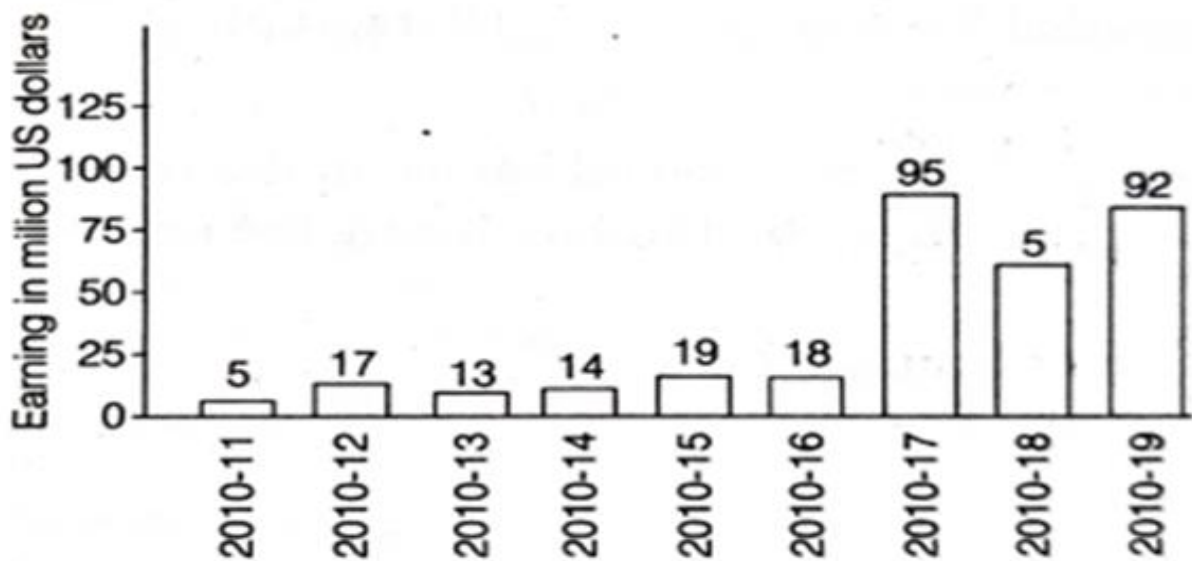


- v. When they see a predator, birds give_____.
- vi. What does the writer advise in Para 6? Answer in about 40 words.
- vii. Select the qualities from paragraph 3, that the author wants us to imbibe. Being-
(1) accepting (2) resilient (3) emotional (4) perceptive (5) fragile
A. (2), (4) and (3) B. (1), (3) and (4) C. (3), (5) and (1) D. (1), (4) and (5)
- viii. What qualities do the birds and squirrels display when they warn others of possible danger?
Answer in about 40 words.

2. Read the following text.

- (1) Rowling was constantly writing and telling stories to her younger sister Dianne. “The first story I ever wrote down was about a rabbit called Rabbit.” Rowling said in an interview. “He got the measles and was visited by his friends including a giant bee called Miss Bee. And ever since Rabbit and Miss Bee, I have always wanted to be a writer, though I rarely told anyone so.
- (2) However, my parents, both of whom come from impoverished backgrounds and neither of whom had been to college, took the view that my overactive imagination was an amusing personal quirk that would never pay a mortgage or secure a pension.
- (3) A Writer from the age of six, with two unpublished novels in the drawer, she was stuck on a train when Harry walked into her mind fully formed. She spent the next five years constructing the plots of seven books, one for every year of his secondary school life.
- (4) Rowling says she started writing the first book, Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone, in Portugal, where she was teaching English.
- (5) At first nobody wanted to publish Harry Potter. She was told that plot was too complex. Refusing to compromise, she found a publisher.
- (6) In 1997 Rowling received her first royalty cheque. By book three, she had sky rocketed to the top of the publishing world. A row of zeroes appeared on the author’s bank balance and her life was turned upside down. Day and night she had journalist knocking on the unwanted door of her flat.
- (7) Rowling quality control has legendary, as her obsession with accuracy. She’s thrilled with Stephen Fry’s taped version of the books and outraged that an Italian dust jacket showed Harry minus his glasses. “Don’t they understand that the glasses are the clue to his vulnerability?”
- (8) Annual earnings of J.K Rowling from 2010 to 2019.



Answer the following questions, based on the passage above.

- i. Harry's glasses are important because_____ . 1
- ii. Rowling was on a _____ when the idea of Harry Potter book came to her mind. 1
- iii. What was the drawback of achieving fame? Answer in about 40 words. 2
- iv. Why was Rowling outraged with the Italian dust jacket? 1
- v. According to the graph, how many years did it take Rowling to become very successful? 1
- vi. What was Rowling's profession when she wrote the first Harry Potter book?
A. Writer B. Editor C. Publisher D. Teacher 1
- Vii. Explain J.K. Rowling's 'near magical rise to fame'. Answer in about 40 words. 2
- viii. What does the passage tell us about Rowling's parents? 1
A. They were dead B. They were very rich
C. They were very poor D. They wanted her to become a writer

SECTION B: WRITING SKILLS & GRAMMAR (20 marks)

GRAMMAR

3. Complete ANY TEN of twelve of the following tasks, as directed. 10

- i. Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option to complete the sentence. 1
When we hear a commentary on the radio we easily _____ what is happening at a particular moment.
A. visualise B. visualised C. visualising D. will visualise
- ii. Read the conversation between the teacher and the student. Complete the sentence by reporting the student's reply correctly. 1
Teacher: For how many hours do you study at home, Rakesh?
Rakesh: I cannot study for more than half an hour.
The teacher, asked Rakesh about the number of hours he studied, to which, Rakesh answered _____.

- iii. Select the option that identifies the error and supplies the correction for the following line. 1
He had no accuse for attacking that old man.

Option No.	error	Correction
A	had	has
B	accuse	excuse
C	for	to
D	attacking	attack

- iv. Identify the error in the following sentence. 1
Geologists say that about 650 million years ago, India and Antarctica are parts of the same landmass.

Use the given format for your response.

error	Correction

- v. Select the correct option to complete the narration of dialogue between Marie and Tony. 1
 Marie: Did you see my new umbrella? Isn't it fine?
 Tony: Yes, it is! Did you buy it from the mall?
 Marie: No, your father has brought it for me.
 Marie asked her son Tony _____ and she wanted to know whether it was a fine one.
 Tony agreed and asked his mother if she had brought it from the mall. His mother replied in the negative and added that his father had brought it for her.
 A. if he had seen her new umbrella B. if he been seeing the umbrella
 C. if he could see the umbrella D. if he can see the umbrella
- vi. Identify the error in the following advertisement of a school. 1

MMW School
 New Delhi, Delhi

We go beyond our textbooks because knowledge know no bounds.

- vii. Choose the correct option to complete the sentence. 1
 The treasurer and secretary _____ left from the bank.
 A. have B. has C. are D. is
- viii. Nikhil asked Nancy about her work from home. Report Nikhil's question. 1
 Do you work from home?
- ix. Identify the error in the advertisement of real estate posted on a street hoarding and supply for correction. 1

Callipolis *Gurugram, Haryana*

If location matter, here is the address!

Use the given format for your response.

error	correction

- x. Select the correct option to complete the narration of the dialogue given below. 1
 Doctor: How do you feel now?
 Patient: Slightly better.
 Doctor: Did you take the medicines regularly?
 Patient: Yes.
 The doctor asked the patient how he felt then. The patient replied he felt slightly better. When the doctor asked him if _____ the medicines regularly, he replied in affirmation.
 A. he had taken B. he has taken C. he will take D. he took
- xi. Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option to complete the sentence. 1
 The match _____ begun before I reached the playground.
 A. has B. had C. was D. have
- xii. Select the option that identifies the error and supplies the correction for the following line. 1
 Today, the number of people who enjoys winter sports is bigger than that of twenty years ago.

Option No.	error	correction
A	the	a
B	who	that
C	enjoys	enjoy
D	is	are

WRITING

Note : All details presented in the questions are imaginary and created for assessment purpose . 10

4. Attempt ANY ONE of the following questions.

Write a short story based on the given outline or cues in about 100-120 words. Provide your story with a title.

- A. “ I was walking alone near the sea beach when I suddenly heard somebody screaming from the pine bushes.....” 5

OR

- B. I was walking with my dog last night, when I saw a strange light. I wondered if it could be a UFO (Unidentified flying object). Complete the story in about 100-120 words using the hints given below.

Hints: • Strange light in the sky • A large flying saucer • Alien creatures
• Suspicious moments • enquired about it • your reaction

5. Attempt ANY ONE of the following questions.

- A. You are Saira of Hamida Public School, Indore. You celebrated your eighteenth birthday with a lot of pomp and show with your family, friends and relatives. Taking help from the information given below, describe the happy experience in your personal diary in about 100-120 words. You can invent your own details. 5

Hints:

- 18th birthday • my family had decided to celebrate in grand style
- all friends, relatives and classmates invited
- my mother helped me in choosing my dress • decorations
- lighting • songs and dance • congratulations
- wonderful gifts, grand dinner • celebration continued till midnight.

OR

- B. You are Raju/Ranjana of St. John’s Public School, New Delhi. You are motivated by the ‘Clean India Campaign’ of the Prime Minister and participated in it in your own way in your colony. Taking help from the input write a diary entry on the subject.

Hints:

- PM’s ‘Swachha Bharat Abhiyan’ • motivated millions of young people like me
- volunteers • started removing dirt • bought new bins • distributed pamphlets
- enlightened public • good results • things in die right direction
- I feel proud of myself and my companions.

SECTION C: LITERATURE TEXTBOOK AND SUPPLEMENTARY READING TEXT (40 marks)

6. Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given. 5

- A. “But the child never forgot. Next time she saw him she quickly put both hands behind her back and a red colour flew into her cheeks.”
- i. What is this story about? 1
A. Children B. fears of children C. childhood D. A little girl and her feelings for her father.
- ii. The phrase ‘a red colour flew into her cheeks’ means Kezia was _____. 1
A. scared B. happy C. exultant D. angry
- iii. Who does ‘him’ in the first line refer to? 1
- iv. Why did she put both hands behind her back? 1
- v. What did the child never forget? 1

OR

- B. "There is a richly wooded forest all around. The logs are hauled on to the lorries by elephants. They are huge well-fed beasts. When they turn wild even the most experienced mahout is not able to control them." After this prologue Iswaran would launch into an elaborate anecdote involving an elephant."
- i. 'There', as mentioned in the given lines, refer to _____. 1
A. the construction site B. Iswaran's village C. Mahendra's town D. a big city
- ii. The word 'hauled' means _____. 1
A. abrupt change B. a cart C. push D. drag with force
- iii. When the writer says, "after this prologue", he means _____. 1
- iv. The anecdote here refers to _____. 1
- v. What can be said about Iswaran from the given extract? 1
- 7. Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given. 5**

- A. "I will arise and go now, for always night and day
I hear the lake water lapping with low sounds by the shore;
While I stand on the roadway, or on the pavements grey,
I hear it in the deep heart's core."
- i. Which poetic device has been used in this line "I hear the lake water lapping"? 1
A. Repetition B. Simile C. Alliteration D. Metaphor
- ii. For how long will the poet go there? 1
A. He will go there for a week B. He will go there for a day
C. He will go there for a month D. He will go there forever
- iii. What will the poet hear? 1
- iv. How will the poet hear this sound? 1
- v. Where will the poet go? 1

OR

- B. "Now in memory comes my mother,
As she used in years ago,
To regard the darling dreamers
Ere she left them till the dawn:
O! I feel her fond look on me
As I list to this refrain
Which is played upon the shingles
By the patter of the rain."
- i. What is the rhyme scheme of the poem 'Rain on the Roof'? 1
A. abcdefef B. abcbdefe C. abcbdefe D. ababcdcd
- ii. Where is the poet's mother now? 1
A. died B. slept C. travelling D. kitchen
- iii. Whose memory comes in the poet's mind? 1
- iv. What music is he listening? 1
- v. What does the poet imply by "the darling dreamers"? 1

- 8. Answer ANY FOUR of the following five questions, in about 40-50 words. 4×3=12**
- A. "What a waste!" What is Tommy referring to as a 'waste'? Is it a waste? (The Fun They Had) 3
- B. Why was Bismillah Khan called a perfect example of Indian culture and heritage? 3

- C. Kezia's efforts to please her father resulted in displeasing him very much. Comment on the basis of the text 'The Little Girl'. 3
- D. Why does the poet suggest to the people that they have to be strong? Write your answer in the context of the poem, 'Wind'. 3
- E. What does the divergence in the road signify in real life? (The Road Not Taken) 3
- 9. Answer ANY TWO of the following three questions, in about 40-50 words.** 2×3=6
- A. "I want my mother, I want my father!" The behaviour of the child before and after his separation from the parents show that he has great love for his parents. We understand the value of people only after losing them. Comment with reference to the story, 'The Lost Child'. 3
- B. Animals should be treated with love and respect. Comment on this statement with the lesson 'The Adventures of Toto' as the background. 3
- C. Some people have the creativity to cook stories even out of a small mole and make the simplest incidence interesting. Elucidate with reference to 'Iswaran the Storyteller'. 3
- 10 Answer ANY ONE of the following two questions, in about 100-120 words.** 1×6=6
- A. Why was Kezia punished by her father? Do you think Kezia deserved this? What should her father have done instead? (The Little Girl)
- OR**
- B. What was Einstein's contribution to the knowledge of science? Which values in his character made him a 'global citizen'? Comment on the basis of the text.
- 11. Answer ANY ONE of the following two questions, in about 100-120 words.** 1×6=6
- A. The disciple in the story didn't look into the depth of the matter and took a hasty decision of not leaving the kingdom of fools. What light does the story throw on the importance of good decision making in one's life?
- OR**
- B. 'If there is a part of the brain especially devoted to mischief, that part was largely developed in Toto.' Justify the statement. Why did even grandfather realise that Toto was not the sort of pet they could keep for long? (The Adventures of Toto)
