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Total marks: 100

Time: 10.00am to 01.00pm

**Instruction:-1) All questions are compulsory.2) Figures to the right indicate full marks.**

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

A chimpanzee is one of the great apes and the nearest in intelligence to man. Scientists have examined its mental capacities and sent it into space in anticipation of man. Chimpanzees need little description. Being apes and not monkeys, they have no tails. Their arms are longer than their legs and they normally rim on all the fours. They can also walk upright with toes turned outwards. When erect, they are 3 – 5 ft. high. The hair is long, coarse and black. The face, ears, hands and feet are bare and except for the black face the flesh is colored.

Chimpanzees exhibit great concern for each other. When chimpanzees meet after having been apart they greet each other in a very human way by touching each other or even clasping hands. Chimpanzees have amazing social discipline. When a dominant male arrives, the rest of the chimpanzees hurry to pay respect to it, the dominant male is not allowed to wrest food from his inferiors. The members of a party also spend considerable amount of time grooming each other and themselves. Mothers go through the fur of their babies for any foreign particles, dirt and ticks and they aid each other when they are injured.

Chimpanzees are the best tools users apart from man. Sticks 2-3 ft long are picked off the ground or broken from branches and pushed into nests, then withdrawn and the honey or insects are licked off. Stones are used as missiles to drive humans and baboons away from its food. Chimpanzees are not only tool users but also toolmakers. They make their own rods by stripping the leaves off a twig or tear shreds off a grass stem. Baby Chimpanzees learn all this by observing the older chimpanzees making and using them. So, man is not the only toolmaker, merely better at it than his relatives.

- Q1. Which animal is the nearest in intelligence to man?  
Q2. Where did scientists send it into anticipation of man?  
Q3. How do Chimpanzees greet one another?  
Q4. How is it proved that Chimpanzees have amazing social discipline?  
Q5. What qualities Chimpanzees prove that their Intelligence match with humans?  
Q6. What are used as missiles to drive away humans and baboons?  
Q7. How do Chimpanzees take out honey or insects?  
Q8. How do baby Chimpanzees learn to make tools?  
Q9. How do Chimpanzees make their tools?  
Q.10 Other than the Chimpanzee, can you name any animal which is nearly intelligent as man in comparison with the other animals?

**(b) Give the synonyms of the following (10)**

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| 1. Behave     | 6. Disagree |
| 2. Prosperity | 7. Liable   |
| 3. Obtain     | 8. Timid    |
| 4. Opaque     | 9. Pardon   |
| 5. Explain    | 10. Yell    |

**Q. 2. Give the antonyms of the following (10)**

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|----------------|---------------|
| 1. Flexible    | 6. Alike      |
| 2. Stale       | 7. Clumsy     |
| 3. Cruel       | 8. Generous   |
| 4. Monotonous  | 9. Relevant   |
| 5. Significant | 10. Permanent |

**Q. 3.(a) Fill in the blanks with prefixes and suffixes (10)**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ legal \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ law \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ agree \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_ fortunate \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_ act \_\_\_\_\_

**(b) Select the appropriate form of verb (10)**

- a) They \_\_\_\_\_ (pass) on their traditions from generations to generations.
- b) I couldn't get out of the house yesterday as it \_\_\_\_\_ (rain) since yesterday morning.
- c) I \_\_\_\_\_ (return) the shirt as it was defective.
- d) He always \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to complete his work on time so as to leave early.
- e) We \_\_\_\_\_ (warn) them about the possible consequences quite beforehand.

**(c) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions (10)**

- a) There was a white fence \_\_\_\_\_ the house. (around/ about/ across)
- b) \_\_\_\_\_ cricket, I also like watching football. (Beside/ Besides/Behind)
- c) I wish \_\_\_\_\_ finish my work \_\_\_\_\_ 7.00 pm this evening. (in, to/ to, by/ with, for)
- d) Your words are the reflection \_\_\_\_\_ your thoughts. (on/into/of)
- e) \_\_\_\_\_ reading and watching a movie \_\_\_\_\_ my spare time, I would always choose the later. (Among/ Before/ Between)
- f) Where are you coming \_\_\_\_\_. (for/to/from/with)
- g) She had tears \_\_\_\_\_ happiness in her eyes (for/of/with)
- h) My home is just 5 minutes away \_\_\_\_\_ the school. (in/across/from)
- i) Psychology is \_\_\_\_\_ my understanding (beneath/beyond/besides)
- j) My drawer is overflowing \_\_\_\_\_ unwanted papers (with/to/beside)

**Q.4. (a) Write a paragraph each on the topics given below (10)**

- a) Importance of education
- b) Mental health is as important as physical health

**(b) Write an essay (Any Two) (20)**

1. The best example of a good leader for me is .....
2. All that glitters is not gold.
3. If I could relive my childhood
4. Life in Covid-19 Pandemic

**Q.5. Write a letter (Any One) (10)**

1. Your friend recently met with an accident and ended up with a fractured leg. Write a chatty letter to your friend enquiring about his/her health and to make him/her feel good.
  2. Write a letter to a local news paper editor explaining them about the vegetable and other vendors blocking the footpath outside your society and also the inconvenience faced by the pedestrians.
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