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(Section A)

Reading

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

Fleming was a poor Scottish farmer. One day, while trying to eke out a living for his family, he heard a cry for help coming from a nearby bog. He dropped his tools and ran to the bog. There, mired till his waist in black muck was a terrified boy, screaming and struggling to free himself. Farmer Fleming saved the lad from what could have been a slow and terrifying death.

The next day, a fancy carriage pulled up to the Scotsman's sparse surroundings. An elegantly dressed nobleman stepped out and introduced himself as the father of the boy farmer Fleming had saved. "I want to repay you," said the nobleman. "You saved my son's life."

"No, I can't accept payment for what I did," the Scottish farmer replied, waving off the offer. At that moment, the farmer's son came to the door, "Is that your son?" the nobleman asked. "Yes," the farmer replied proudly. "I'll make you a deal. Let me take him and give him a good education. If the man is like you, he'll grow up to be a man you can be proud of." And that he did

In time, farmer Fleming's son graduated from St Mary's Hospital Medical School, London. He went on to become the noted Sir Alexander Fleming, the discoverer of Penicillin.

Years later, the nobleman's son was stricken with Pneumonia. What saved him? Penicillin. Who do you think was the nobleman? Lord Randolph Churchill. His son's name? Sir Winston Churchill, the famous British Prime Minister.

2. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

Lions are mostly found in Africa and India. A lion is yellowish grey in colour and measures more than 3 ½ m from its nose to the tip of the tail. A large male may weigh as much as 200kg. Lions live in herds. A herd consists of a male, many lionesses and their cubs.

Lions generally hunt in couples and occasionally alone. They feed on deer, buffaloes and even porcupines. A herd of lions is known as a pride. The lions usually wait for their prey at the water points. When a deer or a buffalo is sighted by the male lion, it drives it toward

the lioness. The lioness jumps on the surprised animal and breaks its neck with one heavy blow. The carcass of the dead animal is eaten for a few days by the lions.

1. Where are lions found?
2. What does a herd consist of?
3. What is a herd of lions known as and what do they feed on?
4. Where do the lions usually hunt?
5. What does the male lion do?
6. How does the lioness kill the prey?

Section B
(Writing)

3. Based on the picture given below, write a composition on the effects of a thunderstorm. Your composition must have at least three paragraphs.



4. A friend borrowed a book from you a long time ago. Now you need this book but he / she has not returned the book inspite of your requests on phone. Write a letter to him / her requesting him to return the book. Explain your urgency.
5. It was a Sunday evening. There was a heavy rain in your locality and the electricity was cut. You could not go out as the roads were all clogged with rain water. Write a narrative composition, in about 100 words, on what you did.

6. Your uncle from the US has sent you an awesome gift. It is something you always wanted. Describe the gift in a paragraph of 100 words

Section C
Grammar

7. Classify the following into different types of nouns – Common, Proper, Collective, Abstract and Concrete:

Chair	Beauty	Iron	Strength
Dog	Herd	Flock	Choir
Hazratganj	Rajghat	Lal Qila	Courage
Whiteness	Teacher	Carpet	Wool

8. Fill in the blanks with pronouns:

- i. She presented the books to Kanika and _____.(I / me)
- ii. Does _____(she/her) know that _____(I/me) was in the library?
- iii. The girl, _____(whose/who) father is a teacher, is my friend.
- iv. The teacher, _____(who/whom) we invited to the party, arrived late.
- v. Elephants, _____(who/which) have long tusks, are found in India.

9. Fill in the blanks with articles:

John lives in (a) _____ apartment with his mum, dad and sister Kady. (b) _____ apartment has three bedrooms, (c) _____ kitchen and (d) _____ sitting room. John's mum works in (e) _____ office and his dad stays at home and looks after (f) _____ apartment. He spends most of his time in (g) _____ kitchen, preparing meals. John and Katy help their dad with (h) _____ housework. John likes using (i) _____ vacuum cleaner and Katy likes to sweep (j) _____ floor.

10. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate tenses of the verbs given in the bracket:

Have you ever (a) _____ (forget) something? I (b) _____(have). It (c) _____(happen) last summer at the railway station. A few weeks ago, my friends and I (d) _____ (decide) to go to Goa for a holiday. We (e) _____ (wait) for the train on the platform when suddenly I realized that I (f) _____ my ticket at home.

11. Fill in the blanks by arranging the adjectives in the right order:

- a. She was wearing _____. (a sweater, winter, woolen)
- b. There is _____ in this town. (a church, Gothic, very old)
- c. _____ didn't feel comfortable living with the British family. (the girl, French, fifteen-year-old)
- d. There were _____ on the shelf. (a lot of ornaments, china, little, useless)

- e. Why don't you wear _____. It's rather cold. (your coat, thick, fur)
12. Underline the adverbs in the following sentences and state their kind:
- They will hold a meeting tomorrow.
 - My friends surf the internet daily.
 - The gardener works hard.
 - The policeman is running fast.
 - The child speaks clearly.
13. Fill in the blanks with appropriate conjunctions:
- My dad _____ I are going boating this afternoon.
 - Either we are going to win _____ they are going to win.
 - Santa Claus is a favourite _____ among children _____ among the elderly.
 - We played very well _____ we still lost the game.
 - I will build a house _____ you help me.
14. Convert the following sentences to negative sentences:
- The water is not cold.
 - I got a new bike.
 - That house is new.
 - Sam always tells the truth
15. Rewrite the following sentences as indirect speech:
- "I was sleeping when the doorbell rang," said Jack.
 - Mili said, "I was late yesterday."
 - Simi said to her brother, "I have taken your book."
 - Grandfather said to us, "Grandmother and I may go to Kashmir next week."
 - The man said to his son, "Where are you going this evening?"
16. Punctuate the following paragraph
- a young boy broke a valuable mug that belonged to his teacher when he heard his teachers footsteps he quickly held the broken mug behind his as the teacher came up to him he asked why does one die sir its natural said the teacher everything has a beginning and an end everything has just so long to live and then has to die the boy showed him the pieces of broken mug and said the time for your mug to die had come
17. Fill in the blanks with appropriate analogy:
- Two : Second – Twenty : _____
 - Eyes : See – Ears : _____

- c. I : mine – they : _____
- d. Wind : blows – sun : _____
- e. Bad : Worst – Good : _____

Section D
(Literature)

18. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

‘If only I had the newspaper that John wanted to buy me,’ she thought, ‘I could have a look at the picture.’

- a. Name the story from which the above extract has been taken.
- b. Who is the author?
- c. Who is ‘I’ in these lines?
- d. Why does she want the newspaper?
- e. What picture is she thinking about?

19. Answer the following questions in about 30 – 40 words:

- a. What was the family’s reason for buying Attila?
- b. Why does the crocodile visit the dentist?
- c. Describe the man who got into the same compartment as Mrs Blake.
- d. Describe the world before Pandora opened the mysterious box.
- e. Why is Hope so important to human beings?

20. Answer the following in about 60 - 70 words:

Imagine yourself to be Mrs Blake. Describe how you would have reacted in the situation Mrs Blake was.