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ENGLISH

(Language and Literature)

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Section A Reading

Section B Writing 2

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Section D Text Books 45

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SECTION A

(Reading)

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		(d)	When does the view of peaks become most memorable ?	1
		(e)	How can we say that Gandhiji was greatly charmed by the natural beauty of Kausani? Give two reasons.	2
		(f)	What makes Kausani a calm and quiet place?	1
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	Gentleman: I want a single room in the hotel.
	Receptionist: Have you made an advance booking?
	Gentleman: No.
	Receptionist: Sorry, sir, the hotel is fully booked up at this time of the year.
	The receptionist at the counter of a hotel humbly asked the gentleman (a)
	The gentleman said that (b) The receptionist enquired
	(c) The gentleman told her that he had no advance booking.
	The receptionist very politely expressed her inability and said (d) of
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	there / ago / many / years / were / lamps / no / electric
	Many years ago there were no electric lamps.
	(a) oil/people/lamps/used
	(b) gave / oil / a little / lamps / light
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	Midway between Mysore and the coastal town of Mangalore sits a piece of heaven that must have drifted from the kingdom of god. This land of rolling hills is	
	inhabited by a proud race of martial men, beautiful women and wild creatures.	
	Coorg, or Kodagu, the smallest district of Karnataka, is home to evergreen	
	rainforests, spices and coffee plantations. Evergreen rainforests cover thirty percent of this district. During the monsoons, it pours enough to keep many visitors away. The season of joy commences from September and continues till March. The weather is perfect, with some showers thrown in for good measure.	
	(a) What is referred to as 'a piece of heaven'?	1
	(b) Where is it situated?	1
	(c) Why do many tourists not visit it during monsoons?	1
	(d) Why are people drawn to it?	1
	(e) Which word in the passage means the same as 'having to do with war'?	1
12.	Answer the following question in about 80 words:	6
	"I wish I had the faith of the man who wrote this letter." Describe Lencho's character in the light of this statement.	
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	Why did Kisa Gotami go twice from house to house? In what way did the Buddha change her understanding?	
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	(b)	How will it end in ice ?	1
	(c)	Why does the poet side with those who believe that the world will end in fire?	2
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		The true Chameleon is small,	
		A lizard sort of thing;	
		He hasn't any ears at all,	
		And not a single wing.	
. 21		If there is nothing on the tree,	
		Tis the chameleon you see.	
	(a)	Which creature has the Chameleon been compared to ?	1
	(b)	What is the point of comparison?	1
	(c)	Mention any two physical characteristics of a Chameleon.	1
	(d)	What is the rhyme scheme in the stanza?	1
15.		wer any two of the following questions in $30-40$ words each on the basis of the lines a below:	6
	(a)	Belinda tickled him, she tickled him unmerciful,	
		Why did Belinda tickle Custard so severely?	3
	(b)	No use to say 'O there are other balls':	
		What do the words in inverted commas mean? Why does the poet think that it is useless to give this suggestion to the boy?	3
	(c).	"That only God, my dear,	
		Could love you for yourself alone	
		And not your yellow hair."	
		What colour is the young woman's hair? What does the poet suggest by these lines?	3
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From what I've tasted of desire

I hold with those who favour fire.

Some say the world will end in fire

Some say in ice.

10.	This were the following question in about 100 words:
	Love can transform even a thief. How is it true in the case of Hari Singh?
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	How did one old book of nursery rhymes save the world from a Martian invasion ?
17.	Answer the following question in 30 – 40 words:
	What was Mrs. Pumphrey's reaction when Tricki showed little enthusiasm for
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	Why did Fowler want to meet Ausable? Why was he disappointed?
18.	Answer the following question in 20 – 30 words:
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	Yashika: What are you looking for?
	Stranger (a woman): I am looking for the post office. Can you show me the way to it please?
	Yashika: Yes, please come along with me.
	Seeing that a stranger was looking for something Yashika asked her (a)
	The stranger replied (b) for the post office and asked her
	(c) the way to it. Yashika readily agreed and requested the
	stranger (d)
9.	Look at the words and phrases given below. Rearrange them to form meaningful sentences. The first one has been done as an example. Write the correct sentences in your answer sheet. Remember to number the answers correctly. $1\times 3=3$ Example:
	in hot/like India/tree/countries/banana/grows
	Banana tree grows in hot countries like India.
	 (a) a / trunk / it / but no / has / branches (b) the top / huge leaves / grow / its / of / the tree / from (c) produces / it / of fruits / only / big bunch / one
	SECTION D (Text Books) 45
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	"Another aeroplane? Up there in this storm? No other aeroplanes were flying tonight. Yours was the only one I could see on the radar."
	So who helped me to arrive there safely without a compass or a radio, and without any more fuel in my tanks? Who was the pilot on the strange black aeroplane, flying in the storm, without lights?
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		From what I've tasted of desire			
		I hold with those who favour fire.			
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	(c)	Why does the poet side with those	who believe that the world will end in fire?	2	
		OR			
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		A lizard sort of thing;	- 180		
		He hasn't any ears at all,			
		And not a single wing.			
		If there is nothing on the tree,			
		Tis the chameleon you see.			
	(a)	Which creature has the Chameleon	n been compared to ?	1	
	(b)	What is the point of comparison?		1	
	(c)	Mention any two physical characte	eristics of a Chameleon.	1 -	
	(d)	What is the rhyme scheme in the	stanza ?	1	
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		Why did Belinda tickle Custard so	severely?	3	
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		What do the words in inverted cor	mmas mean? Why does the poet think that it is		
		useless to give this suggestion to the	he boy ?	3	
	(c)	"That only God, my dear,			
	(0)	Could love you for yourself alone			
		And not your yellow hair."			
		What colour is the young woman's	hair? What does the poet suggest by these lines?	3	
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16. Answer the following question in about 100 words: What kind of a person is Matilda? Why is she always unhappy? \mathbf{OR} Why does Mrs. Hall find the scientist eccentric? What curious episode takes place in the study? 17. Answer the following question in 30-40 words: 4 What was Mrs. Pumphrey's reaction when Tricki showed little enthusiasm for exertion ? \mathbf{OR} Why did Fowler want to meet Ausable ? Why was he disappointed ? 18. Answer the following question in 20 - 30 words: How did Horace manage the small dog when he attempted to rob the house at Shotover Grange? \mathbf{OR} Who befriended the narrator when he went to New Mullion? Where did he take him?

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ENGLISH (Language and Literature)

Time allowed: 3 hours Maximum Marks: 100

General Instructions:

This paper consists of four sections:

20 Section A Reading

Section BWriting

20 Section C Grammar 15

Section DText Books

(ii)All questions are compulsory.

Marks are indicated against each question.

SECTION A (Reading)

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

Kausani is situated at a height of 6,075 feet in the central Himalayas. It is an unusually attractive little town. It covers just about 5.2 sq. km. It lies north of Almora in Uttarakhand's picturesque Kumaon region.

Kausani provides the 300-km wide breathtaking view of the Himalayas. It is the most striking aspect of this place. Snow-capped peaks are spread in a stately row. They stare at you in silvery white majesty. The most famous peak on view is Nanda Devi, the second highest mountain in India. It is situated at a height of 25,645 feet and 36 miles away as the crow flies. The other famous peaks on view are Choukhamba (23,420 feet) and Trishul (23,360 ft). Then there are also Nilkanth, Nandaghunti, Nandaghat and Nandakot. On a clear day, the blue of the sky makes a splendid background to these peaks. At sunrise and sunset, when the colour changes to a golden orange, the scene gets etched in your memory.

When Gandhiji visited this place in 1929, its scenic beauty held him spellbound. He named it the 'Switzerland of India'. He prolonged his two-day stay to fourteen days, making time to write a book, 'Anashakti Yoga'. The place where he was staying was originally a guesthouse of the tea estate. It was renamed 'Anashakti Ashram' after the book.

Kausani is the birthplace of Sumitranandan Pant, India's poet laureate. Its natural surroundings inspired many of his poems. Its tea gardens mingle with dense pine forests and fruit orchards. The area is also host to many fairs and religious ceremonies. If Uttaranchal is the abode of gods, Kausani is God's own backyard. There is no traffic, no one is in a hurry. If serenity could be put on a canvas, the picture would resemble Kausani. (297 words)

1.1	Answer the following questions briefly:					
	(a)	Where is Kausani situated?	2			
	(b)	What is the most striking aspect of Kausani?	1			
	(c)	Which is the most famous peak on view from Kausani ? What is so significant about this peak ?	2			
	(d)	When does the view of peaks become most memorable?	1			
	(e)	How can we say that Gandhiji was greatly charmed by the natural beauty of Kausani ? Give two reasons.	2			
	(f)	What type of picture would resemble Kausani?	1			
1.2	Find	the word/phrase in the passage which means the same as the following:	3			
	(i)	vivid/lively/graphic para 1 para 1	1			
	(ii)	dignified/lofty was more a para 2 more afraging attention and a	1			
	(iii)	undue haste para 4 % organización e bandaira. La constitu	1			
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2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

A gentleman was repeatedly picking up starfish along a beach in Mexico. He was throwing them into the sea. When asked why he was doing so he said, "I am throwing these starfish back into the ocean because they came in with the high tide and now the tide has receded, they will die here, stranded." "But there must be

thousands on every beach. You can't possibly make a difference," asked the other man. The man smiled, lifted yet another starfish and as he threw it back into the sea, said, "made a difference to that one."

The story shows that it is not the big things only that really count in life. In fact all great people build their character by doing small day-to-day good actions. Gandhiji once was standing in the open compartment door of a speeding train. He was lost in his thoughts when one of his 'chappals' slipped from his foot and fell down. The moment he realized it was gone, he dropped the other one too. On being asked why he did so he replied, "One chappal is of no use to me, nor to him who finds the dropped one. So he might as well have the full pair." This incident shows that nothing was too insignificant for Gandhiji. (247 words)

- (a) What was the gentleman doing with the starfish at the shore? Why?
 (b) Did he make any difference? What was that?
 (c) What did Gandhiji do when he realized that one of his 'chappals' fell down from his foot?
 (d) What explanation did he offer for his act?
 (e) What does it show about Gandhiji's attitude?
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 Your friend Kamal has recently joined Merry Heart School, Lucknow and is living in the hostel. Imagine yourself as Kamal and write a letter to your father describing your hostel life to him.

OR

A number of stray animals keep on roaming on roads, causing injury to people and blocking the traffic. Write a letter to the Municipal Commissioner of your city complaining about this menace. You are Arvind/Aruna, N-6, Navkunj Road, Kolkatta.

4. People make use of loudspeakers, bands etc. during marriages, processions and religious functions during days and nights without caring for the sick and the students' studies. Write an article, in not more than 80 words, on 'Rising Noise Pollution'.

OR

Roadside vendors (sellers) occupy most of the space on roads causing difficulties to people. You want to create awareness about this problem. Using the hints given below write a paragraph in not more than 80 words.

all types of vendors - occupy both sides of roads - stand haphazardly - roads get narrower - disturb the flow of traffic - difficulty for pedestrians - no effective check.

The Literary Club of Bal Vidya Bhawan observed an English Week organising various inter house contests like debate, declamation, poetry recitation, essay writing etc. Write a report, in about 60 words, for your school wall magazine to create interest in English among students. You are Deepika / Devender, Secretary of the club. orYour school organised a Sadbhavna Cycle Yatra on the Republic Day focusing on pollution. Mentioning the number of the participating cyclists carrying the placards and the details of the rally from the starting point to the end, write a report in about 60 words. You are Amrit / Amrita, Head Boy / Head Girl of your school. SECTION C (Grammar) 15 In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after it in your answer sheet. Ensure that the word that forms your answer is underlined as shown. Situated close the Haryana Border e.g. close to the 'Fun 'n' Food Village' is spread in area (a) of ten acres and offers range of (b) activities water rides, pools, rain (c) dance amusement park rides. The (d) rides are suitable different age groups. A special attraction is wave pool is the largest one in and around (g) Delhi. The water park is said to be largest indoor snow park. (h) Read the following passage and fill in the blanks with the correct form of the words given in brackets. Correctly number and write the answer in your answer sheet. $^{1}_{-\times 8=4}$ A businessman from Andhra Pradesh who (a) _____ (come) to Gurgaon (b) _____ (purchase) land (c) ____ (rob) of Rs. 38 lakhs from a car on Monday. The vehicle (d) ______ (belong) to a property dealer who

(e) _____ (sit) inside the car when the robbery took place. The businessman

(h) _____ (leave) behind a bag full of cash in the car.

(go) to the bank (g) (withdraw) more money

8.	Read the dialogue and complete the passage given below. Write the correct answer in your answer sheet against the correct blank number. Do not copy the whole sentence. 1×4=4
	Lady Receptionist: Can I help you, sir?
	Gentleman: I want a single room in the hotel.
	Receptionist: Have you made an advance booking?
	Gentleman: No.
	Receptionist: Sorry, sir, the hotel is fully booked up at this time of the year.
	The receptionist at the counter of a hotel humbly asked the gentleman (a)
	The gentleman said that (b) The receptionist enquired
	(c) The gentleman told her that he had no advance booking.
	The receptionist very politely expressed her inability and said (d) of
	the year.
9.	Look at the words and phrases given below. Rearrange them to form meaningful sentences. The first one has been done as an example. Write the correct sentences in your answer sheet. Remember to number the answers correctly. 1×3=3
	Example:
	there / ago / many / years / were / lamps / no / electric
	Many years ago there were no electric lamps.
	year and year and and and and an
	(b) gave / oil / a little / lamps / light
	(c) to read/its light/was/it/in/difficult

	So who helped me to arrive there safely without a compass or a radio, and without any more fuel in my tanks? Who was the pilot on the strange black aeroplane, flying in the storm, without lights?	
	(a) Who is T?	1
	(b) What did he ask the woman in the control centre?	2
	(c) Why did he want to meet the pilot of the black aeroplane?	1
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	(d) Which word in the passage means the same as 'an instrument that shows directions'?	1
11.	Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in	
	your answer sheet in one or two lines only. Remember to number the answers correctly.	5
	Miss Mason stood there a moment and the silence in the room grew tense	
	and expectant. The teacher adjusted her glasses slowly and deliberately. Her manner	
	indicated that what was coming — this letter from Wanda's father — was a matter of	
	great importance. Everybody listened closely as Miss Mason read the brief note.	
	(a) Who is Miss Mason?	1
	(b) Why did the atmosphere become tense and expectant?	2
	(c) What did the manner of Miss Mason indicate?	1
	(d) Which word/phrase in the passage means the same as 'with attention'?	1
12.	Answer the following question in about 80 words:	6
	What things does Mij do which tell you that he is an intelligent, friendly and fun-loving animal who needs love?	
	OR	
	Give a character sketch of Anne.	
13.	Answer the following question in 30 - 40 words:	4
	Why is Chubukov surprised at Lomov's wearing of a formal evening dress when Lomov comes to meet him ?	
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	What happened when Maxwell took Mijbil to the bathroom? What did Mijbil do two	

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		If there is nothing on the tree,			
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	(c)	"That only God, my dear,			
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		And not your yellow hair."			
		What colour is the young woman's hair? What does the poet suggest by the	se lines ?	3	
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16. Answer the following question in about 100 words:

What social attitudes are presented in the story, 'Bholi' ? How does Bholi's teacher help her overcome these barriers ?

OR

How did Richard Ebright's mother help him ?

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