

(b) Answer the following : (any **three**) **3×5=15**

- (i) "Enjoy the things of the earth by renouncing them is a noble percept." — Explain this statement.
- (ii) What is the authors advice to resolve the paradox of life in "Two Trulths to Live By ?"
- (iii) What according to Krishnamurti is the meaning of freedom ?
- (iv) How does Mulk Raj Anand state the importance of English in "Importance of English ?"
- (v) Why are great books inenhaustible sources of enlightenment ?

2 Write short notes on : (any **two**) **2×6=12**

- (i) The Conjuror's Revenge
- (ii) Two Truths to line by
- (iii) Krishnamurtis ideas of freedom
- (iv) The Ant and the Grasscropper.

3 Comprehension : **5×2=10**

Read the following passage and answer any five questions.

A Dangerous Voyage

So, they made a boat out of a newspaper and placed the soldier inside it, and set him floating down the gutter. The two boys ran by his side, clapping their hands. Bless us and save us ! What waves there were in the gutter and what a strong current ! It was, to be sure, at high water, owing to the rain. The paper boat rocked up and down and sometimes whirled round so fast that the lead soldier trembled; yet he remained at his post, made no faces, looked straight before him and shouldered his gun. On a sudden, the boat shot under a long bridge that lay across the gutter, where it was as dark as in his bon.

— Hans Andersen : Fairy Tales

Questions :

- (i) Who made the boat ?
- (ii) Who was placed in the boat ?
- (iii) Where did the boat sail ?
- (iv) What was the cause of the waves and the strong current ?
- (v) Why did the soldier tremble ?
- (vi) Was he frightened ? How can you tell ?
- (vii) Were the boys pleased ? How do you know ?
- (viii) What change took place when the boat went under a long bridge ?

4 Write an essay on any **one** of the following : **10×1=10**

- (i) Environmental pollution
- (ii) Advertising
- (iii) Crusade against corruption.

5 Do as directed : (any **elevan**) **11×1=11**

- (i) The cat (run) after the mice.
(Give the right form of verb given in the bracket)
- (ii) "Bravo ! you have played very well." said the teacher to the Cricket captain.
(Report the sentence in indirect speech)
- (iii) Teach me to sing.
(Use Gerund)
- (iv) Only a fool would talk like that.
(Change the sentence in a negative form)
- (v) She is _____ happier than she was.
(Very much)
- (vi) I have no acquaintance _____ that person.
(Fill in the blanks with appropriate preposition)

(vii) Milton the great English poet was blind.

(Punctuate the sentence)

(viii) I want _____ food.

(some, any)

(ix) He is _____ honourable person.

(Insert the article)

(x) Rich _____ help poor and helpless.

(should, must)

(xi) Use the phrase in your own sentence :

to grow red in the face

(xii) He has worked here _____ four years.

(for, since)

(xiii) Isn't it a dandy, Jim ?

(Answer in short)

(xiv) I don't feel any relief even after a holiday.

(Use question tag)
