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CLASS:VIII

F. M :80

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GROUP – A

(15 Marks)

[Copy all the questions in Group A and then answer]

1. Tick the correct options:

1x5=5

- i) Bob and Jimmy had dined for the last time at
a. Big Joe Brady's restaurant b. a hotel c. Bob's home d. Jimmy's mess

Ans. Bob and Jimmy had dined for the last time at a. Big Joe Brady'd restaurant

- ii) The name of the pup was –
a. Bambi b. Meena c. Mala d. Princess

Ans. The name of the pup was a. Bambi

- iii) On one occasion, the first pup had swallowed a fairly large chunk of –
a. her own collar b. meat c. cake d. cheese

Ans. On one occasion, the first pup had swallowed a fairly large chunk of a. her own collar

- iv) 'Lines to an Indian Air' is written by –
a. P.B. Shelley b. Mary Shelley c. William Wordsworth d. William Shakespeare

Ans. 'Lines to an Indian Air' is written by a. P.B. Shelly

- v) In the play 'The Tempest' Alonso was the –
a. King of Naples b. younger brother of Prospero
c. Duke of Milan d. Ugly son of Sycorax

Ans. In the play 'The Tempest' Alonso was the a. King of Naples

2. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words from the text:

1x5=5

- a. The man in the doorway struck a match and lit his _____ .
Ans. The man in the doorway struck a match and lit his cigar.

- b. The policeman on the _____ moved up to the avenue impressively .
Ans. The policeman on the beat moved up to the avenue impressively

- c. One afternoon, Meena's _____ was invited to tea.
Ans. One afternoon, Meena's mother-in-law to be was invited to tea.

- d. Claribel had married the king of _____ .
Ans. Claribel had married the king of Tunis.

- e. Prospero's chief spirit was _____ .
Ans. Prospero's chief spirit was Ariel .

3. State whether the following statements are 'True' or 'False':

1x5=5

- a. The difference in age between Bob and Jimmy was two years.
Ans. True

- b. Bob had travelled a hundred miles to meet his friend at the appointed place and date.
Ans. False

- c. Jimmy Wells had a pug nose.
Ans. False

- d. The pup was a Boxer.
Ans. True

- e. The champak odours fail.

GROUP-B

(25 marks)

2x5=10

4. Answer the questions briefly: (Who said this to whom)

a. "Let us democratize knowledge."

Ans. Kailash Satyarthi said this to the audience in his speech while receiving the Nobel Peace Prize.

b. "Did pretty well out West, didn't you?"

Ans. The policeman said this to Bob.

c. "Do we behave like this when you have your food?"

Ans. The author in 'The First Pup' or Ranjit Lal said this to Bambi(the pup).

d. "I will tie your feet and neck together and feed you shell fish, withered roots and husks of acorns!"

Ans. Prospero said this to Ferdinand.

e. "I have a gift for you!"

Ans. Prospero said this to Alonso, the King of Naples.

5. Answer the following questions briefly:(Any Five)

3x5=15

a. Why is it said that the movement of the policeman on the beat is impressive?

Ans. The movement of the policeman on the beat was impressive as he moved in a rhythmic way on the street with proper synchronized movement of his hands and legs. The habitual movement was impressive but it was a part of the duty and not for show.

b. Describe the man's features that was revealed when a match was struck in order to light his cigar.

Ans. When Bob struck a match to light his cigar then in the light it was revealed that the man had a pale, square-jawed face with keen eyes and a little white scar near his right eyebrow. His scarfpin was a large diamond, oddly set.

c. State in your own words the meanings of the following words: chum,limpid, breathing low.

Ans. Word Meanings:

chum-friend ; limpid –deep and expressive ; breathing low – not strong;gentle

d. Who were Sycorax and Caliban?

Ans. Sycorax was the wicked witch who lived on the island where Prospero and Miranda went after they were ousted from Milan and put on a boat at night without a tackle or sail. She had a son who was ugly and mis-shapen called Caliban. Both of them had imprisoned many good spirits in trees because they refused to obey her wicked command. Caliban was punished by Prospero as he had refused to give up his evil ways.

e. Why did the island seem like a miracle to the people?

Ans. After the shipwreck Antonio, Alonso, Sebastian, Gonzalo and Ferdinand had reached the island. In fact everything in the island seemed like a miracle to the people. The beautiful scenery and lush vegetation of the island made them feel as if the island was a paradise on earth.

f. Mention the food items that had been laid out on the trolley.

Ans. In order to entertain Meena's mother-in-law-to-be to tea the narrator's mother had made the dainty egg and cucumber sandwiches in a decorative garnish of grated cabbage and carrots, cake (probably Dark Devil's Food Cake) and a magnificent bowl of rasmalai. All these items were loaded up the tea trolley with a white lace.

g. What is the state of the night in the first three lines of the first stanza of the poem 'Lines to an Indian Air.'

Ans. A gentle wind was blowing and stars were shining at night.

GROUP-C

(40 Marks)

6. Answer the following questions elaborately(Any Six):

5x6=30

i. Write in your own words the summary of the poem 'Lines to an Indian Air'.

Ans. 'Lines to an Indian Air' is a love poem by the poet P.B. Shelley. Initially it was published in 1822. It is not a simple love poem. The speaker arises from a dream of his lover. It is still night time but a 'spirit' carries the speaker forward to his beloved's chamber window. Around them nature with its starry skies, wondering winds and nightingale's songs continues to add to the beauty of the moment.

The speaker is lying on the grass in the final stanza. He has fallen, overwhelmed by rapturous longing. Desire has made him pale, cold and anxious. Only the kisses of the lover can revive him again. The final line claims that the speaker's heart will break upon being embraced. The conflicting emotions aroused by love is expressed here. The 'Champak Odour' mentioned in the poem is the only reference to anything Indian. The conclusion of the poem does leave room for a nagging question: is the romantic love the humans experience a dangerous thing?

ii. How did Bambi get at the butter? What happened after that?

Ans. Bambi had the habit of stuffing her face where it was not required or wanted. Someone had left the fridge door ajar and Bambi had opened the fridge door wide enough to put her head inside to take a whole packet of butter, approximately weighting half a kilo and had eaten it.

For the next two days after eating the butter she was sick, vomiting, feeling very thirsty and unhappy. She felt very sorry for herself.

iii. Compare and contrast Bob's and Jimmy's characters.

Ans. Bob and Jimmy had both grown up as brothers in New York City. Jimmy was two years older. When they had parted Bob was eighteen and Jimmy was twenty years. They had both given themselves twenty years time to have their destiny worked out and their fortunes made. Jimmy had never shown any inclination to leave New York and had thus joined the police department staying there whereas Bob had gone to the West to make his fortune. After a year or two they had lost track of each other. Bob had done pretty well illegally/ or by using unfair means and soon became the most wanted man in Chicago police headquarters. They had ended up as one being the protector of the law and the other being the abuser of law.

iv. "Rather a long time between meetings, though, it seems to me." –

a. How much time had passed between the meetings?

Ans. Twenty years had passed between the meetings.

b. Where did the first meeting take place?

Ans. The first meeting had taken place twenty years ago at Big Joe Brady's restaurant situated in New York City's business avenue.

c. What was the speaker's mood when he said this?

Ans. The speaker had expressed a level of curiosity while he made the quoted remark. The speaker was eager to know more about Bob and details of his life in the past twenty years.

v. 'You are the preserver of my life!'

a. Identify the speaker and 'you'.

Ans. In the above quoted line, 'you' refers to Gonzalo, a lord from Naples and the speaker is Prospero, the ousted Duke of Milan.

b. Justify the quoted line.

Ans. Antonio (Prospero's brother) had conspired with Alonso, the king of Naples to oust Prospero and his infant daughter Miranda from Milan. In the middle of the night they were put into a small boat and put to sea without tackle or sail and left there to die. Gonzalo had secretly put some food, water, clothes and Prospero's books into the boat. They had survived only because of Gonzalo's help. That's why Prospero had rightly referred to Gonzalo as the 'preserver of his life'

vi. "Liberty! You promised me liberty, my master." was the reply –

a. Identify the speaker and the 'master'.

Ans. In the quoted line the speaker is Ariel and 'master' refers to Prospero.

b. Describe the character of the speaker.

Ans. Ariel was Prospero's chief spirit. He was invisible to all except Prospero. Ariel was very obedient to Prospero. He carried out Prospero's instructions to the hilt. Ariel was also trapped in the tree by Sycorax before Prospero's arrival.

c. Under what condition was liberty promised?

Ans. After Ariel completed all the tasks given to him by his master Prospero he would be set free. Ariel's reward for obeying all of Prospero's instructions was his attainment of freedom.

vii. How had Antonio poisoned Sebastian's mind?

Ans. When Ariel played the fairy music everyone felt sleepy. Gonzalo and Alonso fell asleep at once while Antonio, Sebastian (Alonso's brother) talked for a while. Antonio made use of the opportunity to poison Sebastian's mind against his brother.

Antonio informed Sebastian that with Claribel married and far away in Tunis, Ferdinand either dead or missing, he would be the sole person to succeed Alonso. When Sebastian confirmed it then Antonio suggested that it won't be any trouble to kill Alonso there and then inform everyone later that the king had died during the search for his son Ferdinand or in the storm or whatever. With Alonso dead, Sebastian would become the king of Naples. Sebastian was so much taken in by Antonio's words that both of them had taken out their swords to kill Gonzalo and Alonso in sleep.

viii. Would you say Bambi was an inquisitive dog? Why?

Ans. As Bambi grew up her chewing mania stopped but her inquisitiveness remained and grew. Finding the fridge door ajar Bambi had looked inside and had eaten a whole packet of butter. She had licked clean and only bits of the wrappings were found on the floor. She became sick after consuming half a kilo of butter. She did not learn from her experience.

Another time Bambi had eaten a wok (kadhai) full of oil in which Kebabs had been fried. She had discovered that wastepaper baskets were interesting places to put her face into and her investigation could have unexpected and startling consequences. She had also eaten away the white rasmalai from the covered trolley.

7. Quote from memory the poem 'Lines to an Indian Air'. Name the poet.

Ans. The poet is P.B. Shelly or Percy Bysshe Shelley.

I arise from dreams of Thee
In the first sweet sleep of night,
When the winds are breathing low
And the stars are shining bright:
I arise from dreams of thee
And a spirit in my feet
Hath led me – who knows how?
To thy chamber-window, Sweet !
The wandering airs they faint
On the dark, the silent stream –
The champak odour fail
Like sweet thoughts in a dream;
The nightingale's complaint ,
It dies upon her heart,
As I must on thine,
Oh, beloved as thou art!
Oh lift me from the grass!
I die ! I faint, I fail!
Let they love in kisses rain
On my lips and eyelids pale.
My cheek is cold and white, alas!
My heart beats loud and fast;
O! press it to thine own again
Where it will break at last.

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