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Time: 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm

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

SECTION A (READING COMPREHENSION)

Q. 1 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

(15)

Once upon a time, a Russian nobleman and his wife were going to a distant city in a carriage drawn by four horses. Their way led them through a wood. When they had travelled for a few miles, they were attacked by a pack of wolves. Their servant, on seeing the wolves, came nearer, begged his master to let him abandon one of the horses. The nobleman consented and one of the horses was sacrificed to the wolves. The wolves seized the horse and soon tore it into pieces and devoured it. But this did not stop their pursuit of the carriage. The wolves were upon them again. Having tasted blood, they became more vicious. Again another horse was sacrificed.

But no sooner had the wolves devoured another horse than they came rushing from all sides, more vicious than ever. The servant realized that their situation was now very desperate and desperate situations demand desperate solutions. He said, "Please master, there is no other way to satisfy than for me to give myself up to these vicious wolves. While they are following me, you will get enough time to escape. All I ask is that you act as a caretaker to my family and children when I am gone."

The nobleman disapproved to let his faithful servant sacrifice himself, but the servant was firm in his decision. Before his master could stop him, he jumped off the moving carriage and began to run towards the trees. The wolves seeing the fleeing man gave up their pursuit and fell upon their new prey. Some wolves followed the carriage for a short distance, but now they were nearing the outskirts of the city. They gave up their chase, and stood howling at the edge of the woods, while the carriage made its way safely to the city.

1. Complete the following sentences: (4)
 - (a) The wolves saw the servant running and _____.
 - (b) The chase was given up by the wolves when _____.
 - (c) Desperate solutions are the result of _____.
 - (d) The sound-producing word from the passage is _____.
2. Select the correct option: (2)
 - (a) The wolves devoured (two/three) horses.
 - (b) The phrase 'new prey' refers to the (horse/servant).
 - (c) The carriage had (three/four) horses
 - (d) The carriage carried (three/two) persons.
3. Loyalty is the greatest virtue. Do you agree? Justify. (2)
4. Pick out synonyms from the extract for: (a) ate hungrily and quickly (b) fierce (c) took something suddenly and forcibly (d) hopeless (2)
5. Do as instructed: (5)
 - (a) Some wolves followed the carriage for a short distance. (Add question tag)
 - (b) They gave up their chase. (Frame a w/h question to get the underlined part as an answer)
 - (c) Pick out an example of a collective noun from the above passage.
 - (d) Pick out a word from the passage which an opposite of 'rejected'.
 - (e) The wolves seized the horse, and tore it into pieces. (State if this sentence is simple/compound/complex)

SECTION B (LANGUAGE SKILLS/STRUCTURES/COMPOSITION)

Q. 2 A) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions: (10)

- 1) I play cricket _____ the Lion's Cricket Club every weekend.
- 2) The flight was fine, but the food _____ the plane was not good.
- 3) He visited most places of touristic interest _____ his stay in Paris.
- 4) At least twenty flights bound _____ Delhi were diverted to Chandigarh due to bad weather.
- 5) I saw a horrible accident while I was driving _____ the tunnel.
- 6) Her success is attributed _____ her hard work.
- 7) Please take your feet _____ the table.
- 8) Unfortunately, the court case went _____ him.
- 9) The singer mesmerized the audience _____ his wonderful performance.
- 10) The garbage was scattered all _____ the ground.

(B) Rewrite the following sentences as instructed in brackets. You may have to make necessary changes, but do not change the meaning and the tense: (15)

1. His arrogance was the cause of his losing the election. (Use: arrogant)
2. If she does not take care of her health, she won't be able to look after her family. (Begin: Unless)
3. It is a pity that our vacation is not longer. (Begin: I wish....)
4. The old woman said to him, "Can you help me to cross the street?" (Change the narration)
5. As soon as the sun rose over the hills, the fog disappeared. (Use: No sooner...than)
6. It rained so heavily that they could not go for the picnic. (Use: too)
7. The school captain has been elected by the students. (Change the voice)
8. I don't know when he departed. (Use: departure)
9. Today is the hottest day of the year. (Change into comparative degree using 'hotter')
10. The beauty of nature is beyond description. (End: described)
11. In spite of the poor light, the men continued working. (Use: but)
12. He always obeys his teachers. (Turn into negative)
13. They accepted my proposal. (Use: proposed)
14. I don't like Mexican food. (Turn into affirmative)
15. It was a remarkable holiday. (End: was!)

Q. 3 (A) Choose the correct option: (10)

- 1) Her (vacation/vocation) is painting.
- 2) A (beneficent/beneficial) man is respected by all.
- 3) The tent is made of (canvas/canvass).
- 4) He is a man of (childish/childlike) simplicity.
- 5) The Chinese army (erupted/irrupted) into Arunachal Pradesh.
- 6) Don't let your dog (lose/loose).
- 7) A severe (decease/disease) may cause (disease/decease).
- 8) The unauthorized building was (razed/raised) to the ground.
- 9) The pole star is (stationary/stationery) in the heavens.
- 10) The government has (waved/waived) all the taxes.

(B) Fill in the gaps with appropriate tense of the verbs given in brackets:

(10)

- a) The Mayor _____ (be) very busy, but he came to give away the prizes.
- b) Rajdhani Express almost always _____ (run) on time.
- c) Lee and Sarah took the bus that _____ (head) towards the university.
- d) The baby _____ (cry) since morning.
- e) He _____ (direct) three films so far.
- f) We _____ (finished) our breakfast before she came.
- g) If you deserve it, you _____ (get) the prize.
- h) If she had asked me before, I _____ (help) her.
- i) Look! How she _____ (dance) madly!
- j) I warned him, but he _____ (ignore) my advice.

Q. 4 A) Complete the following table:

(20)

NOUN	VERB	ADJECTIVE
Protection		
Courage		
Hardness		
Comfort		
Variety		
Confidence		
Friend		
Sale		
Memory		
Necessity		

B) Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 300 words:

(20)

- 1) Who is superior-human intelligence or artificial intelligence?
- 2) Advantages of online education
- 3) Reasons behind the popularity of fast food

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