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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
- Q9. Who is your favorite author? Why?

Q2A. Give the meaning of the following words and make your own sentences using these words. (05)

- 1. Calm
- 2. Brave

3. Terrific
4. Awesome
5. Nervous

Q2B. Name the different kinds or adjectives and give an example for each. (05)

Q2C. Fill in the blanks with Prefixes and suffixes. (05)

1. ____ taken ____
2. ____ fortunate ____
3. ____ taste ____
4. ____ live ____
5. ____ finite ____

Q2 D. Choose the appropriate prepositions from the brackets and fill in the blanks. (05)

1. He decided to catch the thief red handed and not call anyone ____ help (for / from)
2. We tried ____ find the missing puzzle piece to no avail. (with/to)
3. While walking ____ the mountains, you will see many small houses. (at/towards)
4. We sat in his chairs and watched the movie titles ____ the end. (till/still)
5. The dog rested its head ____ the lap of its owner. (in/into)

Q.2 E Complete the sentences using appropriate articles (05)

1. It is ____ important lesson in ____ whole syllabus.
2. We found ____ cute little puppy wandering in our backyard.
3. Our neighbor has ____ extraordinary sense of humor.
4. He is ____ humble man.
5. Mothers are ____ best cooks throughout the world.

Q.3 A Write a letter to your Father asking him permission to go for a college trip to Kerala. (10)

OR

Write a letter to M/s. Five Star Stationeries and order for office stationery.

Q3B. Write a paragraph on (Any 1) (05)

- a) Importance of following traffic rules
- b) Social Media

Q3C. Write an essay on (Any 1) (10)

- a) Is school life better than college life?
- b) My dream destination