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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. 1×7=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 ?

- 2 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.

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) 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.
 - (b) 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.
 - (c) 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 ?
- 4** Delhi tops the list of the most polluted cities in the world. Write a letter to the Chairman, Municipal Corporation of Delhi, drawing his attention to the health hazards faced by Delhi citizens. Give 5 suggestions to control air pollution and improve air quality in the city. **7**



- 5 Water is the most precious thing in the world today. You notice that in your locality, there is indiscriminate use of water – people leave taps open carelessly, water tanks overflow, and a lot of water is used for even small things like washing vegetables. Write in about 100 words a short paragraph for a local newspaper suggesting measures to control use of water and recycle the used water. 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 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
- 8 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).



- 9 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.
- 10 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.

- 11 Complete the following conversation by filling in the blanks with the correct Wh-question word : 1×6=6
- Saveri : _____ (i) _____ is Vishnu ?
Siddhu : Vishnu is not coming to school today.
Saveri : _____ (ii) _____ is he on leave ?
Siddhu : It is his birthday today.
Saveri : _____ (iii) _____ are you going to meet him ?
Siddhu : I will meet him in the party this evening.
Saveri : _____ (iv) _____ is the party ?
Siddhu : At his house.
Saveri : _____ (v) _____ will you gift him ?
Siddhu : I am planning to give him a book.
Saveri : _____ (vi) _____ book are you buying ?
Siddhu : I don't know..... may be a biography.

- 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**

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 ?

- 14** 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 ?

- 15** 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.

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

- (a) 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)



- (b) 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)
- (c) 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)

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

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

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

- (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**

- (i) Was Valodya responsible for Nicky's mental suffering ?
 (ii) How did Gandhiji's father react to his confession ? What lesson did Gandhiji learn from it ? *(Stealing and Atonement)*

20 Complete the statements given below by choosing the most appropriate $1 \times 2 = 2$ options from those that follow :

- (a) Which of the following are promoted by the poet in the poem, A Prayer for Healing ?
 (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 ?
 (A) How to laugh sincerely (B) How to make money
 (C) How to learn his lessons (D) How to win wars

