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SECTION A: READING				
COMPREHENSION PASSAGE				
1	1	1	NOTE: No mark(s) should be deducted for mistakes in usage and grammar, spelling, or word limit. Full marks may be awarded if a student has been able to identify the core ideas. If a student literally lifts a portion of the given passage as an answer to a question, no mark(s) to be deducted for this as long as it is relevant.	
(a)	(a)	(a)	(iv) what we can learn from the routines of geniuses	1 mark
(b)	(b)	(b)	(i) followed a perfect daily routine	1 mark
(c)	(c)	(c)	(i) they had unique life styles	1 mark
(d)	(d)	(d)	(ii) a creative inspiration	1 mark
(e)	(e)	(e)	a squeaky hinge	1 mark
(f)	(f)	(f)	needed a secret place so that nobody disturbed him / could work on his creation uninterruptedly	1 mark
(g)	(g)	(g)	his music declined when street lamps under which he worked were turned off	1 mark
(h)	(h)	(h)	that she could do her work / had time to do her work	1 mark
(i)	(i)	(i)	he could concentrate on writing (as he did not have to starve)	1 mark
(j)	(j)	(j)	follow a routine	1 mark
(k)	(k)	(k)	peep	1 mark
(l)	(l)	(l)	squeaky	1 mark
2	2	2	COMPREHENSION PASSAGE NOTE: No mark(s) should be deducted for mistakes in usage and grammar, spelling, or word limit. Full marks may be awarded if a student has been able to identify the core ideas. If a student literally lifts a portion of the given passage as an answer to a question, no mark(s) to be deducted for this as long as it is relevant.	
(a)	(a)	(a)	(iii) Amomon	1 mark
(b)	(b)	(b)	(iv) the healing power of cinnamon	1 mark
(c)	(c)	(c)	Sri Lanka	1 mark
(d)	(d)	(d)	“traded right up there with silver”	1 mark
(e)	(e)	(e)	inner bark of cinnamon tree / stripped from the bark	1 mark
(f)	(f)	(f)	used in sweetened cereals / in baked goods and sprinkled on various foods/ sprinkled on yoghurt.	1 mark
(g)	(g)	(g)	reduces serum glucose / reduces triglycerides / reduces LDL cholesterol / reduces total cholesterol in people	1 mark
(h)	(h)	(h)	slows down glucose absorption within intestines / stimulates insulin production/ normalizes blood glucose levels (indirectly decreases weight gain)	1 mark
(i)	(i)	(i)	fragrant	1 mark
(j)	(j)	(j)	harvested	1 mark
3	3	3	NOTE MAKING • If a student has attempted only summary or only notes, due credit should be given. • 1 mark allotted for the title to be given, even if a student has written the title either in Q3(a) or Q3(b)	

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Content must be divided into headings and sub-headings <p>The notes provided below are only guidelines. Any other title, main points and sub-points may be accepted if they are indicative of the candidate's understanding of the given passage, and the notes include the main points, with suitable and recognizable abbreviations. Complete sentences are not to be accepted as notes.</p> <p>Numbering of points may be indicated in different ways, as long as a consistent pattern is followed.</p>	
(a)	(a)	(a)	Distribution of Marks	
			Title	1 mark
			Content (minimum 3 headings and sub-headings, with proper indentation and notes)	3 mark
			Abbreviations / Symbols (with /without key) – any four	1 mark
			<p>NOTE: Accept the notes and summary in the third person. Suggested Notes: Title: The Great Protective Wall / The Great Wall of China or any other suitable title</p> <p>A. Introduction</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. largest man made monument ii. only one visible from space iii. many gave lives for the construction <p>B. Physical Description</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. series of towers ii. made of <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) stone b) brick c) earth d) wood etc iii. built along Dandong to Lap Lake iv. several walls built in 7CBC <p>C. Purpose of The Great Wall</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. protected Chinese states and empire against raids ii. border control iii. imposition of duties on goods iv. regulation and encouragement of trade v. controlled <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) immigration b) emigration 	
(b)	(b)	(b)	Summary The summary should include all the important points given in the notes.	
			Content	2 marks
			Expression	1 mark

			SECTION B: ADVANCED WRITING SKILLS NOTE: The objective of the section on Advanced Writing Skills is to test a candidate's writing ability. Hence, expression assumes as much importance as the content of the answer.	
4	4	4	NOTICE	4 marks
			Format- The format should include: ISSUING AUTHORITY/ NAME OF THE INSTITUTION, the word 'NOTICE', HEADING, DATE, and WRITER'S NAME WITH DESIGNATION. The candidate should not be penalized if he/she has used capital letters for writing a notice within or without a box.	1 mark
			Content	2 marks
			Expression	1 mark
			Heading : [BOOK FAIR / any other relevant title] Suggested value points: - what - book fair - when – date & approx. time - where – appropriate venue - who – Social Service Club - (any other relevant detail)	
			OR	
4	4	4	ADVERTISEMENT	4 marks
			Format – Heading	1 mark
			Content	2 marks
			Expression	1 mark
			[AUTOMOBILE/VEHICLE/FOR SALE/USED MOTOR CAR Suggested value points: - used car for sale - physical description – model/colour/accessories - distance run / condition - contact details : Ram /Rajni - price (optional) - phone number : 12345679 - (any other relevant details) (due credit should be given to economy of words)	
5	5	5	LETTER WRITING	6 marks
			[Note: - No marks are to be awarded if only the format is given. Credit should be given for the candidate's creativity in presentation of ideas. Use of both the traditional and the new format is permitted. Mixing of the formats is not permitted]	
			Format 1. sender's address 2. date 3. receiver's address 4. subject /heading 5. opening 6. closing	1 mark

			Content	3 marks
			Expression grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling coherence and relevance of ideas and style	1 mark 1 mark 2 marks
5	5	5	LETTER TO EDITOR SUBJECT - PROPER USE OF INTERNET/ any other relevant subject Suggested Value Points - internet for gaining knowledge - not to be used for wasting time - role of school - student net surfing time controlled - enable them to use it fruitfully (any other relevant point) (any 3 points)	6 marks
			OR	
5	5	5	JOB APPLICATION SUBJECT - POST OF LECTURER IN ENGLISH/ DEMONSTRATOR IN PHYSICS/CHEMISTRY/BOTANY Suggested value points - reference to the advertisement - educational qualification - experience - references (any other relevant details)	2 marks
6	-	-	SPEECH	10 marks
			Format (Opening address and conclusion)	1 mark
			Content	4 marks
			Expression Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling coherence and relevance of ideas and style	[2 ½ marks] [2 ½ marks] 5 marks
			[HEALTHY FOOD] Suggested Value Points - importance of healthy food - how it contributes to • physical well-being • mental well-being (any other relevant point)	
			OR	
6	-	-	DEBATE	10 marks
			Format -(Opening address and conclusion)	1 mark
			Content	4 marks
			Expression Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling coherence and relevance of ideas and style	2 ½ marks 2 ½ marks 5 marks

			<p>[PARTICIPATION IN SPORTS IS A MERE WASTAGE OF TIME] NOTE: Students' views to be expressed either '<u>for</u>' or '<u>against</u>' the topic Suggested Value Points in favour : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - career in sports short-lived - chances of injuries - majority of sports people neglected in India - time-consuming: requires personal sacrifices - any other relevant point Against <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - viable career option today - wider acceptance and recognition – locally, nationally and internationally - keeps one mentally and physically fit - encourages team work/ coordination/ sportsmanship etc. - chance of travelling abroad - meeting sports persons of other countries (any other relevant points) (minimum four content points)</p>	
-	6	-	SPEECH	10 marks
			Format (Opening address and conclusion)	1 mark
			Content	4 marks
			Expression grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [2 ½ marks] coherence and relevance of ideas and style [2 ½ marks]	5 marks
			<p>[BOOKS ARE OUR BEST FRIEND] Suggested Value Points <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - views on books - how they can be our best friends- in loneliness - how they are better than human friends - how reading books is a great hobby - source of wisdom - amusement (any other relevant points) (any four points)</p>	
			OR	
-	6	-	DEBATE	10 marks
			Format --(Opening address and conclusion)	1 mark
			Content	4 marks
			Expression grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [2 ½ marks] coherence and relevance of ideas and style [2 ½ marks]	5 marks
			<p>[HARDWORK AND NOT ONLY GOOD LUCK HELPS US TO ACHIEVE SUCCESS IN LIFE] NOTE: Students' views to be expressed either '<u>for</u>' or '<u>against</u>' the topic Suggested Value Points</p>	

			<p><u>In favour :</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - slow and steady wins the race - advantages of hard work - improves discipline - teaches time management - examples of people who have succeeded due to hard work - any other relevant point <p><u>Against</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - luck required for success - hard work does not pay always - examples of people who have succeeded due to luck - any other relevant point <p>(minimum two content points to be included)</p>	
-	-	6	SPEECH	10 marks
			Format (Opening address and conclusion)	1 mark
			Content	4 marks
			<p>Expression grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [2 ½ marks] coherence and relevance of ideas and style [2 ½ marks]</p>	5 marks
			<p>[READING MAKES A READY MAN] Suggested Value Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - views on reading - how reading improves knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • promotes thinking • develops emotional health • promotes peace and prosperity in life <p>(any other relevant points)</p>	
			OR	
-	-	6	DEBATE	10 marks
			Format --(Opening address and conclusion)	1 mark
			Content	4 marks
			<p>Expression grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [2 ½ marks] coherence and relevance of ideas and style [2 ½ marks]</p>	5 marks
			<p>[LAZINESS AND NOT BAD LUCK IS THE ONLY OBSTACLE TO ONE’S SUCCESS IN LIFE] NOTE: Students’ views to be expressed either ‘for’ or ‘against’ the topic Suggested Value Points</p> <p><u>In favour :</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - lack of action will obviously lead to no success - opportunities will slip by - deadlines will not be met - poor work ethics will lead to failure - any other relevant point <p><u>Against</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - bad luck more fatal than laziness - bad luck destiny – no escape - any other relevant point <p>(minimum two content points to be included)</p>	

7	-	-	ARTICLE	10 marks
			Format Heading and Writer's name (as mentioned in the question)	1 mark
			Content	4 marks
			Expression grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [2½ marks] coherence and relevance of ideas and style [2½ marks]	5 marks
			PROMOTING TOURISM IS PROMOTING OURSELVES (Any other relevant title) Suggested Value Points - India – a country rich in varied heritage, linguistic/cultural diversity - excellent destination for tourists - advantages of tourism • will boost economy • generate employment • results in cultural exchange • international relations - how to promote • improving infrastructure • creating awareness about destinations • offering discounts • highlighting local customs, cuisines, culture • using media (any other relevant details)	
			OR	
7	-	-	REPORT WRITING	10 marks
			Format Heading and Writer's name (as mentioned in the question)	1 mark
			Content	4 marks
			Expression Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [2 ½ marks] coherence and relevance of ideas and style [2 ½ marks]	5 marks
			INDEPENDANCE DAY CELEBRATION/ (any other relevant title) Suggested Value Points - what – Independence Day celebrations - when – 14 th / 15 th August - time - chief guest – Distt. Magistrate, Ms. Indu Bala Sharma - where – school - how – details of activities – flag hoisting, parade, speeches and dances etc. (any other relevant point) (any four points)	

-	7	-	ARTICLE	10 marks
			Format Heading and Writer's name (as mentioned in the question)	1 mark
			Content	4 marks
			Expression grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [2½ marks] coherence and relevance of ideas and style [2½ marks]	5 marks
			SLOW AND STEADY WINS THE RACE (Any other relevant title) Suggested Value Points - unnecessary hurry causes stress/hurts people, children and adults - impact <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • crippling/even causing death • frustration • tension - solutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • meaningful measured steps • systematic approach • learning to be patient • not taking too many things at the same time • enjoying what one does (any other relevant details)	
			OR	
-	7	-	REPORT WRITING	10 marks
			Format Heading and Writer's name (as mentioned in the question)	1 mark
			Content	4 marks
			Expression Grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [2 ½ marks] coherence and relevance of ideas and style [2 ½ marks]	5 marks
			VISIT TO THE BOOK FAIR (any other relevant title) Suggested Value Points - what – Book Fair - when – mention any date and time - how – description of the venue, stalls, publishers, cultural shows and other special features - books you purchased Note : First person account to be accepted (any other relevant point) (any four points)	
-	-	7	ARTICLE	10 marks
			Format Heading and Writer's name (as mentioned in the question)	1 mark
			Content	4 marks
			Expression grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [2½ marks] coherence and relevance of ideas and style [2½ marks]	5 marks
			UNITY IN DIVERSITY (Any other relevant title)	

			<p>Suggested Value Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - India blessed with rich / varied/ linguistic / cultural heritage and diversity - essential to live in harmony - only road to prosperity and peace - suggestions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • celebrate festivals/respect one another's diversity • respect culture and language of each other • use of media <p>(any other relevant details)</p>	
			OR	
			<p>HEALTH, THE BEST WEALTH (Any other relevant title)</p> <p>Suggested Value Points</p> <p>problems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • problem of eating junk food • overeating • neglect of health • getting addicted <p>suggestions - ways and means of maintaining good health through</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • eating the right food • adopting good habits • by setting a routine <p>(any other relevant details)</p>	
			<p style="text-align: center;">SECTION C: LITERATURE (TEXT BOOKS AND LONG READING TEXT)</p> <p>NOTE: The objective of the section on Literature is to test a candidate's ability to understand and interpret the prescribed text through short and long answer type questions. Hence both content and expression in answers to the given questions deserve equal importance while awarding marks</p>	
8	8	8	<p>[This question has been designed to test the students' understanding of the text and their ability to interpret, evaluate and respond to the questions based on the given extract. In other words, it attempts to test their reading comprehension ONLY.]</p>	
a)	a)	a)	its loveliness increases/it will never pass into nothingness (any one)	1 mark
b)	b)	b)	it will never pass into nothingness / give a peaceful sleep / provide health and quiet breathing	1 mark
c)	c)	c)	a quiet bower	1 mark
d)	d)	d)	restful sleep (full of sweet dreams, health and quiet breathing)	1 mark
			OR	
a)	a)	a)	anxious / fearful / sad / nervous (any other relevant adjective)	1 mark
b)	b)	b)	she finds the ivory needle hard to pull / she is nervous because of her husband	1 mark
c)	c)	c)	the wedding ring	1 mark
d)	d)	d)	metaphorically represents restrictions / challenges of Aunt Jennifer's married life/ husband's domination	1 mark

9	9	9	Short answer type questions Distribution of marks: Content: 2 marks Expression : 1 mark (deduct ½ a mark for two or more grammatical/spelling mistakes)	
a)	-	-	separation from mother / loss of mother	3 marks
b)	-	-	to pause before taking action / time for introspection/will help in fostering harmony and brotherhood / will help in bringing wars to an end	3 marks
c)	-	-	last lesson of the French teacher (M. Hamel); the last lesson in French; /the conquest of village by the Prussians leading to ban on teaching of French	3 marks
d)	-	-	Jo wanted the wizard to hit Mommy / wanted Roger Skunk to get back his smell wanted Roger Skunk to have his friends back / assertion of her individuality	3 marks
e)	-	-	the bangle making industry – ½ boon – source of income – ½ bane – industry causing severe health problem / cramped and inhuman working conditions/ problems with Sahukars, policeman, law officers -1	3 marks
f)	-	-	dilemma between duty towards nation and duty towards profession	3 marks
-	a)	-	they appear to be sprinting as seen from the moving car window / image of youth and joy / contrast to mother	3 marks
-	b)	-	to pause before taking action / time for introspection/will help in fostering harmony and brotherhood / will help in bringing wars to an end	3 marks
-	c)	-	unusually quiet school / older villagers occupying back benches of classroom / teacher dressed in best clothes/ children could understand the lesson better/ M. Hamel taught patiently.(any two)	3 marks
-	d)	-	Jo wanted the wizard to hit Mommy / wanted Roger Skunk to get back his smell wanted Roger Skunk to have his friends back / wanted to assert her individuality	3 marks
-	e)	-	the bangle making industry – ½ boon – source of income – ½ bane – industry causing severe health problem / cramped and inhuman working conditions/ problems with Sahukars, policeman, law officers	3 marks
-	f)	-	dilemma between duty towards nation and duty towards profession	3 marks
-	-	a)	separation from mother / loss of mother	3 marks
-	-	b)	to pause before taking action / time for introspection/will help in fostering harmony and brotherhood / will help in bringing wars to an end	3 marks
-	-	c)	last lesson of the French teacher (M. Hamel)/ the last lesson in French/ conquest of village by the Prussian leading to ban of learning French/ the moment of realisation of the loss by the villagers/ realisation of the importance of one's language (any two)	3 marks
-	-	d)	Jack views – mother knew best / the authority of the parent should prevail / Jo wanted mother be hit by wizard / the young should have their way	3 marks
-	-	e)	servants unhappy at Sadao's decision to treat wounded soldier felt it was unpatriotic	3 marks
-	-	f)	sliver from the toy tiger hurt his finger – wound became septic – king died. Yes	3 marks

			Q10 & 11 [These questions have been set to test the students' understanding of the text and their ability to interpret, evaluate and respond to the issues raised therein. Hence no particular answer can be accepted as the only correct answer. All presentations may be accepted as equally correct provided they have been duly supported by the facts drawn from the text. The important thing is that the student should be able to justify his or her viewpoint.]	
10	10	10	Distribution of marks: Content: 3 marks Expression : 3 marks grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [1½ marks] coherence and relevance of ideas and style [1½ marks]	
10	10	10	Deep Water <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Douglas's two traumatic experiences with water - deprived him of joy of canoeing, swimming, fishing, boating - fear haunted him for years - engaged an instructor - learnt swimming - tested his fear in lake and rivers - finally conquered fear, emerged stronger man 	6 marks
			OR	
10	10	10	Indigo- Gandhiji's characteristics simplicity/humility – did not object to being treated as a peasant at Rajendra Prasad's house non-violent attitude – used peaceful means – prepared to go to jail – to bend the British law fellow feeling – worked for the people of Champaran even though not familiar with them humanitarian approach – called wife and children to work for medical upliftment and literacy of Champaran peasants determination – stayed in Champaran for about a year to get justice for peasants self-reliant – did everything himself/did not take help from Charles Freer Andrews, the pacifist	6 marks
11	11	11	Distribution of marks: Content: 3 marks Expression: 3 marks grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [1½ marks] coherence and relevance of ideas and style [1½ marks]	
11	11	11	Tricks used by Evans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - taking O level exam with accomplice as invigilator / also tutor - played on Jackson's compassion- allowed to wear cap - used Stephens's ego – to walk Mc Leery to gate - knew Governor was fair – asked him to remove Stephens from the cell - had accomplice pose as Mc Leery - cut his hair, covered with cap - used blanket to cover himself - devised plan B - used correction slip (any three of the above)	6 marks

			OR	
11	11	11	<p>Mr. Lamb</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr. Lamb – physically handicapped man with tin leg / lived alone/ large house with garden/ welcoming/ positive (any one) - Mr. Lamb not repulsed by Derry – accepts him as he is - does not pity Derry - does not react to Derry’s rudeness - does not force him to stay and listen to him - makes him realise that handicaps are not obstacles - opens the world to him : tells him to wait, watch and listen/ doesn’t expect him to do anything difficult. <p>(any two)</p>	6 marks
			Q12 & Q 13 – Long Reading Text – Silas Marner / The Invisible Man [NOTE: Accept any answer that correlates with the novel and seems relevant]	
12	12	12	<p>Distribution of marks:</p> <p>Content: 3 marks</p> <p>Expression 3 marks</p> <p>grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [1½ marks]</p> <p>coherence and relevance of ideas and style [1½ marks]</p>	
12	12	12	<p>Experiences with Villagers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mrs. Hall – owner of Coach and Horses Inn offers to take the stranger’s coat and hat – the stranger refuses - later reveals head swathed in bandages - Mrs. Hall sees him without glasses, eyes seem hollow – wide gap instead of mouth – concludes he’s had an accident - Teddy Henry’s impressions – Griffin rudely asked him to hurry – Teddy spreads rumours about him being wanted by police - Episode with Fearenside’s dog – rude behaviour with Mr. Hall - Cuss – glimpses empty sleeve – gets nose pinched – runs out in fear and confusion - Burglary at Vicarage - Final revealing invisibility to Mrs. Hall - Showdown with Cuss and Bunting in parlour of Coach and Horses - Final fight in Iping – violence towards villagers - (any two) 	6 marks
			OR	
12	12	12	<p>Silas Marner</p> <p>Event 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - death of Deacon, betrayal of William and broken engagement <p>accusation of murdering the Deacon and robbing his money</p> <p>excommunicated</p> <p>Effect</p> <p>disillusioned – shuns people, lives alone, no faith in Church, withdrawn</p>	6 marks

			<p>Event 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Money stolen by Dunstan <p>Effect devastated, shattered, sense of disbelief, crestfallen and totally broken</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - shook violently - uttered a wild scream out of frustration and agony 	
13	13	13	<p>Distribution of marks:</p> <p>Content: 3 marks</p> <p>Expression: 3 marks</p> <p>grammatical accuracy, appropriate words and spelling [1½ marks]</p> <p>coherence and relevance of ideas and style [1½ marks]</p> <p>(deduct ½ a mark for two or more grammatical/spelling mistakes)</p>	
13	13	13	<p>Griffin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - mysterious, desperate - an example of science without humanity - obsessed with experiments - hard work, so creative - runs out of money – responsible for father’s death - goes from scientist to fanatic, lacks morals, does not hesitate to steal- no remorse – describes action as necessary - thinking merely of invisibility not the consequences - inhuman – burnt down landlord’s house, cruel towards old man in Drury Lane, Wicksteed murder - can’t reverse invisibility - anger, desire to unleash reign of terror 	6 marks
			OR	
13	13	13	<p>Change after Eppie</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eppie gave Silas a new reason to live - his lost gold had been replaced by a golden haired child – vows to take care of his own – softening of feelings towards him by residents of Raveloe - spiritually renewed through awakening of human love and fellowship of neighbours and townsfolk - Marner rewarded for his love when Eppie refuses to go with her natural father, Godfrey 	6 marks