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Marks: 20

Duration: 1hr

*Instructions:*

- i. *Question paper consists of questions 1 to 8*
- ii. *All questions are compulsory.*
- iii. *Figures to the right indicate marks allotted to each question.*

Q.1 Rewrite the following sentence, after selecting the most appropriate synonym for the underlined word. (01)

1. The family encountered a host of unforeseen problems during the restoration of their old house.

- a. Occurred
- b. Seen
- c. Confronted

Q. 2 Complete the statement in not more than 10- 15 words (01)

1. According to Milkha Singh India has a strange way of honoring its stars

Q. 3. Answer the following question in not more than 25- 30 words. (02)

1. What was Milkha Singh's religion and his source of inspiration?

Q. 4. Answer the following questions in not more than 10-15 words.

No nightingale did ever chant

More welcome notes to weary bands

Of travelers in some shady haunt,

Among Arabian sands:

1. What does the nightingale song do? (01)
2. Name and explain the poetic device in the last line? (01)

Q. 5. Answer the following question in not more than 25-30 words. (02)

1. What drew the attention of the Poet towards the Reaper?

Q. 6. Rewrite each of the following sentences according to the instructions given in the brackets. (02)

1. Yesterday a blue line bus \_\_\_\_\_ (run) over a schoolboy who \_\_\_\_\_ (cross) the road. (Fill in the blanks with the appropriate tense form provided in the brackets)

2. Rehan came to office to submit \_\_\_\_\_ application. (Insert appropriate determiner) (this, an, the, a)

Q. 7. Read the passage given below.

Surveillance has increased manifold since the 9/11 terror attacks on the World Trade Centre in the U.S. This increase in surveillance today shapes the relationship between the state and the individual. The state keeps an eye on its citizens, thereby positing each citizen as a potential wrong doer. For instance, the proliferation of the CCTV cameras in streets, restaurants and in every imaginable public space. Infact, the camera need not even be functional in order to make the citizens behave themselves – its mere presence is enough to scare the citizens into submission. Such is the power of the mere potential of surveillance.

Surveillance studies have shown that these techniques might not be always too effective, citizens might feign decent behaviour in order to avoid themselves from getting into a tussle with the law of the land. But it does not assure the state of the reformation in the attitude of the citizens. It is a mere eyewash. It works only when the citizen truly desires to transform his or her attitude and adopt decency in all walks of life.

The act of constant surveillance makes the state a voyeur – a person who derives pleasure from watching events unfold in a secretive manner. And this is an unhealthy proposition!

Questions:

A. Based on your reading and comprehending the above passage, answer the questions given below in complete sentences.

- a. What is the effect of the state's surveillance on the individual? (01)
- b. Does the CCTV need to be functional all the time? (01)
- c. Why is surveillance not effective always? (01)
- d. When is surveillance effective? (01)

B. Choose and rewrite the correct meaning of the word given below, from the alternative provided. (01)

Constant

- a. interrupted
- b. changing
- c. Invariable

C. The alternative provided are words from the passage, choose the alternative that best matches the meaning given below. Rewrite (01)

Multiply

- a. Reformation
- b. Proposition
- c. Proliferation

Q. 8. Write a descriptive paragraph on the most unpleasant incident in your life ( 50 words ) (04)