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## Language — Part B — ENGLISH — Paper I

Time Allowed : 2½ Hours ]

[ Maximum Marks : 100

- N. B. :
- i) Answer *all* the questions in the answer-book given separately.
  - ii) Read the questions carefully and try to understand them fully before answering them.
  - iii) Write down the question numbers correctly in the margin in your answer-book.

### SECTION - A

( Prose )

I. Answer any *five* of the following questions in about *three* lines each : 5 × 3 = 15

1. What was Achrekar's coaching strategy ?
2. What kind of a person was the Bishop ?
3. How did the white silk handkerchief solve the case ?
4. What is the annoying part about travelling by plane ?
5. Name the book that Gandhi read with interest ? Why did he like it ?
6. What was wrong with the Mechanical teacher ?
7. How has multimedia helped learning process ?
8. What did Jean Valjean steal from the Bishop's place ?

II. Answer any *one* of the following questions in a paragraph of about *ten* lines :

1 × 5 = 5

1. Describe Sachin's early life and the beginning of his cricketing career.
2. Compare the three modes of travel and highlight the advantages of each type.
3. Discuss how the computer can be a good friend to-day.

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III. Answer any one of the following in about *twenty* lines : 1 × 10 = 10

1. Explain how the Bishop reacted when Jean Valjean was brought before him by the police.
2. Explain in detail about travelling methods and its joys.
3. Give a summary of the lesson, 'Tommy Finds a Book'.

IV. A) Choose the correct *synonyms* for the *italicized* words from the given options : 5 × 1 = 5

1. Sachin showed a remarkable *passion* for cricket.
  - a) fashion
  - b) faith
  - c) familiarity
  - d) zeal.
2. He started *reflecting* about those nineteen years.
  - a) thinking
  - b) expressing
  - c) explaining
  - d) imagining.
3. The detectives were unsure about Sambu's *luke warm* reaction.
  - a) real
  - b) enthusiastic
  - c) unenthusiastic
  - d) ready.
4. I am still paying the *penalty* of another neglect.
  - a) punishment
  - b) reward
  - c) fees
  - d) dues.
5. Today, multimedia presentations are *enhanced* with graphics.
  - a) diminished
  - b) decreased
  - c) reduced
  - d) increased.

B) Choose the correct *antonyms* for the *italicized* words from the given options :

5 × 1 = 5

1. A journey can be wonderfully *exciting*.
  - a) uninteresting
  - b) interesting
  - c) pleasant
  - d) enjoyable.
2. The incident did not *diminish* my respect for my teacher.
  - a) lessen
  - b) increase
  - c) reduce
  - d) weaken.
3. The *mechanical* teacher was giving her test after test.
  - a) automatic
  - b) electronic
  - c) electrical
  - d) manual.
4. The learning capacity is *unique* to mankind.
  - a) remarkable
  - b) unnatural
  - c) common
  - d) notable.
5. Jean Valjean led the life of an honest man, *remembering* the Bishop's words.
  - a) thinking
  - b) failing
  - c) forgetting
  - d) following.

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- C) Form new words from the root words listed below using the given *prefixes* or *suffixes* :  $5 \times 1 = 5$
1. tranquil
  2. bewilder
  3. pure
  4. neighbour
  5. journal.
- ( im, hood, ly, some, ist, able, ment)
- D) Give the spelling in American English for the following words :  $3 \times 1 = 3$
1. favour
  2. licence
  3. cheque.
- E) Complete the following :  $5 \times 1 = 5$
- | <b>Country</b> | <b>People</b> |
|----------------|---------------|
| 1. Korea       |               |
| 2. Oman        |               |
| 3. Greece      |               |
| 4. Ireland     |               |
| 5. Denmark.    |               |
- F) Split the following words into syllables :  $2 \times 1 = 2$
1. imposter
  2. locomotive.

### SECTION - B

#### ( Poetry )

- V. A) Quote from your memory :  $6 + 4 = 10$
1. "The Road Not Taken." — 6 lines
- From : Had worm them .....
- To : ..... should ever come back.

2. "The Tables Turned." — 4 lines.

From : Let Nature be your Teacher.....

To : ..... by cheerfulness.

- B) Answer any four of the following :

4 × 2 = 8

1. The scorer, seated by the well, kept up a fire of talk

a) Where was he seated ?

b) What did he do ?

2. So Yussouf entertained his guest that night

And waking him ere day, .....

a) Whom did Yussouf entertain ?

b) When did he wake him up ?

3. This year I am sixty nine

And hope to score a century.

a) Who said these words ?

b) How many years are there in a century ?

4. So neatly planned, that if you merely tap it,

The armaments will start their devastations.

a) What is neatly planned ?

b) What does 'it' stand for ?

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5. Who God doth late and early pray

More of His grace than gifts to lead;

a) What does he pray for ?

b) Does he pray for any gifts ?

6. Close up those barren leaves.

a) What does the poet ask his friend to do ?

b) What are the barren leaves that the poet mentions here ?

C) Explain with reference to the context any *three* of the following :  $3 \times 4 = 12$

1. I watched the players as they ran.

2. He bowed his forehead upon Yussouf's hand.

3. This is because of sound habits in youth.

4. Whose armour is his honest thought.

5. Some fool will press the button soon or late.

### SECTION - C

( Other Competencies )

VI. A) Match the following websites with the relevant information given :

$5 \times 1 = 5$

#### Websites

#### Information

- |   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1. <a href="http://www.annauni.com">www.annauni.com</a>                 | a) about GH in Chennai              |
| 2. <a href="http://www.salemsteel.com">www.salemsteel.com</a>           | b) about tourism in Tamil Nadu.     |
| 3. <a href="http://www.generalhospital.com">www.generalhospital.com</a> | c) about Anna University in Chennai |
| 4. <a href="http://www.sslc.results.com">www.sslc.results.com</a>       | d) about the steel company in Salem |
| 5. <a href="http://www.tn.tourismdept.com">www.tn.tourismdept.com</a>   | e) about SSLC result.               |

- B) You have completed standard X. You are seeking admission in standard XI.  
You are to fill in the following form :  $10 \times \frac{1}{2} = 5$

Government of Higher Secondary School,

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**Application No. 956**

1. Name of the applicant :  
in full in Block Letters
2. Date of Birth & Age :
3. Sex :
4. Father's Name & Occupation :
5. Address :
6. Total Marks Obtained in :  
Standard X
7. Month & Year of appearance :
8. Mother Tongue :
9. Medium of Instruction :
10. Course of study selected :
 

Part I	:	Tamil/Hindi/French
Part II	:	English
Group under Part III	:	

(Tick the relevant group)

A : Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Biology.

B : Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Computer Science.

C : Business Maths, Commerce, Accountancy, Economics.

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C) Answer the questions based on the picture :

5 × 1 = 5



1. This is a picture of a .....
2. What are the animals you see in the picture ?
3. Where is the monkey seated ?
4. How many elephants are there ?
5. What is the younger deer doing ?