

I. Read the following Unseen Passage

Whales are the largest animals in the sea. Compared to a whale, an elephant is a tiny creature. If you put an elephant by the side of a whale, it would look like cat but for its shape, whales are huge and heavy giants. The largest whale, the blue whale, grows about a hundred feet long and some of them weigh more than a hundred and twenty tons, while an elephant weighs about seven tonnes. A whale eats two or three tons of food at a single meal.

Now, answer the following questions,

Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write the options (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet. 5 x 1 = 5 Marks

1. Where does the largest animal on earth live?
(A) Plants (B) Sea (C) Mountains (D) Forests
2. The largest whale known as _____.
(A) Blue whale (B) Sea whale (C) Sperm whale (D) Black whale
3. Compared to a whale, an elephant looks like a _____.
(A) Giant (B) Heavy weight animal (C) Small fry (D) Cat
4. The length of blue whale is about _____.
(A) 180 feet (B) 80 feet (C) 100 feet (D) 120 feet
5. Normal weight of an elephant is _____.
(A) 7 tons (B) 8 tons (C) 9 tons (D) 10 tons

II . (Questions 6 – 10): Read the Following Passage.**5 X 1 = 5 Marks**

Sam was a greedy and a selfish man. One day, he missed a small bag, which contained 50 gold coins. He was searching for the bag of gold coins, day and night. He sent his workers in search of the bag, but none could find it. Sam was so sad that he had lost so many gold coins. After a couple of days, a ten-year-old girl found the small bag. Her father worked in Sam's land and he told his daughter that the bag belonged to his master and he would return the bag to his master.

He gave the bag back to his master. Sam, who was literally happy to get the coins back, decided to play a trick. He shouted at his worker, 'there were 75 gold coins in this bag and you gave me only 50! Where are the other coins? You have stolen them!' The worker was shocked to hear this, and he pleaded to his master that he gave whatever his daughter had found. Sam did not accept the worker's story, and decided to take the issue to court. The judge heard both the sides. The judge then made his judgment, 'Since Sam lost a bag of 75 gold coins and the bag found by the girl had only 50 coins, it is clear that the bag found, didn't belong to Sam, and it was lost by someone else. In addition, if anyone found a bag of 75 gold coins, I will declare that it belongs to Sam. As there are no claims against the loss of 50 coins, I order the girl and her father to take those 50 coins as a token of appreciation for their honesty!'

Now answer the following questions.

6. Who found the small bag?
7. Why did the judge order the girl and her father to take the 50 coins?

8. The small bag contained ()
 (a) 50 thousand rupees (b) 50 silver coins (c) 50 gold coins (d) 50 copper coins
9. The little girl's father gave the bag back to his master because he was ()
 (a) afraid of his master (b) very rich (c) very honest (d) very poor
10. Choose correct statement from the following. ()
 (i) Sam missed a small bag of 75 gold coins.
 (ii) Sam decided to take the issue to court because the worker had stolen some of the coins.
 (iii) The judge made his judgment that the bag did not belong to Sam because he understood the master's trick.

Section – B: Vocabulary & Grammar

- III. Read the passage given below. Five sentences in the passage are numbered (11 – 15) at the beginning. Each of these sentences has an error. Correct and rewrite them in the answer booklet.

5 x 1 = 5 Marks

First, I collected a number _____ (11) large diamonds. These I put in my wallet and tied the wallet to my waist. Next, I tied one of the large pieces of meat to the middle of my back with my turban. I then lay down with my face to the ground _____ (12) waited there. There was the sound of huge wings _____ (13) me. Then I felt myself lifted-up and carried to the top of the rocky walls of the valley. Soon I was in one of the nests. The merchants were surprised to _____ (14) me there, and when they heard my story, they helped me to find _____ (15) ship to go home. When I got back to Baghdad, I was a very wealthy man. I gave large amounts of money to the poor and lived peacefully in my own home.

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| 11. A. from | B. Over | C. off | D. of |
| 12. A. and | B. or | C. but | D. of |
| 13. A. round | B. around | C. surround | D. Circled |
| 14. A. see | B. saw | C. seen | D. seeing |
| 15. A. no article | B. a | C. an | D. the |

- IV. Questions (16-20): Read the passage carefully. Each number indicates some error in the sentence. Edit the passage by making necessary changes in the underlined part of each sentence and write the changes you have made in your answer sheet.

5 x 1 = 5 Marks

Mr. Sunday Nana stopped, frowning, a troubled look on his face, (16) "In the last five years, 13 people have die in this village, my own elder brother one of them. They have been in pain, terrible pain. (17) We have never seen deaths like that after. Lots of our children are sick. (18) We have asked the Government to take the drums away, but they do everything. We have written to Italy, but they do nothing. The Chief says we should move our houses to another place. (19) But we has no money to buy land. We have no choice. We have to stay here. (20) And they.... pointing to the mountain off death in the clearing – "are our neighbours."

- V. Combining sentences using adverbs 'as / since / because / if / when / in spite of / such ... that / although / so that / neither ... nor / besides'. (textual)

5 x 1 = 5 Marks

21. Jainulabdeen had no much formal education. He had no much wealth; (neither... nor)
 Ans: _____
22. I shifted to my seat in the last row. My friend looked utterly downcast. (as)
 Ans: _____
23. There were freezing temperatures. They trekked for hours. (in spite of)
 Ans: _____

24. It's an interesting city. We're going to visit it again. (such ... that)

Ans: _____

25. We booked a holiday. We had very little money. (although)

Ans: _____

Section C
Creative Writing (Discourses)

VI. a. Write a biography of any 'Great Scientist'. 10 x 1 = 10 Marks

OR

b. Write an essay on the following topic.

March 8th Celebrated as international women's Day. Imagine that your also celebrating the day. For that Occasion prepare a speech (Script) on "Woman Empowerment"

VII. Imagine that you are the secretary for Youth Organisation. Your organisation is conducting a seminar on "National Integration" Prepare a Poster for that occasion.

5 x 1 = 5 Marks