

- iii. Social media group called 'ManaPeddapuram' is launched.
- iv. Equal amount of rice and other material is distributed.
- v. People from other areas also get inspired.
 - A. iii, ii, i, v, iv B. iii, ii, iv, i, v C. iv, ii, i, iii, v D. v, ii, i, iv, iii
- iv. In the slogan 'Avoid Plastic, Avoid Hunger', how could the hunger be avoided?
 - A. by keeping busy in social services B. by selling the non-biodegradable waste
 - C. by distributing the rice D. by discussing the issues
- v.rice and other materials were distributed during the drive. (Para2).
Which of the following sentences use the word 'drive' similar in meaning to the one given in the above sentence?
 - A. Mr. Gupta's son drives his car very sensibly.
 - B. Too much cruelty to the workers can drive them to go on a strike.
 - C. The super market is only a five minutes' drive away.
 - D. Our school launched a drive to collect funds for the poor children.
- vi. How much rice was donated during the drive?
- vii. What is the best suitable title for this passage?
- viii. Find out the antonym of 'selfish' in above passage? (Paragraph 5)
- ix. Which word in the passage is the synonym of 'consciousness'? (Para 4)
- x. Answer the following question in one word or a sentence: 'A drop in the ocean' means _____.
- xi. Who inspired the concept of 'rice for plastic' among the youth?

2. Read the passage given below.

1. Sports and energy drinks consumed by athletes and fitness-freaks are beverages rich in essential components such as nutrients, vitamins, carbohydrates, etc., that provide much-needed mental and physical stimulation. They not only provide an instant energy boost but also help to replenish the electrolytes which are lost during the workout keeping the body hydrated which are of utmost importance. Indian consumers drink 120 billion liters of beverages of which 4% are ready-to-drink energy drinks which are available in a variety of flavours and also in an organic avatar.
2. Furthermore, aggressive promotion and marketing by the big brands across all media have also contributed significantly to their market growth. Collaboration with celebrities and sports personalities, development of more consumer-oriented products such as sugar-free drinks or customizable drinks, product availability across various platforms, and sponsoring various sporting events or teams are believed to even further increase the growth of these brands.



3. The market size of Indian Sports and energy drinks reached US\$ 2.4 billion in 2022. And going by the current rate, projections estimate the market size to reach US\$ 5.0 billion by the year 2027.
4. A lot of athletes gets confused between an energy drink and sports drink. Sugar is the biggest enemy for any athlete if its intake is not balanced correctly. Any beverage which contains more than 10% of sugar is considered to be an energy drink. When an athlete consumes any energy drink, it creates a sudden insulin spike in the body and for a short duration of period feels energetic. However, the insulin spike is soon followed by an insulin spike drop, leaving behind the athlete dull, lethargic and fatigued.

Based on your understanding of the passage, answer ANY EIGHT of the following questions given below. (8)

i. Complete the sentence.

The fact that sports drinks are the preferred choice of sports persons is comparable with the fact that energy drinks seem to be _____. (Paragraph 1)

ii. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate option from those given in brackets, based on your understanding of paragraph 1.

Indian consumers drink 120 billion liters of beverages of which 4% or 4.8 billion liters are ready-to-drink energy drinks that are available in a variety of flavours and also in an organic avatar is _____ (a fact/ opinion).

iii. Justify the following in a sentence:

Big brands and MNCs are keenly pushing and aiding the growth of their beverages' markets by widening their consumer base.

iv. Based on the passage, mention one marketing tactic involved to popularize their energy and sports drinks?

v. Which year the market size of Indian sport and energy drinks reached 2.4 billion US Dollars?

A. 2016 B. 2022 C. 2019 D. 2020

vi. What is the drawback of athletes consuming sports and energy drinks?

vii. Select the appropriate option to fill in the blanks.

From paragraph 1, we can conclude that sports and energy drinks are a source of _____ and _____ especially if you are into regular and heavy work-outs.

1. carbohydrates 2. instant energy 3. Hydration 4. organic matter 5. flavours

A. 1 and 4 B. 2 and 3 C. 4 and 5 D. 1 and 5

viii. By the end of 2027, projections estimate the market size to reach _____ US billions.

A. 2.4 B. 2.5 C. 5.0 D. 3.0

ix. Select a suitable title for the passage from the following:

A. Sports and Energy drinks B. Physical and mental stimulation components

C. Consumer oriented products D. Sugar free drinks

SECTION B: GRAMMAR & CREATIVE WRITING SKILLS (22 MARKS)

3. Attempt ANY FOURTEEN of the following questions given below.

(14)

i. Identify the underlined verb as finite or non-finite verb.

My parents have decided to move to New Zealand by the end of this year.

ii. Underline the noun clause from the given sentence.

I have always wondered why birds migrate.

iii. Fill in the blank with a suitable word. (Relative Clause)

He had a feeling _____ something terrible was going to happen.

A. why B. that C. where D. which

iv. Identify the adverb clause in the given sentence.

When you listen to music on the radio, do you hum along with it?

v. Choose the correct word to complete the sentence.

The United Arab Emirates (offer / offers) business people many profitable opportunities.

vi. Fill in the blank with a suitable modal.

I think I _____ have passed the test, but I'm not sure.

A. ought to B. might C. shall D. can

vii. Complete the sentence by writing the correct adverb.

I _____ disagree with your statement.

A. strongly B. passionately C. neatly D. kindly

viii. Fill in the blank with the present perfect continuous tense form of the verb given in the bracket.

Workers _____ day and night.

A. had been working B. have been working

C. has been working D. are working

ix. Complete the sentence below with an appropriate collocation.

When I entered the office, my manager was in _____ thought.

A. strong B. deep C. high D. heavy

x. Complete the sentence with the antonym of the word given in the brackets.

There is _____ (scarce) evidence that he is the thief.

A. strong B. mysterious C. scant D. abundant

xi. Fill in the blank with a suitable determiner.

Fortunately, _____ of the children were hurt.

A. few B. some C. none D. little

xii. Complete the sentence.

Traffic rules _____ be stricter, so that people don't break them.

A. must B. might C. dare D. are

xiii. Write the kind of determiner for the word 'my' in the given sentence.

Have you seen my sunglasses anywhere?

xiv. Change the voice.

Five million dollars were donated by Leonardo Dicaprio.

xv. Complete the blank given in the reported speech by choosing the correct option.

Captain: Do you know how to play cricket?

Nitesh: Never had a chance to learn it.

The Captain asked Nitesh _____ cricket.

A. did you know how to play B. do you know how to play

C. if he knew how to play D. if he knew how to play

xvi. Fill in the blank with correct form of the verb given in the brackets.

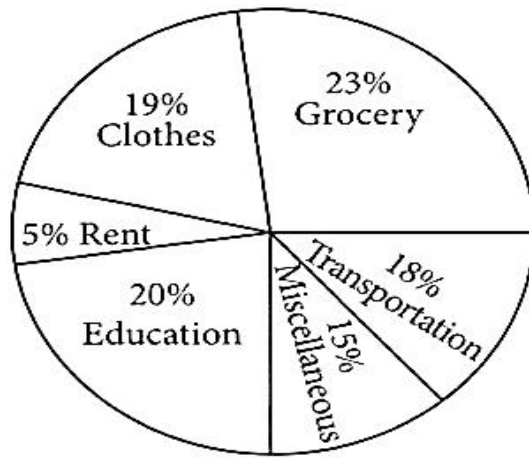
Fast food, like burgers and street food, _____ harmful to our health. (is/are)

4. Attempt ANY ONE of the following questions in about 50 words. (3)

i. An Inter-school Kabaddi Competition is organized by your school. Write a notice, requesting the students to be present at the venue to encourage the players. Invent all the necessary details. You are Arjun/Anjali, the sports captain of your school.

OR

ii. The given pie chart represents the amount of money spent by family on different items in a month. Write a paragraph interpreting the data.



5. Attempt ANYONE of the following questions in about 100-120 words. (5)

i. It was the happiest day of your life when your class teacher informed you that you have been selected as the 'Best Student of the Year'. You are thrilled as now you will receive the award at the Annual Day Celebrations. Make a diary entry recording your feelings in it.

OR

ii. You are Rajasri/Rohan a student of Delhi Public School, Ghaziabad. Write a letter to the editor of local daily regarding the bad condition of roads in your locality.

SECTION C: LITERATURE (40 MARKS)

6. Read the extract and answer ANY FOUR of the following questions given below. (4)

"I must prevent thee, Cimber.
 These couchings and these lowly courtesies
 Might fire the blood of ordinary men,
 And turn pre-ordinance and first decree
 Into the law of children. Be not fond,"

- Who is Caesar speaking to?
 A. Metellus Cimber B. Brutus C. Cinna D. Calpurnia
- Why did Cimber approach Caesar?
- What is the word that means 'polite gestures' in the given lines?
- Explain: "Might fire the blood of ordinary men".
- What is the Metellus Cimber's petition to Caesar?
 A. to banish his brother B. to call back his exiled brother
 C. to read the schedule D. to beg for enfranchisement

7. Read the extract and answer ANY FOUR of the following questions given below. (4)

"Somebody scoffed: "Oh, you'll never do that;
 At least no one ever has done it;"
 But he took off his coat and he took off his hat
 And the first thing we knew he'd begun it."

- How did somebody discourage the man?
- What two things did the man do before beginning the task?
- What is the poetic device mentioned in the first line of the extract?
 A. Simile B. Metaphor C. Alliteration D. Repetition

- iv. Pick out a synonym for the word 'mocked'
- v. What is the tone of the above lines?
- A. Encourages the reader never to give up B. A Warning not to listen to anyone
- C. Advises you to be innocent D. Complain about others

8. Answer ANY SIX of the following questions in about 30-40 words each. (12)

- i. How did Mrs. Jones react when Roger tried to steal her purse? (Thank You, Ma'am)
- ii. Why did Shankar wake up one night? What did he see when he turned on his torch?(The Station)
- iii. Why is the whale 'crying' for its 'life' and 'crying' for its 'kind'?(The Song of the Whale)
- iv. What was the device helped Satyajit Ray in his childhood? How does it work? (Old Toys and New magic)
- v. What emotions do the last words of Caesar 'Et tu Brute' express? (The Death of Caesar)
- vi. Why was Raju's wife ashamed of him? What change did she expect in him? (Trail of the Green Blazer)
- vii. What is the 'only other sound' besides that of harness bells? (Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening)

9. Answer ANY TWO of the following question in about 50 words each. (6)

- i. How do you handle a difficult situation and what effort you put to overcome the challenges in life? Explain with reference to the poem, 'It Couldn't Be Done'.
- ii. What are the benefits of having hobbies or interests? State how they have an impact on someone's career progression and well-being. (Old Toys and New Magic)
- iii. Do we focus only on the 'bad' qualities we see in people or do we also make an effort to see their 'good' with their 'bad'? Explain with reference to the lesson 'Trail of the Green Blazer'.

10. Answer ANY TWO of the following questions in about 80-100 words each. (8)

- i. Write the character sketch of Julius Caesar (The Death of Caesar)
- ii. How did Mrs. Luella Bates Washington Jones changed Roger's life? What impact did it have on Roger?(Thank you ma'am)
- iii. What is the poet's message to the readers in the poem 'The Song of the Whale'? What feelings does the speaker wish to convey in this poem?

11. Give the meaning of ANY THREE of the following words and use them to frame meaningful sentences.

- i. thrive(6)
- ii. reform
- iii. persist
- iv. tumble
