Time : 2½ Hours   Maximum Marks :60

Instructions to Candidates:

    1)   Read all the instructions carefully and write answers.

    2)   Write the question numbers correctly.

SECTION - A
(Work Book-40)

I.   **Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it:**   (5×1=5)

If we examine the lives of great men-scientists, philosophers or sages-we find that the key to their success is in practice. They dedicate themselves to practising their calling with such sincerity and devotion that success is guaranteed in whatever they take up. Even in daily life, practice is essential to be able to achieve anything. For example, a student must practice his lessons in order to pass the exams. In fact, it is through practice that we have mastered the ability to walk and write, so much so that we do not feel the strain any more.

Repeated action creates a habit. We can cultivate good habits through repeated good acts and give up bad habits by using our will-power. Habits influence our mind and nervous systems in such a way that they become a part of our nature, our character. If you want to know a man, study his habits. Once we have formed undesirable habits, then it is very difficult get over them or change them. Yet, all is not lost. Difficult activities such as swimming, cycling, and so on become easy after regular practice. Similarly, other acts and habits can be modified with practice, patience and perseverance. Many are not aware of the tremendous power of practice.

                               (From : Effective Life Management)

1.   What is the key to the success of great men?

2.   How does a student benefit from practice?

3.   Which are the ways to cultivate good habits?

4.   Mention the three important Ps required to modify habits, as mentioned in the passage.

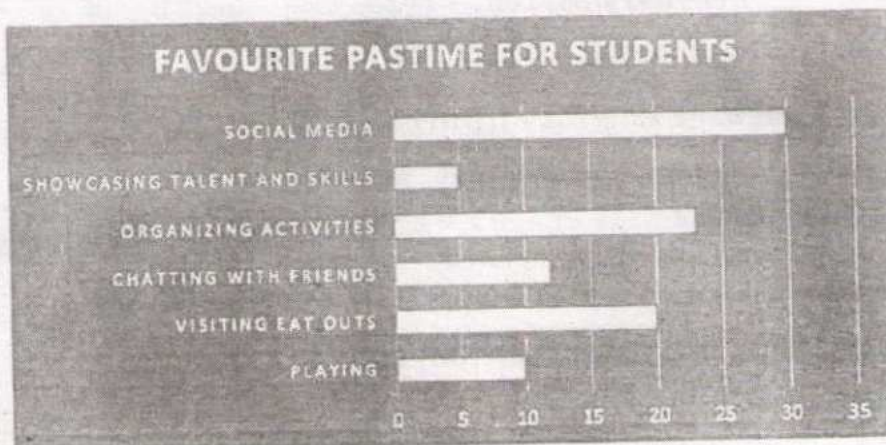5.   Suggest a suitable title for the passage.

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II. The following bar graph shows the percentage of favourite pastime of students. Carefully read the data and answer the questions set on it.   (5)

FAVOURITE PASTIME FOR STUDENTS

1. The Graph comprises of _____ parts.

     a)   6

     b)   4

     c)   5

2. Which is the most popular pastime among the students?

3. _____ is the third most loved activity of students.

4. According to this data, students are not so interested in showcasing their talent. True/False.

5. The difference in percentage of organizing activities and visiting eat outs is

     a)   Less

     b)   More

     c)   None

III. **Answer the following questions on Listening Skills:**   (3×1=3)

1. What is Listening Skill?

2. Mention any two types of Listening.

3. A classroom lecture is an example for Content Listening. True/False.

IV. **Do as directed:**   (5×2=10)

1. Introduce your father to your English teacher.

2. Request your principal to offer installment facility for fee payment.

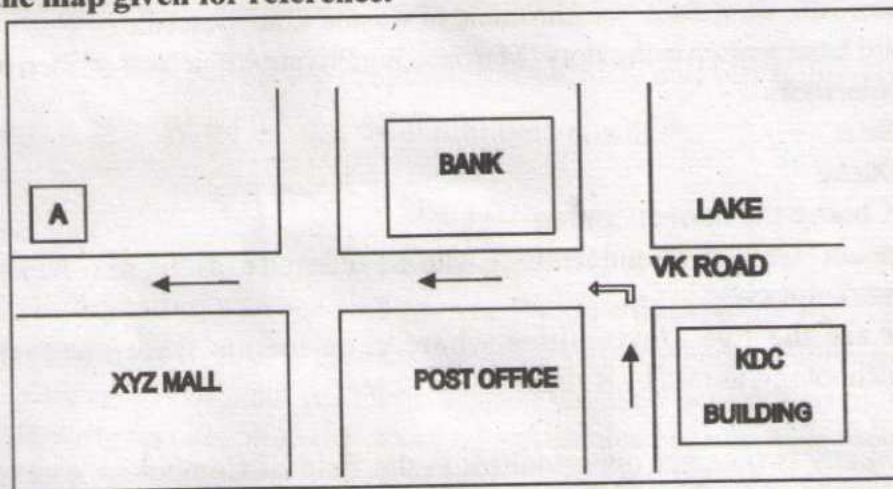3. Congratulate your friend on getting selected to a reality show.

4. Enquire the Manager at the bank about how to open an account?

5. Seek permission from your class teacher to participate in a quiz competition.

V. A) Give instructions to your friend to fill the college admission application form. (5)

(OR)

Give instructions to your father on how to withdraw cash from the ATM?

B) Give directions to a passer - by to reach point A from KDC Building. Look at the map given for reference. (2)

VI. Do as directed:

1. Frame questions so as to get the underlined word/s as the answer: (3)

   a) <u>Hema</u> is writing a poem.

   b) Sandhya was the captain of the college cricket team <u>last year</u>.

   c) Amjad enjoys <u>listening to music</u> in the evening.

2. Add suitable question tags to the following sentences: (2)

   a) Chandana is not coming to fest._____?

   b) Jay Chand would be coming next month._____?

3. Fill in the blanks with suitable options given in the brackets: (3)

   a) Aishwarya_____(love/loves) attending classes.

   b) Vinutha and Stallin _____(has/have) scored distinction in the University exams.

   c) You_____(are/is) looking handsome.

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4. Use the correct form of the word given in the brackets and fill in the blanks:

(2)

   a) Varun treated the pet with _____ (kind).
   b) I thank you _____ (sincere) for your guidance.

SECTION - B
(Course Book-20)

VII. Answer any Five of the following in a word or a phrase or a sentence each: (5×1=5)
   1. Why was Ashoke against appointing Santoshi as a house maid in 'Acceptance'?
   2. In sonnet 106, what does 'the chronicle of wasted time' describe?
   3. The third letter written in the story 'Marriage is a Private Affair' was written by _____
      a) Nnaemeka
      b) Nene
      c) Okeke
      (Choose the correct option)
   4. In the poem ' On Buying and Selling', who are referred to as 'barren - handed people' in the marketplace?
   5. Which are the two Universities where experiments were conducted using nano-technology, as told by Kalam?
   6. Mention any two career opportunities in the field of Computers, as explained in 'Freedom and Choice'?

VIII. Answer any ONE of the following in about a page or 100 words:

(1×5=5)

   1. Briefly narrate Santoshi's background in 'Acceptance'?
   2. What were the words of advice given by the speaker to the merchants at the marketplace in Khalil Gibran's poem?
   3. How does 'Freedom and Choice' throw light on various career options available for today's generation?

IX. Answer any ONE of the following in about two pages or 200 words:

(1×10=10)

   1. 'Marriage is a Private Affair' can be understood through the three letters written by the characters in it. Explain.
   2. William wordsworth says, "...Have eyes to wonder, but lack tongues to praise". Elaborate this line with reference to Sonnet 106.
   3. How does Abdul Kalam highlight the importance of Biodiesel Conference?

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