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TIME - 3HR. | QUESTIONS - 13

THE MARKS ARE MENTIONED ON EACH QUESTION

SECTION-A: (READING) 20 marks

Q. 1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: 8 marks

Effective speaking depends on effective listening. It takes energy to concentrate on hearing and concentrate on understanding what has been heard. Incompetent listeners fail in several ways. First, they may drift. Their attention drifts from what the speaker is saying. Second, they may counter. They find counter arguments to whatever a speaker may be saying. Third, they compete. Then they filter. They exclude from their understanding those parts of the message which do not readily fit with their own frame of reference. Finally, they react. They let personal feelings about speaker or subject override the significance of the message which is being sent.

What can a listener do to be more effective? The first key of effective listening is the art of concentration. If a listener positively wishes to concentrate on receiving a message his chances of success are high. It may need determination. Some speakers are difficult to follow either because of voice problems, or because of the form in which they send a message. There is then particular need for the determination of a listener to concentrate on what is being said.

Concentration is helped by alertness. Mental alertness is helped by physical alertness. It is not simply physical fitness, but also positioning of the body, the limbs and the head. Some people also find it helpful to their concentration if they hold the head slightly to one side. One, useful way for achieving this is intensive note-taking, by trying to capture the critical headings and sub-headings the speaker is referring to.

Note-taking has been recommended as an aid to the listener. It also helps the speaker. It gives him confidence when he sees that listeners are sufficiently interested to take notes; the patterns of eye-contact when the note-taker looks up can be very positive; and the speaker's timing is aided he can see when a note-taker is writing hard and can then make effective use of pauses.

Posture too is important. Consider the impact made by a less competent listener who pushes his chair backwards and slouches. An up-right posture helps a listener's concentration. At the same time, it is seen by the speakers to be a positive feature amongst his listeners. Effective listening skills have an impact on both the listener and the speaker.

(a) Based on your reading of the above passage, make notes on it using headings and sub-headings. Use recognizable abbreviations wherever necessary. 5 marks

(b) Write a summary of the passage in not more than 80 words using the notes made and suggest a suitable title.

Q. 2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: 12 marks

1. The role of friends play in our lives has become significantly greater than at any other time in our history. Today many of us live and work great distances from where we were born or grew up and are separated from our original families. The pain we feel when we are away from our families can be significant.
2. The happiness of the individual relies on friendships which form a necessary human connection. It is perfectly normal to need and want friends and depression is more prevalent among those who lack friends. They lack the intimacy and richness friends can bring into our lives. Frequently trends reflect similar values to us. Yet these values are often different from the ones we grew up with; they are the values we created for ourselves in our adult lives.
3. Communication skills are fundamental in all friendships. The more friends and acquaintances one has, the greater are one's communication skills. Some call these, people skills.
4. Like watering a plant, we grow our friendships by nurturing them. Friendships need the same attention as other relationships if they are to continue. These relationships can be delightfully non-judgemental, supportive, understanding and fun.
5. Sometimes a friendship can bring out the positive side that you never show in any other relationship. This may be because the pressure of playing a 'role' (daughter; partner or child) is removed. With a friend, you are to be yourself and free to change. Of course, you are free to do this in all other relationships as well but in friendships you get to have lots of rehearsals and discussion about changes as you experience them. It is an unconditional experience where you receive as much as you give. You can explain yourself to a friend openly without the fear of hurting a family member. How do friendships grow? The answer is simple. By revealing yourself; being attentive; remembering what is most important to your friend and

asking them about it; putting yourself in their position: showing sympathy: seeing the world through the eyes of your friend, you will understand the value of friendship. All this means learning to accept a Person from a completely different family to your own or perhaps someone from a completely different cultural background. This is the way we learn tolerance. In turn we gain tolerance and acceptance for our own differences.

6. Friendships are made by being considerate which means all the communication skills come into play: active listening skills, questioning skills, negotiation skills, reflecting content skills, reflecting emotion skills, and editing yourself.
7. Friendships offer a great opportunity to learn about yourself because a friend can reflect to you 'how you come across in the world'. They also allow you to practice skills in dealing with 'personal boundaries' by looking after yourself as well as your friend. They help you develop resilience in relation to the wider social world beyond your family.

Questions:

(a) (i) Why do friends play a more significant role today than ever before? 2 marks

(ii) Why is friendship considered an essential human need? 2 marks

(iii) How is friendship different from other relationships? 2 marks

(iv) Mention two essential human values that help friendship to grow. 1 mark

(v) Which communication skills help in building friendship? 2 marks

(b) Pick out one words from the passage which means the same as each of the following: 3 marks

(i) basic/essential (para 3)

(ii) mutual discussion to reach an agreement (para 5)

(iii) chance (para 7)

SECTION-B: (ADVANCED WRITING SKILLS) 35 marks

Q.3. Water supply will be suspended for eight hours (10 am to 6 pm) on 6th of March for cleaning of the watertank. Write a notice in about 50 words advising the residents to store for a day. You are Karan Kumar/Karuna Bajaj, Secretary Janata Group Housing Society, Palam Vihar, Kurnool. 5 marks

OR

Principal, Sunrise Global School, Agra requires a receptionist for her school. Draft a suitable advertisement in about 50 words to be published in the classified columns of a national newspaper giving all the necessary details of qualifications and experience required in the receptionist

Q.4.A major bus mishap which left several people seriously injured took place at Nicholas Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai. Luckily no life was lost. Collect the information from the eyewitnesses and send a report in 100-125 words to 'The Nungambakkam Times'. You are Vinod/Vinodhini, a reporter. 10 marks

OR

You are Cultural Secretary of PND Xavier School, Jamshedpur. Your school organised a debate on the topic, 'The impact of reality shows on the younger generation'. Write a report in 100-125 words to be published in 'The Times of India', Jamshedpur.

Q.5. Write a letter to the Editor, 'Deccan Times', Bangalore about the inadequate parking facilities in the Commercial Street, M.G. Road, which is causing a lot of inconvenience to the people. Offer your suggestions. You are Anoop/Ritu, 24 Hennes Road, Bangalore. 10 marks

OR

You are Anu/Arun, 13 W. E. A. Karol Bagh, New Delhi. You feel very strongly about the ill-treatment meted out to stray dogs at the hands of callous and indifferent people. Write a letter to the editor of a national daily giving your views on why some people behave in such a manner and how these dogs should

Q.6. Every activity that man indulges in creates waste of some kind. Some of the waste can be recycled or reused. In fact, the need of the hour is to conserve the earth's resources in all possible ways. Write an article on the topic 'Conservation, Need of the Hour' in 150-200 words. You are Brinda, a keen environmentalist. 10 marks

OR

Write a speech in 150-200 words on 'Benefits of early rising' to be delivered by you in the morning assembly of your school. You are Karuna/Karan, Head Boy.

SECTION-C: (TEXT-BOOKS) 30 marks
(Based on New Textbooks)

Q. 7. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow: 4 marks

**Aunt Jennifer's tiger prance across a screen
Bright topaz denizens of a world of green.
They do not fear the men beneath the tree;
They pace in sleek chivalric certainty.**

- (a) How are aunt Jennifer's tigers described? 1 mark**
- (b) Why are they described as denizens of a world of green? 2 marks**
- (c) Why are they not afraid of the men? 1 mark**

OR

**It would be an exotic moment
without rush without engines,
we would all be together
in a sudden strangeness.**

- (a) What does 'it' refer to? 1 mark**
- (b) Who is the poet speaking to? 1 mark**
- (c) What would be the moment like? 2 marks**

Q. 8. Answer any two of the following questions in about 30-40 words: 4 marks

- (a) How does Kamala Das try to put away the thoughts of her ageing mother?**
- (b) Which is the exotic moment that the poet refers to in 'Keeping Quiet'?**
- (c) What are the difficulties that aunt Jennifer faced in her life?**

Q. 9. Answer any four of the following questions in 30-40 words each: 12 marks

- (a) Describe the irony in Sahib's name.
- (b) Why was Gandhi opposed to C.F. Andrews helping him in Champa ran?
- (c) Aunt Jennifer's efforts to get rid of her fear proved to be futile. Comment.
- (d) What does Stephen Spender want to be done for the children of the school in a slum?
- (e) When he was only ten days old, a prediction was made about the future of the Tiger King. What was ironic about it?
- (f) What was his father's chief concern about Dr. Sadao?

Q. 10. Answer the following in 100-125 words: 5 marks

Compare Sophie and Jansie highlighting their temperament and aspirations.

OR

Bama's experience in Memories of childhood is that of a victim of the caste system. What kind of the discrimination does Zitkala-Sa's experience depict? What are their responses to their respective situations?

Q. 11. Answer the following questioning 125-150 words: 5 marks

**What is the bond that unites the two-the old Mr. Lamb and Derry the small boy?
How does the old man inspire the small boy?**

SECTION-D: (NOVELS) 15 marks

(Long Reading Text)

Attempt any question either Q. No. 12 or Q. No. 13.

Q.12. Describe the ironical situation in which Silas Marner had to leave Lantern yard

OR

Who was Sarah in Silas Mamer? Why did she reject Silas and marry William Dane?What inference do you draw about her?

Q.13. Answer the following in 120-150 words:

Everyone who comes into contact with Griffin suffers. Attempt a character sketch of Griffin in the light of this remark.

OR

Attempt a character sketch of Nancy Lammeter.



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