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Time : Three hours

Maximum : 50 marks

Note: Answer any FIVE questions. Each question carries 10 marks.

1. (a) Read the following passage and answer the following questions that follow. (5)
- At St Joseph's, I was lucky to find a teacher like the Rev. Father T. N. Sequeira. He taught us English and was also our hostel warden. We were about a hundred boys living in the three-storeyed hostel building. Rev. Father used to visit each boy every night with a Bible in his hand. His energy and patience was amazing. He was a very considerate person who took care of even the most minute requirements of his students. On Deepavali, on his instructions, the Brother in charge of the hostel and the mess volunteers would visit each room and distribute good gingelly oil for the ritual bath.

Answer the questions.

- (i) Who was the English teacher of Kalam?
(ii) How many boys stayed in the hostel?
(iii) Whose energy and patience made Kalam amazed?

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2. (a) Read the following passage and answer the following questions that follow. (5)
- I am standing for peace and non-violence.
Why world is fighting fighting
Why all people of world
Are not following Mahatma Gandhi,
I am simply not understanding.
Ancient Indian Wisdom is 100% correct.
I should say even 200% correct.
But modern generation is neglecting—
Too much going for fashion and foreign thing.
Other day I'm reading in newspaper
(Every day I'm reading Times of India
To improve my English language)
How one goonda fellow
Throw stone at Indirabehn.
Must be student unrest fellow, I am thinking.
- Answer the questions.
- (i) What does the poet not understand?
(ii) What according to the poet is 200% correct?
(iii) What happened to modern generation?
(iv) What does the word, 'goonda' mean?
(v) What happened to Indirabehn?

- (iv) What was given to the students on Deepavali?
(v) Who was the hostel warden?
(b) Choose the best answer. (5)
- (i) Which of the following root words means 'write'?
- (1) graph (2) circa (3) phil (4) gamy
(ii) Which of the following words etymologically means unlimited power and the ability to do anything?
- (1) Omnipresent (2) Omnipotent
(3) Omniscient (4) Omnivore
(iii) I _____ him last week in Chennai.
(1) meet (2) met (3) am meeting
(4) will meet
(iv) Choose the option that gives the correct meaning of the word: 'reverend'
- (1) legend (2) priest (3) courtier
(4) messenger
(v) Somebody who is widely known for his/her mischievous or evil deeds is a/an _____
(1) illegal (2) notorious (3) altruist
(4) corrupt

- (b) (i) Select the word which makes a compound word with 'news'. (5)
(1) pen (2) paper (3) daily (4) issue
(ii) Change as directed.
Elaya said, "Bring a glass of milk, please". (to indirect speech)
(1) Elaya commands me to bring a glass of milk.
(2) Elaya requested me to bring a glass of milk.
(3) Elaya asked me to brought a glass of milk.
(4) Elaya ordered me to bring her a glass of milk.
(iii) Choose the gerund.
Without the advice of a doctor _____ medicine is dangerous.
(1) taking (2) to take (3) takes
(4) is taking
(iv) Write suitable negative prefix to the underlined word make its opposite.
Kipling feels machines are competent in doing several tasks.

(v) Choose the most appropriate option for the following sentences.

It will be easier to read if you _____ the lights.

- (1) switch (2) switch on (3) switch over
(4) None of these

3. (a) Write a brief essay on the following in 200 words each. (5)

(i) Sketch the character of Nunez in H. G. wells' "The Country of the Blind".

Or

(ii) Which part of the story features slow paining that establishes a mysterious mood in H.G. Well's "The Country of the Blind". (5)

(b) (i) Describe the last time that you helped someone.

(ii) Prepare a resume for the poet of Research Analyst.

4. (a) Write a brief essay on the following in 200 words each. (5)

(i) Define Globalisation.

Or

(ii) Create a webpage for publishing company.

(b) (i) Write an email to your younger brother discussing why the overuse of social media is harmful. (5)

(ii) Write an essay on contemporary issues and themes that are socially relevant.

5. (a) Write a brief essay on the following in 200 words. (5)

Sketch the character of Hotspur.

(b) Write a short dialogue containing five exchanges between two students at a book fair. (5)

6. Write an essay in 300 words on any one of the following topics. (10)

(a) Advantages and Disadvantages of Social Media.

(b) National Unity