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English

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Section-A

1-1.

a) A gentleman was repeatedly picking up starfish along a beach in Mexico. He was throwing them into the sea because the starfish had come on the beach with the high tide and ^{later} when the tide had receded, they ~~would~~ ^{would} most probably have died if the man had not thrown them back into the sea.

b) He made a difference by saving the life of a starfish and made a difference in its life. It is not the big things only that really count in life.

c) When Gandhiji realised that one of his 'chappals' fell down from his foot, he dropped the other chappal too.

d) He ~~offer~~ On being asked why he did so, he replied, "One chappal is of no use to me, nor to him who finds the dropped one. So he might as well have the full pair". He offered this explanation for his act.

e) This incident shows that nothing was too insignificant for Gandhiji and he believed that small things can make a big difference in the lives of others. It also showed he cared for others' well-being.

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f) Even one person can change the world. He may not be able to do a whole lot physically to change the world, but that person has the power to inspire and set an example for others which may affect the outcome of any situation.

1.2. a) recede

b) insignificant

2. The poet says a man with small wishes, staying in his own a) native land leads a life full of b) content. All his basic requirements like food and clothing are fulfilled & in his own village by his c) fields and animals. He is lucky to lead life at its own pace and enjoy good d) health and peace of e) mind.

3. a) According to the writer, the mistake all parents make is to forget to provide their children self-worth.

b) Giving a label to the child is the biggest damage because the child will identify himself by not what he feels he is, but by the label given to him by his parents. It will be the ultimate truth of his life. If parents tell him he is a clown, he will be a clown.

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- c) The essential fact that should always be remembered by the parents is that every child is ~~is~~ unique. Each child has his own set of qualities, so there is no question of comparison. Parents' love will nurture the child's self-worth.
- d) One can boost the self-esteem of a child by appreciating them whenever they do something right. Parents must create opportunities to boost the self-esteem of children and enroll them to the recreation of their choice and praise them on their progress.
- e) Parents must give their children the gift of self-worth, love and care. They must do little things to make the children feel cherished.

Section - B.

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MESSAGE

25th February 2019

11:35 am

Dear Priyanka

In your absence, I received a phone call from your classmate Amrita. She said that you have her class notes and as she wants to prepare for the test which is going upcoming test, she wants you to return them as today itself. I was in a hurry and so left you this message.

Shrueta

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Care of the Elderly

—By XYZ

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"The old that is strong does not wither, deep roots are not reached by the frost." Rome was not built in a day and neither are relationships. A relationship is a close bond and it takes time and at times it may be insidious. It is possible by inhibiting and limiting the myriad shuffles ~~to~~ that are quite banal in the process.

Intergenerational solidarity is presumptory in the contemporary society. Youngsters often abandon their parents when they grow up and this has engendered the rise of nuclear families. They are ~~an~~ immune to the throes of their parents and feel the need for freedom. The parents who were once the light of their life have been replaced and they (the juvenile) consider them as a white elephant. To all intents and purposes, parents ^{have} become ~~non~~ evanescent in their bellicose and contumacious mind which ~~has~~ ^{has} become beleaguered with visions full of ambition, cupidity and ^{hence} there hardly is any place left for parents in their mind as well as their heart. The wretched elderly look back fondly at the past and lament their present much like the 'The solitary reaper'.

a look. It ~~is~~ helps to engender the values of perseverance, teamwork, morality and also a love for nature. Not to mention the fact that it improves health and is a succour for battling the stress of school. Sports is a means of nourishing one's body, mind and soul and rejuvenates the entire being. Negative qualities like self-consciousness and the dog-in-manger policy attitude is ~~rendered~~ almost eradicated by sports. It also boosts the self-esteem and confidence of students.

"A stumble may prevent a fall." It's is high time for schools to ~~are~~ lay the cornerstone for the development of games and sports. I do think that it is inexpedient for schools to not do this because ~~even~~ if you come to think of it, a life devoid of sports is so anodyne and ~~is~~ plaintive. ~~People~~ Playing sports will result in many serendipitous discoveries for you and it will be nothing less than beatific rhapsody. Well, after all, the fire of soul is kindled at the taper of conviviality. Sports also promote holistic development of students.

I entreat you to be the Hermes of this article and publish it in your esteemed newspaper. I would be inordinately grateful to you.

Thanking you
Yours faithfully
XYZ Akshita

The curious youth surging with alacrity always question the need to care for the elders. This is the most repugnant and idiotic question someone can ask. They need care and love because they have made sacrifices for the children and have taken care of them. ~~B. F. M.~~ Youngsters can never imagine what it feels like to be tumbled in the dock. Everyone needs a sense of belongingness and a reparation for what they have lost. Everyone wants to be loved and cared for. Furthermore, it is just the right thing to do as a human. ~~No~~

Work together with elders and spend time with them. It would be conivial to learn something from each other and ~~put~~ inueigh all sorts of negative emotions. It is never too late and ~~use~~ one must remember the lines by T. S. Eliot:

For last year's words belong to last year's language
And next year's words await another voice
And to make an end is to make a beginning.

Smiling and appreciating elders instead of picking them to pieces can do wonders. Express ~~you~~ Sometimes love can be expressed in the most idiosyncratic and mundane ways. ~~It~~

Section - c

- 7.
- a) satisfies
 - b) informed
 - c) to find
 - d) expressing
 - e) making the citizens
 - f) are watchdogs

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8	<u>Incorrect word</u>	<u>Correct word</u>
a)	say	says
b)	employs	employ
c)	method	methods
d)	then	than
e)	in	on
f)	made	make

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- 9.
- a) This Himalayan kingdom has undergone a great change.
 - b) This mystical mountain nation is a trekker's paradise.
 - c) Kathmandu is a delightful place that attracts many tourists.

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- 10 a) is deiled
b) are added
c) is stirred
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- 11 a) has
b) take
c) who
d) from
e) on
gmvf) will

Section - D

12. a) The poet is 'Sarojini Naidu'.

b) 'Shining loads' refers to ^{the} bangles that are being sold by bangle sellers.

c) Bangle sellers are taking their 'shining loads' (bangles) to the temple fair to sell them as selling them is a means of livelihood for them.

d) The literary device used in the last line is metaphor.

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13. a) Mrs. Jane Hill is the speaker of the above extract.

b) Annie, their ~~servant~~ cook in Mr. Hill's household is being talked about in the above line.

c) This here refers to firing Annie. after she had been working for the Hills for twenty years and firing her would be a type of betrayal. Firing Annie just because she was not a good cook seemed to be against all the canons of morality. They also intended to give her two or three months to find a new job. Therefore this refers to 'removing Annie from service because she is a bad cook and giving her time to find a job'.

d) The above lines depict that Mrs. Hill is a kind-hearted, understanding, empathetic and considerate lady.

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14) a) The children who are singing the 'The Children's song' are very patriotic and caring towards their Motherland. They strive to be worthy of their Motherland and pledge to work hard, be kind and brave for their country. They have an ingenuity as well as maturity when speaking about their country and they are very proud of it. They are ready to sacrifice themselves and want to grow up to be worthy and of their Motherland. This also gives the idea that they want to be fearless and independent.

b) The disappearance of the flower ring upset Mr. Rignier because it was the most beautiful ring set in the shape of a flower with diamonds and rubies. He had deliberately set a high price on it as he did not really want to sell it. It was a piece of his collection that he loved as much as he loved his children. Then again, the ring was costly and he would have to answer for its disappearance to the Insurance Company.

c) Swami couldn't deliver the letter to the Headmaster even after school because the Headmaster had gone on leave and was not available at that moment. The Assistant Headmaster was none other than Samuel who was the subject of Swami's letter. Giving the letter to Samuel would not be a clever move on Swami's part.

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d) The narrator was worried when they were waiting for the asparagus to be cooked because he was dubious whether he would have enough money to pay the bill. It would be mortifying to find himself ten francs short and he obliged to borrow from his guest and it would be more awkward if she didn't have enough money either. He then started thinking of ways he ~~was~~ could evade paying the bill like pretending his wallet had been picked.

e) The narrator and Balder had studied together when they were eight or nine years old. The teacher had assigned the narrator to give Balder lessons as he was fat, strong and dull while the narrator was intelligent. Where the teacher's cane failed, the narrator's ~~teacher~~ sympathetic approach soon yielded results and Balder was well up in his studies. After the school closed down they all parted but they met each other a few times after that.

f) One who follows the path of truth can never be wrong. Fear is the consequence of every lie and if one is honest one will ~~be~~ be fearless because the truth has the power over a lie. A truth can never be suppressed and one who follows the path of truth ~~is~~ will always be suspected by others. A truth can never be doubted and the same applies to the person who is honest. A person can reach ~~to~~ his/her goal and come by following the right path and by fair means. A suspicious person can never conceal the reality for long and eventually ~~she~~ realizes his mistake.

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15. Monday

25th February 2019

11:30 p.m

Today I feel as if I ~~had~~ had been waiting for this moment for twenty years. I met that disgusting lady today at the theatre. If somebody had not mentioned her name, I wouldn't have recognised her. She weighs \approx twenty one stone or more and she ~~is~~ looks old and repulsive (though she wouldn't admit it).

That is the fruit of her repugnant habits and I had the Epiphany of my revenge after all this time. Vengeance is rather sweet, don't you think? I would never forget the time when she asked me to luncheon and burned a large, discrete hole in my wallet. I remember that I had to borrow money from my friend that time. She did have a gigantic appetite and I thanked God that she didn't ask anything after the coffee. I was quite sentient of the fact that she spent eighty francs (my whole month's savings) that afternoon.

A prudent child dreads the fire. I never forget that day and today as I watched her looking so gauche and concomitant with the contempt that other people ^{felt} as they talked to her, you may proselytize the fact that all's well that ends well. I do welcome the sense of satisfaction that inhabits me right now.