

Quarterly Examination - 2013

Standard XI

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ENGLISH PAPER II

Time: 3.00 hrs.

Marks: 80

Section - A

(Supplementary Reader)

**I. a) Write a paragraph by rearranging the following sentences in the correct sequence:
(The first and the last sentences are already in order) 5x1=5**

1. – One day Phatik saw a log by the riverside.
 - They were ready to roll the log.
 - He wanted to roll the log into the river.
 - His brother Makhanlal came there and sat on the log.
 - His friends also liked the idea.
 - Phatik told his friends to roll the log along with Makhanlal.

b) Complete the following by choosing the correct answer from the options given: 5x1=5

2. was Matilda's rich friend.

a) Mme Forestier	b) Mme. Loisel	c) Mme. Duggan	d) The Minister's wife
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3. The diamond necklace was valued at francs.

a) 30,000	b) 40,000	c) 50,000	d) 60,000
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4. Della was proud of her

a) eyes	b) colour	c) nose	d) hair
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5. According to the author were the wisest Magi.

a) Phatik and Makhanlal	b) Jim and Della	c) Mr. & Mrs. Loisel	d) None
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6. brought Phatik back to his uncle's house.

a) Two policemen	b) Two boys	c) Two neighbours	d) Two teachers
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c) Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow: 5x1=5

There were celebrations for several days. At length, a couple of days before his departure. Bhishvambar questioned his sister about the schooling and progress of her two sons. In reply he was given a description of Phatik's uncontrollable wildness and inattention to study; while Makhan, by contrast, was perfectly behaved and a model student. 'Phatik drives me mad', she said. Bhishvambar then proposed that he take Phatik to Calcutta, keep him with him and supervise his education. The widow easily agreed to this. 'Well, Phatik', he asked the boy, 'how would you like to go to Calcutta with your uncle?' 'I'd love to', said Phatik, jumping up and down.

Questions:

7. What was the reason for celebrations?
8. Who was Bhishvambar's sister?
9. How were Phatik and Makhan?
10. What did the uncle promise to do?
11. How did Phatik react to the suggestion?

d) Write an essay by developing the following hints:

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12. Matilda married to a petty clerk – longs for a luxurious life – husband brings invitation – no proper dress and jewellery for ball – buys dress – borrows a diamond necklace – everybody at the ball appreciates Matilda – returns home elated – finds the necklace missing. Search in vain – gets loan, buys a new one and returns it to friend – years pass by – chance meeting with friend – original necklace only an imitation – ruined life.

(OR)

Jim and Della – ideal couple – life, a combination of sobs and smiles – eve of Christmas – Della counts her savings – meagre – sells her hair to buy platinum fob chain – Jim sells his gold watch to buy combs – both gifts – useless now – sacrifice – essence of Christmas.

Section - B**(Learning Competency - Study Skills)****II. a) Answer the following:**

5x2=10

13. What are the uses of a dictionary?
14. Expand and explain: OPAC
15. Mention any two advantages of internet.
16. What is semantic network?
17. Write any two general instructions for using a library.

b) Read the following, spot the errors and correct them:

5x1=5

18. We played a games of chess yesterday night.
19. When you came back?
20. She went to hospital to see her uncle.
21. The father divided his property among his two sons.
22. He sold all his furnitures.

Section - C

(Occupational Competency - Job Skills)

III. A) Write a summary of the following passage in about 100 words:

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23. People who nodded off for an hour after lunch performed better in learning tests than those who stayed awake all afternoon, the scientists found.

A study of students revealed that their brains were refreshed by napping only if they entered what is called stage 2 non-REM sleep, which takes place between deep sleep and the dream state, known as REM or rapid eye movement sleep.

The research follows a recent study by the same group that showed that staying up all night reduced students' ability to cram new facts by nearly 40 percent, a consequence, they said, of brain regions effectively shutting down through sleep deprivation.

"Sleep not only rights the wrong of prolonged wakefulness but, at a neurocognitive level, it moves you beyond where you were before you took a nap", said Matthew Walker at the University of California, Berkeley.

The findings may explain why our ability to learn falls as we age, since people tend to sleep less as they get older.

Walker's team recruited 39 students for the study and divided them into two groups. At midday, all of the volunteers took part in a learning test designed to exercise a region of the brain called the hippocampus, which is involved in storing memories.

Two hours later, one of the groups settled down for a siesta while the other group stayed awake. Later that afternoon at 6 pm, both groups took part in a second round of learning tests. Those who napped for an hour not only performed better than the group that stayed awake, they scored better than they did in the first round of tests.

The findings suggest that sleep clears the brain's short-term memory and makes room for new facts to be remembered.

B) Respond to the following advertisement considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified (Write XXXX for your name and YYYY for your address):

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WANTED

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Min. Qlfn. Dip. in
Textile Technology, with 2 yr. exp.
Apply to
Loyal Cotton Mills Pvt.Ltd.
100 ft.Road,
Coimbatore.

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Section - D

(Strategic Competency - Life Skills)

IV. a) Fill in the blanks with the non-lexical fillers in the following conversation: 2x1=2

25. Rosy : Are you a cricket fan?
 Mercy : I can't say.
 Rosy : what are you interested in?
 Mercy : Chess.

b) A man approaches you to direct him to the big temple. Here you find the road-map. Write three instructions by way of helping him: 3

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1. New Central Tea Stall
 2. Sub-Court
 3. Big Temple

Section - E

(Creative Competency)

V. a) Match the proverbs with their meanings: 5x1=5

- | <u>Proverbs</u> | <u>Meanings</u> |
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| 27. Covet all, lose all | - a) Appearances are deceptive. |
| 28. A black hen lays white eggs | - b) A single person cannot become powerful. |
| 29. Look before you leap | - c) Don't lose any opportunity. |
| 30. Make hay while the sun shines | - d) If you try to desire all things, you'll lose everything. |
| 31. One flower makes no garland | - e) Think carefully before you act. |

b) Match the slogans with the products given below: 5x1=5

- | <u>Slogans</u> | <u>Products</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| 32. Credit card | - a) Makes you look grand. |
| 33. Suitings | - b) Get rid of trash. |
| 34. Modern Times | - c) Buy now, pay later. |
| 35. Housing Loan | - d) Global News. |
| 36. Vacuum cleaner | - e) One family one house. |

Section - F

(Extensive Reading)

VI. Write a general essay in about 200 words on any one of the following: 1x10=10

37. If I were an angel.
 38. Pollution.
 39. Unity is strength.