



बोर्ड प्रश्नपत्रिका : मार्च २०१५

ENGLISH

Time: 3 Hours

Total Marks: 80

SECTION – I

(Reading Skills, Vocabulary and Grammar)

Q.1. (A) Read the following passage carefully and do the following activities: [10 marks]

A1. True or False

State whether the following statements are True or False. (2)

- (i) This incident took place at night.
- (ii) The men were trying to suffocate Antara's mother.
- (iii) Antara was out of the house when the four men entered her house.
- (iv) The police station was opposite of the building.

At 2:30 in the afternoon, Antara was taking a bath. Suddenly she heard an unusual commotion and came out. The sight that greeted her was that of four men, who had forced their way in, pinning her mother to the ground. They had pulled out guns, knives and choppers and were trying to suffocate her. "They put a gun to her head and were asking for the keys to the locker," says Antara. Her first reaction was to help her mother. "Then I thought, how can I do that? They are fully armed," she explains. She tried to retreat quietly to her bedroom and raise an alarm. But just as she was closing her bedroom door, one of the miscreants spotted her. He started hitting the door, trying to break it down. Antara quickly grabbed the phone. She called up the police control room, informed her father, who was away at work, and also rang her neighbours. She then opened the window and shouted for help. The watchman of the building and two constables from the police station right opposite the building, ran to their apartment.

A2. Actions

Write the following four actions that Antara did to save her mother. (2)

- (i) _____
- (ii) _____
- (iii) _____
- (iv) _____

A3. Matching

Match the following words with their correct meanings. (2)

	Column 'A'		Column 'B'
i.	Commotion	a.	something that you do or say because of something has happened
ii.	Robber	b.	persons who have done something illegal or behaved badly
iii.	Reaction	c.	A person who steals from a place or a person
iv.	Miscreants	d.	Great noise or excitement

A4. Language Study

Do as directed. Choose the correct alternative of the following. (2)

- (i) She heard an unusual commotion.

(Choose the correct negative form of the above sentence and rewrite)

- a. She heard usual commotion.
- b. She heard not an unusual commotion.
- c. She did not hear an usual commotion.
- d. She do not heard an unusual commotion.



- (ii) She was closing her bedroom door, one of the miscreants spotted her.
 (Choose the proper use of 'as soon as' and rewrite)
- She as soon as was closing her bedroom door one of the miscreants spotted her.
 - As soon as she was closing her bedroom, one of the miscreants spotted her.
 - She was closing her bedroom as soon as one of the miscreants spotted her.
 - As soon as one of the miscreants spotted her, she was closing her bedroom.

A5. Personal Response

If Antara had called you on the phone what you would have suggested to help her? (2)

(B) Read the following passage and do the following activities: [10 marks]

B1. Complete

Glance through the passage and complete the sentences. (2)

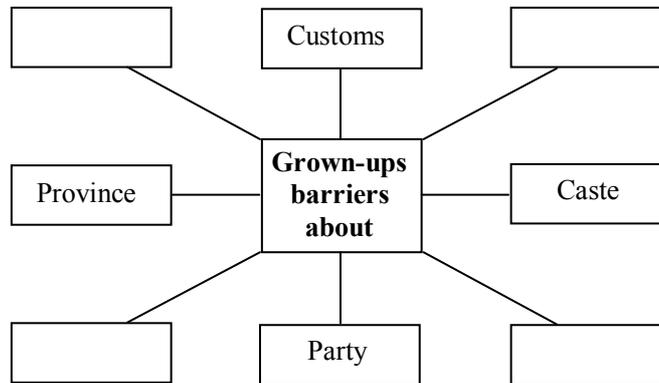
- You can recognize the flowers by _____.
- You can recognize the birds by _____.
- The world is like the greatest _____.
- Children are unaware about the _____.

I hope you will be more sensible and open your eyes and ears to this beauty and life that surrounds you. Can you recognize the flowers by their names and the birds by their singing? How easy it is to make friends with them and everything in nature, if you go to them affectionately and with friendship. You must have read many fairy tales and stories long ago. But the world itself is the greatest fairy tale and the story of adventure that was ever written. Only we must have eyes to see and ears to hear and a mind that opens out to the life and beauty of the world.

Grown-ups have a strange way of putting themselves in compartments and groups. They build barriers of religion, caste, colour, party, nation, province, language, customs and of rich and poor. Thus they live in prisons of their own making. Fortunately, children do not know much about these barriers, which separate. They play and work with each other and it is only when they grow up that they begin to learn about these barriers from their elders. I hope you will take a long time in growing up.....

B2. Web

Read the passage and complete the following web: (2)



B3. Alphabetical Order

Arrange the following words in the alphabetical order. (2)

sensible, surrounding, strange, separate.

B4. Language Study

(i) Choose the correct passive voice from the given alternatives for the following sentence: (2)

- You must have read many fairy tales.
- Many fairy tales must have been read by you.
 - Many fairy tales must had been read by you.
 - Many fairy tales must has been read by you.
 - Many fairy tales must be read by you.



A4. Language Study

(2)

(i) Choose the correct positive degree from the following alternatives for the following:

United States is the greatest buyer.

- a. No other buyer is as great as United States.
- b. Very few buyers are as great as United States
- c. United States is greater than any other buyer.
- d. United States is a great buyer.

(ii) Choose the correct 'Wh' questions from the alternatives to get the underlined part as an answer.

Each plant has large leaves.

- a. What does each plant have?
- b. Why does each plant have?
- c. Who does each plant have?
- d. What do each plant have?

A5. Personal Response

Some people do not like bananas.

(2)

How would you explain them the usefulness of bananas?

(B) Read the following passage carefully and do the following activities.

[10 marks]

B1. Complete

Complete the following table picking answer from the text for the following.

(2)

i.	Lifeline of an elephant is its	_____
ii.	The tip of the trunk is	_____
iii.	The trunk is flexible and strong because	_____
iv.	A trunk acts like	_____

Elephant trunk is a very important organ, without which it cannot exist. It may be called as the lifeline of an elephant. It is as essential for the elephant as the hands are for us. It is an extension of the nose and upper lip. For elephant it performs the functions of hands, nose and lips. They have also developed a heavy head. Since a heavy head cannot be carried on a long neck, so the elephant need long trunks to reach their food. The trunk has about 40,000 muscles. Because of such high number of muscles, it is flexible and strong. It can lift very huge wooden poles with its trunk. The tip of the trunk is just like a finger and is so sensitive that it can even lift a needle. It carries its foods to the mouth with its help. It also drinks water with the help of the trunk. To take bath it fills water in it, curls it up and pours that over its back. Thus, we can see how the trunk is very useful for the elephant.

B2. Give reasons

(2)

- (i) An elephant needs a long trunk _____.
- (ii) The trunk can even lift a needle _____.
- (iii) The trunk is a very important organ _____.
- (iv) An elephant fills trunk with water _____.

B3. Word Puzzle

Find four organs of an elephant from the following word puzzle.

(2)

T	R	T	U
R	L	I	P
U	H	K	L
N	E	C	K
K	A	F	I
F	D	N	K



B4. Language Study

- (i) Choose the correct exclamatory sentence from the alternatives for the following: (2)
 The trunk is very useful.
 a. How useful the trunk is!
 b. What useful the trunk is!
 c. How very useful the trunk is!
 d. The trunk is how useful!
- (ii) Choose the correct alternative from the following that the underlined verb suggests.
 An elephant can lift very huge wooden poles with its trunk.
 a. It is necessary for elephant to lift very huge wooden poles with its trunk.
 b. It is an elephant's ability of lifting very huge wooden poles with its trunk.
 c. An elephant should lift very huge wooden poles with its trunk.
 d. It is possible for elephant to lift very huge wooden poles with its trunk.

B5. Personal Response

What, according to you, should the government do to increase the number of elephants in India? (2)

SECTION – II

(Poetry)

Q.3. (A) Read the following extract carefully and do the following activities: [5 marks]

A1. Complete

Choose the correct alternatives and complete the sentences: (2)

- (i) Our world is changing _____.
 a. fast b. slowly
 c. constantly d. hurriedly
- (ii) She tries to teach us _____.
 a. how to speak b. how to try
 c. how to last d. how to write
- (iii) Mankind is _____.
 a. so intelligent b. so clever
 c. so smart d. so dull
- (iv) The thing we leave far behind is _____.
 a. common sense b. emotions
 c. awareness d. relations

Our world is always changing,
 Constantly re-arranging.
 From ocean depths to mountain peaks,
 Mother Nature moves and speaks.
 While telling stories of our past
 She tries to teach us how to last.
 Mankind, so smart, sometimes blind,
 Leaves common sense far behind.
 We're moving fast and leaving large,
 Forgetting she's the one in charge.

A2. What does Mother Nature speak about? (2)

A3. Choose the rhyming words for the following from the stanzas. (1)

- (i) mind _____ (ii) cheeks _____

(B) Read the following extract carefully and do the following activities: [5 marks]

B1. Matching

Match the incomplete sentences in column A with appropriate words in column B. (2)

	Column 'A'		Column 'B'
i.	The Rainbow gave birth to	a.	Peacocks
ii.	Her mother's name	b.	The bird (thee)
iii.	The bird keeps company with	c.	Tears
iv.	The poet suggests her to live with	d.	Trees



It was the Rainbow gave thee birth
 And left thee all her lovely hues;
 And, as her mother's name was Tears,
 So runs it in my blood to choose
 For haunts the lonely pools, and keep
 In company with trees that weep.
 Go you and, with such glorious hues,
 Live with proud Peacocks in green parks;
 On lawns as smooth as shining glass,
 Let every feather show its marks.

- B2.** Who gave the colour to the bird? What does she haunt for? (2)
- B3.** Choose the correct describing words from the poem for the following. (1)
- (i) park (ii) peacock

SECTION – III
(Rapid Reading)

Q.4. Read the passage and do the following activities: [5 marks]

A1. Complete

Complete the following sentences choosing the correct part of the sentence from the passage. (1)

- (i) Famous items of Ramanna's hotel _____.
- (ii) The grand hotel will bring in _____.

Shastri : Cool down, Ramanna. Your dosas and idlis are unbeatable. Your coffee and tea are famous in this village and beyond. I certainly don't think we need fancy multi-storeyed hotel to compete with your tea shop. (Ramanna looks around, proud and happy)

Kannan : Umm..... This tea shop is fine for me. But if someone wants to build a grand hotel, I don't see any harm. It will bring in tourists. Tourists mean money and who does not need money?

Shastri : Kannan, you are wrong. A multi-storeyed hotel can never come up on Dharmagiri.

Narayan : (Puzzled) What do you mean, never? Mr. Sagar told me that lorries and trucks will start arriving tomorrow. The foundation will be laid soon.

Shastri : We have got to stop it? We cannot allow thoughtless people to ruin our beautiful mountain. There is another, more urgent reason. Dharmagiri cannot support a building that big. It is dangerous.

Shastri : My grandfather told me when we were going up Dharmagiri to the temple once. When the temple was built three hundred years ago, they realized that the earth there cannot hold a structure taller than thirty feet. It will be dangerous to dig too deep for foundation.

A2. What did Shastri's grandfather tell him? (2)

A3. Personal Response

Would you like to have multistoreyed hotel in your village? Give two reasons to support your answer. (2)

SECTION – IV
(Writing Skills)

Q.5. (A) A1 or A2. Do any one of the following activities: [5 marks]

A1. Letter

Look at the following advertisement. Write a letter to your father telling him about the course and your desire to join it.

OR

A2. Letter

Look at the following advertisement. Write a letter to the Director of the course enquiring about the details like fees, venue, time, holidays and certificate.



COMPU CLUB
Computer courses for school students.

<p>Features</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjustable fees • Adjustable timing • Concession for groups • Interactive learning • Lot of practicals <p>Contact: The Director</p> <p>COMPU CLUB 2nd Floor, A1, Prince Market, Aurangabad</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Courses Offered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * MH-CIT * MS-Office * Tally * Photoshop * Internet Search * Typing Tutor
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(B) B1 or B2. Do any one of the following activities: [5 marks]

B1. Describing the sale

You have recently visited the sale advertised here. Describe the sale in about 100 words.

OR B2. Visit to the sale

You have recently visited the sale advertised here. Narrate your experience in about 100 words.

LADIES BRANDED KURTI SALE

Hurry up ! Hurry up !! Hurry up !!!

Silk and Cotton Designer Kurti

Price – Rs. 1000 – ‘Sale’ Price Rs. 590 only.

Varieties –

<p>Venue: Municipal Ground Near Bus Stop, Pune.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chanderi Silk Kurti • Bangal Silk Kurti • Khadi Silk Kurti • Cotton Silk Kurti • Long Printed Kurti 	<p style="text-align: center;">Only on 21, 22, 23 Feb. 2015</p>
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**Time 9.00 a.m.
to 9.00 pm**

Q.6. (A) A1 or A2. Do any one of the following activities: [5 marks]

Dahi-handi under the rule of Supreme Court

New Delhi: In a recent dramatic decision, the Supreme Court issued a ban on Dahi-handi of more than 20 feet. Moreover, the age of Govinda is restricted to not less than eighteen. The decision is taken in the light of recent fatal accidents.

**A1. Report**

Read the news and prepare a report on how Dahi-handi was celebrated in your area. Make use of the points from the news.

OR

A2. Dialogue

Write a dialogue between your friend Pranav and you on the celebration of Dahi-handi in your area. Use the points given in the news.

(B) B1 or B2. Do any one of the following activities:**[5 marks]****B1.**

The table given below gives the information about the awards that the students have received. Write a short paragraph using the information.

Name	Abhiman	Sanjana
Age	18 Years	15 Years
School	Higher Secondary	Secondary School
Award	Bravery Award	Bal Puraskar
Date	26 th Jan. 2013	26 th Jan. 2013
At the hands of	Collector	Tahasildar
Place	District	Tahasil

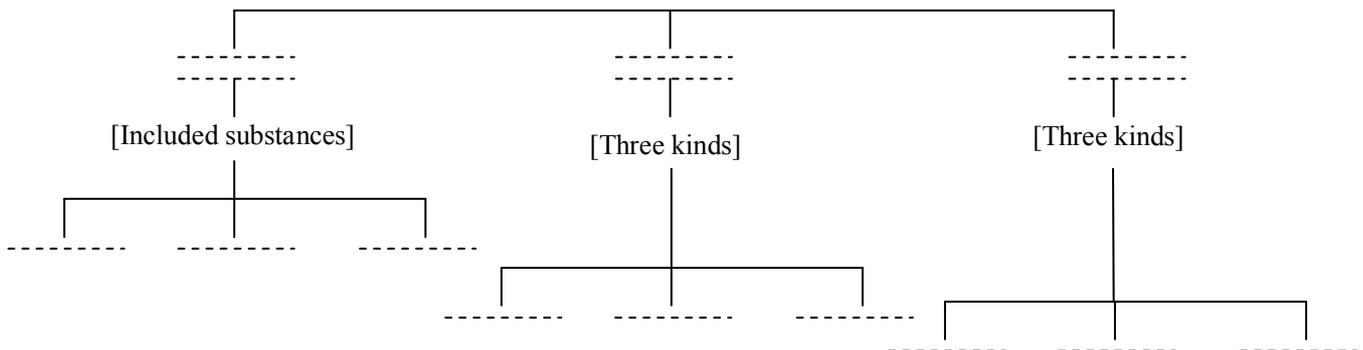
OR

B2. Information

Read the following paragraph and complete the tree-diagram putting the correct information.

There are different kinds of fuels. Broadly they can be divided as solid, liquid and gaseous fuels. Solid fuels include substances such as wood, coal and coke. Most liquid fuels are obtained from petroleum which is obtained from oil wells sunk deep into the earth. Petrol, kerosene and diesel are all separated from petroleum. The most important gaseous fuels are natural gas, coal and water gas. Natural gas is a fuel that is widely used for cooking and heating.

Kinds of Fuel

**SECTION – V
(Translation)****Q.7. Translation****[5 marks]**

Translate the following information into your mother-tongue for your younger brother.

1. Trees are our best friends.
2. They provide us with medicines, fruits, flowers etc.
3. Deforestation imbalances the environment.
4. It is the need of an hour to plant and grow more and more trees.
6. Save trees save life to make the world beautiful