

**2018
ENGLISH**

Total marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

General instructions:

- i) *Approximately 15 minutes is allotted to read the question paper and revise the answers.*
- ii) *All questions are compulsory.*
- iii) *The question paper consists of 18 questions, divided into Units I, II, III and IV.*
- iv) *Internal option is given in some questions.*
- v) *Marks allocated to every question is indicated against it.*

N.B: *Check that all pages of the question paper are complete as indicated on the top left side.*

UNIT – I (Literature)

Answer the following questions:

1. How did Morusa try to impress his bride? **3**
2. What did Gandhiji's friend do in his bid to transform him? **3**
3. How did Lady Macbeth spur her husband to the path of evil? **3**
4. How did Rugby help heal the relation between the two races in South Africa?
Or **5**
What measures did Gandhiji take to become an English gentleman?
5. **Answer either 5(i) or 5 (ii) or 5 (iii)** **5**

(i) Read the lines and answer the questions that follow:

- (a) *And he felt in his heart their strangeness,
Their stillness answering his cry,
While his horse moved, cropping the dark turf,
'Neath the starred and leafy sky;
For he suddenly smote on the door, even
Louder, and lifted his head:
'Tell them I came and no one answered,
That I kept my word', he said.*

- (i) How did the traveller feel? (1)
(ii) What message did the traveller leave? (2)
- (b) *The garlands wither on your brow;
Then boast no more your mighty deeds!
Upon death's purple altar now
See where the victor –victim bleeds.
Your heads must come
To the cold tomb:*
- (i) What does the poet say about strength and courage? (2)
- (ii) Give the summary of the poem, 'The Windhover'. (5)
- (iii) Describe the secret meetings between Jina and Etiben in the fields. What did Tenyur do when he discovered these meetings? (3+2=5)
6. *It's the second one of the third pair I knitted, and I put up three score stitches, and I dropped four of them.*
- (i) Who is 'I' referred to here? 1
(ii) What is the speaker talking about? 2
7. Why did Maurya tell Bartley to leave the rope and sail for Galway fair? 3
Or
The sea was both the provider and the destroyer for the people living on the island. Justify the statement.

UNIT – II (Reading)

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

Freedom has assuredly given us a new status and new opportunities. But it also implies that we should discard selfishness, laziness and all narrowness of outlook. Our state of freedom implies toil and new values for things. We should so discipline ourselves as to be able to discharge our new responsibilities satisfactorily. If there is one thing that needs to be stressed than any other in the new set up, it is that we should put into action our full capacity, each one of us in productive effort, each one of us in his own sphere however humble. Work, unceasing work should now be our watchword. Work is wealth and service is happiness. The greatest crime in India today is idleness. If we root out idleness, all our difficulties including our conflicts will gradually disappear. Whether as a constable or as a high official of the state, whether as a

businessman or an industrialist or as an artisan or a farmer we should all discharge our obligation to the state and contribute to the welfare of the country. Honest work is the sheet anchor to which we cling, we will be saved in spite of every danger or difficulty. Honest work is the fundamental law of progress.

- (i) Answer the following questions:
- a. What has freedom given us? 1
 - b. Why should we discipline ourselves? 1
 - c. What is the fundamental law of progress? 1
 - d. What should be our watchword? 1
 - e. What is the greatest crime in India today? 1
- (ii) Find words in the passage that has the same meaning as: 3x1=3
- a. a person's social position
 - b. activities that include breaking the law
 - c. fights or serious disagreements

9. **Read the passage given below and answer the questions:**

The Beatles were an English rock band formed in Liverpool, UK in 1960. With members John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison and Ringo Starr, they came to be known as one of the greatest bands of all time. The Beatles started by playing in clubs. They played several genres, including pop ballads, Indian music, psychedelic and hard rock, often incorporating classical elements in innovative ways. This went on for three years. They gained popularity in the United Kingdom after their first hit, "Love Me Do" in late 1962. They started out with the name "Fab Four" and in 1964 they had acquired stardom all across Britain. From 1965 onwards, the Beatles produced what many consider their finest material, including the innovative and widely influential albums. The band broke apart in 1970 but each of its members enjoyed successful musical careers of varying lengths. McCartney and Starr, the surviving members, remain musically active. Lennon was shot and killed in December 1980, and Harrison died of lung cancer in November 2001. The Beatles are the best-selling band in history, with estimated sales of over 800 million physical and digital albums worldwide. They have had more number-one albums on the British charts and sold more singles in the UK than any other act. They are also the best-selling music artists in the United States, with 178 million certified units. In 2008, the group topped Billboard magazine's list of the all-time most successful artists. They have received seven Grammy Awards. They were also collectively included in Time magazine's compilation of the twentieth century's 100 most influential people.

- (i) Answer the following questions:
 - a. When did the Beatles gain popularity? 1
 - b. What genres of music did the band play? 2
 - c. Who were the founding members of the 'Fab Four'? 2

(ii) Complete the following sentences: 6x¹/₂=3
 The Beatles were an _____ rock band formed in Liverpool, UK. They started by playing in _____ and gained popularity in the _____ after their first hit "Love Me Do". The band _____ in 1970. They had received _____ Grammy Awards. They are the _____ band in history.

10. **Read the poem carefully and fill in the blanks:**

Human Seasons

Four Seasons fill the measure of the year;
 There are four seasons in the mind of man:
 He has his lusty Spring, when fancy clear
 Takes in all beauty with an easy span:
 He has his Summer, when luxuriously
 Spring's honied cud of youthful thought he loves
 To ruminate, and by such dreaming high
 Is nearest unto heaven: quiet coves
 His soul has in its Autumn, when his wings
 He furleth close; contented so to look
 On mists in idleness—to let fair things
 Pass by unheeded as a threshold brook.
 He has his Winter too of pale misfeature,
 Or else he would forego his mortal nature.

(John Keats)

Fill in the blanks and complete the summary of the poem: 8x¹/₂=4

John Keats compares the stages of human life to four _____ that fill the _____ of the year. His childhood days are his lusty _____ when fancy clear takes in all beauty. The second stage is youth which is compared to summer when he luxuriously ruminates by _____ high. In the third stage, his soul has its _____, where he is contented in the mists of _____ and let fair things pass by _____. Finally, in his old age, he is prepared to forego his _____ nature.

UNIT – III (Writing)

11. You are Carlos, the captain of Shalom Academy, Shillong. The science teacher is retiring after 30 years of commendable service in your school. Write a notice for the school notice board asking the students to attend the farewell function being arranged in the school hall. Mention necessary details like date, time etc.

Or

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You are the headmaster of Green Mount School, Phek. Your school requires an English teacher. Draft an advertisement for the ‘Situation Vacant’ column in a local newspaper. Give details of eligibility, salary and contact.

12. Write a paragraph in about 80-100 words on, ‘A Good Neighbour’ using the inputs given: **4**

lives adjacent to us - good neighbour is sociable - cooperative, supportive
-one who stands by us in times of need - can be trusted-respects our space
and privacy

13. Based on the visual and data input given below, write on “Smart City” in about 120-150 words: **5**



clean city is a must- proper drainage system- proper town planning-
traffic- roads and pavement- civic sense of the general public- a sense of
belongingness- hygienic way of living

14. You are Joseph. Your colony members are facing a lot of difficulty walking almost five kilometers to the next bus stop, especially during monsoon. Write a letter to the editor of your local daily drawing attention of the concerned authority to the problem of unavailability of a bus stop near your colony.

Or

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As part of a group that works for “Swachh Bharat”, write a speech in about 200-250 words, motivating the students of your school to recycle, reuse and reduce.

UNIT – IV (Grammar)

15. Rewrite the given sentences as directed in the brackets: **6x1=6**
- (a) When we had to do things by _____, we learned our lesson.
(Fill in with a reflexive pronoun)
 - (b) My brother likes strawberry flavoured cornflakes.
(Underline the verb and state whether it is finite or non-finite)
 - (c) The house which has a big garden in front, is Ram’s.
(Underline the Subordinate Clause)
 - (d) The jury believed the man innocent.
(Rewrite the sentence changing the underlined noun phrase to noun clause)
 - (e) I am going to work harder _____ I can get promoted.
(Fill in the blank with subordinating conjunction)
 - (f) Father (to you): “Has mother arrived?”
(Rewrite the dialogue as reported speech)
16. Change the voice: **3x1=3**
- (a) The class will elect him monitor.
 - (b) Keats wrote the poem, “To Autumn”.
 - (c) The truth was told to me by him.
17. Change the narration: **3x1=3**
- (a) The Geography teacher said that the earth moves round the sun.
 - (b) My father said to me, “Post this letter immediately.”
 - (c) She asked me if I wanted to go with her.
18. Rearrange the jumbled phrases to form zero conditional clauses: **3x1=3**
- (a) Mix salt into water/it dissolves.
 - (b) Hassan /work hard /top of class.
 - (c) Children play regularly/remain healthy.
