract industrialists all over India.

Rudrapur (a) _____ and has (b) _____ due to the hard work of its people. It was a haven for people (c) _____. The town has now become (d) _____ from all over India.

8. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet against the correct blank number.

$\frac{1}{2} \times 8 = 4$ marks

My cat Tugger be the toughest animal I know. e.g. : be is

He has survived much close calls. Three years ago, (a)

he were caught inside a car's engine. His right ear (b)

was torn off when he lost the sight in one eye. We were (c)

surprised that he lived from the accident. Within (d)

weeks she was back to normal. Then last year again (e)

we were worry that we would lose Tugger. (f)

Lumps that grew on his back was operated upon by (g)

the vet. Now we know Tugger do have nine lives. (h)

9. Read the passage given below and fill in each blank with one word only. Write the answer in your answer sheet against the correct blank number. Do not copy the whole sentence.

$\frac{1}{2} \times 8 = 4$ marks

The ancient Egyptians believed (a) _____ a person's soul lived

(b) _____ the body died. To make (c) _____ soul

live (d) _____ developed ways to prevent the body

(e) _____ decaying. At first they buried their bodies (f) _____

the hot desert sand. The hot sand dried the bodies and helped (g) _____

preserve them. Later they began embalming (h) _____ dead.

10. Read the conversation between two friends and complete the sentences given below.

Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Do not copy the whole sentences. 1×4=4 marks

Rahul : Do you know that David was hit by a two-wheeler yesterday ?

Varun : Oh no! When did it happen ?

Rahul : He was hit by a scooter on his way back from school.

Varun : Is he badly injured ?

Rahul : He is not seriously hurt. But it is doubtful whether he will be able to participate in the inter-school competition next week.

Rahul asked Varun if he knew that (a) _____. Varun was shocked and wanted to know (b) _____. Rahul replied that he had been hit by a scooter on his way back from school. Varun enquired (c) _____. Rahul replied that though he was not seriously hurt (d) _____ to participate in the inter-school competition next week.

11. Read the newspaper items given below. Use the information in the headlines to complete the sentences. Write the answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. Do not copy the whole sentences.

1×4=4 marks

(a) **Jayalal new A.I.R. Chief**

G. Jayalal _____ as Director General of All India Radio.

(b) **Sarah Palin invited to become V.P. of hockey team**

Last week a California based hockey team _____ to become its V.P.

(c) **Daylight Murder – Motive Robbery**

The official investigator, Manoj Aswal said _____ for the daylight murder of a business man.

(d) **Yuvraj to lead Board President's XI**

The Board of Control for Cricket assured that _____ in a four day match in Hyderabad.

12. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. 3 marks

they searched for him : he was not found.

They clicked their tongues.

With every movement that the scorpion made
his poison moved in mother's blood, they said.

- (a) Who searched for whom ? 1
 (b) Why did 'they' click their tongues ? 1
 (c) Mention a characteristic trait of 'they' as revealed in these lines. 1

Or

Each like a corpse within its grave, until
Thine azure sister of the Spring shall blow
Her clarion o'er the dreaming earth, and fill
(Driving sweet buds like flocks to feed in air)
With living hues and odours plain and hill :

- (a) What is lying 'like a corpse in its grave' ? 1
 (b) How does the spring transform the earth ? 1
 (c) Which poetic device is used in the first line ? 1

13. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your answer sheet in one or two lines only. 3 marks

And a good south wind sprung up behind;

The Albatross did follow,

And every day, for food or play,

Came to the mariners' hollo !

- (a) What is an Albatross ? 1
(b) How did the Albatross help the mariners ? 1
(c) Why did it come to the mariners every day ? 1

14. Answer the following in 50-75 words. 4 marks

How did the frog satisfy his greed through the nightingale's song ?

Or

What are the personal qualities the mirror claims to possess ?

15. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow in one or two lines only. 4 marks

'I see a vacant seat in the chimney corner, and a crutch without an owner, carefully preserved. If these shadows remain unaltered by the Future, the child will die.'

- (a) When did Scrooge see this sight ? Who is the child referred to here ? 2
(b) What change was visible in Scrooge after this sight ? 2

16. Answer the following in 50-75 words. 4 marks

Give two instances from the play, 'Julius Caesar' to prove that Mark Antony was a good orator.

Or

How did Marley appear before Scrooge on Christmas Eve ? What advice did he give Scrooge ?

17. Answer the following in 50-75 words. 4 marks

"I have changed. But my elder brother ? Time could not bring upon him any change."

Explain this statement in the light of the lesson, 'The Tribute.'

Or

Describe the condition of the refugees on their arrival at the refugee camp.

18. Answer the following in 150-175 words.

8 marks

“His scientist jailers were sympathetic. But they were powerless.” As one of the young scientists taking care of Cutie Pie, write a report on the sincere attempts made by you to preserve Cutie Pie and with what results.

Or

‘He no longer thought of them in terms of envelopes and postcards. He saw the essential human worth of a letter.’ As the village postmaster write a letter to a friend on the circumstances under which you were made to realize this truth and how your attitude has changed.