

**I Four alternatives are given for each of the following questions/ incomplete statements. Choose the correct alternative and write the complete answer along with its letter of alphabet.**

**4 x 1 = 4**

**1. Read the given conversation and choose the language function of the underlined sentence:**

Ranjan: would you like to join us to do this project?

Convict: Hmm.... I love, but I prefer to do Maths projects.

A) advise B) making suggestion C) request D) seeking permission

Answer : \_\_\_\_\_

**2. The appropriate prefix for the word 'visible' is \_\_\_\_\_**

A) un B) im C) in D) ir

Answer : \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Read the following stanza and choose the correct pair of rhyming words.**

I am grateful for the lips that might speak  
words of comfort and peace to all who seek.

I am grateful for a mind that I might know  
how to aid those who need me so.

A) might - might B) might -seak C) seek - might D) speak-seek

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**4. He stood terrified at this radiant figure.**

**Choose the correct meaning for the underlined word.**

A) frightening B) dim C) pale D) shining

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**II Do as directed: 12 x 1 = 12**

**5. Pick out the word that does not belong to the set.**

Stamina, speed, skill, sports.

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**6. Combine the word in Column-A with its collocative word in Column-B**

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>
face	[ challenges, car, tolerate, nation ]

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**7. Choose the infinitive given in the sentence.**

Arjuna wanted to destroy the unseen foe.

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**8. Frame the question to get underlined word as an answer.**

The shop closed at 9pm.

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**9. Fill in the blank with correct tense form of the verb given in the brackets:**

The Pandavas \_\_\_\_\_ (transfer) the crown to their grandson Parikshitha.

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**10. Choose the correct homophone and complete the statement.**

The hunter ----- under the tree and soon he fell asleep. (wrested, rested)

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**11. Write the correct form of the word given in brackets.**

I didn't notice any serious \_\_\_\_ of opinion among the debaters. (differ)

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**12. Identify the figure of speech used in the given sentence:**

Never let a thought shrivel and die.

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**13. Combine the following sentences using the conjunction given in the brackets.**

Himamshu took out his story book.  
He read aloud to his friends. (and)

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**14. Change the statement from active to passive voice.**

Vedanth plucked some fruits.

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**15. Replace the underlined word with correct phrasal verb.**

We reserved some money to help the needy and elderly people.  
(set off, set out, set aside, set in)

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**16. Change the given statement into negative.**

Karthik is a musician.

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**III The following statement has two errors. Correct the sentence using the given clues: 2 x 1 = 2**

**17.** chinnaswami Subramanya Bharathi was a righter, poet and a social reformer.

**a) spelling to be corrected.**

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**b) Capital letter to be corrected.**

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**IV 7 x 2 = 14**

**18. Read the following paragraph and answer the questions that follow:**

My mother always regales me with tales of my naughty behaviour. She claims she never managed to control me now! But I do admit that right from the very beginning I found it hard to sit still. I was very curious and it was my ambition to travel around the world and drive a Mercedes Benz! God has been kind to me and both my wishes have been fulfilled. But at that time, twenty-five years ago, these dreams seemed like castles in the air.

**a) What is the ambition expressed in the above paragraph?**

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**b. A strong desire to achieve something .**

**(Give one word from the paragraph)**

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**19. Read the following conversation and answer the questions that follow:**

**Interviewer:** What are your favourite leisure-time activities?

**Dr. Abdul Kalam:** Books are my favourite friends, and I consider my home library, with many thousand books, to be my greatest wealth. Every new book, based on some new idea inspires me and gives me a new thought to ponder over. I enjoy reading and writing poetry. I like music, which heals the mind; I especially like Carnatic and Hindustani Classical music.

**a) What is the question asked by the interviewer to Dr Abdul Kalam?**

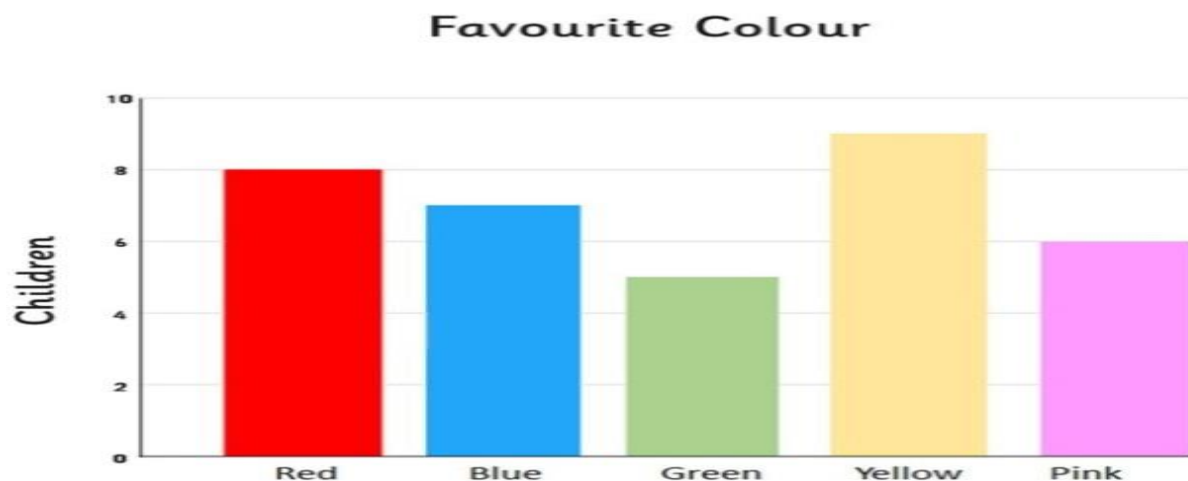
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**b) Why did Dr Abdul Kalam like music?**

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**20. Number of children liked the different colours is given. The result is as follows:**

**Read the picture carefully and answer the questions that follow:**



**a) Which colour is liked by most of the children?**

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**b) How many children like the red?**

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**21. Read the given advertisement carefully and answer the questions that follow:**



**a) when will the sale be held?**

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**b) How much discount is announced on all items?**

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**22. Read the following stanza and answer the questions that follow:**

Time slipped away  
then came the Olympics;  
Still in your teens  
but spurred on by the cheers;  
Glory at last –  
as you gained your gold medals,  
A time to remember  
the rest of your years.

**a) What is remembered in the rest her of years?**

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**b) In her teens, which game did the athlete participate in?**

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**23. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow:**

Aruna's act of defiance on August 9th virtually marked the start of the Quit India Movement. She now became a full time activist in the Movement, eventually going underground, to avoid being arrested. She became the editor of "Inquilaab", the monthly magazine for the Congress, along with Ram Manohar Lohia.

In the 1944 issue of the magazine, she advised freedom fighters not to allow any academic arguments on questions like violence and non-violence to divert attention from the stern realities of the day..... "I want every student and youth to think, and feel as soldiers of the nation that is to come".

**a) Why did Aruna go underground?**

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**b) What did Aruna advise the freedom fighters?**

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**24. Read the given passage and answer the following questions:**

Mr. Kumar was right. It was only the beginning of Ranji's success with the bat. In the next game, he scored forty. Ranji could have certainly scored more but he grew careless and allowed himself to be stumped by the wicket-keeper. The game that followed was a two-day match, and Ranji, who was now batting at number three, made forty-five runs.

Everyone was pleased with him. His coach, his captain Suraj, and Mr. Kumar. But no one knew about the lucky bat.

That was a secret between Ranji and Mr. Kumar.

One evening, after a game on the maidan, Ranji decided to catch a bus home.

He was in the living room, just beginning to sip a cup of tea when Koki walked in, and the first thing she said was, "Ranji, where's your bat?"

"Oh no! I must have left it in the bus!" cried Ranji. "I'll never get it back!" The bat was lost forever.

**a) What was the secret between Ranji and Mr Kumar?**

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**b) Why couldn't Ranji score more?**

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**V Answer the following question in 5-6 sentences each.**

**2 x 3 = 6**

**25. Write a message reading the telephone conversation given below:**

Mother: Skanda give the phone to appa?

Skanda: ma leaving phone, appa has gone out. He will come back at lunch time he said.

Mother: When he comes back, ask him to pick me at 5pm from my office

Skanda: Ok ma, I will inform appa. Bye.

Dear appa,

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**26. Sentences given below are the steps to a simple meditation. Re-arrange them in the correct sequence:**

- a) Take a deep breath in through the nose.
  - b) Release through the mouth.
  - c) Repeat step three to five.
  - d) Hold for three seconds.
  - e) Find yourself a comfortable seat.
  - f) Sit with your back straight, shoulders relaxed.
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**VI Read the following texts and answer the questions that follow:**

**4 x 3 = 12**

**27.** Several months after the death of the bullock, Algu reminded Sahu of the money he had not yet paid. "I can't pay you a penny for the wretched beast you sold me. He brought us nothing but ruin," Sahu said angrily. Algu decided to take the case to the *Panchayat*. The *Panchayat* was held under the old banyan tree. Algu stood up and said, "The voice of the *Panch* is the voice of God. Let Sahu nominate the head Panch. I will abide by his decision." Sahu saw his chance and proposed the name of Jumman. Algu's heart sank and he turned pale.

**a) What did Algu remind Sahu?**

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**b) Why was Sahu not ready to pay for the bullock?**

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**c) Who was nominated as the head panch?**

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**28.** I was never very studious and always preferred to spend my time playing games and participating in athletics where I could use up my energy. I went to a small local school that had few cricketing facilities. The games they offered at that time were basketball, football, table tennis and hockey, probably because all they required was a ball, a couple of sticks and a net. I was fairly good at all games, exceptionally good at athletics, but dreamed of becoming a footballer. I worked hard at that game and was selected to play for my school. Fortunately all my friends were interested in and played cricket and they convinced me to change my game. That is a decision I will always be grateful to them for, as they unconsciously introduced me to the game for which I was made.

**a) Which were the games offered in the school?**

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**b) What was the dream of the speaker?**

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**c) Spending a lot of time studying and reading.  
(Give one word from the extract)**

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**29.** “Forgive me!” said the bearded man in a weak voice, when he saw that the king was awake.

“I do not know you and have nothing to forgive you for,” said the king.

“You do not know me, but I know you. I am that enemy of yours who swore revenge on you, because you put my brother to death and seized my property. I had made up my mind to kill you on your way home. But the day passed and you did not return. So, I left my hiding place and I came upon your bodyguard, who recognized me and wounded me. I escaped from him but I should have died if you had not dressed my wounds. I wished to kill you, and you have saved my life. Now, if I live, I will serve you as your most faithful servant.”

**a) Who wounded the bearded man?**

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**b) Who saved the life of the bearded man?**

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**c) What decision did the bearded man take?**

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**30.** So Yussouf entertained his guest that night,  
And, waking him ere day, said: “Here is gold,  
My swiftest horse is saddled for thy flight,  
Depart before the prying day grow bold.”  
As one lamp lights another, nor grows less,  
So nobleness enkindleth nobleness:

**a) Who entertained the guest?**

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**b) What did Yussouf say to the guest?**

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**c) What enkindleth nobleness?**

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**IX Study the picture given below:**

**1 x 3 = 3**

**33. Write a description or an account of what the picture suggests to you in a paragraph.**



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**X Read the given text and answer the questions that follows :**

**1 x 4 = 4**

**34.** It is now how much you accomplish in life  
that really counts,  
but how much you give to others.  
It's not how high you build your dreams  
that makes a difference,  
but how high your faith can climb.  
It's not how many goals you reach,  
but how many lives you touch.  
It's not who you know that matters,  
but who you are inside.  
Believe in the impossible,  
hold tight to the incredible,  
and live each day to its fullest potential.

You can make a difference  
in your world.

**a) What counts in life?**

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**b) What does the poetess ask us to hold tight?**

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**c) What is to be believed?**

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**d) When can we make a difference?**

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**XI Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:**

**1x4=4**

Sunita was badly injured in an accident. Her leg was fractured. She was operated upon and the broken bone was joined using a steel rod. She was advised rest for a month. She could not move. She was angry that God had been very unfair to her. Her friend Anjali comforted her saying that she should look at those who were physically challenged since birth, and be grateful to the creator.

**a) How did Anjali comfort Sunitha?**

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**b) Why was Sunitha angry with the God?**

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**XII Answer the following question in about 8-10 sentences :**

**1 x 4 = 4**





**XIV. Write a letter using the information given below: 1 x 5 = 5**

**38. Imagine you are Harshitha/Harsha studying in Government High School, Hasana.**

**Write a letter to your friend inviting him/her to your sister's marriage.**

**OR**

**Write a letter to the Head master, requesting him/her to issue your study Certificate.**