

SET-1

Series JBB/4

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- Please check that this question paper contains **8** printed pages.
- Code number given on the right hand side of the question paper should be written on the title page of the answer-book by the candidate.
- Please check that this question paper contains **11** questions.
- Please write down the Serial Number of the questions before attempting it.
- 15 minute time has been allotted to read this question paper. The question paper will be distributed at 10.15 a.m. From 10.15 a.m. to 10.30 a.m., the students will read the question paper only and will not write any answer on the answer-book during this period.

ENGLISH
(LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE)
HINTS & SOLUTIONS

Time allowed: 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 80

General Instructions:*Read the following instructions very carefully and strictly follow them:*

- (i) The question paper comprises three sections -A, B and C.
Section A — Reading 20 marks
Section B — Writing and Grammar 30 marks
Section C — Literature 30 marks
- (ii) There are 11 questions in the question paper. All questions are compulsory.
- (iii) Answers should be brief and to the point.
- (iv) There is no overall choice in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in Section B and Section a Make your choices correctly.
- (v) In addition to this, separate instructions are, given with each section a n d question, wherever necessary.
- (vi) Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the question

SECTION A – (Reading)

[20 Marks]

1. Read the following passage carefully.

[8]

1. Caged behind thick glass, the most famous dancer in the world can easily be missed in the National Museum, Delhi. The Dancing Girl of Mohenjo-Daro is that rare artefact that even school children are familiar with. Our school textbooks also communicate the wealth of our 5000-year heritage of art. You have to be alert to her existence there, amid terracotta animals to rediscover this bronze image.
2. Most of us have seen her, only in photographs or sketches, therefore the impact of actually holding her is magnified a million times over. One discovers that the dancing girl has no feet. She is small, a little over 10 cm tall — the length of a human palm-but she surprises us with the power of great art – the ability to communicate across centuries.
3. A series of bangles – of shell or ivory or thin metal-clothe her left upper arm all the way down to her fingers. A necklace with three pendants bunched together and a few bangles above the elbow and wrist on the right hand display an almost modern art.
4. She speaks of the undaunted, ever hopeful human spirit. She reminds us that it is important to visit museums in our country to experience the impact that a work of art leaves on our senses, to find among all the riches one particular vision of beauty that speaks to us alone.

1.1 On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following questions.

[1 × 8 = 8]

(a) The Dancing Girl belongs to

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| (i) Mohenjo-Daro. | (ii) Greek culture. |
| (iii) Homo sapiens. | (iv) Tibet. |

Ans. Mohenjo-Daro

(b) In the museum she's kept among

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|---------------------------|----------------------|
| (i) dancing figures. | (ii) bronze statues. |
| (iii) terracotta animals. | (iv) books. |

Ans. terracotta animals

(c) Which information is **not** given in the passage ?

- (i) The girl is caged behind glass.
- (ii) She is a rare artefacts.
- (iii) School books communicate the wealth of our heritage.
- (iv) She cannot be rediscovered as she's bronze.

Ans. She cannot be rediscovered as she's bronze

(d) 'Great Art' has power because

- (i) it appeals to us despite a passage of time.
- (ii) it is small and can be understood.
- (iii) it is seen in pictures and sketches.
- (iv) it is magnified a million times.

Ans. it appeals thus despite a passage of time.

(e) The jewellery she wears

- (i) consists of bangles of shell or ivory or thin metal only.
- (ii) is a necklace with two pendants.
- (iii) Both (i) and (ii) are correct.
- (iv) Neither (i) nor (ii) is correct.

Ans. consists of bangles of shell or ivory or thin metal only.

(f) She reminds us

- (i) of the never-say-die attitude of humans.
- (ii) why museums in our-country are exciting.
- (iii) why she will make us come into money.
- (iv) of dancing figures.

Ans. why museums in our-country are exciting.

(g) The synonym of the word 'among' in paragraph 1 is _____
Ans. among – Amid

(h) The size of the dancing girl is equal to the length of the human palm. (True/False)
Ans. True

2. **Read the following passage carefully.**

[12]

1. As the family finally sets off from home after many arguments, there is a moment of lull as the car takes off. "Alright, so where are we going for dinner now?" asks the one at the driving wheel. What follows is a chaos as multiple voices make as many suggestions.
2. By the time order is restored and a decision is arrived at, tempers have risen, feelings injured and there is at least one person grumbling.
3. Twenty years ago, you would step out of home, the decision of meal and venue already made with no arguments or opposition and everybody looked forward to the meal with equal enthusiasm. The decision was made by the head of the family and the others fell in line. Today every member of the family has a say in every decision which also promotes a sense of togetherness and bonding.
4. We empower our kids to take their own decisions from a very early age. We ask them the cuisine they prefer, the movie they want to see, the holiday they wish to go on and the subjects they wish to study.
5. It's a closely connected world, out there where children consult and guide each other. A parent's well – meaning advice can sound like nothing more than unnecessary preaching. How then do we reach our children through all the conflicting views and make the voice of reason be heard? Children today question choices and prefer to go with the flow.
6. What then is the best path to take? I would say the most important thing one can do is to listen. Listen to your children and their silences.
Ensure that you keep some time aside for them, insist that they share their stories with you. Step into their world. It is not as complicated as into it sounds; just a daily half an hour of quality time would do the trick.

2.1 **On the basis of your reading of the, above passage, answer the following; questions in**

30 -40 words each:

[2 × 4 = 8]

(a) Write one advantage and one disadvantage of allowing, every family member to part; of the decision-making process.

Ans. One advantage is that decision-making process promotes a sense of togetherness and bonding.
Disadvantage – It sometimes creates grumbling and confliction.

(b) In today's world, what are parents asking their kids?

Ans. In today's world, we empower our kids to take their own decisions from a very early age.

(c) Which two pieces of advice does the writer give to the parents?

Ans. The two pieces of advice

- (i) Listen to your children and their silences.
- (ii) Spent your time with your children and share your stories with you.

(d) The passage supports the parents. How far do you agree with the author's views? Support your view with a reason.

Ans. Yes, I agree that this passage supports the parents because twenty years before the decision was made by the head of the family and it promotes a sense of togetherness and bonding I agree with this view because children do not have the ability to take their own decisions properly. Sometimes it may be wrong.

2.2 On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following: [1 × 4 = 4]

(a) The synonym of 'hurt' as given in paragraph 2 is _____.

Ans. injured

(b) The word which means the same as 'a style or method of cooking' in paragraph 4 is

- (i) cuisine (ii) gourmet
(iii) gastric (iv) science

Ans. cuisine

(c) The antonym of 'agreeable' as given in paragraph 5 is _____.

Ans. conflicting

(d) The antonym of 'simple' as given in paragraph 6 is

- (i) difficult (ii) complicated
(iii) easy (iv) tricky

Ans. complicated

SECTION – B
(Writing & Grammar)

[30 Marks]

3. You are Divyansh/Divyanshi of C-25 Subhash Nagar, New Delhi. Recently, you purchased, a colour TV which is not working properly. Write a letter of complaint to Messrs Frontier Electronics Corporation, Karol Bagh, New Delhi asking for its immediate replacement. Invent necessary details. (100-150 words)

[8]

Ans. C-25 Subhash Nagar
New Delhi

26th February, 2020

The Sales Manager
Messrs Frontier Electronics Corporation
Karol Bagh, Delhi

Subject – Regarding the complain of colour TV.

Sir

This is with reference to the purchase of colour T.V set from your outlet against cash memo number 123 dated January 2nd. For about a month, it worked well. But about 15 days ago, the T.V. set started giving trouble. It is not working properly. Earlier there was sound problem detected in the set. I thought that it was due to a weak signal. But it recurred with more frequency. When I tried to adjust the knobs, the picture got blurred sometimes even the colours fade away.

Since the T.V set is within the warranty period of 2 years, you are requested to get the defects, rectified by your service engineer. In case the set is beyond repair, kindly get it replaced.

Hoping for early favourable action.

Your sincerely

Divyansh/Divyanshi

OR

You are Ankit/Ankita of Class X. You have seen an increasing craze among children for watching videos on the Internet, thereby wasting their time. Even the content may be inappropriate for their age. Write an article for your school magazine on 'Negative Impact of the Internet on Children' in 100-150 words using the hints given below: [8]

video craze — the Internet : waste of time — no physical activity — compromise health — diseases — content inappropriate — real and virtual world – guidance required.

Ans. Has the Internet Turned Modern Man into a Recluse ?

by Ankit/Ankita

Nowadays internet has become an essential element in a man's life. It gives us a platform to create our own virtual social space where we can upload or won information. But it has made man a recluse.

Gone are the days when internet was just a place to search some information. Social networking sites have revolutionized the meaning and use worldwide web. Now it's a great source to link and be in touch with those who are sitting miles apart geographically.

Addiction to these sites can affect our mental condition, sometimes it becomes a big reason of depression and tension. User's reliability is not sure. It's very hard to trust any stranger on these sites. It attacks many children and youth and plays with their emotions. They don't want to mix up with others. For them browsing on Internet is the only things in life. Other interests and considerations are secondary. It affects children's studies as they spend their valuable time on these sites and lose their interest in studies and concentration. Sometimes, it encourage many scams.

Though these sites have many adverse effects, yet these are an effective tool in communicating with millions of people and exchanging our views worldwide. We all need to change their use. The only thing we should understand is the boundary line. It is up to what limit these should be trusted and used.

4. Complete the following story in 150 – 100 words [10]

Rohit was driving a motorcycle. Suddenly a cow came in front of his bike. He applied the brakes but.....

Ans. As it was a Sunday morning, Rohit was in a joyous mood, he and his friends decided to go out for a motorcycle ride. Rohit was driving a motorcycle recklessly. Suddenly a cow came in front of his bike. He applied the brakes but he could not control. The bike skidded and biker slammed into a divider.

Cow was lying on the road bleeding for nearly 15 minutes, before some bystanders took it to a nearby hospital.

The cow could not be saved due to excessive loss of blood. Rohit was lamenting on his deed, just because of his entertainment he killed someones life. He realised that road users should be vigilant expect the unexpected !

OR

Taking help from the cues given below, develop a story in 150 – 200 words: [10]

A merchant returning home from a fair — passes through a jungle — over taken by rain — complains of bad weather — attacked by a robber — gunpowder wet — gun does not go off — merchant's life saved.

Ans. A Merchant and A Robber

One night, a rich merchant was returning home after a long day from a fair. He was taking back a very large sum of money. On his way, he found a shortcut. But it crossed the forest there live many robbers and goons. He went through anyways. The merchant got wet. The money was safe inside his bag. A robber was watching from behind the bushes. He attacked the merchant when the robber attempted to shoot, the gun powder got wet and so it did not fire. The merchant seeked his chance and escaped.

Moral – Whatever happens, happens alright.

5. Complete the paragraph given below by filling in the blanks choosing the correct options from those that follow: [1 × 4 = 4]

Success (a) life depends (b) good health. We can keep our bodies fit (c) keeping ourselves clean. We should not pick up the bad habit (d) smoking.

(a) (i) for (ii) in (iii) on (iv) at

Ans. in

(b) (i) .of (ii) in (iii) on (iv) because

Ans. on

(c) (i) by (ii) on (iii) in (iv) of

Ans. by

(d) (i) in (ii) on (iii) for (iv) of

Ans. of

6. The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error, in each line. Write the error and the correction in your answer-book against the correct blank number. [1 × 4 = 4]

The Earth is one of the eight planet that go around the Sun. In ancient times, the people who study the stars noticed that while certain heaven bodies seemed fixed in a sky, others seemed to move around.

(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

Error

Correction

Ans.

Error

Correction

(a) planet

planets

(b) study

studied

(c) heaven

heavenly

(d) a

the

7. Rearrange the following words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. [1 × 4 = 4]

(a) join / college / decided to / at the / I / thirty-five / age of

Ans. I decided to join college at the age of thirty-five.

(b) worried / to study / about / my ability / not / I was

Ans. I was not worried about my ability to study.

(c) confused teenager / not a / grown-up / was a / woman and / I

Ans. I was a grown-up woman and not a confused teenager.

(d) I realised / than me / the teenagers / very soon / that / were better

Ans. Very soon I realised that the teenagers were better than me.

SECTION — C (Literature)

8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow: [30 Marks]

[1 × 4 = 4]

The trees inside are moving out into the forest,
the forest that was empty all these days
where no bird could sit
no insect hide
no sun bury its feet in shadow
the forest that was empty all these nights
will be full of trees by morning.

(a) What are the trees trying to do?

Ans. The trees are trying to complete their mission of getting free from the boundaries of the house.

(b) Why was the forest empty?

Ans. The forest was empty because the human being have destroyed forest and they have tried to create a false nature in their house. Since the trees are imprisoned inside the houses.

(c) All these days, the forest referred to here was _____

(i) filled

(ii) empty

(iii) hidden

(iv) separated

Ans. empty

- (d) The figure of speech used in these lines is
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| (i) Simile | (ii) Alliteration |
| (iii) Personification | (iv) Metonymy |
- Ans.** Personification

OR

Ausable was, for one thing, fat. Very fat. And then there was his accent. Though he spoke French, and German passably, he had never altogether lost the American accent he had brought to Paris from Boston twenty years ago.

"You are disappointed," Ausable said wheezily over his shoulder.

- (a) Who is 'you' here?
- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| (i) Fowler | (ii) Ausable |
| (iii) Waiter | (iv) Max |

Ans. Fowler

- (b) Ausable was a native of _____.
- | | |
|----------------|--------------|
| (i) France | (ii) Germany |
| (iii) the U.S. | (iv) Sweden |

Ans. The U.S.

- (c) 'You' believed that Ausable was a _____.
- Ans.** Ausable was not a secret agent.

- (d) He spoke French like an _____.
- Ans.** American / Anglophone

9. **Answer any five of the following questions in 30- 40 words each:**

[2 × 5 = 10]

- (a) Why did Lencho's happy mood change into concern?
- Ans.** As Lencho had predicted the rain did come. At the meal time, it came in the form of big drops. Naturally, the rain gladdened his heart. He could see better prospects of a good crop. However, his happiness was short-lived. Suddenly, a strong wind began to blow. The rain turned into big hailstones. The falling of heavy ball of big hailstones for an hour completely destroyed everything— leaves, trees and the standing crops. Naturally, such a heavy loss put Lencho into a deep concern.
- (b) What did Nelson Mandela remember on the day of the inaugural ceremony?
- Ans.** He remembered the history — the birth Apartheid, its effect on his people and long fight for freedom. He remembered the freedom fighters that suffered and sacrificed for freedom. He also remembered what freedom meant to him at different stages of life and his hunger for freedom.
- (c) What vices in human beings does Whitman notice? (Animals)
- Ans.** Animals have a clear conscience. They are not confused or muddle-headed. Humans are ambitious, greedy and suffer from the mania of possessing and owning things. Their sins and misdeeds don't allow them to enjoy a sound sleep at night. They weep over their sins.
- (d) Why did Bholi dislike Bishamber?
- Ans.** Bholi's marriage was going to take place with Bishamber who himself was forty-five or fifty years old. He also limped and had two children from his first wife. Even then he demanded 5000 rupees as dowry. Bholi stopped the marriage by throwing away the garland in the fire. She threw away the veil and asked her father to take back the money and refused to marry Bishamber.
- (e) How did Richard Ebright's mother help him?
- Ans.** Ebright had a driving curiosity and a bright brain — essential ingredients for becoming a scientist. His mother encouraged him to learn more. She exposed him to the world around him by taking him to trips, bought him books, telescope, microscope, cameras, mounting materials and other equipment, which helped him in his learning.
- (f) In which queer way did Anil make a living?
- Ans.** Anil made a lot of money by fits and starts. He would borrow money this week and lend the following week. He would be tensed about the next pay cheque, but as and when he gets the cheque, he goes out and celebrates. He writes for magazines, which is the queer way of making money for his living. He also sells his books to publishers.

10. What lesson on death and suffering did the Buddha teach Kisa Gotami in the chapter, "The Sermon At Benares"? (100 - 150 words) [8]
- Ans.** Buddha said that death is common to all mortals. Those who are born must die one day. You cannot avoid it. Death is certain. As ripe fruits fall off the trees and meet an end so do the lives of the mortals. Life of a man is like an earthen pot that breaks and meets its end. No amount of weeping and lamenting can bring a dead back to life. So, wise men don't grieve. They understand that it is the law of nature. Also, weeping and lamenting bring no gains. It rather spoils one's health and gives more pain. If only you take out the arrow of lamentation and get composed you will get peace of mind. You overcome sorrow, become free of sorrow.

OR

- Ans.** Whenever we want to achieve something, difficulties always come in our way. What did Valli have to do to go and ride in a bus? (Madam Rides the Bus) (100 - 150 words) [8]
- It is a fact that we have to struggle much to achieve something but if we have a focused attention the difficulties wouldn't be there in our way. This is proved by Valli. Valli is a determined girl. When she wants to get something, she starts planning and achieves it with a determined mind. She plans to ride a bus one day, she finds out all the details about the bus, like the fare and time when it leaves for the town and comes back. She starts saving for the bus ride. She stops spending money on unnecessary things. She gathers the information about the bus and plans to ride it. She is not affected what the conductor says and what the woman sitting beside her says. However, she is affected by the death of a cow. Valli thus proves how we can achieve things.

11. We should be happy with what we have and should not crave for what we don't have. Matilda suffered in her life because she was not contented. Comment. (The Necklace) (100 -150 words) [8]
- Ans.** The story 'The Necklace' teaches us many lessons which form the crux of human values. The very first thing it teaches us is the need to be content in life. Matilda, though born into a family of clerks and married to a petty clerk with the Board of Education, remains unhappy. She suffers from the feeling that she is born for all delicacies and luxuries, but has to live miserably in 'poverty'. So, when she has to attend the office party with her husband, she asks him for money to get a new dress. Her husband sacrifices the money he has saved to buy a gun to get her the dress. Then also she is not content. She feels that she could look still more beautiful with a jewel. She thus borrows a necklace from her friend, thinking that it is made of diamonds. At the party, she remains elegant, gracious, smiling and absolutely happy. She was thus the prettiest of all. But this vanity is short-lived and is the beginning of all troubles in her life. She loses the necklace and she gets a new diamond necklace as its replacement by borrowing heavily. Subsequently, she is pushed to live in poverty as she slogs for ten years to save money to pay back the huge debt. Then the horrible reality frightens her. She realizes how her false pride has taken away her otherwise happy contented life. The story thus discusses the negative effects of pride and vanity and stresses the importance of being satisfied with what one has honestly, love and sacrifice.

OR

- Ans.** A brilliant scientist though he was, Griffin misused his scientific discovery. Illustrate this point by giving any two examples from the story. (Footprints without Feet) (100-150 words) [8]
- A true scientist is always law abiding. He does something useful for the man kind. The scientists study nature. So, the old name for a scientist was 'A Natural Philosopher'. A philosopher will never do such acts. These are like setting a house on fire, looting a shopkeeper or stealing cash. So, Griffin was not a philosopher. Therefore, he was not a true scientist either. One wonders why he did not put his discovery to some better use. He easily lost control on himself. But a scientist has to be very patient. In the end, he escapes like a criminal. These things show that he was certainly not like a true scientist.