CLASS

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SAMPLE PAPER

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The actual test paper consists of 50 questions. Time allowed : 60 minutes. There are 3 sections : 20 questions in section I, 15 questions in section II and 10 questions in section III.

SYLLABUS

Section-I: Word and Structure Knowledge

Concord, Question forms, Tenses, Conditionals, Modals, Reported speech.
Collocations, Phrasal verbs, Idioms, Homonyms and homophones, Words related to social cause, Travel, Workplace, etc.

Section-II: Reading

Search for and retrieve information from various text types like flyers, Classifieds, Dictionaries, etc.
Understand information presented in instruction manual format, Message format and others.
Acquire broad understanding of and look for specific information in longer texts like editorials, Essays, etc.

Section-III: Spoken and Written Expression

Ability to understand situation-based variations in functions like Giving advice, Stating preferences, Discussing probability, Making an offer, etc.

WORD AND STRUCTURE KNOWLEDGE

Direction (Q. No. 1 and 2) : Choose one suitable word/phrase for each blank. Make sure that you choose the correct form of the word/phrase.

1. I am happy you are helping me with the assignment. This kind of work is not really my _____,
(A) Cup and sauce (B) Cup of tea (C) Cup of coffee (D) Tea cup

2. The discussion was by no means _____. It went on for more than four hours!
(A) Cut and dried (B) Chopped and dried
(C) Cut and shredded (D) Dried and cut

3. Choose the correct spelling of the word.
(A) Believe (B) Beleive (C) Believ (D) Beleev

4. Choose the correct phrase.
(A) Down and up (B) Down and out (C) Down and town (D) Out and down

5. **Complete the word using the letters from the options given below.**
That was the day I _____located my shoulder.
(A) Mis (B) Dis (C) Un (D) Ex

Direction (Q. No. 6 and 7) : Fill in the blanks using the correct word/phrase.

6. A class full of very good students means _____ failures for the teachers to worry about.
(A) Lesser (B) Less (C) Fewer (D) Less than

7. He seems to know a lot about you! How long have you _____him?
(A) Known (B) Knew (C) Been knowing (D) Know

8. **Spot the error in the sentence.**
Becoming a monitor / often means / to lose friends. No error
(A) (B) (C) (D)

Direction (Q. No. 9 and 10) : Given below are pairs of sentences, marked 'P' and 'Q'. In each case, one or both sentences could be right or wrong. Use the following code to indicate your answer.
If both P and Q are right, tick A (+ +) If P is right and Q is wrong, tick B (+ –)
If P is wrong and Q is right, tick C (– +) If both P and Q are wrong, tick D (– –)

9. P : As soon as his exams were over he packed and left for home.
Q : The kids were tired and started for lose interest.
(A) (++) (B) (+ –) (C) (– +) (D) (– –)

10. P : It will not be so bad if the price of vegetables hadn't almost doubled last month.
Q : If you could have got a second hand scooter, you would still have been able to save some money for investment.
(A) (+ +) (B) (+ –) (C) (– +) (D) (– –)

11. **Complete the conversation with the correct word.**
Ravi: I think it's really exciting to go to new places.
Teacher: What _____ keep in mind if you are going to a new place.
(A) Do you have to (B) Can you (C) Have you to (D) Must you have to

12. **Change the given direct sentence to indirect.**
"Drive carefully!" Ram said to me.
(A) Ram said to me drive carefully. (B) Ram ordered me drive carefully.
(C) Ram told me to drive carefully. (D) None of the above.

READING

Direction (Q. No. 13 and 14) : Given below is the schedule and route of AP Express. Read the tables carefully and answer the following questions.

Train No.	Train Name	Date	Runs From	Runs on						
2724	A P Express	27/06/2010	New Delhi	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN

S. No.	Station	Arrival Time	Dep. Time	Halt Time (in Minutes)	Distance (kms)
1	NEW DELHI	**Source**	05:35 am		0
2	AGRA CANTT.	08:37	08:40	3:00	195
3	GWALIOR	10:07	10:10	3:00	313
4	JHANSI	11:30	11:42	12:00	410
5	BHOPAL	03:25	03:30	5:00	701
6	NAGPUR	09:40	09:50	10:00	1090
7	BALHARSHAH	01:20	01:30	10:00	1301
8	KAZIPET	04:45	04:47	2:00	1535
9	SECUNDERABAD	07:15	07:20	5:00	1667
10	HYDERABAD	07:50 am	**Destination**		1677

13. The A.P. Express stops at Agra Cantt. and Kazipet for
(A) More than one minute (B) More than three minutes
(C) Three minutes (D) Two minutes

14. The train reaches Kazipet
(A) Early in the morning (B) At midnight
(C) In the evening (D) In the forenoon

Direction (Q. No. 15 and 16) : Read the passage and answer the following questions.

The fly was finally hers. It had taken Mini hours to trap it, but now, exhausted, it buzzed and crashed hopelessly around inside a pickle jar. Kneeling on a chair, she took a chapatti and spread it with a thick layer of butter, wiping the knife clean against the edge of the dish, the way her mother used to and savored her victory. She was again in control.

15. The event of trapping the fly is compared with _____.
(A) The taste of chapati and butter (B) A war followed by celebrations
(C) A celebration by the victor (D) The defeat of the oppressed

16. Which of the following expressions would you use to describe Mini's emotions after trapping the fly?
(A) On cloud ten (B) Under a cloud
(C) On cloud nine (D) Every dark cloud has a silver lining

SPOKEN AND WRITTEN EXPRESSION

Direction (Q. No. 17 and 18) : Find one sentence to complete the dialogue.

17. Teacher to student : I thought you had been doing your homework regularly? Why are you still so irregular with your work?
(A) I will let your parents know that you have failed this year.
(B) I'm afraid, at this rate, I'll have to give you a 'D' grade.
(C) I'm expecting you to earn a 'D' grade. (D) I think you will do well this year.

18. Manasa : Vinu, it's the Maths class now! I forgot my book.
(A) Could you share your book with me today. (B) Look here! Give me that book of yours!
(C) Can I buy a Maths book? (D) Could I borrow your Maths notebook, please!

Direction (Q. No. 19 and 20) : You need to select the two sentences that will complete the paragraph. Look at the choices given below and select the best option.

19. Sentence 1 : The blackbucks are mainly grazers and prefer to eat green fodder.
Sentence 2 : _____
Sentence 3 : _____
Sentence 4 : Unfortunately most of their habitats are being converted to agricultural fields and this is forcing them to feed on crops.
P. This has restricted their distribution to areas that are close to cultivation.
Q. They also need to drink water twice a day so they do not live far from the source of water.
R. This gives rise to man-animal conflict and hundreds of them are being killed.
(A) PQ (B) QP (C) PR (D) RP

20. Sentence 1 : The Pageant's Handbook of First Aid is a must for every home.
Sentence 2 : _____
Sentence 3 : _____
Sentence 4 : Then seal and send this post-paid cover back to us.
P. All you have to do is write the names of 14 friends who enjoy reading.
Q. And you can get it free, with no contest or prize to be won.
R. And we will rush you the booklet free of cost.
(A) PQ (B) QP (C) PR (D) QR

SAMPLE ANSWER SHEET

1. NAME : If your name is SACHIT A IYER, then you should write as follows :

S	A	C	H	I	T		A		I	Y	E	R														

2. Father's Name : If your father's name is SATISH KUMAR SHARMA, then you should write as follows :

S	A	T	I	S	H		K	U	M	A	R		S	H	A	R	M	A								

SCHOOL CODE

M	H	0	5	4	7
A	A	●	0	0	0
B	B	1	1	1	1
C	C	2	2	2	2
D	D	3	3	3	3
E	E	4	4	●	4
F	F	5	●	5	5
G	G	6	6	6	6
H	●	7	7	7	●
I	I	8	8	8	8
J	J	9	9	9	9
K	K				
L	L				
●	M				
N	N				
O	O				
P	P				
Q	Q				
R	R				
S	S				
T	T				
U	U				
V	V				
W	W				
X	X				
Y	Y				
Z	Z				

3. SCHOOL CODE
Write your school code i.e. if your school code is MH0547 darken as follows :

Darken the circle

4. CLASS
If you are in Class 10, then you should darken as follows :

5. ROLL NO.
If your roll no. is 587, then you should write and darken the circles as follows :

Darken the circle

CLASS		ROLL NO.		
1	0	5	8	7
0	●	0	0	0
●	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4
5	5	●	5	5
6	6	6	6	6
7	7	7	7	●
8	8	8	●	8
9	9	9	9	9

6. GENDER
If you are a boy, then darken **Male** circle

GENDER

MALE ● FEMALE ○

CORRECT way to darken ☞ ● the circle

WRONG ☞ ◉ ○ ✓ ✗ way to darken the circle

7. If your choice for Answer 1 is C, then you should darken the circle as follows : **1.** Ⓐ Ⓑ ● Ⓓ

MARK YOUR ANSWERS WITH HB PENCIL/BALL POINT PEN (BLUE/BLACK)

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1. Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**5.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**9.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**13.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**17.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ
2. Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**6.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**10.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**14.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**18.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ
3. Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**7.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**11.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**15.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**19.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ
4. Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**8.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**12.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**16.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ	**20.** Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ

ANSWERS

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1. (B)	2. (A)	3. (A)	4. (B)	5. (B)	6. (C)	7. (A)	8. (C)	9. (B)	10. (C)
11. (B)	12. (C)	13. (A)	14. (A)	15. (C)	16. (C)	17. (B)	18. (A)	19. (A)	20. (B)