

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 40

Note : Attempt all questions.

1. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow :

From rest and sleep, which but thy pictures be,
Much pleasure then from thee much more must flow,
And sooner our best men with thee do go
Rest of their bones, and souls' delivery.

Questions :

- (a) Name the poem and the poet.
- (b) What are the pictures of death according to the poet.
- (c) Who would meet death at the earliest ?
- (d) What do we get from rest and sleep ?
- (e) What happens to those who meet death ?

OR

My mother bore me in the southern wild,
And I am black, but oh! my soul is white.
White as an angel is the English child,
But I am black, as if bereaved of light.

Questions :

- (a) Name the poem and the poet.
- (b) Where was the child born ?
- (c) What does the child say about his body and soul ?
- (d) What does he say about the English child ?
- (e) How does the child feel about his being black ?

(1×5=5)

2. Explain with reference to the context :

But patience, to prevent
That murmer, soon replies; God dath not need
Either man's work, or His own gifts; who best
Bear His mild yoke, they serve Him best.

OR

Before I taught my tongue to wound
My conscience with a sinful sound,
Or had the black art to dispense
A several sin to every sense.
But felt through all this fleshly dress
Bright soots of everlastingness.

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3. Answer the following questions in about 30 words :

- (a) Why does the poet compare true love to the Pole-star?

OR

Who was Flecknoe ?

(b) What role will nature play for Lucy ?

OR

Why is the King George III despised ?

(c) Who is the 'pilot' in the poem "Crossing the Bar" ?

OR

What is the message of the poem "The Little Black Boy" ?
(2×3=6)

4. Write a critical appreciation of Alexander Pope's "Know Then Thyself".

OR

Write the theme of the sonnet "Let me not to the Marriage of True Minds". 6

5. Translate the following passage into English :

इसमें कोई सन्देह नहीं कि धन कमाना बहुत कठिन काम है। कुछ लोग धन तो कमा लेते हैं परन्तु उसे ठीक तरह से खर्च नहीं करते। जब तक उनके पास धन होता है वह राजकुमारों की तरह रहते हैं। परन्तु बाद में उनकी दशा दयनीय हो जाती है। उन्हें अपने मित्रों और दूसरों से पैसे उधार लेने पड़ते हैं। उस समय ही वे धन के असली महत्त्व को समझ पाते हैं। इसलिए यह आवश्यक है कि प्रत्येक व्यक्ति अपनी आय से कम खर्च करें।

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OR

(For Non-Hindi Speaking/Foreign Candidates Only)

Vidyasagar was a very generous and Charitable man. From his earliest years, he helped the poor and needy to the utmost of his power. As a boy at school, he often gave some of the little food he had, to eat to another boy who had none. If one of his school fellows fell ill, little Ishwar would go to his house, sit by his bed and nurse him. His name became a household word in Bengal. Rich or poor, high or low, all loved him alike. No beggar ever asked him for relief in vain.

Questions :

- (a) What were the two good qualities in the character of Vidyasagar ?
 - (b) What proof of his good nature did he give in his school days ?
 - (c) What proof of his generosity and charity did he give when he became rich ?
 - (d) Why did his name become a household word in Bengal?
- 6.** Write a paragraph of about 250 words on any *one* of the given topics :
- (a) As you sow so shall you Reap.
 - (b) Crimes Against Women.
 - (c) Cruelty to Animals.
 - (d) Say No to Plastic.
 - (e) The Person I Admire Most.

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7. Do as directed :

(a) Use these phrasal verbs in sentences of your own :

- (i) Back out.
- (ii) Give away.
- (iii) Agree to.

(b) Fill in the blanks with correct prepositions :

- (i) She is junior me.
- (ii) Don't interfere my affairs.
- (iii) He was accused murder.

(c) Correct any *four* of the following sentences :

- (i) Each of the students should do their best.
- (ii) I wish I can do something for you.
- (iii) All the members of his family love each other.
- (iv) One of my friends are a doctor.
- (v) Sita is my cousin sister.
- (vi) The gold is a precious metal.

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