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ENGLISH - CORE

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General Instructions:

Read the following instructions very carefully and strictly follow them.

- (i) This question paper contains **THREE** Sections - **READING, WRITING** and **LITERATURE**.
- (ii) Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each Part.

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SECTION - A

(Reading)

[14 Marks]

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : 8

- (1) Too many parents these days can't say no. As a result, they find themselves raising children who respond greedily to the advertisements aimed right at them. Even getting what they want doesn't satisfy some kids; they only want more. Now, a growing number of psychologists, educators and parents think it's time to stop the madness and start teaching kids about what's really important: values like hard work, contentment, honesty and compassion. The struggle to set limits has never been tougher and the stakes have never been higher. One recent study of adults who were overindulged as children, paints a discouraging picture of their future: when given too much too soon, they grow up to be adults who have difficulty coping with life's disappointments. They also have distorted sense of entitlement that gets in the way of success in the work place and in relationships.
- (2) Psychologists say that parents who over indulge their kids, set them up to be more vulnerable to future anxiety and depression. Today's parents themselves raised on values of thrift and self-sacrifice, grew up in a culture where 'no' was a household word. Today's kids want much more, partly because there is so much more to want. The oldest members of this generation were born in the late 1980s, just as PCs and video games were making their assault on the family room. They think of MP3 players and flat screen TVs as essential utilities, and they have developed strategies to get them. One survey of teenagers found that when they crave for something new; most expect to ask nine times before their parents give in. By every measure, parents are shelling out record amounts. In the heat of this buying blitz, even parents who desperately need to say no find themselves reaching for their credit cards.
- (3) What parents need to find, is a balance between the advantages of an affluent society and the critical life lessons that come from waiting, saving and working hard to achieve goals. That search for balance has to start early. Children need limits on their behavior because they feel better and more secure when they live within a secured structure.
- (4) Older children learn self-control by watching how others, especially parents act. Learning how to overcome challenges is essential to becoming a successful adult. Few parents ask kids to do chores. They think their kids are already overburdened by social and academic pressures. Every individual can be of service to others, and life has meaning beyond one's own immediate

Based on your understanding of the passage, answer any eight questions from the nine given below: $1 \times 8 = 8$

- (1) What is challenging for today's parents? 1
- Ans. To teach kids what is really important: values like hard work, contentment honesty, and compassion.

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(2) What will be the consequence of over indulging children? 1

Ans. The consequence of over indulging children:

They have a distorted sense of entitlement and have difficulty in coping with life's disappointments. They are more vulnerable to future anxiety and depression.

(3) Why do parents get caught in the buying blitz ? 1

Ans. Parents get caught in the buying blitz because of the repeated asking for them by children. Children keep on asking their parents many times, till they give in.

(4) How do children learn critical life lessons ? 1

Ans. Children learn critical life lessons by saving, waiting and working hard to achieve the goal.

(5) What is the impact of advertisements on children? 1

Ans. Children become greedy and dissatisfied.

They respond greedily to the advertisements. They are not satisfied to get what they want. They only want more.

(6) Why do children need limits on their behaviour ? 1

Ans. Children need limits on their behaviour because they feel better and more secure when they live within a secured structure means limits.

(7) How do older children learn self-control? 1

Ans. Children learn self-control by watching how others especially parents act.

(8) Find a word in the passage which means 'research'. (Paragraph 2) 1

Ans. Word which means research is Survey.

(9) Find a word in the passage which means 'wealthy'. (Paragraph 3) 1

Ans. The word which means wealthy is 'Affluent'.

2. Read the passage given below:

(1) Ratan, a global brand in Dairy products, works on a business model popularly known as, 'The Ratan Model'. This model aims to provide value for money to the customers and protect the interests of farmers simultaneously.

(2) The Ratan Model is a three-tiered structure that is implemented in its Dairy production: Firstly, Ratan acts as a direct link between milk producers and consumers that removes the middlemen. Secondly, farmers

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- (milk producers) control procurement, processing and marketing. Thirdly, it is a professionally managed organization.
- (3) One can understand the Ratan Model better by taking cognizance of Ratan's Target Audience', where it has targeted the mass market of India with no premium offerings and works on providing the best quality products at affordable prices.
- (4) So Ratan formulates its pricing policy on the low cost price strategy which has attracted a lot of customers in the past and it continues to do so.
- (5) Another stance used by Ratan's Target Audience is based on customer-wise targeting and industry wise targeting. This strategy divides the target audience on the following two bases:
- (6)

Segment wise break down of Customer-Based target Audience	
Customers	Ratan products
Kids	Chocolate, Ratan cool, Ratan milk.
Youth	Ratan Pizza Cheese, Cheese spread.
Health Conscious	Ratan Shakti, Ratan Lite, Butter.

The above table showcases how Ratan has a diversified customer base.

- (7) Industry Based Target Audience: Ratan has segmented milk for various industries such as ice-cream manufacturers, restaurants, coffee shops, and many similar industries. Further, it has segmented butter, ghee and cheese for bakeries, snack retailers, confectioneries, and many more.
- (8) The target audience study tells us that Ratan has a strong presence in both Business to Business and Business-to-Customers.
- (9) Ratan's marketing campaigns and strategies are implemented in a very attractive way. For example, the story of the 'Ratan Girl' is a popular 'ad' icon. It is a hand drawn cartoon of a young girl.

Based on your understanding of the passage answer any six out of the seven questions given below:

$$1 \times 6 = 6$$

- (i) What does "The Ratan Model" aim at?

1

Ans. The Ratan model aims to provide value for money to the customers and protect the interest of farmers simultaneously.

- (ii) In dairy production how many tiers are there?

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Ans. There are three tiers in dairy production. Firstly a direct link between milk Producers and Consumers; secondly, farmers i.e. milk producers controlling procurement, processing and marketing; thirdly it is a professionally managed organisations.

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(iii) Ratan acts as a direct link Explain. 1

Ans. Ratan acts as a direct link between will Producers and Consumers it means there are no middlemen, therefore he can give high quality at low price.

(iv) Ratan Target audience' is described as a diversified market. Explain with reference to the given table. 1

For Visually Impaired Candidates (in lieu of Q. No. iv)

Who controls procurement, processing and marketing? 1

Ans. Ratan has A diversifying customer base. It is clear from the table, Which shows segment wise breakdown of customer-baseD target audience of Ratan. He has Products for kids, youth as well as health conscious customers.

(v) Name the two basis on which Ratan divides the target audience. 1

Ans. Ratan divides the target audience in these two bases: 1. Customer-based target audience 2. Industry-based target audience.

(vi) In which two spheres does Ratan have a strong presence? 1

Ans. Ratan has a strong presence in both Business-to-Business and Business-to-Customer spheres.

(vii) Which is the most loved ad icon of Ratan ? 1

Ans. The most loved ad icon of Ratan is the Ratan girl, which a hand drawn cartoon of a Young Girl.

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SECTION - B

(Writing)

[8 Marks]

3. Mr. and Mrs. Dhanraj of Appletree Orchard, Nainital, are hosting a party on the occasion of the 21st birthday of their son, Vineet. Draft an invitation card giving details of the date, time and venue.

(Word limit: 50)

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Ans.

Mrs. & Mr. Dhanraj
Request the pleasure of your company
to celebrate the 21 st Birthday
of their Son
VINEET
On
19th December 20XX
At
Appletree Orchard, Nainital
From
6:30 P.M Onwards

R.S.V.P
Mr. Dhanraj
98296XXX00

With Best Wishes
All Friends & Relatives

4. Attempt any one from (A) and (B) given below:

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- (A) You are Samanvay/Sanvi. You came across the following advertisement in a national daily. Write an application in response to the advertisement. (in 120 to 150 words)

Applications are invited for the post of a nursery teacher in a reputed school of Delhi. The candidate must be qualified with at least 5 years experience of teaching pre-primary classes. He/She should be creative and innovative. Mention additional skills, interests and achievements. Interested candidates should apply to The Principal, Akashganga International School, within 10 days. with detailed bio-data.

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Ans.

92, Basant Vihar

New Delhi – 2

13th May 20XX

The Principal

Akashganga International School

Delhi -1

Subject: Application for the post of Nursery Teacher

Sir

This is in response to your advertisement in The Times of India of 12th May 20XX for the post of Nursery Teacher in your school. I wish to offer my candidature for the position mentioned above.

I have done B.A with N.T.T and have five years teaching experience in a reputed school training children of pre-primary classer. I am fluent in English and have computer knowledge.

My resume is enclosed herewith for your kind perusal and consideration.

If given an opportunity, I assure to work to the best of my ability. Anticipating a prompt response.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully

Sanvi Mishra

Encl : Resume

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RESUME

Name : Sanvi Mishra
Father's Name : Mr. Hiten Mishra
Date of Birth : 10th April 1996
Marital Status : Unarried
Educational Qualifications : B.A, NTT from Delhi University
Skills : Good Inter-personal skills 7 fluency in English
Achievement : Best teacher award at Sharma International School, Noida
Job Experience : 5 years of teaching pre-primary classes at Sharma International School, Noida
Permanent Address : 92 Basant Vihar, New Delhi -2
Languages known : English & Hindi
Salary Expected : As per norms
Email I.D : sanvi_mishra1996@gmail.com
Reference : 1. Devesh Soni – 97758XXX00
Principal – Sharma International School, Noida
2. Mr. Kamal Singh Chauhan – 96685XX001
HOD – English, Delhi University

OR

- (B) You are Akshat/Akshita working as a news correspondent for the "The Morning Star" at Mumbai. You are invited by the organizer to cover the much-awaited programme on the legendary singer - Lata Mangeshkar. Playback singers from Bollywood sang many of her memorable songs. Smt. Kala Choudhary, Secretary, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting was the Chief Guest for the occasion. Write a report for the newspaper in 120-150 words mentioning date, time, venue, participants and audience response.

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Ans.

MELODIOUS MUSICAL EVENING

(By Akshita, Staff Correspondent, The Morning Star)

Mumbai, 16th April, 20XX: A melodious musical Evening was held at Gandhi Auditorium, Mumbai on 15th April. The program was to pay homage to the legendary melodious queen Late Lata Mageshkar. The chief guest of the program was Smt. Kala Choudhary, Secretary, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. The program initiated with garlanding the portrait of the legendary singer Lata Mangeshkar. The auditorium was jam packed with enthusiastic music lovers. Many famous singers including Sunidhi Chauhan, Alka Yagnik, Sonu Nigam and others gave their best performances. They sang Songs of the Golden period sung by the greatest Smt. Lata Mangeskar. The audience requested some songs too. The patriotic song, 'Ae mere vatan ke logo' mesmerized the audience and aroused patriotic feelings. Everyone present were enthralled with the performances. It was a memorable evening for all

SECTION - C

(Literature)

[18 Marks]

5. Attempt any five of the six questions given below, within 40 words each. $2 \times 5 = 10$

(i) Why was the peddler surprised at the hospitality he received from the crofter? 2

Ans. The peddler was a poor rattrap seller. Everybody treated him badly and looked upon him as an unacceptable human being. No one has ever treated him with kindness and compassion and so, he had lost faith in humanity. But when he knocked at the crofter's door, he was surprised to receive the warm welcome and the generous hospitality shown by the crofter to him.

(ii) How did the Champaran incident bring about a change in the plight of the peasants? 2

Ans. Gandhiji got justice to the poor sharecroppers of Champaran. Indigo sharecropping disappeared. The poor peasants realised they could fight for their rights and they had defenders. Gandhiji also uplifted the socio-economic backwardness of Champaran. He improved literacy level and miserable health conditions in Champaran. They peasants also learned the lesson of self reliance.

(iii) What is the significance of the image "Massive weight of uncle's wedding band" in the poem 'Aunt Jennifer's Tigers'? 2

Ans. The image of wedding band suggests that not only was the emotional and physical pressures of her married life bowed Aunt down but she is also suppressed by the weight of the wedding band which symbolizes the male dominated society. It has put her under a lot of stress and had curbed her freedom and happiness during her lifetime.

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(iv) What are the things that cause suffering and pain? (A Thing of Beauty). 2

Ans. The things that cause suffering and pain are; despondence (dejection, misery, gloom of deprived people), of the inhuman death i.e., lack of noble natures (people with good nature), of the gloomy days (unfortunate circumstances), of all the unhealthy and over-darkened ways (detrimental and harmful), dark spirits (depraved, evil and immoral people) and the hot season.

(v) Derry says "I'm not afraid ... people are afraid of me." Why does he make this comment about himself? 2

Ans. Derry feels people stare at him and avoided to talk about his face.

He felt when people looked at him, and wondered, 'Here's a boy.' They look at me and then they see his face and think. 'That's bad. That's a terrible thing. That's the ugliest thing I ever saw.' They think, he is a 'Poor boy.' Underneath, they are afraid, like he is of himself when he looks in the mirror and sees himself.

(vi) Why do you think the wizard tolerated the beating and agreed to the mother's demand? 2

Ans. The wizard tolerated the beating of mother skunk. The wizard realised his mistake of changing the original odour into rosy smell. The wizard understood the adult's perspective. He realised that the mother Skunk was right in retaining one's individuality and one's identity.

6. Answer any two of the following in about 120-150 words each. $4 \times 2 = 8$

(i) The objects of beauty remove the gloom from our lives. Discuss with reference to the poem 'A Thing of Beauty'. 4

Ans. Every human being shares a special bond with the beautiful things that surround him. Though the world is a beautiful place to live in there are lots of suffering and pain too. Man lives for beauty experiences it and seeks it forever. The poet thinks that in spite of innumerable reasons to become depressed or gloomy, one has the choice to enjoy the bounties of nature and be happy. Man and nature are bound to be together and enjoy each others company.

The poet believes that nature is like beautiful flowers and we should wreath them into a flowery band and it can keep us connected to the mother earth. According to the poet, it also means that we get attached to the beautiful things around us and weave a pretty band which binds us with our life, it becomes the reason for us to live. It is this beauty, the creation of God, which removes the sadness and darkness from our mind and soul.

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- (ii) Give an account of the blunders committed by the prison authorities in the story 'Evan's Tries an O' level. 4

Ans. The prison staff was negligent towards Evans because when the prison authorities have taken a lot of precautions, how was it so easy for Evans to escape it? The first instance where the negligence is shown is when Officer Jackson sees Evans wearing a hat but doesn't ask him to remove it. The hat concealed Evans' clipped hair which he made to impersonate McLeery.

Next, the prison staff does not verify McLeery's identity when he entered the prison. Then, the staff doesn't recognize Evans impersonating McLeery. All this helps him to escape prison easily. The 2 calls were also not properly verified. At the end, though the Governor is able to catch him red-handed at the capital, Evans escapes once again, and this time audaciously in the prison van. Therefore, it proves that it is sheer negligence on the part of the prison staff that helps Evans to escape

- (iii) How was Gandhi able to influence the lawyers ? Give instances 4

Ans. Gandhiji met the lawyers and asked them what would they do if he was sent to jail. Initially, the lawyers concluded that if Gandhiji was sent to jail, they would have no one to help and advise for which they had come. In that case, they would go back home. But Gandhiji asked them what would happen to the injustice done to the sharecroppers. They then realised that if Gandhiji, being a stranger, was ready to go to jail against the injustice to the peasants, they themselves could not bear going away. They told Gandhiji they were all prepared to court arrest if he was sent to jail. The lawyers thus were now ready to help the peasants willingly. Hence, Gandhiji said "The battle of Champaran is won."

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