

Please check whether you have got the right question paper.

- N.B:
1. All questions are compulsory.
 2. Figures to the right indicate maximum marks.
 3. Questions are to be answered in full on the answer booklet.

Q.1 Do as directed:

A) Match the word in column **X** with its antonym in Column **Y** 02

	X	Y
i)	valiant	a) admit
ii)	prohibit	b) bravely
		c) cowardly
		d) permit

B) Choose the odd words from the lists of synonyms given below 02

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| i) | a) demise | b) total | c) death | d) expiry |
| ii) | a) excel | b) impeccable | c) perfect | d) faultless |

C) Add the appropriate prefix/ suffix: 04

- i) I did not expect such ___ responsible behavior from you.
- ii) Floods cause ___ imaginable misery to the people.
- iii) The station-master made an announce ___ regarding the delay in the arrival of the train.
- iv) He fought the robber brave ___.

D) Identify the root word: 02

- i) nationalization
- ii) scornfully

E) Choose the correct homophone: 02

- i) They challenged him to prove his _____.(metal, mettle)
- ii) He finished his _____ (lessens, lessons) before dinner-time.

F) Make two sentences with each homonym to bring out at least two meanings. 04

- e. g. Bark
- a) Dogs bark at postmen.
 - b) The bark of the tree was peeling off.
- i) train
 - ii) fine

- G) Choose the correct collocates: 02
- i) We must _____ (pay, give) attention to our surroundings.
 - ii) His long innings _____ (came, reached) to an end.

- H) Give the noun form of the following 02
- a) universal
 - b) subsidise

- Q.2 A) Edit the following passage for spelling, punctuation and grammatical errors. 10
[Rewrite the passage with the corrections underlined.]

We often dwell upon old remembrances and try to visualise a picture of childhood. When our childhood has passed it appears fascinating to us because of the passage of time. But we remember little about our early days. Everything appears to be dim and our efforts to recollecting the events of our childhood do not succeed. Some people can remember better than others. People's age, insight, imaginations, speed of mental development and nature of childhood incidents are the main factors which influence the memories of childhood.

- Q.2 B) Summarise the following passage in about 100 words and give a suitable title. 10

If we Indians are starved of things to feel proud about, the appointment of Satya Nadella as the CEO of the iconic Microsoft has given us a reason to take pride in the success of a fellow Indian. Not only is Satya Indian by birth, he went to ordinary schools and colleges, got to the top on his own merit and, most of all, remained a nice, normal and humble guy. We can relate to Satya and his journey in a way that we can't relate to, say, Steve Jobs or Bill Gates, and that's what is so inspiring. In his success, we see the possibility of our own success. At a time where young people are looking for role models to emulate, Satya is certainly a wonderful one. However, at least one commentator has stirred a hornet's nest by asking if Satya's success is, in fact, a slap in our face. Could Satya have become the CEO of a major Indian company? Or did he have to leave India to succeed? Corporate India is dominated by family businesses. The right genes are still an important requisite for ultimate success. But this is changing slowly. Even promoters are slowly ceding the CEO job to loyal professionals. There are a handful of important companies where shareholding is diversified and that have had professional CEOs for a long time: the Tata group, HDFC, ICICI, L& T, for example. The problem here is that there are so few of them and the CEO tenure in these firms is so long that it creates few opportunities for new leaders to rise.

- Q.3 Attempt any two of the following:- 20

- a) As the Student Secretary of the Sports Club of your college, draft an email inviting a sports person to be the Chief guest at the annual Sports Meet of your College.
- b) As the Student-in-charge of the NSS Unit, draft an email requesting your Principal to grant permission to hold a farmers market in your college grounds.
- c) As the Student Secretary of the English Literary Association, draft an email thanking an author who conducted a creative writing workshop in your college.

- Q.4 Attempt any one of the following. (200-250 words] 20

- a) As the Secretary of the Debating Society of your college, write a report on the annual activities of the society.
- b) Write a newspaper report based on the following details:
Two college boys train street children in football who go on to win a prize in a local football tournament.

Q.5 Attempt any one of the following. (200-250 words]

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A) Write a dialogue between two friends on the importance of good eating habits for a healthy lifestyle.

B) Write a story with the following opening lines:

It was my greedy hunt for contributions to the Fund that had taken me to the family. I sat surrounded by the men and women of the family, all full of love for me. Suddenly, I saw- standing near the door-.....
