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कुल प्रश्न : 100 + 11 = 111

Total Questions : 100 + 11 = 111

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[Time : 3 Hours 15 Minutes]

कुल मुद्रित पृष्ठ : 26

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[Full Marks : 100]

#### Instructions for the candidates: -

1. Candidates must enter their Question Booklet Serial No. (10 Digits) in the OMR Answer Sheet.
2. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.
3. Figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.
4. An extra time of 15 minutes has been allotted to the candidates to read the questions carefully.
5. This question booklet is divided into two sections- Section-A and Section-B.
6. In Section - A, there are 100 objective type questions, out of which only 50 questions are to be answered. First 50 answers will be evaluated in case more than 50 questions are answered. Each question carries 1 mark. For answering the questions, darken the circle with blue/ black ball pen against the correct option on OMR Answer Sheet provided to you. Do not use whitener/liquid/blade/nail, etc on OMR Answer Sheet, otherwise the result will be treated as invalid.
7. Section-B, there are 11 Descriptive Answer Type Questions, which are to be answered.
8. Use of any electronic appliances is strictly prohibited.

**SECTION-A**  
**Objective Type Questions**

*Questions nos. 1 to 100 have four options, out of which only one is correct. You have to mark your selected option on the OMR-sheet. Out of 100 questions you have to attempt any 50 questions only.*

50 x 1 = 50

Instruction: Question Nos. 1 to 60 are based on prescribed texts-

1. Walter de la Mare is a \_\_\_\_\_ poet.  
(A) Modern (B) Augustan  
(C) Classical (D) Romantic
  
2. The author Joan Lexau, has written \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) The Pace for Living (B) Gillu  
(C) Me and the Ecology Bit (D) Acceptance Speech
  
3. Halku is a character in \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) Sun and Moon (B) Two Horizons  
(C) January Night (D) Quality
  
4. Compost is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) a price of cloth (B) food item  
(C) a place to live (D) manure

5. The first invaders of the land were \_\_\_\_\_ .
- (A) Aryans (B) British  
(C) Greeks (D) Sakas
6. The writer in 'Pace for Living' saw a play in \_\_\_\_\_ .
- (A) Dublin (B) Sweden  
(C) Africa (D) Jerusalem
7. Premchand is the pen name of \_\_\_\_\_ .
- (A) Ganpat Rai (B) Shyam Rai  
(C) Dhanpat Rai (D) Bhojraj Rai
8. Humayun Kabir delivered his lecture at \_\_\_\_\_ University.
- (A) Delhi (B) Baroda  
(C) Mumbai (D) Patna
9. Jim asked Mr. Johnson to minimize \_\_\_\_\_ .
- (A) use of electricity (B) use of dustbins  
(C) use of non-vegetarian food (D) pollution
10. According to Akoulya's grandmother, the young girls were more :
- (A) wise (B) poor  
(C) clever (D) intelligent

11. The \_\_\_\_\_ monks were beaten and dishonoured
- (A) Jain (B) Buddhist  
(C) Christian (D) Bhikkhu
12. The favourite place for Gillu to lie down was the \_\_\_\_\_.
- (A) surahi (B) table  
(C) bed (D) air-cooler
13. Which of the slogans can be associated with 'Me and the Ecology Bit' \_\_\_\_\_
- (A) Save Earth (B) Save Mountain  
(C) Save Water (D) Save Trees
14. Jim found \_\_\_\_\_ burning leaves.
- (A) Mr. Smith (B) Miss Greene  
(C) Mr. Johnson (D) Mr. Williams
15. The author's wife in "The Pace for Living" is capable of working in high \_\_\_\_\_
- (A) tension (B) spirit  
(C) gear (D) speed
16. \_\_\_\_\_ films are not shown abroad.
- (A) British (B) Indian  
(C) Spanish (D) American

17. The old woman in 'Once upon a Time's is the daughter of \_\_\_\_\_.

(A) Jews

(B) tribals

(C) American

(D) slaves

18. Aris says that the eventual \_\_\_\_\_ will be of Burmese people.

(A) defeat

(B) success

(C) release

(D) victory

19. 'The moonbeam, sliding softly in between' is from:

(A) Koel

(B) Polythene Bag

(C) God Made the Country

(D) The Sleeping Porter

20. Vidyapati's poems mostly centre around \_\_\_\_\_.

(A) nature

(B) mythology

(C) man

(D) science

21. Capital punishment and life imprisonment are equally \_\_\_\_\_.

(A) good

(B) moral

(C) interesting

(D) immoral

22. Mr Gessler was a \_\_\_\_\_ shoemaker.

(A) German

(B) French

(C) Spanish

(D) Japanese

23. Who discovered Immunoglobulin E ?

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|---------------------------|---------------------|
| (A) Uppsala and Baltimore | (B) Albert Einstein |
| (C) Stephen Hawkins       | (D) JC Bose         |

24. Malasha was \_\_\_\_\_ to see Akoulya's frock and face splashed with mud.

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|----------------|---------------|
| (A) angry      | (B) overjoyed |
| (C) frightened | (D) happy     |

25. Radha's friend is \_\_\_\_\_ about her.

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|---------------|---------------|
| (A) happy     | (B) angry     |
| (C) concerned | (D) satisfied |

26. Aung San Suu Kyi was jailed in \_\_\_\_\_ .

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|-------------|---------------|
| (A) Bangkok | (B) Singapore |
| (C) Rangoon | (D) Malaysia  |

27. Eczema may evolve into:

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|-------------|------------------|
| (A) fever   | (B) inflammation |
| (C) itching | (D) asthma       |

28. 'Greed is endless, but life is not' is from:

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| (A) The Empty Heart         | (B) Koel                 |
| (C) Thinner than a Crescent | (D) God Made the Country |

29. The polythene bag makes a squeaky noise when \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) burnt (B) smelt  
(C) torn (D) touched
30. Dr. Rana S. P. Singh was a/an \_\_\_\_\_ specialist.  
(A) Cancer (B) Allergy  
(C) TB (D) Blood-pressure
31. 'A whole new world lies right before you' – is from :  
(A) Two Horizons (B) Quality  
(C) Love Defiled (D) Sun and Moon
32. India is \_\_\_\_\_ only to Hollywood in film production.  
(A) fourth (B) fifth  
(C) second (D) third
33. \_\_\_\_\_ was applied to the wounds of Gillu.  
(A) penicillin (B) body cream  
(C) face cream (D) Neosporin
34. Simplification of \_\_\_\_\_ is necessary for Indian cinema.  
(A) music (B) content  
(C) technique (D) painting

35. "...his hurt too melts down \_\_\_\_\_ has been taken from:  
(A) Polythene Bag (B) Thinner than a Crescent  
(C) The Empty Heart (D) Ode on Solitude

36. Humanity can no longer be bound to \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) racism (B) religions  
(C) domestic walls (D) dictatorship

37. The high-pitched strains of the koel wake up a cup a thousand \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) trees (B) memories  
(C) voices (D) songs

38. Mr. Gessler made shoes only on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) demand (B) credit  
(C) special occasion (D) order

39. Halku was \_\_\_\_\_ in spite of the ruined field:  
(A) sad (B) angry  
(C) depressed (D) happy

40. Who said, 'Your books gave me wisdom,' in 'The Bet'?  
(A) lawyer (B) neighbour  
(C) barber (D) friend



41. \_\_\_\_\_ is created by compost, according to Mr. Williams.

(A) Noise Pollution

(B) Soil Pollution

(C) Water Pollution

(D) Air Pollution

42. Gillu was keen to catch the author's \_\_\_\_\_ .

(A) saree

(B) pen

(C) hair

(D) attention

43. Sheets and blankets should be washed \_\_\_\_\_ .

(A) yearly

(B) daily

(C) weekly

(D) monthly

44. \_\_\_\_\_ was not honest in his relationship in 'Love Defiled'.

(A) The girl

(B) The friend

(C) The narrator

(D) The family

45. The porter climbed the \_\_\_\_\_ .

(A) road

(B) platform

(C) lane

(D) cliff

46. \_\_\_\_\_ has charred the koel's wings.

(A) The fire of lust

(B) The fire of jealousy

(C) The fire of love

(D) The fire of hatred

47. The banker felt \_\_\_\_\_ after reading the letter of the lawyer

(A) contempt

(B) relief

(C) happy

(D) remorse

48. Who tells the stories over and over again?

(A) Marie

(B) Martha

(C) Rosie

(D) Susie

49. Radha looked \_\_\_\_\_ than the crescent.

(A) wider

(B) thinner

(C) sharper

(D) fatter

50. \_\_\_\_\_ is good for the gardens.

(A) Irrigation

(B) Compost

(C) Fertilizer

(D) Medicine

51. Martha had a grave, small and lovely \_\_\_\_\_ .

(A) head

(B) body

(C) face

(D) hair

52. The ancient world threw up fine flowers of \_\_\_\_\_ .

(A) history

(B) culture

(C) civilization

(D) tolerance

53. Highly delighted, the two girls watched the \_\_\_\_\_ float.
- (A) boat (B) leaves  
(C) shoes (D) chip
54. \_\_\_\_\_ pitchers of gold were given to the rich man .
- (A) Four (B) Six  
(C) Five (D) Seven
55. The porter's son is shivering with cold and woes of \_\_\_\_\_ .
- (A) anger (B) laughter  
(C) hunger (D) energy
56. The mother tells the daughter that her \_\_\_\_\_ will disappear on its own.
- (A) dream (B) problems  
(C) troubles (D) discontent
57. There are \_\_\_\_\_ general approaches to the treatment of allergic diseases.
- (A) two (B) four  
(C) three (D) five
58. The banker had given a party \_\_\_\_\_ years ago.
- (A) twenty (B) seventeen  
(C) fifteen (D) twenty-six

59. The ice pudding was in the shape of a \_\_\_\_\_ house.

(A) blue

(B) pink

(C) red

(D) green

60. While jumping over the fire, Halku \_\_\_\_\_ his legs.

(A) singed

(B) wounded

(C) burned

(D) scratched

**Direction: Questions from 61 to 67. Choose the most suitable preposition:**

61. Sushila came \_\_\_\_\_ bus.

(A) in

(B) by

(C) of

(D) to

62. It has been raining \_\_\_\_\_ Monday.

(A) since

(B) to

(C) of

(D) through

63. The house is made \_\_\_\_\_ marble.

(A) at

(B) in

(C) of

(D) off

64. Wait here \_\_\_\_\_ I return.

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| (A) until | (B) on   |
| (C) by    | (D) from |

65. Don't be friend \_\_\_\_\_ criminals.

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| (A) by | (B) with |
| (C) on | (D) into |

66. We make curd \_\_\_\_\_ cow milk.

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| (A) of | (B) from |
| (C) at | (D) to   |

67. Rakshita goes to school \_\_\_\_\_ foot.

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| (A) at | (B) in |
| (C) on | (D) to |

68. Choose the correct synonym of 'Blaze':

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| (A) Cool | (B) Click |
| (C) Glow | (D) Slow  |

69. Choose the correct antonym of 'exclude'.

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| (A) Heat | (B) Odd     |
| (C) Weak | (D) Include |

70. Choose the correct synonym of Glory.

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|--------------|----------|
| (A) Shame    | (B) Cold |
| (C) Prestige | (D) Rude |

71. Choose the correct antonym of 'Steep'

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|----------|-------------|
| (A) Tidy | (B) Partial |
| (C) Flat | (D) Wild    |

**Direction: Questions from 72 to 77. Choose the correct option of the following.**

72. Choose the active voice of- Problems might be created by her.

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| (A) She might create problems.     | (B) Problems she may be creating.    |
| (C) Creating problems she must be. | (D) She has to be creating problems. |

73. Choose the passive voice of- Ask your questions.

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| (A) Let your questions asked.          | (B) Let the questions asked.    |
| (C) Letting your questions to be asked | (D) Let your questions be asked |

74. Choose the active voice of- The food has been prepared by her.

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| (A) She has not prepared the food. | (B) She has prepared the food. |
| (C) She have prepared the food.    | (D) She had prepared the food. |

75. Choose the passive voice of- He has sent me a present.

- (A) I have been sent to him a present. (B) A present will be sent to me by him.  
(C) A present had been sent to me (D) A present has been sent to me by him.

76. Choose the active voice of- He cannot be trusted by me anymore.

- (A) I will not trust him any day. (B) I cannot trusting him anymore.  
(C) I cannot trust him anymore. (D) I shall not trusted him anymore.

77. Choose the passive voice of: People felt that the police were corrupt.

- (A) It was felt that the police were corrupt.  
(B) The police were felt to be corrupt.  
(C) It was felt that the police were being corrupt.  
(D) The police were felt being corrupt.

**Direction: Questions from 78 to 83. Choose the correct option:**

78. You \_\_\_\_\_ do it.

- (A) need (B) ought  
(C) should (D) dare

79. I \_\_\_\_\_ waste my time.

- (A) must not (B) ought  
(C) dare (D) need

80. We \_\_\_\_\_ go at once. She needs help.

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|-----------|----------|
| (A) could | (B) dare |
| (C) ought | (D) must |

81. You \_\_\_\_\_ walk carefully. The floor is wet.

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|-----------|----------|
| (A) could | (B) dare |
| (C) ought | (D) must |

82. He \_\_\_\_\_ know the answer.

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| (A) may     | (B) need  |
| (C) doesn't | (D) ought |

83. We have been informed that he \_\_\_\_\_ arrive tomorrow.

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|-----------|------------|
| (A) could | (B) will   |
| (C) need  | (D) Should |

**Direction: Questions from 84 to 87. Choose the correct form of verb.**

84. I \_\_\_\_\_ to the cinema quite often.

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|--------------|---------------|
| (A) go       | (B) have gone |
| (C) shall go | (D) going     |



85. Truth always \_\_\_\_\_ .

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|-------------------|--------------|
| (A) triumphed     | (B) triumph  |
| (C) has triumphed | (D) triumphs |

86. We \_\_\_\_\_ a lie.

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|-------------|----------------|
| (A) tell    | (B) was told   |
| (C) is told | (D) is telling |

87. The clerks \_\_\_\_\_ on strike since Monday.

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|---------------|-------------|
| (A) were      | (B) will be |
| (C) have been | (D) was     |

**Direction: Questions from 88 to 90. Choose the correct translation**

88. यह सड़क कहाँ जाती है ?

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| (A) Where is this road leading? | (B) Where this road is going?     |
| (C) Where does road goes?       | (D) Where does this road lead to? |

89. Neither of the two boys was present.

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| (A) दोनों लड़के मौजूद नहीं थे।               | (B) दो लड़कों में से कोई एक मौजूद नहीं था। |
| (C) दोनों में से कोई भी लड़का मौजूद नहीं था। |  |
| (D) दो लड़कों में से कोई भी मौजूद नहीं थे।   |  |

90. May God bless you.

(A) भगवान आपको आर्शीवाद देंगे।

(B) भगवान आपको आर्शीवाद दे सकते हैं।

(C) भगवान ने आपका भला किया।

(D) भगवान आपका भला करें।

**Direction: Questions from 91 to 95. Choose the correct spelling.**

91. (A) Sattellite

(B) Sattelitel

(C) Satellite

(D) Satelite

92. (A) Posesion

(B) Possession

(C) Possession

(D) Possesion

93. (A) Coruppt

(B) Corrupt

(C) Curropt

(D) Curruppt

94. (A) Coreander

(B) Coriandar

(C) Coriander

(D) Coreandor

95. (A) Foreigner

(B) Foriegnor

(C) Foreinor

(D) Forener

**Direction: Questions from 96 to 100. Choose the correct option :**

96. Choose the indirect speech of: He said to her, "What a cold night!"

- (A) He told her that it was a cold night.
- (B) He exclaimed that it was a cold night.
- (C) He exclaims sorrowfully that it was a cold night.
- (D) He exclaimed that it was a very cold night.

97. Choose the direct speech of. The captain commanded his men to stand at ease-

- (A) The Captain said to his men, "Stand at ease."
- (B) The Captain asked "Stand at ease."
- (C) The Captain told his men "Stand at ease."
- (D) The Captain cried to his men, "Stand at ease."

98. Choose the indirect speech of; He told her, "I want to meet your parents."

- (A) He told her that I want to meet your parents.
- (B) He told her that he wanted to meet his parents.
- (C) He told her that he wanted to meet you parents.
- (D) He told her that he wanted to meet her parents.

99. Choose the direct speech: I told him that he was not working hard

- (A) I said to him, "You are not working hard."
- (B) I told to him "You are not working hard".
- (C) I said, "You are not working hard."
- (D) I said to him, "He is not working hard."

100. Choose the indirect speech of. She said to him, "Why don't you go today?"

- (A) She said to him why he doesn't go today.
- (B) She asked his not to go that day.
- (C) She asked him why he did not go that day.
- (D) She asked him why he did not go today.

## **SECTION-B**

### **(Descriptive Type Questions)**

1- Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions follow:

Sardar Patel is known as the Iron Man of India and he was a great leader in the 20<sup>th</sup> century. He died almost 2 years after the death of Mahatma Gandhi. He was so emotional and a kind hearted. person that if his followers had problems, he always got involved with them and tried to solve their problems. Sardar Patel was the man who had great organizing capacity. He had a very sharp mind. Additionally, he had great ability to select the right person for the right job. He was the Home Minister of India when India - Pakistan war took place in 1947. He died on 15<sup>th</sup> December, 1950-

Questions :

- |       |   |   |
|-------|---|---|
| (i)   | Who is the Iron Man of India?               | 1 |
| (ii)  | What kind of person was Sardar Patel?       | 2 |
| (iii) | What were Sardar Patel's qualities?         | 2 |
| (iv)  | When did the India-Pakistan war take place? | 2 |

Or

A river begins its journey high in the mountains. It starts as a small stream of water, often coming from melting snow or rain. As it flows down the hills it becomes bigger and stronger. On its way, the river passes through forest, valleys and cities. It gives water to trees, animals and people. Farmers use river water to grow crops. People use it for drinking, cooking and cleaning. In cities, rivers are important for travel and business. Boats and ships move on rivers to carry people and goods. Some people even catch fish from rivers for food.

In many places, big dams are built on rivers. These dams store water and produce electricity. After a long journey, the river finally reaches the sea or ocean. Here, the river water mixes with salty sea water. Rivers are very useful in our lives. But sadly, many rivers are getting dirty. People throw waste into them. We must keep rivers clean because they give us water and life.

Questions :

- |       |   |   |
|-------|---|---|
| (i)   | Where does the river begin the journey? | 1 |
| (ii)  | How do farmers use river water?         | 2 |
| (iii) | What is the use of dams?                | 2 |
| (iv)  | Why should we keep rivers clean?        | 2 |

2- Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that following

Everybody was fast asleep but Sheetal was not feeling sleepy. She stepped out of the bed and quietly went towards the kitchen to drink a glass of water. As she entered the kitchen, Sheetal heard some noise. Sheetal hid behind the curtain and tried to see as to who was in the kitchen. She was surprised to see the vegetables dancing and laughing on the dining table. The juicy tomatoes were nodding their head with happiness. Green lady's fingers were holding the hands of peas and dancing. The big pumpkin and the cabbage were rolling here and there in delight. The brinjals were laughing and dancing with joy.

Questions :

- |       |   |   |
|-------|---|---|
| (i)   | What was Sheetal surprised at to see?             | 1 |
| (ii)  | Why did Sheetal go to the kitchen?                | 2 |
| (iii) | What was the juicy tomatoes doing?                | 2 |
| (iv)  | What was the pumpkin, cabbage and brinjals doing? | 2 |

Or

The new Everest expedition was ready to start. Tenzing put on his best clothes and went to ask for a job as a porter. But things went wrong again. Tenzing cut his hair short because the Indian boys laughed at his long hair. They teased him saying that he looked like a girl. He was left out by the party of climbers as he did not look like a sherpa. He could not speak English to explain himself. He felt disappointed when the party left without him. But in spite of his disappointment, time and again he never gave up the hope of climbing the mountain.

Questions :

- (i) What did Tenzing ask for?
- (ii) Why did Tenzing cut his hair?
- (iii) Why was he not included in the party of climbers?
- (iv) Why did Tenzing never give up?

3- Read the poem carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Hold fast to dreams  
For if dreams die  
Life is a broken- winged bird  
That cannot fly  
Hold fast to dreams  
For when dreams go  
Life is a barren field  
Frozen with snow.

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|-------|------------------------------------|---|
| (i)   | What is the message of the poem?   | 2 |
| (ii)  | What happens when dreams go?       | 2 |
| (iii) | Why is life called a barren field? | 2 |

OR

I made myself a snowball,  
as perfect as could be

I thought I'd keep it as a pet

and let it sleep with me!

I made it some pyjamas

and a pillow for its head.

Then last night it ran away

but first it wet the bed.

- |       |   |   |
|-------|---|---|
| (i)   | Why did the boy make a snowball?        | 2 |
| (ii)  | What did the boy make for the snowball? | 2 |
| (iii) | What did the snowball do?               | 2 |

4- Answer any five of the following questions.

5 x 2 = 10

- (i) How does the tree help the happy man?
- (ii) Which animal messes up Ms. Greene's Yard?
- (iii) How did Gillu nurse the narrator during her indisposition?
- (iv) Which spirit underlies the changes of Indian history?
- (v) In the poem, Polythene Bag, what causes pain?
- (vi) What are the birds scared of?
- (vii) Why was the man given seven pots?



(viii) How does the poem 'Martha' end?

(ix) Why is Radha crying?

(x) Does the writer dislike rapid movement in every field?

5- Write a paragraph on any one of the following in about 60-70 words. 1 x 5 = 5

(i) My Favourite Food

(ii) Good Manners

(iii) Importance of Television

(iv) Student Life

(v) Haste makes waste

Direction : Questions from 6 to 11) Answer any three. 3 x 5 = 15

6- You are Raj, the Secretary of the Cultural Club in your school. Write a notice in about 60-70 words, inviting entry for inter -class drama competition.

7- Write a report on the flood situation in Patna.

8- Write an application to your hostel warden requesting him to ensure cleanliness in the hostel.

9- Write a letter to you cousin enquiring about his plans to visit your place during Durga Puja.

10- You are Raghuveer. Write a speech in about 60-70 words on 'Importance of Discipline.'

11- You are Samir. Write a message in about 30-40 words to your sister inviting her for Raksha Bandhan.