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**5 PRACTICE
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English (SL)



ANSWERS TO QUESTION PAPER 2

Section A

1. The Palakkad District Library was started in September 2013.
2. One-third of the thousand members of the library are women.
3. The Lord refused to rest because he had almost completed his work and had put the best of his ideas into the model.
4. The angel requested the Lord to go to bed and not take so much trouble in one day.
5. As the cool flow of the water ran over one hand, the teacher spelt 'water' on Helen's other palm.
6. Touching different objects and spelling their names on the palm awakened Helen's soul.
7. The beak of a Hornbill has an extra portion like a horn.
8. The male hornbill takes care of the female and its new-born chicks by supplying food to them.
9. Sharing is the glue that binds a family together.
10. Parents discourage their children from sharing by giving negative response and preaching.
11. **Safety Precautions :** Fireworks should be stored, handled and lit with care. They should never be stored or unpacked near a flame, gas cylinder or heater. One should never wear long, loose clothes or nylon clothes when lighting crackers. And since the powder in crackers is poisonous, they should never be carried loose in your pocket or in your hand. Fireworks should never be lit inside a house. Never bend over a firework when you are lighting it. If you do get a burn, go to a doctor instead of applying oil or ointment.

OR

The End of the Story 'The Test of True Love': Blandford's attention was divided between the two women. He felt a strong urge to follow the young and beautiful girl. But he also had a deep longing for the woman who had given him great courage and strength. He decided that their relationship was not love but it would be precious—a friendship for which he would always be grateful. He did not hesitate to introduce himself. He stood straight, saluted and asked her out to dinner. The woman smiled and told him that the young lady had asked her to wear the red rose and if Blandford invited her for dinner, she (elderly lady) should tell him that she was waiting for him at the restaurant across the street. This was Blandford's test, which he passed. He proved that his was true love.

- 12. True
- 13. True
- 14. False
- 15. False

Section B

- 16. 'When dark night is over your road' means **when you are in trouble**.
- 17. When the child's parents are no more, the song will speak in his living heart.
- 18. vision – sight
- 19. Bishamber took Phatik's thin burning hands in his own and sat by his side whole night.
- 20. Phatik was muttering: Mother! Don't beat me like that. Mother! I am telling the truth.
- 21. Phatik was looking for his mother.
- 22. Bishamber told Phatik that he had sent for his mother.
- 23. Phatik wanted to tell his mother that he was dying.
- 24. The train number of the Shatabdi Express is 12009.
- 25. The train stops at 7 stations.
- 26. The total distance covered by the train is 490 km.
- 27. The train arrives at 16:14 at Vadodara.
- 28. The train halts for 2 minutes at Vapi.
- 29. This dialogue is a job interview.
- 30. The interview is taken for the post of a teacher.
- 31. Khush is an M.A. B.Ed. from Gujarat University, Ahmedabad.
- 32. Khush wants to be a teacher because it's a noble profession and he likes to work with innocent children.

Section C

- 33. d. describing past event
- 34. c. describing person
- 35. a. showing result
- 36. B. Let's go to watch it.
- 37. A. Mithila said that she had posted the letter.
- 38. B. They have a holiday. They might have gone for a movie.
- 39. B. How much milk is there
- 40. A. must wear warm woollen clothes.
- 41. C. is as large as the Pacific Ocean.
- 42. Nita **requested** the teacher to explain the meaning of a word. But the teacher **refused** to help her. Nita was very **displeased** with the teacher.

- 43. mob – crowd
- 44. mysterious – strange
- 45. remark – comment

Section D

- 46. The teacher asked Vinay if **he had done** his homework. Replying in the negative, Vinay said that he hadn't and added that he was absent **the day before**. The teacher asked him what **had happened**. Vinay told him that **he had** missed the school bus.
- 47. Kokila was busy watching TV so she did not hear her phone ring.
- 48. Neither Ajay nor Vijay got the first rank.
- 49. Please, water the plants otherwise they will die.
- 50. Don't spend your time in **idle** talks. We must use **our** time wisely. We have to make a time-table **and** work accordingly.
- 51. Helen was taught to read by Anne Sullivan. Great confidence was developed by Helen. All the opportunities were provided by her parents to her.
- 52. He is a farmer. He works in his field. He has a cow and a buffalo. He lives in a small house.
- 53. B. Who was selected as a principal ?
- 54. A. How often do the children visit the garden ?
- 55. A. What did the teacher do ?

Section E

56.

The Blessings of Science

We live in the age of science. People live, move and think in terms of science. Science has helped man to lead a better life than ever before. In all walks of life man has made wonderful progress. It has given us very swift means of communication and transportation. The steam engine, the motor-car and now the aeroplanes have conquered time and space. Man can now travel from one place to another in a short time. He can also travel to space now.

Then there are the telegraph, the telephone and the wireless. The wireless has made it possible to send messages to any part of the world in the twinkling of an eye. The radio has made the dull evenings at home bright. One can hear news, plays and speeches from the distant parts of the world while sitting at home. Television enables people to see the pictures as well as hear voices.

Electricity, perhaps the greatest gift of science, has proved to be of great benefit to mankind. It works the fans, cooks food, sweeps floors, irons clothes, air-conditions or warms the houses and factories and diagnoses and cures diseases. Medical science has developed a good deal. It helps the doctors to locate the disease. Terrible diseases like plague, smallpox, cholera, typhoid and malaria have been brought under control. Plastic surgery can change one's face. Science has thus helped man in his fight against disease. The various inventions and discoveries of science have greatly added to the comforts of life.

OR

Gujarat : Its Progress in Recent Years

In the recent years Gujarat has made tremendous progress in different fields. The Sardar Sarovar Project has helped the water of the Narmada to reach far-off areas in Gujarat. As a result, there is a considerable decrease in water scarcity. Building of check dams has also helped farmers to store rain water for irrigation. Farmers have been given electricity at lower rates. Today, electricity has reached most of the villages in Gujarat. Gujarat is perhaps the only state to use solar energy to light up its villages. The roads, especially the highways in Gujarat, are the best in the country. Gujarat has made a significant progress in primary education and education of the girl child. Gujarat has the highest number of chemical and pharmaceutical factories. Today Gujarat has the best medical facilities at lower costs. It has got world-renowned doctors and multi-speciality hospitals. Gujarat is also known for its festivals like Uttarayan and Navaratri.

OR

A Visit to a Science Exhibition

Last week, my school participated in the National Science Exhibition. The exhibition was held on the Municipal Sports Ground. I visited the exhibition with my friends. We reached there in our school bus. It was a big exhibition. More than 60 schools had taken part in the exhibition. There were different sections like Energy, Water, Force and Motion, Science and Technology, Computers, Pollution, etc. All sections were decorated with charts and posters. Models displaying the working of heart, digestive system and other organs of the body fascinated us. Students had made different kinds of models using electronic gadgets, papers, cardboard and metal too. Other eye-catching projects were models of solar system, volcanoes and means of transport and communication. We visited all the sections. But I enjoyed the Science and Technology section the most. It had many models of computers, solar cookers and even robots. We really liked the model of the robot. It was a very useful visit for learning and understanding various scientific concepts.

57. To : dave1968@gmail.com**Subject :** Role of co-curricular activities

Respected Sir,

Hello ! How are you ? I am sending this e-mail for a special purpose. I want to share something important with you. I must accept that whatever I am today, it is just because of the co-curricular activities of our school. I am thankful to you for forcing me to participate in various co-curricular activities. Just because of you I participated in elocution, debate, dance, singing, quiz and the list is long. All these co-curricular activities have developed great confidence in me. Today I am doing the best in my field. The credit goes to you, sir and to the co-curricular activities of our school.

Your loving student,

Aman Shah

OR

Diwali Crackers Cause Fire

October 26, 2023

Ahmedabad.

On the day of Diwali, a fire broke out in a neighbouring house. Some children were bursting crackers on the open ground in front of the house. Suddenly, a rocket entered the house and set the curtains on fire. Slowly, the fire spread all over the room. The fire brigade was called. The fire was brought under control in half an hour. But the damage to the property had been done by that time. However, fortunately, there was no loss of life. The injured were taken to the City Hospital and discharged after some first aid.

58. This is a picture of a garden. There are many big and shady trees in the garden. A small boy is flying a kite. Some boys are playing football. A little girl is enjoying on a swing. Some children are having fun on the slide. Two children are on the see-saw. Two children are playing in the sand. There is a small boat in the pond. A girl is skipping. A small boy is playing with marbles.
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ANSWERS TO QUESTION PAPER 3

Section A

1. MGP is building a network of low cost solar micro-grids that provide two LED lights and a mobile charging point to all paying households at a cost of twenty-five rupees per week.
2. Solar power is cheaper than kerosene and being a smokeless source of light, it is good for the customer's health.
3. We should care for water bodies because water is the basis of life.
4. Arun and his team ensure that the lake area and water-holding are free of garbage so that birds, frogs and snakes can live in peace.
5. Blandford had found her address in a New York telephone directory.
6. Blandford had written a letter to Hollis Meynell. He believed that he loved her and that she loved him.
7. Shukracharya advised Devayani not to grieve or cry or distress herself for a mortal like Kach.
8. Shukracharya was helpless because it was difficult for him to bring Kach back to life.
9. Helen's loneliness began to disappear when she could make friends with the other blind children in the Perkins Institution.
10. Helen did not feel lonely at the Perkins Institution because she could make friends with the other blind children.
11. **Mother – A Wonderful Creation :** Mother is a wonderful creation of God. When God created mother, He wanted all her parts to be movable and replaceable. Her lap disappears when she stands up. Her kiss can cure everything from a broken leg to a broken heart. She would have six pairs of hands to manage her children and family, without getting irritated. She would be able to run on any food available. She would have three pairs of eyes. One pair that sees her children through closed doors. Another pair to look at the children and say, 'I understand and I love you.' without uttering a word. And the third pair to see all secret things without opening them. Her tears could be for pain, or joy, or pride, or disappointment, or loneliness.

OR

The Weaver Bird : The weaver bird is known as *sughari* in Gujarati. *Sughari* means the one who builds a beautiful house. *Sughari* is gifted with the skill of weaving its nests. It prefers long thread-like grass leaves to build its nest. The male weaver bird builds the nest. It takes nearly 18 days to complete nest building. When the nest is half-completed, the male invites female for pairing by its song. If she accepts the nest, both of them finish the nest. If she doesn't, the nest is abandoned. Therefore a male often makes many nests during nesting season.

- 12. True
- 13. False
- 14. False
- 15. True

Section B

- 16. 'I've grown my wings' means 'I am old enough to go out in the world and fight my own battles.'
- 17. 'I want to fly' means **I want to go out and explore the world on my own.**
- 18. fly – cry
- 19. People avoid thinking because it is a very painful activity.
- 20. People who avoid thinking in their day-to-day life are called 'dull'.
- 21. We can act as a genius by applying the right mental skills.
- 22. Dr Bono is a psychologist and professor of medicine at Cambridge University, England.
- 23. Dr Bono believes that thinking skills help in solving the everyday problem and everyone can learn them.
- 24. This is a ration card.
- 25. This ration card belongs to Mer Mehulbhai Bhanubhai.
- 26. There are five members in the family.
- 27. The owner has a domestic gas connection.
- 28. The owner lives in Bhadrod.
- 29. Milkha Singh was an Indian track and field sprinter.
- 30. He won gold medals in 1958 and 1962 Asian Games.
- 31. Milkha Singh's 400 m race at the 1960 Olympics will always be remembered.
- 32. Milkha Singh is known as **The Flying Sikh.**

Section C

- 33. d. describing action
- 34. a. making request
- 35. b. showing alternatives
- 36. D. If you work hard, you will surely get good marks.
- 37. A. I am reading a book which was written by Mahatma Gandhi.
- 38. B. I came late because I missed the bus.
- 39. C. is taller than her sister.
- 40. C. so that I could show him my project.
- 41. D. home at 7 p.m.
- 42. Eat raw **vegetables** and fruits a lot. Do not overeat. It's not good for your **health** in the long run. Remember, the student who eats light becomes **bright**.

43. puzzled – confused
44. vanish – disappear
45. prediction – forecast

Section D

46. Richa greeted Vinita with a Hi and asked **her** how she was. Thanking Richa, Vinita said that she was fine. Richa asked Vinita what **she had done** during the Diwali vacation. Vinita replied that **they** had had a camp in Rampur and added that **they had been** thirty girls.
47. She is the swimmer whose parents encourage her a lot.
48. Mahesh is a good boy therefore all teachers like him.
49. Neha will either watch a movie or go for a picnic.
50. The Brahmaputra is one of the **longest** rivers in the world. It is one of the rare rivers **whose** appearance **and** nature keep changing according to the season.
51. A speech was given by the principal on the Independence Day. He said, "Our freedom fighters should be respected by us." He was praised by all the students.
52. The servants were arranging vases on the tables. They put flowers in them. While doing so, they broke glasses. What will they do now?
53. D. When did Shafali go to meet her uncle?
54. B. How much water is there in the river?
55. A. How long have the passengers been waiting?

Section E

56.

My Dream Robot

My dream robot! I would name him Mitra – a friend. Mitra would be metallic blue in colour. He would have arms that could stretch for a long distance, at least two feet. Mitra would be programmed to all the household work like dusting, sweeping, cooking, washing clothes, ironing, repairing electrical and electronic appliances, etc. In short, Mitra would be my best friend. He would also do my homework and check it as well. He would help me with my studies and solve all my difficulties, too. Mitra would play games with me. He would take care of all my needs and comfort. But one special quality Mitra would have is emotions and feelings. He would not just be a machine, but a machine with a 'heart'! Mitra would be my pride.

OR

The Problems of Working Mothers

This is the age of equality between men and women. Today's woman is more educated and independent than before. More and more women are working mothers now. But it is a tough life. She has to strike a balance between home and office. A mother is the most important member of the family. She looks after the needs of her husband and her children. After doing her duties at home, she reaches office on time and does her work efficiently there. As a result, she is always under

great mental and physical burden. There are problems at home and problems at office. But she solves all these problems and always has a smile on her face.

OR

Save Environment

Today our environment is in danger because of pollution. There is air, water and noise pollution. Air pollution is caused by smoke from vehicles and factories. Water pollution is caused when factories dump their chemical waste in water. People bathe cattle and wash clothes in water. Noise pollution is caused by loudspeakers, microphones, loud volumes of TV set and stereos, honking of vehicles, etc. We can save our environment by preventing pollution. We should remove all causes of air, water and noise pollution. We should plant more trees. The government should have special laws to save environment. As good citizens, we should do all that we can to prevent all kinds of pollution.

57. To : mukesh65@gmail.com

Subject : Your birthday gift

Dear Uncle,

How sweet of you to think of me on my birthday! Your wonderful gift is welcome and still more welcome are your loving wishes. The calculator is really very nice with all the scientific operations that I need. In fact, I was thinking of buying one like this myself.

It makes my work so quick and easy and accurate too! My friends admire this beautiful piece.

But really, it is very kind of you to give me such an expensive gift. However, I am grateful to you for it and accept it with great joy. I thank you for your good wishes.

Affectionately yours,

Gaurav

OR

State-level Science Fair

October 20, 2023

Gandhinagar.

Last week, a state-level Science Fair was held in our school. More than 300 students from about 50 schools participated in the fair. All the students participated with a lot of enthusiasm. There were different sections like Energy, Water, Force and Motion, Science and Technology, Pollution, etc. Students had prepared models and charts for their projects. Some also used PowerPoint presentations for their projects. The first prize was won by the students of Saraswati Vidyamandir. They had presented a very interesting experiment on force and motion. Shri Vyas, the Mayor, was the chief guest. He congratulated the winners and praised all the students for their efforts.

58. This is a picture of a road. A little girl and her grandfather are crossing the road. Grandfather has a stick in his hand. They are on walking on the zebra-crossing. There is a man behind them. Two men are standing on the footpath. There is a traffic signal near the footpath. There is a shop on the footpath. There are two cars and a scooterist, waiting near the zebra-crossing.

ANSWERS TO QUESTION PAPER 4

Section A

1. The panchayat passed a resolution that since the railways was not able to build a station for them they would do it for themselves and with their own money.
2. The Taj Nagar railway station is the first station in the country on which the railway did not spend a single rupee as it was build with the people's money.
3. Prem Chopra guided Ram Singh – 070 to Jhaveri Brothers to steal precious gems.
4. Prem Chopra was arrested because he was the owner of Ram Singh – 070, the thief.
5. The different pyrotechnics effects in a household match are : heat, smoke, light, gas and sound.
6. The household match is a special pyrotechnic device because all the pyrotechnics effects – heat, smoke, light, gas and sound – are present in it.
7. Kach was the son of Brihaspati.
8. Kach wanted to learn the *sanjivani vidya*.
9. People dislike vultures because they eat carcasses or dead animals.
10. Vultures are called scavengers because they clean our surrounding by eating the rotten dead bodies.
11. **Arun – A Young Environmentalist** : Arun Krishnamurthy is an environmentalist. At the age of 17, he founded an NGO called Environmentalist Foundation of India (EFI). Arun and his team clean beaches and other water bodies, plant trees and also make environment-friendly paper bags. Arun feels that it is important to protect birds and animals. He feels that water bodies should be kept clean so that birds and animals can live peacefully. Arun left a good job at Google to devote his full attention to environment.

OR

Anne Sullivan – A Wonderful Teacher : Anne Sullivan was a teacher for the deaf and blind. She taught Helen to spell words through finger movements on her palm. She taught Helen to touch different objects and spell their names on the palm. She taught Helen to speak through the movements of the lips and the vibration in the throat. Miss Sullivan made learning more like play than work. She satisfied Helen's curiosity. She taught Helen to read raised letters and then with Braille. Helen also learnt to type with Braille as well as ordinary typewriter. Even when her eyes became weak, Miss Sullivan continued to help Helen. At last, she became blind. She sacrificed her sight for her student.

12. True
13. False
14. True
15. True

Section B

16. The black bird is flying away with the tree.
17. The peacock seems funny because it is wearing glasses.
18. The fire chariot is flying in the air.
19. Paul called *Information Please* for everything.
20. Paul was sad because his pet canary died.
21. When Paul's pet canary died, he called *Information Please* and she tried to soothe him with her words, but it did not help much.
22. *Information Please* told Paul to always remember that there are other worlds to sing in.
23. When Paul's pet canary died, he could not understand why birds sing so beautifully and then die.
24. Yash is the cleverest student in the class.
25. Tanay likes English the most.
26. **Neel** got the lowest marks in S.S.
27. Two students got below 85 marks in Maths.
28. This is a result sheet.
29. The conversation is between Amrapali and a driving instructor.
30. The instructor assures Amrapali that she would become a confident car driver in twenty days.
31. Amrapali can go for driving lessons in the morning.
32. The charges of the driving course are ₹2000 for a hatchback and ₹2500 for a sedan.

Section C

33. d. duration of time
34. c. point of time
35. a. describing process
36. C. I will be going for shopping with Neha.
37. C. May I sit on the first bench?
38. C. It is right opposite the tower clock.
39. A. Should take interest in the development of the country.
40. B. Though he is poor.
41. C. hiding under the bed.
42. Last Monday, there was a **drawing** competition in my school. All the pupils **gathered** in the assembly hall. I was sitting behind my friend. My friend was enjoying the programme but I wasn't. So I made some **finger movements**.
43. clasp – hold tightly
44. indicate – show
45. heal – cure

Section D

46. The passenger asked the coolie to take **that** heavy bag to his office. The coolie respectfully said that it **would** cost more. The passenger **told** the coolie not to worry and added that **he would** pay 100 rupees for it.
47. Though the boys knew who had broken the glass, they kept quiet.
48. Open the window so that we can get fresh air.
49. That is the person whom they want to appoint as the principal.
50. While you can't live **completely** free of stress, you can minimize its **effect**. Thus we can live a **healthy** life.
51. This account is looked after by my father. Many responsibilities are often put upon him by us. His duties are done well by him.
52. We will visit Mount Abu next week. We will travel there by bus. We will enjoy the cold weather there. We will click many photographs.
53. A. Whom does Akash speak to?
54. D. What is Disha doing?
55. D. Where did Alka meet Pooja?

Section E

56.

My Favourite Teacher

My favourite teacher is Mr Dave. Mr Dave teaches us English. Mr Dave is about thirty-five years old. He is not a very tall man. But he looks very smart. He is always well-dressed. He is always smiling and cheerful. He talks sweetly to all. Mr Dave has a very good method of teaching. He makes English easy and interesting. He gives personal attention to every student. He does not get angry if a student asks him questions during the lesson. Mr Dave wants us to master the English language. Sometimes he tells us stories and jokes. But at the same time, Mr Dave is a strict teacher. He believes in discipline and hard work. He does not excuse any student who neglects his studies and homework. Mr Dave is our friend, philosopher and guide. He is loved and respected by all.

OR**Trees – Our Best Friends**

Trees are the greatest blessing of Nature. Trees are man's best friends. They give us food, medicines, rubber, tea, coffee, spices and gum. They provide us with wood for fuel, furniture and building houses. Cotton, jute and paper are also obtained from trees. Trees keep the environment clean and pure. They take in carbon dioxide and give out oxygen. Trees help to retain the humidity in the atmosphere and thus attract rain clouds, leading to good rainfall. The roots of the trees protect the soil from strong winds and flowing water of the rains. They help in preventing soil erosion. Trees give us shelter. They are homes of birds and animals. If we cut trees, our very existence will be in danger. Land would turn into desert. Save trees and trees will save us.

OR

The Advantages and Disadvantages of TV

TV is one of the most wonderful inventions of today. It has brought the world into our homes. It provides entertainment – music, dance, songs, films and serials. It is a means of spreading information and education among people. There are programmes based on wildlife, cookery, hobbies, science and technology, culture and heritage of countries of the world. We get the latest news about the social and political developments in the world. But there are crime shows also on TV, which has a negative effect on the society. Students watch TV for many hours and neglect their studies. They spend so much of time in front of the TV, that they hardly get time for sports or reading. Besides this TV commercials make them buy useless things and waste money. This affects their physical and mental health also. Because of TV, members of family hardly talk to each other.

57. To : deep158@gmail.com

Subject : Preparations for the SSC Exam

Dear Deep,

I received your e-mail telling me about how you find it difficult to prepare for the annual examination. Let me share some tips with you.

I have prepared a time-table for my studies. I make sure I complete my revision according to the time-table. I am working very hard and solving as many question papers as possible. I can study well early in the morning. I also find time for sports and recreation. This helps me to refresh my mind and improve my concentration. I make sure I eat light and fresh food. I take plenty of juices and fresh fruits. I also do yoga and go a walk in the evening. All this helps me to be free of any stress.

I am confident I will get excellent marks at the Annual Examination. Do try and follow these tips.

Your loving friend,

Kathan

OR

Farewell Function for Class 10 Students

February 10, 2024

Rajkot.

Last Saturday, a farewell function for the students of class 10 was held in the assembly hall. The function began at 5 p.m. The Mayor, Shri Jay Mehta, was the chief guest. He is also a past student of our school. The function began with a prayer and welcoming the chief guest. A few students spoke about how the school and teachers had shaped their lives. The principal and the class teachers of class 10 also gave motivational speeches. Students were given tips to score good marks at the exams. The chief guest also gave a very inspiring speech. The function ended with a vote of thanks and dinner. The students gave a gift to the principal and all the teachers and staff. It was a memorable function.

58. This is a picture of a school garden. The boys and girls are in their school uniform. Two boys are sweeping the garden. Two girls are helping them. One girl is collecting the dry leaves in a bucket. Two boys are watering the plants. One boy is standing near the bench and talking to them. One boy is sitting and trimming the plants with big scissors. He is wearing a cap. Four girls are planting some saplings in the garden.

ANSWERS TO QUESTION PAPER 5

Section A

1. Her kiss can cure everything—from a broken leg to a broken heart.
2. She should have six pairs of hands and three pairs of eyes.
3. The principle behind any firework is that when heat is applied to the gun powder, it burns using oxygen.
4. The raw materials required to manufacture fireworks are fuel, binders, oxidisers and a few other materials.
5. Helen was worried because her teacher's eyesight was worsening day by day and she could not see clearly.
6. In the year 1935, Ms Sullivan became blind.
7. Dr Manju Shroff advises Priyanshi not to overeat, eat raw vegetables and fruits, and light and easy to digest food.
8. Heavy meal makes one sleepy, lazy and drowsy and this affects studies.
9. Blandford was holding the book *Of Human Bondage* to show who he was.
10. Blandford decided that their relationship was not love, but it would be something precious—a friendship for which he would always be grateful.
11. **MGP's Efforts for Solar Power in Sitapur District :** Mera Gao Power (MGP) has connected more than 3,500 customers to solar power mini-grids at the village level. MGP is building a network of low cost solar micro-grids that provide two LED lights and a mobile charging point to all paying households at a cost of twenty-five rupees per week. The MGP team maps the village, house by house, working out where to place each wire so as to connect customer to the power source. Due to solar micro-grids, there is no pollution and so the environment is also saved. Besides this, new businesses have also emerged in the villages. Children study more. The people enjoy cooking and eating in light.

OR

Devayani : Devayani was Shukracharya's daughter. She fell in love with the young, handsome and intelligent Kach. So whenever the *asurs* killed Kach, Devayani would request her father Shukracharya to bring him back to life. When Kach wanted to return home, Devayani asked him to marry her and return her love. But Kach told her that he loved her as a sister. He said that he would not commit a sin by marrying his sister. Devayani was furious. She cursed him saying that he would not be able to practise what he had learnt.

12. False
13. True
14. False
15. True

Section B

16. Though there are dangers, there are fears.
17. 'I want to see and touch and hear' means **I want to go out and see the world and experience life on my own.**
18. terror – fear

19. Bapurao received a warning that his house would be attacked and that he should not hide his valuables or inform the police.
20. Bapurao was worried because his cupboards were full of precious things.
21. Parvatibai was a brave and clever woman.
22. Bapurao planned to fight the dacoits with his men and servants.
23. Parvatibai thought that it was useless to give fight to the dacoits because they were more powerful.
24. Renuka K. Prajapati has given this cheque.
25. The cheque was issued on 17th October, 2023.
26. The cheque number is 000029.
27. The Bank of Baroda is situated in Patan.
28. The cheque has been issued to Sunil Pandya.
29. Manish and Bhavesh are talking here.
30. Banana and sunflower are the cash crops.
31. Bhavesh gets a loan from Pak Dhiran Society.
32. Bhavesh sells his crops in the Agricultural Market.

Section C

33. b. expressing ability
34. d. describing place
35. a. describing time
36. C. Let's go for a picnic tomorrow.
37. B. I have to complete this project by evening.
38. D. Wow! Congratulations.
39. D. bhajans with a lot of devotion.
40. C. study either Maths or Science.
41. C. therefore she did not take extra class.
42. Mr Sharma was **extremely** busy. His wife **commented** that he did not have time for the family. She said that she would no longer **compromise**.
43. vacant – empty
44. explore – search
45. refuse – reject

Section D

46. Meena **requested** Ami to give her (her notebook. Ami said that **she had to** do **her** homework. Meena **exclaimed** with admiration that she was a very hardworking girl.
47. The man is from Jamaica who won 9 gold medals.
48. Sachin played well but India lost the match.
49. Father was angry because Jatin came home late.

50. Mr Shah has been living in our area **for** many years **yet** no one knows him **because** he does not like to meet people.
51. The project has been completed by Shivani. The invitation has been sent by Mihir and Mona. The event will be hosted by them next month.
52. Mr Mehta was a teacher. He taught English. He often told stories to his students. He always encouraged all his students.
53. A. How does Naresh go to school?
54. A. How far is Palanpur from Ahmedabad?
55. C. Why did the policeman go to the hotel?

Section E

56. **If I were the Sarpanch of my Village**

There are good roads, transport facilities, Primary Health Centre, a primary school, a high school and a post office in my village. If I were the sarpanch of my village, I would like to improve my village with PPP (People's Participation Programme) model to implement my ideas. I would like to have a college and a night school for adults, especially the women. Women's empowerment is a must today. I would like to have a good hospital and a bank, too. Every household should have a bank account. There are good irrigation facilities. But I would like the farmers to use better seeds and latest techniques and equipment for farming. I will educate the people about the benefits of solar energy. This would save the environment and improve the health of the villagers. My campaign will be called 'Maru Gaam, Aadarsh Gaam'. All these facilities would make my village an ideal place to live in.

OR

My Favourite Feathered Friend

There are so many types of birds around us. But my favourite bird is the peacock. The peacock is our national bird. It is a very beautiful bird. It has a long and slender neck. It has a crest on its head. It has long, beautiful and colourful feathers.

The peacock has a very charming walk. It is called the harbinger of rains. We can hear its sweet call during the rainy season. It spreads out its colourful feathers like a fan and dances in the rain. It is a great pleasure to see it dancing.

The peacock lives on trees. It is usually found in fields and forests. It feeds on grains, insects and worms. It also catches snakes and eats them up. Therefore, the peacock is called an enemy of snakes. The peacock cannot fly very high. It has slow but graceful walk. It struts about majestically. The female peacock is called a peahen. The peahen does not have colourful feathers. It does not look beautiful. It is a plain bird.

The feathers of the peacock are used to make many decorative items. Children love peacock feathers. They like to keep its feathers in their books. It is also said that Lord Krishna wore a crown made of the peacock feathers. We can see the peacock in a zoo.

OR

A Visit to a Hill Station

During my last summer vacation, I had an opportunity to visit Mahabaleshwar. I went there with my cousins Asha, Keval, Amit and a few of my friends. We went to Mumbai by train and from there we went to Mahabaleshwar by bus. We reached there at 10 a.m. and went to the Hotel Lake View. Our rooms had been reserved by us in advance. We had some snacks and then went for a walk around the hotel. The climate was pleasant. In spite of it being summer, we did not feel the heat. We enjoyed boating in the lake. In the evening, we went to the sun-set point and enjoyed the beautiful sun-set. Early next morning we saw the sun-rise too. During our four day stay, we visited several beautiful points. We also went to the Mahabaleshwar temple, the temple of Lord Shiva. In the evening, we wandered in the market-place and did a lot of shopping. On the last day we went for a short trip to the Panchagani table-land. We really enjoyed our stay in the scenic hill station of Mahabaleshwar.

57. To : map4373@yahoo.co.in

Subject : Cleanliness drive in our college

Dear Madhav,

As a part of the *swachhata abhiyan*, our college has organized a cleanliness drive. It is organized by a unit of EFI (Environmental Foundation of India), an NGO. We will clean our college and the surroundings. We will also educate people about the importance of cleanliness to save our environment from noise, air and water pollution. I invite you to join us. I am sure you will like it.

Your's lovingly,

Krishna

OR

Celebration of Republic Day

January 27, 2024

Ahmedabad.

The Republic Day function this year was celebrated with great joy and fervour. The playground was decorated with colourful balloons and ribbons. Shri Mahadevbhai Desai, a freedom fighter was the chief guest. The function began with the flag-hoisting and the national anthem. Then the students presented a variety of entertainment programmes. There were patriotic songs, dances, drills and skits. The chief guest, in his speech, inspired and encouraged the feelings of love and brotherhood. The function ended with a vote of thanks by the principal.

58. This is a picture of a family picnic. There are parents and three children in the picture. They are enjoying a picnic near a river. There is a small tent near the trees. Mother is sitting on the bench. Father is a playing cricket with a boy. There is a small bonfire near the chair. Another boy is flying a kite. A girl is playing near the river. There is a small boat under a tree. There is a dog, too. There is a bear behind the trees.

ANSWERS TO QUESTION PAPER 6

Section A

1. The libraries of the earlier times were disappearing and the libraries of the present times were too full of male readers.
2. The women's unit has planned to open separate reading rooms for women.
3. The green cover in his school and college made Arun understand the importance of other life forms, how beautiful they are and why we need to protect them.
4. Arun says that we have a lot to learn from animals because they are on their own, find their own food and are always active, on the move and never lazy.
5. Fireworks should never be stored near a flame, gas cylinder or heater.
6. While lighting fireworks, we should not wear long, loose or nylon clothes.
7. The *asurs* planned to dispose of Kach in such a way that Shukracharya would never be able to bring him back.
8. The *asurs* killed Kach, burnt his body and mixed the ashes with the divine wine that Shukracharya drank.
9. Blandford stood straight, saluted the woman and held the book towards her to introduce himself.
10. Blandford told the woman that he was glad they could meet and also invited her to dinner.
11. **Conflict of Ram Singh – 070 with Itself :** Ram Singh had an in-built system of three principles : the robot will obey his master, the robot will not harm humans; and the robot will not take harm to self. When he was produced in the court, his master, Prem Chopra was confident that the robot would never disobey him. He had threatened Ram Singh that he would defuse him if he revealed any information about stolen goods. Thus Ram Singh was in conflict. If he revealed the information, he would disobey his master. And if he did not, he would harm many other people. This conflict brought Ram Singh's end. He chose to break apart rather than tell a lie, hurt human beings or become unfaithful.

OR

Dr Mansuri's Views on Improving Retention : How to improve retention is a problem faced by most students. According to Dr Mansuri, there is no fixed method of improving retention. But a student must identify the way in which he/she learns. There are different learning styles – listening, writing, drawing flowcharts and diagrams, discussion, reflective thinking, etc. A student needs to identify which style suits him/her the best for different subjects. Adopting more than one style of learning helps to remember for longer duration. That will help in improving retention.

12. False
13. False
14. False
15. True

Section B

16. The poet will sit on the front porch all night and think about his beloved.
17. Though he is alone, the poet doesn't feel lonely because he is always thinking about his beloved.
18. soaked – drenched
19. The Pandavas reached the Himalayas.
20. Draupadi died on the mountain Meru.
21. No, the Pandavas did not stop when Draupadi died.
22. Sahadeva died because **he was proud of his wisdom.**
23. Nakula died because he was proud of his beauty.
24. This is a certificate of registration of a vehicle.
25. The owner resides in Danta.
26. This vehicle runs on petrol or CNG.
27. Legally, this vehicle can ply on road till 3rd July, 2033.
28. The name of the owner is Madhuben Joshi.
29. The stranger is from Chennai.
30. He wants to go to Hotel Cama.
31. The stranger can't go in a taxi because he has lost his wallet.
32. The shopkeeper asks his son to drop the stranger to Hotel Cama.

Section C

33. c. exchanging pleasantries
34. a. describing thing
35. b. inquiry as nature
36. D. They are more active than others.
37. D. We will neither study nor play games.
38. C. I am reading 'The Wings of Fire' which was written by Kalamji.
39. C. Though we wrote perfectly
40. B. can I take two days leave?
41. B. add some sugar, a little coffee and stir it.
42. Harsh is an **efficient** employee. He is a **brilliant** young man. He is a man with **tremendous** confidence.
43. shiver – tremble
44. boast – show off
45. obstacle – difficulty

Section D

46. Rahul **suggested** to Kavya that they **should** visit the Taj Mahal. Kavya exclaimed with **joy** that it was a wonderful idea. Rahul asked her if she was ready to go with **him**.
47. That is the house which belongs to my grandfather.
48. Be alert or else you will be cheated.
49. Go to the market and get me some vegetables.
50. Mohan entered the class and saw that the boys were talking **loudly**. "Please keep **quiet**," he said in a loud voice. Suddenly there was **silence** in the class.
51. A coin has been given to me by John. It has been found by him from the rags. Such a coin has never been seen by me in my life. It will be given to father by me.
52. One day, a huntress went to the forest. She was going to hunt a lioness. On her way, she met the king. He was searching for his princess.
53. D. Whose son is he?
54. B. Which shirt did Kiran select?
55. A. How long does Nisha play the guitar everyday?

Section E

56.

My Ambition

Ambition gives a definite direction to life. My ambition in life is to become a journalist. I have been inspired by journalists like Arnab Goswami. Journalism is a challenging and thrilling job. It will give me an opportunity to face new situations and challenges in life. I will be able to expose social evils and corruption in society. I will be able to report the facts and truth to the people and arouse their opinion on important matters. To fulfil my ambition, I will have to graduate with good marks and then do a course in journalism. I would love to learn and train myself by joining a good newspaper or TV channel.

OR**My Neighbours**

Very few people are lucky to have good neighbours. I am lucky to have good neighbours. Mr Shah and Mrs Shah are my neighbours. They have two children – a son named Udit and a daughter named Alka. Mr Shah is a doctor and Mrs Shah is a teacher. They are all well-educated and cultured. We are always ready to help one another. We often spend our free time together. We celebrate all the festivals and special occasions together. Whenever, we are ill, Mr Shah is always there to take care of us. My father, who is a chartered accountant, takes care of Mr Shah's finances. Though we are different by professions, we are one by heart. I will never forget the day when Mr Shah came in the middle of the night to treat my little brother who had become unconscious because of high fever. The whole Shah family was with us till morning, when my brother opened his eyes. Thus, at all good or bad occasions we work hand in hand and nobody feels loneliness. Really, we have a very enjoyable neighbourhood.

OR

Eco-System – My Role and Responsibility

Today, the whole world is facing the problems of air, water and noise pollution. With an increase in population and fast industrialisation, our eco-system is in danger. We have been exploiting nature and birds and animals for our selfish purposes. This has immensely harmed our eco-system. As responsible citizens, it our duty to play a role in preserving the eco-system. We should keep our surroundings clean. We should plant as many trees as possible. This will not only make our surroundings beautiful but also reduce air and noise pollution. We must create an awareness about the importance of trees and saving water. We should not use loud speakers or unnecessary blow horns of vehicles. We should make sure that we use eco-friendly vehicles like bicycles to control air pollution.

57. To : spat_07@gmail.com

Subject : Celebration of World Environment Day

Dear Jaimin,

On June 5, Vanleela Eco Club will celebrate the World Environment Day in Anand. I invite you to join us in our effort.

We have planned to plant at least 500 saplings here. We have invited students of schools and colleges to join hands in our effort. Every person who plants a sapling will pledge to look after one tree.

We have also planned to have an exhibition to create awareness about saving our environment. If you have any suggestions or ideas, please do let me know.

Your friend,

Lakshya

OR

Visit to the City Museum

May 12, 2024

Vadodara.

Last week, I visited the City Museum with my family. The first section had pictures and models depicting the progress of mankind. We saw many weapons, right from those used in the stone age to the latest machine guns. There was a variety of knives, swords, spears and shields. The next room showed how man learnt the art of writing. There were writings on leaves, baked clay, parchment, silk and the latest printed, coloured book. We also saw different styles of paintings belonging to different eras. There were rare sculptures and statues, too.

58. This is a picture of Navaratri. An open ground is decorated with colourful lights. There is a big stage on the ground. An orchestra is playing music from that stage. Young men and women are playing *dandiya-raas*. The women are dresses in *ghaghra-choli*. They are wearing traditional ornaments. Even some of the men are wearing the traditional dress. A few small children are also playing the *dandiya-raas*.
