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**OR**

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Dogs do not understand the language we talk, only our tone and body language. When you are angry, don't yell, as this causes confusion and agitation. Be stern and firm without raising your voice. And when you want to applaud, a light-hearted 'good boy/girl' works.

Despite popular belief, a lot of dogs do not like being hugged by everyone. Hugging isn't an animal trait, so they don't understand it well. Forced behaviour is undesirable and it leads to either a fearful or aggressive response.

Handling your pets with utmost care is the number one rule of pet parenting. Discourage people from touching your pet until they are comfortable with them. Believe it or not, this causes a lot of stress and even intimidates the pooch at times. Imagine, you're walking on the road and a strange person is staring right in your eyes. Sheer creepiness! Isn't it ? Now think about pooch in the same situation, all the time. Staring into a dog's eyes makes them extremely uneasy. We all love taking our pets for a long walk, but this is where we need to pay the most attention. Always make sure your dog is not on a tight leash. By keeping the leash loose, you let your pooch know that everything is fine. Your dog can sense your stress as you try to pull him/her close, and then get more agitated. Keep the leash loose and let them know everything is under control.

A dog with a tight leash is more likely to bark or react aggressively even in the mildest of social situations. You need to work on a pleasant walking pattern with your pooch. Always remember, if you're stressed, they are stressed.

- (a) Do dogs understand our language ? How do they understand ?
- (b) What forced behaviour is mentioned and how is it misleading ?
- (c) Why should one not touch pets ?
- (d) Which word in para 4 means
  - (i) harness
  - (ii) anxiety



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Upon hearing this, the king summoned trainers and healers from nearby kingdoms. They all tried their best, but couldn't make the parrot fly! He even asked his courtiers to try to find a way to make the parrot fly but they all failed. The parrot was not moving from his branch at all. Finally, after trying everything, the king thought that maybe he needs someone who may be more familiar with natural habitat. He asked his courtier to get a farmer from the countryside and take him to the parrot to see if he can understand the problem with the parrot.

The next morning, the king was thrilled to see the parrot flying high above the palace gardens. He asked his servant to call that farmer to meet him. The servant quickly went and located the farmer, who came and stood before the king. The king asked him, "How did you make the parrot fly ?"

With his hands folded with respect, the farmer said to the king, "It was very easy, your majesty. I simply cut the branch where the bird was sitting."

Moral : We are all gifted with energy to find a success in our life, but fail to gather a courage which is required to reach heights of success and end up clinging to the things that are familiar to us. We need to free ourselves from our comfort zone to explore new opportunities and find a success beyond our capacity.

- (a) Why did the King arrange for a bird trainer ?
- (b) What did the bird trainer report about the bird's flying ?
- (c) Why was the farmer called and what did he do ?
- (d) How does comfort zone stop the success of many comfort lovers ?



7. Read the passage given below and complete the statements that follow :

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'Arise, awake, and stop not until the goal is reached' is an inspirational slogan popularized in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century by Indian monk Swami Vivekananda. Swami Vivekananda is respected as a prominent leader, thinker and a saint of the pre-Independence era. His teachings influenced many, not just in India but all over the world. He was inspired, motivated and guided by ancient scriptures of India (particularly Vedas and Upanishads). He spoke, preached and lectured at different places in India and in different parts of the world especially in the West.

Swami Vivekananda wanted all the Indians to join their hands together in the service of the nation. Though he followed the Hindu tradition for his spiritual growth, he had respect for all the other religions just like his mentor and spiritual Guru Ramakrishna Paramahansa. All the religious traditions lead to the same goal. He found that all the religions in the world teach love and fraternity so that people from different background can come together to serve the society and the nation. Every individual is capable of attaining the highest spiritual status which is the sole purpose of life. He was of the opinion that, "You cannot believe in God until you believe in yourself."

Swami Vivekananda devoted his life working for the poor and helping them throughout his life. He rendered selfless services to Human life, teaching the world about equality of all religions. He advocated for access to education to all, particularly the youth of the country who has the potential to take the nation to new levels of growth and prosperity. He also believed that the dream of a developed nation can only be achieved when the masses are lifted out of poverty. Vivekananda will continue to live with us till eternity through his thoughts and ideas.

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- (b) Swami Vivekananda followed (i) \_\_\_\_\_ tradition but respected (ii) \_\_\_\_\_.
- (c) Swami Vivekananda's mentor was (i) \_\_\_\_\_ and believed that all religions lead to the (ii) \_\_\_\_\_.
- (d) Swami Vivekananda believed that youth of the country had (i) \_\_\_\_\_ to take the nation to development. So he advocated (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ to all.



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11. Combine the following pairs of sentences using the connectors given against each pair : 1x4=4
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- (c) I have one black cat.  
His name is Blacky. (whose)
- (d) He was my teacher.  
I will never forget. (whom)





12. Report the following conversation in indirect speech by filling in the blanks : 4

Father : Why have you come back ?

Son : I missed my school bus.

Father : You never get ready on time.

Son : I shall be careful in future.

The father asked his son why he (a) \_\_\_\_\_. The son replied that he had missed his school bus. The father scolded him and said that he never got ready on time. The son replied that (b) \_\_\_\_\_.

13. Write a paragraph of about 100 words on **any one** of the following topics : 5

- (a) Visit to a holy place refreshes energy
- (b) Education is important to every individual
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14. Write a letter to the Collector of your district to provide two separate dust bins for bio degradable and non bio-degradable wastes separately in your district. Give your suggestions. 5

15. Read the following passage carefully. Make notes in points only using appropriate headings and subheadings. Please use recognizable abbreviations. 4

A **cartoon** is a type of illustration, sometimes animated, typically in a non-realistic or semi-realistic style. The specific meaning has evolved over time, but the modern usage usually refers to either an image or series of images intended for satire, caricature, or humor ; or a motion picture that relies on a sequence of illustrations for its animation. Someone who creates cartoons in the first sense is called a *cartoonist*, and in the second sense they are usually called an *animator*.

The concept originated in the Middle Ages, and first described a preparatory drawing for a piece of art, such as a painting, fresco, tapestry, or stained glass window. In the 19<sup>th</sup> century, beginning in *Punch* magazine in 1843, cartoon came to refer - ironically at first - to humorous illustrations in magazines and newspapers. In the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, it began to refer to animated films which resembled print cartoons.

In print media, a cartoon is an illustration or series of illustrations, usually humorous in intent. This usage dates from 1843, when *Punch* magazine applied the term to satirical drawings in its pages, particularly sketches by John Leech. The first of these parodied the preparatory cartoons for grand historical frescoes in the then-new Palace of Westminster. The original title for these drawings was *Mr. Punch's face is the letter Q* and the new title "cartoon" was intended to be ironic, a reference to the self-aggrandizing posturing of Westminster politicians.



16. The following passage has seven mistakes related to punctuation and inaccuracies of usage. Identify the errors and write in table B. The correct answers must be written in table C. The first one has been done for you : 6

Earthquake was measured on the Richer scale. The Richer scall measures that magnitude of a earthquake. It is measured using a machine called a seismometer who produces a seismograph. A Richer scale was normally numbered 1-10, thought there is no upper limit.

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#### SECTION - B

- Note :**
- (i) Attempt **any one** of the two options.
  - (ii) Attempt **all** questions from the option.

#### OPTION - I

##### (E.S.P. FOR RECEPTIONISTS)

17. FRAME the request for the following replies : 4
- (a) They will close the Hotel Gate at 10.00 pm.
  - (b) I shall write to the manager.
  - (c) I booked two rooms, in your Hotel, yesterday.
  - (d) He is attending the conference in Room No. 12.
18. What are the duties of the Receptionist ? 2
19. How does the Receptionist work like a telephone operator attending in-coming calls ? 2
20. How will you repeat the following telephone numbers to the callers ? 1
- 62332144, 2452995245
- Indicate pauses by using a “/” stroke before every pause.
21. Write notes on the following : 6
- (a) Reservation Voucher
  - (b) Flight Schedules
  - (c) Register of callers



**OPTION - II**  
**(E.S.P. FOR OFFICE USE)**

17. As the General Manager of Zian Enterprises, Ahmadabad, write an e-mail to all the Assistant Managers of all Sections that there will be a meeting regarding opening of new branch in Varodra on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022. 2
18. What are the points that you should have in mind when you are writing a memo ? 1
19. Read the following greetings and decide whether they are formal or informal : 2
- (a) Jivika, meet Jinu. Jinu Mathew is our new Manager.
- (b) Let me introduce our New Manager, Mr. Jinu Mathew.
- (c) By the way do you know each other ? Jivika and Jinu.
- (d) Hi! How are you ?
20. You are Ram Singh or Ranu Banerjee living in Door No. 16, Maruti Street, Rajiv Nagar, Kolkata. Write an application for the post of Accountant in Samsung Enterprises, Kolkata. 4
21. What are the important points to remember while facing an interview ? 6

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**ENGLISH**

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# ENGLISH

(302)

Time : 3 Hours ]

[ Maximum Marks : 100

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## SECTION - A

1. Answer the following question in about **60** words : **6**  
Who was Evans ? Where was he going ? (A Case of Suspicion)

**OR**

Who was responsible for transforming Bholi from stammering dumb cow into bold and confident girl ? (Bholi)

2. Answer **any three** of the following questions in about **30 - 40** words each. **2x3=6**
- (a) Why did the doctor reach for his pistol ? What did he do with it ? (A Case of Suspicion)
  - (b) Which souvenir did Gavaskar like the most ? Why ? (My First Steps )
  - (c) What kind of education does the writer think is most useful ? (Father, Dear Father)
  - (d) Why did Baldeo have to take up the job of a Khalasi ? (The Tiger in the Tunnel)

3. Read the following extracts carefully and answer the questions that follow :

No time to see when woods we pass

What is this life if full of care

We have no time to stand and stare ?

No time to stand beneath the boughs.

And stare as long as sheep or cows.

(Leisure)

- (a) What does the poet mean by "What is this life if full of care"? **1**
- (b) Why does he not stand beneath the boughs ? **2**
- (c) What is it that sheep and cows do for which we have no time ? **2**

**OR**



Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,

And sorry I could not travel both

And be one traveller, long I stood

And looked down one as far as I could

To where it bent in the undergrowth;

(The Road not Taken)

- (a) Why does the narrator say, "I could not travel both"? 1
- (b) What did the poet see at a distance ? 2
- (c) Which road did the poet select ? 2
4. Write a paragraph of about 100 words on **any one** of the following topics : 5
- (a) Visit to a holy place refreshes energy
- (b) Education is important to every individual
- (c) Rains are important for farmers
5. Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with appropriate forms of the verbs within brackets : 4
- Mount Abu (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) the only hill station of Rajasthan, which is very popular in that region. According to legend, it (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) the home of Saint Vashista who (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (create) the four powerful Rajput tribes. Maharaja of Sirohi (d) \_\_\_\_\_ (give) it on rent to the British Government who used it as the headquarters for the Resident of Rajputana situated at the Nakki Lake. It is known as a place that increases joy.
6. Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with the appropriate passive forms of the verbs given within the brackets : 3
- On Thursday all the devotees reached Shirdi. Light (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (wave) by the devotees. Songs of devotion (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (sung) by them. Various types of dishes as Prasad (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (offer).



7. Report the following conversation in indirect speech by filling in the blanks : 4

Mr. V.L. Shukla : Where will the Annual conference be held this year ?

Mr. R.K. Singh : In Mumbai.

Mr. V.L. Shukla : Have you gone to Mumbai before ?

Mr. R.K. Singh : No, I haven't.

During Lunch break, Mr. V.L. Shukla asked Mr. R.K. Singh (a) \_\_\_\_\_ that year. He replied that it will be held in Mumbai. Then, Mr. V.L. Shukla asked if he (b) \_\_\_\_\_. Mr. R.K. Singh replied in negative.

8. Combine the following pairs of sentences using the connectors given against each pair : 1x4=4

- (a) Bring me the file.

The file is on the table. (which)

- (b) Yesterday I met a man.

He works in the circus. (who)

- (c) I have one black cat.

His name is Blacky. (whose)

- (d) He was my teacher.

I will never forget. (whom)

9. The following passage has seven mistakes related to punctuation and inaccuracies of usage. Identify the errors and write in table B. The correct answers must be written in table C. The first one has been done for you : 6

A system of education, who helps to prepare a man to earning his livelihood and support his family to that best of his ability, is extremely important. Education, however, had another vital responsibility, and that is to prepare a man to lead life itself, and all its struggles, problems or Joys with a calm thinking, to be able to make quick decisions when an crisis arises, and to decide what action should have taken without too much delay.

A	B	C
1	who	which
2	.....	.....
3	.....	.....
4	.....	.....
5	.....	.....
6	.....	.....
7	.....	.....



10. Read the following Extracts carefully and answer the questions that follow :

4+4=8

- (a) After my sickness, we moved to Lahore, a few miles away, but the number of relatives who came to sympathize made my father ask for another transfer, this time to Karnal, where we had neither friends nor relatives. There we got a cottage on the canal bank, built in very peaceful and quiet surroundings.
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  - (ii) Who came to sympathise with his parents ?
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- be supportive emotionally

OR

Baldeo was responsible for signalling whether or not the tunnel was clear of obstruction, and his manual signal stood before the entrance. At night it was his duty to see that the lamp was burning and that the overland mail passed through safely. 'Shall I come too, Father ?' asked Tembu sleepily, still lying in a huddle in a corner of the hut. 'No, it is cold tonight. Do not get up.'

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OR



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**SECTION - B**

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