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Instructions for Candidates

1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.
2. Attempt all questions.

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

The Buddha walked on fearlessly. The robber, Angulimala, followed him as fast as he could but was not able to catch up with him. He swore and shouted at Gautama Buddha but the latter only smiled at him kindly and continued to walk through the forest. This continued for several hours and Angulimala, tired at last, sat down. The Buddha stood in front of him. His face was shining with kindness for the robber.

“Who are you, man?” asked Angulimala. “Why do you travel through this forest alone? Aren’t you afraid of the robber Angulimala? Why couldn’t I catch you? What magic do you possess?”

The Buddha’s face was full of compassion and he replied gently, “I’m a friend of yours and I have come to the forest to help you. I have come to save you from further sin. I am not afraid of you because I love you as I love all other men. My magic is the magic of kindness for all living creatures.”

These noble words touched the cruel heart of Angulimala and he fell at the feet of the Buddha. “Save me, Lord!” he said, sobbing, “I’m the greatest sinner on earth!” He cried bitterly and tears flowed from his eyes in two unending streams.

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(a) Match the words given in Column A with the meanings given in Column B:

Column A	Column B
(i) robber	to have
(ii) catch up	wrong actions
(iii) swore	reach
(iv) the latter	used bad words in anger
(v) possess	intensely because of strong feeling
(vi) compassion	crying
(vii) sin	thief
(viii) sobbing	without stop
(ix) bitterly	the second of two people that
(x) unending	pity

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(b) Rearrange the following events in the order in which they occur in the above passage:

- (i) The Buddha stood before Angulimala.
 - (ii) Angulimala could not catch the Buddha.
 - (iii) Angulimala prayed to the Buddha to save him.
 - (iv) Angulimala was tired and sat down.
 - (v) Angulimala chased the Buddha through the forest for many hours.
- (5)

(c) Give short answers to the following questions **in complete sentences, using your own words as far as possible**:

- (i) Why was the Buddha in the forest?
- (ii) Why did Angulimala shout at the Buddha?
- (iii) Why was Angulimala surprised?

(iv) Why did the Buddha not fear Angulimala?

(v) What was the effect of the Buddha's words on Angulimala?

(5×3=15)

(d) From the passage find words that are opposite in meaning to the following words: **fearfully, hate, harshly, enemy, laughed**

Now use the **opposites** that you have located in the passage to complete the following sentences:

(i) The baby _____ when its toy was taken away.

(ii) "Did you break the cup?" the mother asked the child _____

(iii) Children _____ sweets.

(iv) He is a good _____; he will never lie to me.

(v) The brave soldier approached the enemy _____ (5+5=10)

2. Rewrite the following sentences in passive voice:

(i) A truck hit the car.

(ii) People took the injured driver to the hospital.

(iii) The earthquake destroyed many buildings.

(iv) The rescue team saved many people.

(v) Someone stole my bag in the train.

(5×2=10)

3. Change the following sentences into Reported or Indirect speech:

(i) Rani said, "I have passed the exam."

(ii) The stranger said, "I want a glass of water."

(iii) The doctor said to the patient, "You need rest."

(iv) Raju said to Arif, "I need some money."

(v) My mother said to me, "I saw Tarun in the market."

(5×2=10)

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4. Frame questions for the following answers. Wherever a word is given in brackets after the answer, use that word to begin the question.

(i) Yes, I am a student of this college.

(ii) No, this is not my application.

(iii) My name is Rahim. (What)

(iv) I reach home by 7 p. m. (When)

(v) My favourite subject is History. (Which)

(5×2=10)

5. Attempt any one of the following:

(i) You are a student of BA College, Shiksha Nagar. Write an application to the Principal of your college informing her / him about the loss of your college identity card. You must say how you lost it and what action you have taken. Also request her / him to issue a duplicate identity card to you.

OR

(ii) You have seen the following advertisement in today's edition of *The Daily News*. Choose a course that interests you. Write a letter to the Director of the Institute asking for all the details you need to know (fee, duration, timings, eligibility, etc.) before deciding to join that course. Ask for a registration form too.

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6. Attempt any one of the following:

- (i) You are a student of BA College, Shiksha Nagar. Write a paragraph of about 150 words describing your experience of life at college during the first semester. You may use the following words/ideas if you wish:

first day, nervous, ragging, friends, teachers, courses, assignments, library, canteen, playground, student union elections, cultural events

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OR

- (ii) Your father is not at home when a call arrives from his office. You attend the call and the following conversation takes place between you and the caller. Write down a **short** message (20 - 40 words) for your father on the basis of this conversation.

You : Hello!

Caller : Hello! Can I speak to Mr. Kumar please?

You : I am afraid he is not at home right now.

Caller : Oh! May I know who's speaking?

You : I am his son Rahul.

Caller : Hi, Rahul! I am your father's secretary, Puneet Sharma. When will papa be back?

You : Good evening, Mr. Sharma. I'm not sure when he will be back.

Caller : Oh! In that case could you give him my message?

You : Yes, of course!

Caller : Thanks. Please tell him that following an instruction from the government, tomorrow's holiday has been cancelled. All employees are to report to office as part of a special cleanliness drive.

You : So papa has to go to office tomorrow too?

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Caller : Yes.

You : What time should he reach there?

Caller : He needs to report by 9 a.m.

You : OK! I will note down all this information for papa.

Caller : Thank you so much. Bye, Rahul!

You : Bye!