

17. What, according to Orwell, is the taste of the reading public ?
18. What are Barker's suggestion for a happy married life ?

V. Attempt any TWO of the following Groups : (2 × 10 = 20)

**GROUP - A**

19. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :

Three months later reduced ..... skin and bone and ..... a right arm then looked as though it could never be used. Natwar crawled ..... the hut ..... our cottage to say good bye ..... us.

**GROUP - B**

20. Fill up the blanks with suitable articles :

“You say, your hair is gone ?” he said with ..... air of disbelief. At last he realised ..... truth. He kissed Della. He drew ..... package from his overcoat pocket and threw it upon ..... table. .... really affectionate couple !

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Maximum : 100 Marks

I. Annotate any FOUR of the following, choosing TWO from each Group :

(4 × 5 = 20)

**GROUP - A**

1. Water in a landscape may be compared to the eyes in a human face. It reflects the mood of the hour, being bright and gay when the sun shines, turning to dark and gloomy when the sky is overcast.

**Turn over**

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2. It would be impossible to experience a similar set of sensations in any other circumstances unless in attempting to go up to the top of St. Pauls in an omnibus.
3. In those days a letter was an event.
4. I am sure it was a great story for the press and for the sports fans throughout the world, but personally it made me very nervous.

**GROUP - B**

5. It's a grand dinner for the day. And I'm fair famished with hunger.
6. Yet it is fairly easy to sell Dickens just as it is always easy to sell Shakespeare.
7. "It's all right, it's all right; I was only thanking my Maker".
8. It is palisaded off for that brief time Adam and Eve in a garden from which they must necessarily depart not because they have done any wrong but because "Time's winged Chariot" comes and carries them off.

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*II. Attempt an essay on any ONE of the following : (1 × 20 = 20)*

9. Why does C.V. Raman say that water is the elixir of life?
10. Describe how Mrs. Packletide's big game of shooting ended.
11. What, according to CEM Joad, are the merits and demerits of our civilization?

*III. Attempt any ONE of the following :*

*(1 × 20 = 20)*

12. Narrate A.J. Cronin's story 'Resurrection'.
13. How does Trevelyan stress the importance of historical knowledge?
14. What does Robert Lynd suggest to avoid disappointments in life?

*IV. Attempt an essay on any ONE of the following : (1 × 20 = 20)*

15. Describe Dickens' journey to Niagara.
16. Narrate the story of Haria's bravery.

**Turn over**

**GROUP - C**

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*(Change into passive voice)*
22. Selvi reads the newspaper.  
*(Change this into a question)*
23. Meena is an intelligent student.  
*(Add a question tag)*
24. A lady wrote to her husband, "I write to you because I have nothing to do. I finish because I have nothing to say".  
*(Change into indirect speech)*
25. Kavitha ..... (go) to school daily.  
*(Use the correct tense of the verb)*
26. Study well. You will get good marks.  
*(Use 'If')*
27. The box is too heavy to lift for me.  
*(Use so ..... that ..... not)*
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*(Change into positive)*
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