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STANDARD – XII

Subject – English

Marks -50

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Time – 9.00 am – 11.30 am

Section A: Prose

Q1 A. Read the following paragraph and complete the activities given below. 12

So a huge amount of data is collected. Let me give you an idea of how huge the data might be. Big Data can be petabytes or exabytes of data consisting of billions to trillions of records of millions of people- all from different sources, for example web, sales, customer contact centre, social media, mobile data and so on. The data available to industries and companies is enormously increasing in volume, variation, velocity, veracity and value. Such a Big Data is easy to obtain but so massive that it challenges the current computing technologies and hence Big Data analytics is used to give insights that were previously incomprehensible. Big Data analytics is the complex process of examining large and varied data sets or Big Data to uncover information- such as hidden patterns, unknown correlations, market trends and customer preferences. With such a huge data available with the industries they can have innumerable advantages hence all the industries are trying to reap the maximum benefit from it. Many industries have advanced by miles from their competitors. It's not the amount of data that is important but what the organizations do with the data is what matters. Uses of Big Data 1. Location Tracking: Big Data has been useful in identifying and tracking the exact location of a place. Your GPS and Google Maps make use of Big Data. With geographic positioning and radio frequency identification sensors we get the real-time data about traffic, congestion on a particular route, information if the route is closed or if it is a one-way route, understanding accident prone areas etc. You can plan your own route according to the travel time and the transportation of goods. If you have ordered something online you can track the location of your goods in transit, you can also track the condition of the goods. This has immensely helped the logistics companies to reduce risks in transport, improve speed and reliability in delivery.

A1. Global understanding

(2)

Read and rewrite the following sentences and state whether they are True or False.

- (i) Big data is easy to obtain but so massive that it challenges the current computing technologies.
- (ii) Analytics is a simple process of examining large and varied data sets.
- (iii) Huge data is available with the industries they can have innumerable advantages.
- (iv) Big data has been useful in identifying and tracking the history of location.

A2. Complex Factual (2)

Choose and rewrite the two correct statements from the following.

- (i) Big data analytics give insight like never before.
- (ii) The companies find it difficult to survive with such data.
- (iii) Our journey is made comfortable using big data.
- (iv) Movement of goods is affected by following big data.

A3. Analyse (2)

Complete the following sentences.

Big data has made the human life more comfortable because it has...

- (i)
- (ii)

A4. Personal Response (2)

Do you think that our personal data is always safe? Support your answer.

A5. Language Study (2)

Do as directed.

1) If you have ordered something online you can track the location of your goods in transit.

(Choose the correct alternative in which 'unless' is used properly.)

(i) Unless you have order something online, you can track the location of your goods in transit.

(ii) Unless you have ordered something online, you can track the location of your goods in transit.

(iii) Unless you order something online you can track the location of your goods in transit.

(iv) Unless you have ordered something online, you cannot track the location of your goods in transit.

2) Big data analytics is a complex process.

(Choose the correct alternative in which the negative form is used properly.)

(i) Big data analytics is not a complex process.

(ii) Small data analytics is not a complex process.

(iii) Big data analytics is not a simple process.

(iv) Big data analytics is never a simple process.

A6. Vocabulary (2)

Give antonyms of the following from the extract.

- (i) numerable (ii) minimum
- (iii) unavailable (iv) open

Q1 B. Non-textual Grammar 3

B1. Do as directed (2)

1. He is good _____ English but weak _____ mathematics. (Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition.)

2. LIC is one of the most popular insurance companies in India. (Rewrite your answer beginning with "Very few....")

B2. Spot the error (1)

I know a man which is very tall.

Q1 C. Write a summary of the following passage and give a suitable title. You may take help of following points. 3

My son starts school today. It is all going to be strange and new to him for a while and I wish you would treat him gently. It is an adventure that might take him across continents. All adventures that probably include wars, tragedy and sorrow. To live this life will require faith, love and courage.

So, dear teachers, will you please take him by his hand and teach him things he will have to know- but gently, if you can. Teach him that for every enemy, there is a friend. He will have to know that all men are not just, that all men are not true. But teach him also that for every scoundrel, there is a hero that for every crooked politician, there is a dedicated leader.

Teach him if you can that 10 cents earned is of far more value than a dollar found. In school, teach him it is far more honourable to fail than to cheat. Teach him to learn how to gracefully lose and enjoy winning when he does win.

Teach him to be gentle with people, tough with tough people. Steer him away from envy if you can and teach him the secret of quiet laughter. Teach him if you can – how to laugh when he is sad, teach him there is no shame in tears. Teach him there can be glory in failure and despair in success. Teach him to scoff at cynics.

Teach him if you can the wonders of books, but also give time to ponder the extreme mystery of birds in the sky, bees in the sun and flowers on a green hill. Teach him to have faith in his own ideas, even if everyone tells him they were wrong.

Try to give my son strength not to follow the crowd when everyone else is doing it. Teach him to listen to everyone, but teach him also to filter all that he hears on a screen of truth and take only the good that comes through.

Teach him to sell his talents and brains to the highest bidder but never to put a price tag on his heart and soul. Let him have the courage to be impatient, let him have the patience to be brave. Teach him to have sublime faith in himself, because then he will always have sublime faith in mankind, in God. This is the order, teacher but see what best you can do. He is a nice little boy and my son. (Abraham Lincoln's Letter to his Son's Teacher)

Points for summary writing –

Abraham Lincoln's letter to the teacher – adventures – humanity – honesty – child tackle ups and downs in life – book reading – not to follow crowd – message – conclusion.

Section B: Poetry

Q2 A. Read the following extract and complete the activities given below. 10

He felt the cheering power of spring,
It made him whistle, it made him sing;
His heart was mirthful to excess,
But the Rover's mirth was wickedness.

His eye was on the Inchcape float;
Quoth he, "My men, put out the boat,

And row me to the Inchcape Rock,
And I'll plague the Abbot of Aberbrothok."

The boat is lower'd, the boatmen row,
And to the Inchcape Rock they go;
Sir Ralph bent over from the boat,
And he cut the bell from the Inchcape float.

Down sunk Bell with a gurgling sound.
The bubbles rose and burst around;
Quoth Sir Ralph, "The next who comes to the Rock
Won't bless the Abbot of Aberbrothok."

A1. Global Understanding (2)

Rewrite the following sentences as per their occurrence in the extract.

1. Sir Ralph cut the Inchcape Bell.
2. Sir Ralph asked his men to row him to the Inchcape Rock.
3. The Inchcape Bell sank down.
4. Sir Ralph kept his eye on the Inchcape float.

A2. Complex factual (2)

'But the Rover's mirth was wickedness'

Explain the line in your own words.

A3. Personal Response (2)

'Those men who do wrong things, meet with due punishment': Express your point of view on the above statement.

A4. Poetic device (2)

Down sunk Bell with a gurgling sound

Identify and explain the figure of speech in given line.

A5. Poetic creativity (2)

Compose four poetic lines of your own on – 'A memorable evening on a beautiful beach'.

Q2 B. Read the given extract and write the appreciation of the given poem based on the following aspects. 4

Is anybody happier because you passed his way?
Does anyone remember that you spoke to him today?
This day is almost over, and its toiling time is through;
Is there anyone to utter now a kindly word of you?

Did you give a cheerful greeting to the friend who came along?
Or a churlish sort of "Howdy" and then vanish in the throng?
Were you selfish pure and simple as you rushed along the way,
Or is someone mighty grateful for a deed you did today?

Can you say tonight, in parting with the day that's slipping fast,
That you helped a single brother of the many that you passed?

Is a single heart rejoicing over what you did or said;
Does a man whose hopes were fading now with courage look ahead?

Did you waste the day, or lose it, was it well or sorely spent?
Did you leave a trail of kindness or a scar of discontent?
As you close your eyes in slumber do you think that God would say,
You have earned one more tomorrow by the work you did today?

- **About the poet and poem**
- **Theme**
- **Poetic devices**
- **Message and moral**
- **Your opinion**

Section C – Writing Skills

Q3. Solve ANY TWO of the following. 8

- A1. Write a blog in appropriate format on ‘Necessity of social awareness about women safety’. (4)
- A2. Develop a Mind-mapping using your ideas and concepts to develop the topic ‘Discipline’. (4)
- A3. Imagine you have taken part in an elocution competition. You have selected the topic ‘Nature our true teacher’. Draft a speech in about 100/150 words that you have to deliver before audience. (4)

Section D: Literary Genre: Novel

Q4 A. Match the following. 2

Column A	Column B
Middle class readers	Greek Romances
Spirit of Realism	Newspapers and Magazines
2nd to 6th Century	A long narrative fiction
Novel	18th Century Literature

Q4 B. Choose the correct alternatives and rewrite the sentences. 2

- a) The novel that bears more than one level of meaning is called novel.
[Gothic /Allegorical /Bildungsroman]
- b) Bildungsroman novel is concerned with the overall growth from childhood to adulthood.
[protagonist's / antagonist's / character's]
- c) novel is a novel based on the author's life.
[Epistolary / Psychological / Autobiographical]
- d) The Utopian novel based on an community possessing the ideal qualities is called novel.
[innovative / realistic / imaginary]

Q5. Answer ANY TWO of the following.

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1. The narrator played a crucial role in bringing a significant role in the students. Explain this statement by citing some references from the extract given to your study of the novel 'To Sir With Love'.
2. Describe in brief the purpose of organizing the half-yearly report programme of Students Council.
3. Write a short note on the character of Ms. Joseph from novel 'To Sir With Love'.
