

This Question Paper contains 8 printed pages.

(Section - A, B, C, D & E)

Sl.No. 17435

**04 (E)**

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(Old Course)

**Time : 3 Hours]**

**[Maximum Marks : 80**

**Instructions :**

- 1) Write in a clear legible handwriting.
- 2) This question paper has five Sections A, B, C, D & E and Question Numbers from 1 to 57.
- 3) All questions are compulsory. There are only internal options.
- 4) The numbers to the right represent the marks of the question.
- 5) Draw neat diagrams wherever necessary.
- 6) New sections should be written in a new page. Write the answers in numerical order.

**SECTION - A**

- Read the following passage carefully and select the appropriate answer from the options given below: [4]

It is not a large army, only sixty men in all, but still it is an army. There were also taxes in this kingdom as elsewhere: a tax on tobacco and on wine and spirits and a poll-tax. But though the people there drink and smoke as people do in other countries, there are so few of them that the king would have been hard put to feed his courtiers and officials and to keep himself, if he had not found a new and special source of revenue. This special revenue comes from a gaming house, where people play roulette. People play, and whether they win or lose, the keeper always gets a percentage on the turnover and out of his profits he pays a large sum to the king. The reason he pays so much is that it is the only such gambling establishment left in Europe. Some of the little German sovereigns used to keep gaming houses of the same kind, but some years ago they were forbidden to

do so. The reason they were stopped was because these gaming houses did so much harm. A man would come and try his luck, then he would risk all he had and lose it, then he would even risk money that did not belong to him and lose that too and then in despair, he would drown or shoot himself.

- 1) The king was in search of a special source of revenue to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (A) develop his kingdom
  - (B) donate to the needy
  - (C) feed his courtiers & officials
  - (D) expand his palace
- 2) The main source of income for the king was \_\_\_\_\_ business.
  - (A) tobacco
  - (B) wine
  - (C) gambling
  - (D) poll
- 3) The keeper of the gambling establishment paid a large sum to the king because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (A) he was concerned for the king
  - (B) it was the only gambling establishment left in Europe
  - (C) he was the well-wisher of the king
  - (D) he wanted to develop his kingdom
- 4) Germans were forbidden to keep gaming houses as it lead the people to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (A) do evil things
  - (B) kill themselves
  - (C) murder others
  - (D) bad habits

- **Fill in the blanks choosing the correct words given in the bracket and write the answers only.** [4]

(Conjure, friends, direct, fate)

I address myself to all the \_\_\_(5)\_\_\_ of youth, and \_\_\_(6)\_\_\_ them to \_\_\_(7)\_\_\_ their compassionate regards to my unhappy \_\_\_(8)\_\_\_.

- **Answer the following questions in five to six sentences each.** [8]

- 9) How is the silence within contrasted with the sound of winter rains in the hills as depicted by Ruskin Bond.
- 10) What did Steve Jobs actually mean by 'You cannot connect dots looking forward but you can connect dots looking backwards'.
- 11) Describe the most memorable incident of Pooja Thakur's life.
- 12) Write a brief note on Neela Satyanarayan's optimism.

OR

- 12) "We all write our own destiny". Explain with reference to 'Letter to my daughter'.

### SECTION - B

- **Read the following verses and answer the questions given below.** [2]

Leave this chanting and singing and telling of beads!

Whom dost thou worship in this lonely dark.

Corner of a temple with doors all shut?

Open thine eyes and see thy God is not before thee!

- 13) What does the poet want us to do?

- 14) Where can God be not found?

- **Select the correct figures of speech from the options given.** [2]

15) The old lost road through the woods.

- (A) Metaphor (B) Personification  
(C) Euphemism (D) Synecdoche

16) When you let him in, then he wants to be out.

- (A) Oxymoron (B) Antithesis  
(C) Euphemism (D) Simile

- **Answer the following in five or six sentences each.** [6]

17) Why has the 'mirror' no preconceptions?

18) What are the activities of the bird as described by Emily Dickinson?

19) Explain the agony the tree undergoes as perceived by Dr. Gieve Patel.

OR

19) What would the poet take along with her after her body perishes in the poem 'I Will Meet You Yet Again'?

- **Answer the following questions in five to six sentences each.** [6]

20) While Returning to London what idea did Boggis have?

21) How were the people of Ndiamaguene village losing their deep sense of community?

22) How did time management help Charles Chettiar?

OR

22) In what way Mr. Pattabhi helped in moulding his student's career?

**SECTION - C**

- **Rectify the errors in the given passage.** [3]

	Error	Correction
23) None of this had even a hoping	_____	_____
24) of any practice application	_____	_____
25) in my life. But ten years latter	_____	_____
26) when we were designed the	_____	_____
27) firstly Macintosh computer	_____	_____
28) it all came backing to me	_____	_____

- **Fill in the blanks using articles, conjunctions and prepositions at the correct places.** [3]

(the, and, is, of, the, the)

There   (29)   a danger of   (30)   world getting liberty drunk   (31)   it will do well to remind ourselves   (32)   what   (33)   rule of   (34)   road means.

- **Punctuate the following passage (35 to 38)** [2]

I begin my stories of woe Tell the one about how you used to walk school alone she says.

- 39) **Convert the following into Indirect speech.** [3]

Mrs. Slater : If I've done anything wrong, I'm sure I'm sorry for it.

Mrs. Jordan : And I can't say more than that, too.

Abel : It's a bit late to say it now.

■ Do as directed (Transformation of Sentences)

[5]

- 40) Datta stood transfixed and stared at the disaster at his feet (Change into simple sentence)
- 41) When I saw the prizes, I was stupefied (Add No sooner ..... than)
- 42) I have always liked music (Change the voice)
- 43) My doctor advised me to go home (Change into complex sentence)
- 44) We haven't seen the sun for eight or nine days. (Add Question tag)

**SECTION - D**

■ Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it. [4]

Most of the people who appear most often in history books are great conquerors and generals. Strangely enough the people who really helped civilization forward are often never mentioned at all. We do not know who made the first boat or calculated the length of the year but we know all about killers and destroyers. We raise statues to them simply because they fought bravely. But even animals fight. So do savages. To fight is not to be civilized. Moreover, there are other ways of settling quarrels among men and nations. So, really, civilized men have been those who have brought peace and happiness to mankind. They have been prophets, saints, doctors, inventors and discoverers. They have been truly great.

Questions:-

- 45) Who are the people that generally appear in history books?
- 46) Is fighting a mark of civilization? Why?
- 47) Who are really civilized?
- 48) Which men are often never mentioned in history?

- Read the following poem and answer the questions given below it. [4]

You think I am dead  
 A soft voice said  
 Because not a branch or root I own  
 I never have died.  
 But close I hide  
 I am a plummy seed the wind has sown  
 Patiently I wait through the long winter hours  
 I shall laugh at you then  
 Out of the eyes of a hundred flowers.

- 49) Who is the speaker of the above poem?  
 50) Why does the speaker say "I have never died"?  
 51) Which two seasons are indicated in the poem.  
 52) Mention the figure of speech in the last line.  
 53) You are Akash Shah. You were on a trip to Lonavala, along with your friends. Make at least two Dairy entries of the trip. [4]

OR

- 53) On your visit to your school on the Annual Day of your school, you met your old teachers. Write at least four dialogues sharing your nostalgic effect with your teachers. (You are the alumnus of this school)  
 54) A campaign on 'Plastic Free Gujarat' has been arranged in your school. Design a poster with a title and slogan with a message. [4]

OR

- 54) You are the sports captain of your school. Draft a notice to be displayed on the Notice Board informing the students about the Basket Ball coaching camp going to be held in your school.

**SECTION - E**

- 55) Your School recently hosted an Inter district science fair in your school organized by DEO Vadodara. Prepare a report of the event to be published in your School Magazine. [4]
- 56) Your School is organizing its prize distribution ceremony. You need to arrange for 50 books as prizes. Write a letter to the proprietor of Crossword Book Store placing an order for the books. [5]

OR

- 56) You are Akruuti Pathak. Your mobile phone has been lost. Write an email to the nearest police station complaining about the same. Address your email to the Police Inspector.
- 57) Write an essay in about 200 words on any one of the following. [7]

- a) Impact of Social Media on Teenagers.

(Technology development – Importance of social media – impact – effects – your own views)

- b) Save nature nature will save you.

(Nature – Importance of Nature – Impact – Effects – your views)

OR

- 57) Complete the story using the given hints and give a suitable title to it.

Truth always pays – spoke truth – got in trouble – upset – changed mind – later realised – better in the long run.

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