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Time : 3 Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 100

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- Note :** (1) This question paper has **four** sections : A, B, C and D.
(2) All the questions are **compulsory**, including those where internal choice is given.
(3) All answers have to be written in the answer sheet provided.
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SECTION - A (Reading)

(Marks : 15)

- 1 Based on your understanding of the following passage, answer the questions given below. Choose the best options wherever given. **1×8=8**
Each question carries one mark.

Carbon footprint

A carbon footprint is defined as the total amount of greenhouse gases produced to directly and indirectly support human activities. The total amount of greenhouse gases is calculated in terms of its equivalent amount of carbon dioxide. Carbon footprint can be calculated for an individual, organization or community.

The greenhouse gas most commonly emitted by human actions is carbon dioxide. Other greenhouse gases which might be emitted as a result of human activities are methane and ozone. These greenhouse gases are also taken into account for calculating the carbon footprint.

The best way to calculate carbon dioxide emissions is based on one's fuel consumption. When you drive a car, the engine burns fuel which creates a certain amount of CO₂ (carbon dioxide), depending on its fuel consumption and the driving distance. When you use air conditioners to cool your house, the generation of the electrical power may also have emitted a certain amount of CO₂. When you buy food and goods, the production of the food and goods also emit some quantities of CO₂.

Your carbon footprint is the sum of all emissions of CO₂, which were induced by your activities in a given time frame. Usually a carbon footprint is calculated for the time period of a year. Most people are shocked when they see the amount of CO₂ their activities create! If you personally want to work towards reducing global warming, you must calculate and constantly monitor your carbon footprint.

Answer the following questions :

- (i) What is a carbon footprint ?
- (ii) Human activities mostly produce.....which is a greenhouse gas.
- (iii) Which among the following is true, according to the text ?
 - (A) Indirect human activities produce only CO₂.
 - (B) Carbon footprint is the result of methane gas.
 - (C) Measuring CO₂ in the atmosphere can stop global warming.
 - (D) Use of air conditioners increases the CO₂ in the atmosphere.



- (iv) Carbon footprint is calculated by _____.
- (v) Which among the following means of transport if used leaves the smallest carbon footprint ?
(A) Train (B) Bicycle
(C) Bus (D) Autorickshaw
- (vi) According to the text, what is one way to reduce global warming ?
- (vii) Carbon footprint is calculated for a period of _____.
- (viii) "Most people are shocked when they see the amount of CO₂ their activities create!" What does the writer mean by this ?
(A) Our activities produce more CO₂ than what we expect.
(B) We don't know how to calculate our carbon footprint.
(C) We need to cut down on some daily activities to reduce global warming.
(D) We need to consciously reduce carbon emission.

- 2 Based on your understanding of the following passage, answer the questions given below. Choose the best options wherever given. 1×7=7
Each question carries one mark.

The world's first folding phone

The Royal Beta Pai is not a great-looking phone, but its flexible display works great. Ankon may be just days away from taking the wraps off its very own foldable smartphone-tablet hybrid, but consumer electronics company Royal Beta has stolen a bit of its thunder with its very own flexible display device. Called the Beta Pai, the 7.8 inch hybrid device can fold 180 degrees and transform from a tablet into a phone, albeit a bulky one.

At an event in San Francisco this evening, Royal Beta brought out a working version of the Beta Pai that we actually got to hold, and the folding feature works as advertised. Granted, it feels miles away in quality from a high-end modern flagship, but it is still the first real foldable device I've seen in person, and not just in a concept video or prototype stage.

The Beta Pai will be available as a consumer device in India with a base model price of ₹ 8,999 or around \$ 1.30. You can also pay that amount of money in USD for a developer version if you live in North America. That gets you 128GB of storage, but you can double it for an additional \$150 and add an additional 2GB of RAM for a total of 8GB.

- (i) What is special about Beta Pai ?
(ii) Which company has brought out Beta Pai ?
(iii) Which company was also in the race ?



- (iv) Royal Beta has *stolen a bit of its thunder* What does the italicized phrase mean ?
- (A) use another company's idea for their benefit
(B) to make money from another product
(C) win praise by defeating a rival organization
(D) to take attention away from someone else
- (v) Which among the following is a disadvantage of the phone ?
- (A) It has a 7.8 inch screen.
(B) It can fold 180 degrees.
(C) It is large compared to the other phones.
(D) It is both a tablet and a mobile phone.
- (vi) The cost of Beta Pai in India is _____.
- (vii) How do you get extra storage in Beta Pai ?

SECTION - B (Writing)

(Marks : 25)

- 3** Given below are three situations. Choose any **one** of them and write a paragraph on it in about 100 words. **7**
- (a) Crimes committed against women and children in the society today are increasing. Some people think that unregulated sale and consumption of alcohol, use of drugs and insufficient police patrolling are the reasons for increase in crimes. Do you agree ? State your reasons why crimes are increasing. In your opinion, what can the police do to bring down the rate of crimes.
- (b) Most schools have around 7–9 subjects that all students are required to study. Which subjects do you think must be made compulsory for students ? Give your reasons why you think they are important for students to learn these subjects. Does studying these subjects contribute to the development of society and the country ?
- (c) The number of people who are at risk of health problems due to being overweight is increasing. A large number of overweight people suffer from hypertension, diabetes etc. State the reasons for the increase in the number of overweight people – both children and adults. Give your views on what the government can do to solve this problem.
- 4** You are worried about the increasing number of stray dogs in your locality. They are a great threat to the two-wheeler drivers and pedestrians. These dogs live in packs, close to apartments for the domestic waste dumped carelessly by the residents. People, especially young children find it dangerous to walk alone after evening. Write a letter to the Mayor, Municipal Corporation, Agra bringing their attention to the street dog menace. Request them to help control the stray dog menace and offer your suggestions on how to do it. You are Anand 12 B, Cantt Road, Agra. **7**



- 5 Many students are getting more and more involved in video games and virtual socializing. However, this will negatively impact their health in the long run. Health and fitness play a key role in leading a long and active life. Write a short article for the local newspaper explaining to its readers why children should be encouraged to pursue outdoor activities. You are Amrit/Amrita. 7
- 6 Read the following conversation : 4
- Mr. Bajwa : May I speak to Dr. Rajput ?
- Ms. Kranti : Sorry sir, he has gone on his rounds. I can take a message for him.
- Mr. Bajwa : As per my appointment I was to meet him today at 5 p.m. I am sorry I can't come today. I request for an appointment on Friday in the afternoon.
- Since Ms. Kranti is leaving the office soon, she decides to write a message for Dr. Rajput. Write down the message.

SECTION - C (Grammar)

(Marks : 30)

- 7 Read the conversation given below and complete the paragraph that follows in indirect speech by filling in the blanks appropriately. 1×6=6
- Mother : Don't play with toys after 8 pm.
- Basur : I just started playing, *ma*.
- Mother : But have you completed your homework ?
- Basur : I forgot to complete only my science homework.
- Mother : Then do it before playing.
- Basur : Okay, in five minutes.
- Basur's mother told him ____ (i) _____. He said that ____ (ii) _____. His mother asked him if ____ (iii) _____ and he replied that he ____ (iv) _____. Basur's mother asked him to ____ (v) _____ and he said ____ (vi) _____.
- 8 Complete the following paragraph by filling in the blanks. For each blank there are four options. Choose the most appropriate option for each blank. The first one has been done for you. 1×6=6
- The tour begins at the Purana Qila, a legendary site ____ (i) _____ the city of Indraprastha, home ____ (ii) _____ the heroic Pandavas in the epic the Mahabharata. The archaeological finds during ____ (iii) _____ recent excavations at Purana Qila ____ (iv) _____ proof of a continuous settlement ____ (v) _____ from the 3rd century B.C. ____ (vi) _____ the late Mughal period.
- e.g. (A) a (B) at (C) in (D) from
- (i) (A) inside (B) of (C) at (D) in
- (ii) (A) of (B) for (C) off (D) about
- (iii) (A) a (B) an (C) some (D) the
- (iv) (A) are (B) is (C) will (D) from
- (v) (A) where (B) there (C) behind (D) here
- (vi) (A) since (B) to (C) except (D) both



9 Rewrite the sentences given below by filling in the blank spaces with the passive form of the verbs. 1×3=3

(i) We will watch a movie tonight.

A movie _____ by us tonight.

(ii) Usain Bolt ran the race in record time.

The race _____ in record time.

(iii) Suman read the entire novel in one day.

The entire novel _____ in one day.

10 Rewrite each of the following pairs of sentences as one sentence, using the appropriate linkers from the box. There are more words than you need : 1×3=3

If, Also, Unless, Yet, Though

(i) Work hard with dedication and sincerity. You will succeed.

(ii) Give full attention to your studies. You will succeed.

(iii) Shyama Das ran very fast. She could not catch up with Hima Das.

11 Complete the following conversation by filling in the blanks : 1×6=6

Nithya : Which class _____ you are studying in ?

Sahithi : I am _____ Eighth Standard.

Nithya : How _____ you go to school ?

Sahithi : I travel _____ bus. I catch Route No. 24 bus.

Nithya : When _____ the bus arrive at the stop ?

Sahithi : The bus arrives _____ 07.45 a.m.

12 Complete the following paragraph by filling in the blanks with the suitable forms of the verbs given in the brackets : 1×6=6

The fight against killing animals _____ (i) _____ (become) a major campaign in recent years. Some people have always _____ (ii) _____ (feel) that killing animals is immoral. Recently, however, activists _____ (iii) _____ (take) a more visible role. Organizations _____ (iv) _____ (fight) to convince people not to eat meat. Their efforts have been surprisingly successful. Some restaurants _____ (v) _____ (say) that they will no longer include meat in their menus. Many celebrities _____ (vi) _____ (choose) to turn vegetarians.



SECTION - D (Literature)

(Marks : 30)

- 13 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : 1×4=4

The signal was given, the pistol exploded
And so did the runners all charging ahead
But the smallest of them, he stumbled and staggered
And fell to the asphalt instead.
He gave out a cry in frustration and anguish
His dream and efforts all dashed in the dirt.

(Nine gold medals)

- (i) What event is being described by the poet ?
- (ii) When is the pistol fired ?
- (iii) What happened to the smallest athlete ?
- (iv) Find two words in the excerpt that have similar meanings.

- 14 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : 1×4=4

One day Rama saw a small brown squirrel. He was going up and down the seashore with little pebbles in his mouth. The little squirrel could carry only little pebbles at a time in his small mouth. He carried the pebbles from the seashore and dropped them into the sea.

(How the squirrel got his stripes)

- (i) One day what did Rama see ?
- (ii) What was the squirrel carrying up and down the seashore ?
- (iii) Why did the squirrel drop the pebbles into the sea ?
- (iv) Why did the squirrel carry only small pebbles ?

- 15 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : 1×4=4

But we were far from being satisfied with such things as these. Our want of independence began to upset us. It was unbearable that we should be unable to do anything without the permission of our elders. At last, in sheer disgust, we decided to commit suicide.

(Stealing and Atonement)

- (i) Who are the “we” mentioned in the excerpt ?
- (ii) What things were they unsatisfied with when he says “such things as these” ?
- (iii) Why did they feel that they lacked independence ?
- (iv) What did they plan to do ?

- 16 Complete the statements given below by choosing the most appropriate options from those that follow : 1×3=3

- (a) The young man leaves his father because :
- (A) he was not a good sculptor.
 - (B) he wanted to visit Agra.
 - (C) he wanted to make more money.
 - (D) he prefers to make ashtrays.

(The Last Stone Mason)



- (b) The letter saying Shivaji was dead was declared a hoax by Jijabai because :
- (A) it was from Agra.
 (B) Jai Singh was an enemy.
 (C) Aurangzeb was spreading discontent.
 (D) Aurangzeb never spoke the truth.
(The Return of the Lion)
- (c) The Master signed an affidavit before he was allowed to enter the room to bring the tiger out.
 Which among the following conditions were stated in the affidavit ?
- (A) The tiger will re-join the circus.
 (B) Nobody is responsible for his death.
 (C) The headmaster should come out first.
 (D) The Master must lock the door.
(A Tiger Comes to Town)

17 Answer the following questions in **one** or **two** sentence(s) each : **2×2=4**

- (a) Why did Dr. Kurien give up his government job ? (*Co-operate and Prosper*)
 (b) Why is Kezia more attached to her grandmother ? (*The Little Girl*)

18 Answer any **two** of the following questions in **30** to **40** words each : **2×2=4**

- (a) Why did the Master have to sign an affidavit before he was allowed to enter the room ? (*A Tiger Comes to Town*)
 (b) How did the monkeys react when the squirrel said he is helping Rama build the bridge ? (*How the Squirrel got his Stripes*)
 (c) Why does Dr. Kalam say India should stand up to the world ? How can we do that ? (*My Vision for India*)

19 Answer any **one** of the following questions in about **100** words : **5**

- (a) Do you think Kezia's father didn't love his daughter ? Give reasons for your answer. (*The Little Girl*)
 (b) What is the main idea of the poem *A Prayer for Healing* ?

20 Complete the statements given below by choosing the most appropriate **1×2=2** options from those that follow :

- (a) Which of the following are promoted by the poet in the poem, *A Prayer for Healing* ?
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| (A) Truth and Peace | (B) Honesty and Justice |
| (C) Justice and Peace | (D) Truth and Independence |
- (b) 'Most of all, I want to relearn' (*Once Upon a Time*)
 What does the poet want to relearn ?
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| (A) How to laugh sincerely | (B) How to make money |
| (C) How to learn his lessons | (D) How to win wars |

