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Total marks: 60

Time: 2.00 pm to 4.30 pm

Instruction: All questions are compulsory.

Q. 1. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below (10)

Have you ever wondered why authors write? Sometimes they are inspired to create stories. Other times they write to provide information about an interesting topic. Some authors write to convince us about something. Whatever the circumstances, authors have reasons for writing; this is called the “author’s purpose.” The three most common types of author’s purpose are: to entertain, to inform, and to persuade.

Think about the last time a story made you laugh, cry, or tremble with fright. These types of stories are written with a particular purpose in mind: to entertain the reader. Authors write many kinds of stories to entertain young and old, including humorous fiction, realistic fiction, fantasy, fairy tales, and fables. While fiction entertains, non-fiction has a different purpose.

Many non-fiction writings or texts are written with the purpose of giving information about an interesting topic. Authors who write to inform must research their subject to ensure that they convey accurate information to the reader. Some examples of texts that inform are encyclopedia entries, news articles, expository non-fiction books, and interviews. All of these types of writing give information about certain topics.

Sometimes authors write because they want to convince their readers about something. This is called argumentative or persuasive writing. Oftentimes, texts that are meant to persuade use specific techniques to make the reader care about the subject, and to think about it in a certain way. These techniques might be found in letters to the editor, argumentative essays or persuasive speeches.

Next time you read a text, see if you can figure what the author is trying to tell you. It might be easier than you think. Just ask yourself: what is the author’s purpose?

- Q1. Why do authors write ?
- Q2. What do you mean by “author’s purpose”?
- Q3. What are the most common types of “author’s purpose” ?
- Q4. What type of stories entertain people ?
- Q5. What are non-fiction writings ? Give examples.
- Q6. What is the meaning of argumentative writing ? Give examples.
- Q7. What is the synonym of a) Persuade b) humorous
- Q8. What is the antonym of a) fiction b) young

- Q.2A. Give the synonyms of the following :-** (05)
1. Beautiful
 2. Honest
 3. Brave
 4. Neat
 5. Awful
- Q.2B. Give the antonyms of the following :-** (05)
1. Courage
 2. Legal
 3. Interested
 4. Found
 5. Solution
- Q.3A. Fill in the blanks with Prefixes and suffixes.** (5)
1. ____ avoid ____
 2. ____ law ____
 3. ____ place ____
 4. ____ taste ____
 5. ____ taken ____
- Q.3B. Choose the appropriate words from the brackets and fill in the blanks.** (10)
1. Martha is _____ (come/is coming/ to come/ came) back next month.
 2. Our Lunch hour _____ (started/ have started/is starting / starts) at 1:00 p.m. every day.
 3. There _____ (have been/ are/ will have/ had) such incidences in the past as well.
 4. I _____ (worrying/ was worried/ am worry/ had worry) that we would fail if this continued to go on.
 5. The new neighbors _____ (arrange/ arranged/ will arranged/ have arranged) a house warming party for their friends and relatives on the coming Saturday.
 6. I _____ (looked/ looks/ will look/ has look) for the keys everywhere but have not found them as yet.
 7. She _____ (gave/ given/ have give/ gives) away the freshly baked leftovers to the homeless each night.
 8. She _____ (is running/ ran/ run/ have running) into the kitchen to hide from them.
 9. He _____ (will/ will have/ will have been/ is) reached home by now.
 10. The tigers _____ (were considered/ will consider/ consider/ was considering) as an endangered species until recently.
- Q.4A. Write a paragraph on (Any 1)** (05)
- a) Health is wealth
 - b) Importance of Education
- Q.4B. Write an essay on (Any 1)** (10)
- a) If I became a billionaire, I would ...
 - b) Save water, save life

Q 5. Write a letter to M/s. Royal Stationers to order for Office Stationery.

(10)

OR

Your friend from Bangalore is coming to Pune for a week for business meetings.
Write a letter inviting him/her for dinner during his stay in Pune.
