



JAIN COLLEGE, J C Road Bangalore  
Mock Paper -1, February - 2015  
II PUC- English (02)

Time: 3 Hours 15 Minutes

Max. Marks: 100

**I. Answer the following in a word, phrase or a sentence each. 1 X 12 = 12**

1. Juliet is compared to a rich jewel in \_\_\_\_\_ ear in 'Romeo and Juliet'.
2. 'You can't earn stone palaces by honest labour'. This line from 'Too Dear' is
  - a. a statement from the king
  - b. the slogan of Monaco kingdom
  - c. a proverb
  - d. a rule in the game
3. Which is the image of stability in 'On Children'?
  - a. The bow
  - b. The arrow
  - c. The archer
  - d. The house of tomorrow
4. What changes did Vandana Shiva notice in her favourite forests which she visited before leaving to Canada?
5. Who was the lover of Petra in 'A Sunny Morning'?
6. The phrase 'glad grace' in 'When you are old' suggests
  - a. her physical beauty
  - b. her inner beauty
  - c. her goodness
7. What did Tamanna do when Basavaiah occupied 200 acres of land forcibly?
8. When does everything seem dark to the foot in 'To the Foot from its Child'?
9. What do all children feel after the death of their mother according to Borges in 'I Believe Books Will Never Disappear'?
10. How are waves described in 'Heaven, If You Are Not Here on Earth'?
11. What is a telephone receiver compared to in 'Japan and Brazil Through a Traveler's Eye'?
12. Where was the whispering campaign held by Roof in 'The Voter'?

**II. Answer any *eight* [at least *two* from poetry compulsory] in a paragraph of 80 to 100 words 8 X 4 = 32**

13. How does Romeo describe Juliet in 'Romeo and Juliet'?
14. What were the attempts made by the council of ministers in 'Too Dear' to lessen the burden of the criminal on the king?
15. What is the message given by the poet to the parents and the children in 'On Children'?
16. What does 'Rights of Nature' refer to in 'Everything I need to know I learnt in Forest'?
17. How is the contrast of youth and old age brought about in 'When You are Old'?
18. What were the consequences that made Tamanna leave his native place and property?
19. How is the journey of life from childhood to death brought about with the imagery of Foot in 'To the Foot from Its Child'?
20. Can humiliation and misfortune be transmuted according to Borges in 'I Believe Books Will Never Disappear'?
21. Bring out the nature of drivers in Brazil who are on look out for pedestrians.
22. Why is water 'a curse' to the poor according to Swaroopa Rani in 'Water'?

**III. Answer any one of the following in a paragraph of 150-200 words. 1 X 6 = 6**

23. Comment on the efficiency of Marcus Ibe as a politician.

OR

Why do Dona Laura and Don Gonzalo spin fictitious stories about themselves?

OR

What were the social changes that happened in Pudukottai due to 'Arivoli Literacy Campaign'?

**IV. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. 1 X 10 = 10**

Legend has it that many centuries ago, an Indian prince named Kaudinya ventured into the waters of the far East. There he was met by the daughter of a dragon king who ruled over a water place. The story goes that the princess paddled upto Kaudinya's ship to catch a glimpse of him. He shot an arrow from a magic bow into her boat and she fell deeply in love with him. The father of the princess agreed to the match and as a wedding gift, drank up all the waters of the kingdom! He named the land thus formed "Kambuja" and gave it to the newly wed couple to rule over. The legend gives some indication of the cultural forces that brought Cambodia into existence and its relationship to the Indian sub continent. One such custom that really gives the Indian touch is the tradition of the laying two banana trees at the front of the wedding hall. One of the trees is painted silver and the other gold. While the symbolism of the banana plant complete with fruits and flowers is a symbol of a complete and prosperous family, the gold and silver are symbol of prosperity.

- a. According to the legend, where did the prince go?
- b. Whom did the prince meet?
- c. Who ruled over the place?
- d. Why did the princess paddle up to the ship?
- e. How did the princess fall in love with him?
- f. What gift did the father give to the newly wed couple?
- g. How did "Kambuja" come into existence?
- h. State the custom gives an Indian touch
- i. What is the Cambodian touch to the custom?
- j. Why the trees were painted silver and gold?

**24. Read the following lines and answer the questions set on it: 3 X 1 = 3**

Bird came down the Walk-  
He did not know I saw –  
He bit an Anglemorm in halves  
And ate the fellow, raw,  
And then he drank a Dew  
From a convenient Grass-  
And then hawked sidewise to the Wall

- i. What did the bird eat?
- ii. From where did the bird drink the dew?
- iii. What did the bird do after eating and drinking?

**V. 26. Complete the following by filling the blanks using the right form of verb given in brackets: 3 X 1 = 3**

All the students \_\_\_\_\_ (call) to attend the 'career counseling' to find out what \_\_\_\_\_ (can, do) and \_\_\_\_\_ (decide) their future.

27. **Report the following conversation:**

5 X 1 = 5

Dona Laura: A Sunny morning. Will you go to your bench?  
 Don Gonzalo: No, I will come to this – if you do not object?  
 Dona Laura: This bench is at your disposal  
 Don Gonzalo: And I will surely bring the crumbs

28. **Complete the following dialogue :**

4 X 1 = 4

(An interview)

Mr. Sampath: Good Morning, Sir. I am Mr. Sampath

The interviewer: \_\_\_\_\_

Mr.Sampath: Thank you, Sir.

The interviewer: Can you introduce \_\_\_\_\_?

Mr. Sampath: \_\_\_\_\_ (give introduction)

The interviewer: \_\_\_\_\_ (thanks giving and asking to take leave)

29. **Fill in the blanks by choosing the appropriate expressions given in brackets**

2 X 1 = 2

Marcus lbe expected to have \_\_\_\_\_ but he \_\_\_\_\_ to gain this victory.  
 (left no opportunity unturned, a landslide victory, a throw away victory)

30. **Fill in the blanks with the right linkers -**

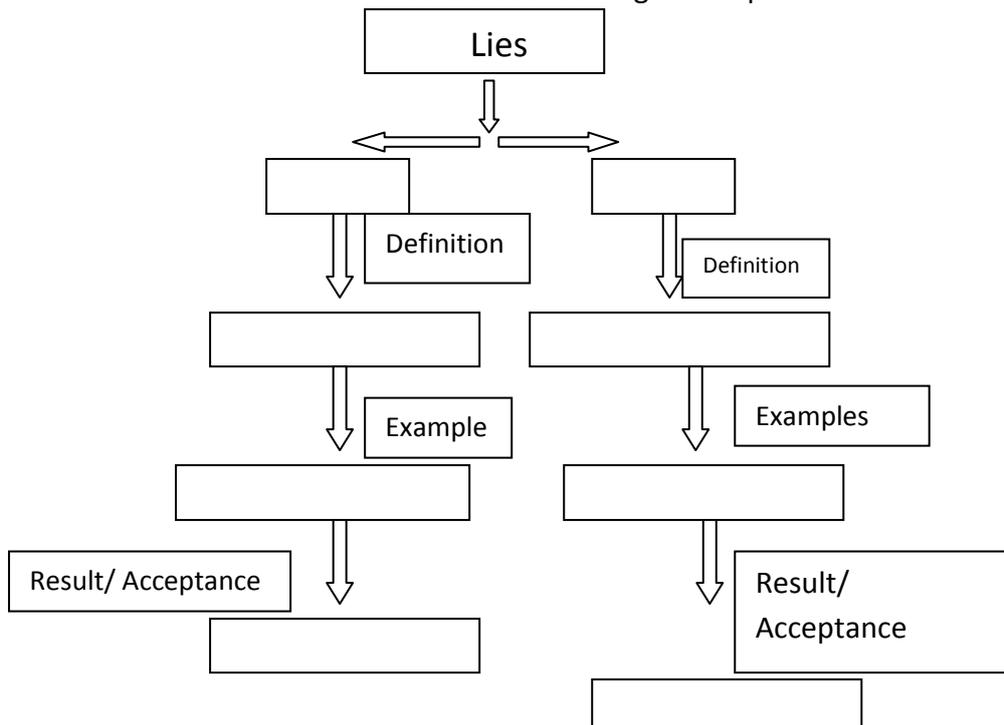
4 X 1 = 4

The students were requested to attend the classes regularly. \_\_\_\_\_ they did \_\_\_\_\_ gradually they surpassed the rule. The authority warned them about losing their career \_\_\_\_\_ made them take attendance seriously. \_\_\_\_\_ the status of attendance improved.  
 (and, but, initially, eventually)

31. **Read the following passage and make notes by drawing and filling the boxes given below:**

8 X ½ = 4

Lies can be divided into two types. White lies and black lies. A black lie is a statement we make that we know is false. A white lie is a statement we make which is not in itself false but that leaves out a significant part of the truth. White lie is considered socially acceptable, eg: A government withholding essential information using censorship. Whereas black lie may damage and bemoan, eg: A man conveniently speaking about loyalty to his wife when he actually has illegal affairs. The fact is that both are destructive and give a superficial status to our relationship



**VI. 32. Write a letter of application in response to the following advertisement which appeared in 'Deccan Herald' dated 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2014. (Write XXX for name and YYY for address)** **1 X 5 = 5**

**WANTED**

Security Guards [only men]

Qualification: PUC [pass/fail]

Should be physically fit and have muscular stature

Interested Candidates can apply to

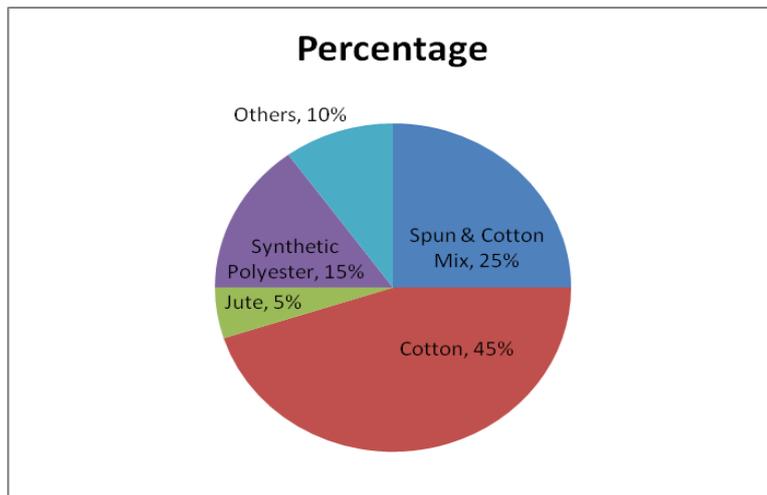
Prerana Security Agency

No. 27, 16<sup>th</sup> main, Malleshwaram, B'lore-38

**33. Imagine you are the Secretary of the Student's Union in your college. You are required to give a speech on Gandhi Jayanthi. You can include points like how Gandhi motivated you and how his life is an example to students. Write a speech in about 100 words. 1 X 5 = 5**

**OR**

The following pie chart gives you information about the cloth texture preferred by South Indians. Analyse the given data and write a report on the people's choice in a paragraph of about 120 words.



**VII. 34. What do the underlined words in the following extract refer to?** **4 X 1 = 4**

The student asked, 'Sir, may I leave the college early today? I am participating in painting competition.' 'Yes You may' said the teacher as he moved towards the table. She left with a smile.

1. I: \_\_\_\_\_
2. You: \_\_\_\_\_
3. He: \_\_\_\_\_
4. She: \_\_\_\_\_

**35. Rewrite the jumbled segments to form a meaning sentence.** **1 X 1 = 1**

Subhas Publishing House/ bring/ is/ out/ committed/text books/ quality/ to

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Mock Paper -2, February - 2015

Time: 3 Hours 15 Minutes

II PUC- English (02)

Max. Marks: 100

**I. Answer the following questions in a word, phrase or sentence each 12 X 1 = 12**

1. What do the phrase; 'face of heaven' signifies in the poem "Romeo and Juliet"?
2. What condition did the criminal agree to go away from the prison in the lesson "Too Dear"?
3. The phrase, 'their souls dwell in the house of tomorrow' in the poem "On Children" connotes,
  - a. Children belong to future
  - b. Parents cannot shape their children's future
  - c. Children have different vision of life
4. According to Vandana Shiva what prompted UN to initiate a discussion on the rights of Mother Earth?
5. What makes the reader think that Dona Laura was a regular visitor to the park in the play "A Sunny Morning"?
6. The phrase 'love fled' in the poem "When You are Old" connotes:
  - a. The loss endured by the lover
  - b. The death of the man who loved her
  - c. The fleeing of the man to the mountains
7. What qualities of the old man impressed the narrator of the story "The Gardener"?
8. What does the line 'Until the whole man chooses to stop' mean in the poem "To the Foot from it's Child"?
9. What according to Borges is the ultimate function of writing?
10. What distinguishes war between drivers in Brazil?
11. Why Marcus was considered rich and powerful?
12. What is common between neo-literates and neo-cyclists?

**II. Answer any eight of the following (choosing at least two from poetry) in a paragraph of 80-100 words. 8 X 4 = 32**

13. What similes does Romeo use to convey Juliet's beauty and to what effect?
14. Though gambling is a dirty business, why does the King of Monaco resort to it?
15. Why is it important to promote bio-diversity intensive farming? How did Vandana Shiva achieve it?
16. Give an account of Dona Laura's every day routine in the Madrid's park as per the play.
17. How did Basavaiah try to overcome his humiliation in the story "The Gardener"?
18. How does Neruda describe the busy life of an individual as described by the foot?
19. Why is it important for poetry to use language precisely? What example does Borges use to demonstrate this aspect of poetic language?
20. Why is bowing in Japan a complicated process?
21. In what different ways does the cycle empower women of Pudukottai District?
22. Discuss the travails suffered by the Wada people while securing water.

**III. Answer one of the following in about 200 words. 1 X 6 = 6**

23. Why do Dona Laura and Don Gonzalo spin fictitious stories about themselves?

Or

24. How does the poet break the myth of heaven in the poem "Heaven, If You are Not Here on Earth"?

Or

25. What comment on electoral system does the story "The Voter" offer? Is it relevant to the contemporary society?

**IV. Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it 10 X 1=10**

People talk of memorials to him in statues of bronze or marble or pillars and thus they mock him and his message. What tribute shall we pay to him that we could have appreciated? He has shown us the way to live and the way to die and if we have not understood that lesson, it should be better that we raised no memorial to him, for only the fit memorial is to follow recently in the path he showed us and to do our duty in life and in death.

He was a Hindu and an Indian, the greatest in many generations and he was proud of being a Hindu and an Indian. To him India was dear, because she had represented throughout the ages certain truths. But though he was intensely religious and came to be called as the Father of the Nation which he had liberated, yet no narrow religious or national bonds confined his spirit. And so he became the great internationalist, believing in the essential unity of man, the underlying unity of all the religions, and the needs of the humanity, and more specially devoting himself to the service of the poor, the distressed and the oppressed millions everywhere.

His death brought more tributes than have been paid at the passing of any other human being in history. Perhaps what would have pleased him best was the spontaneous tributes that came from the people of Pakistan. On the morrow of the tragedy, all of us forgot for a while the bitterness that had crept in, the estrangement and conflict of these past months and Gandhiji stood out as the beloved champion and leader of the people in India, of India as it was before partition cut up this living nation.

What was his greatest power over the mind and heart of man due? The dominating passion that he had for truth led him to proclaim without ceasing that good ends can never be attained by evil methods. The truth led him to fight evil and untruth whenever he found them, regardless of the consequences. He always raised his voice against inequality, discrimination and suppression. He became the beloved of all those who have suffered from social and political evils and the representative of humanity.

**26.**

- a. About whom is the passage written?
- b. Mention some virtues of the "great internationalist."
- c. What did "truth" mean to the great man?
- d. What was the dominating passion the great man had?
- e. Gandhiji is considered as a great representative of \_\_\_\_\_
  - i. love
  - ii. truth
  - iii. Humanity
  - iv. discrimination
- f. What was considered as "dear" for Gandhiji?
- g. What great lesson did this great man show us for life?
- h. Whom did he liberate?
- i. Give the synonym of the word "memorials"
- j. Gandhiji himself devoted his service to the \_\_\_\_\_
  1. political leaders
  2. Rich
  3. needy

**27. Read the following lines and answer the questions set on it: 3 X 1 = 3**

The curfew tolls the parting knell  
The lowing herd wind slowly o'er the lea,  
The ploughman homeward plods his weary way,  
And leaves the world to darkness and to me.  
Now fades the glimmering landscape on the sight.

1. Who is heading back to the home?
2. What is been described in the poem?
3. Give a synonym for "glimmering".

**28. Complete the following by filling the blanks using the right form of verb given in the bracket : 3 X 1 = 3**

The situation of Columbus \_\_\_\_ (is) daily becoming more and more critical. In Proportion as he approached the regions where he \_\_\_\_ (expect) to find land, the impatience of his crews augmented. The favourable signs which increased the confidence \_\_\_\_ (is) decided by them as delusive.

**29. Report the following conversation : 5 X 1 = 5**

Robert Alifano : "What was your first literary reading, Borges?"

Jorge Luis Borges: "I believe my first reading was Grimm's Fairy tales in an English version. I was educated by my father's library, perhaps more than by high school or the university.

**30. Complete the following dialogue 4 X 1 = 4**

Mother : " Why are you so late, Ravi?"

Ravi : .....(reply)

Mother : "You know that you need to be home before 9 p.m."

Ravi : .....(counter-argument)

Mother : That's not how you talk to elders

Ravi : .....(apology)

Mother : "Fine, now go have your food."

Ravi : (thanksgiving)

**31. Fill in the blanks by choosing the appropriate expression given in the bracket**

(Black sheep, to show him up, stood to his guns) **2 X 1 = 2**

He is a \_\_\_\_\_ in the community and he always stood to his guns and I threatened \_\_\_\_\_ if he did not mend his ways.

**33. Fill in the blanks with right linker :**

(but, and, such as, in addition to)

**4 X 1 = 4**

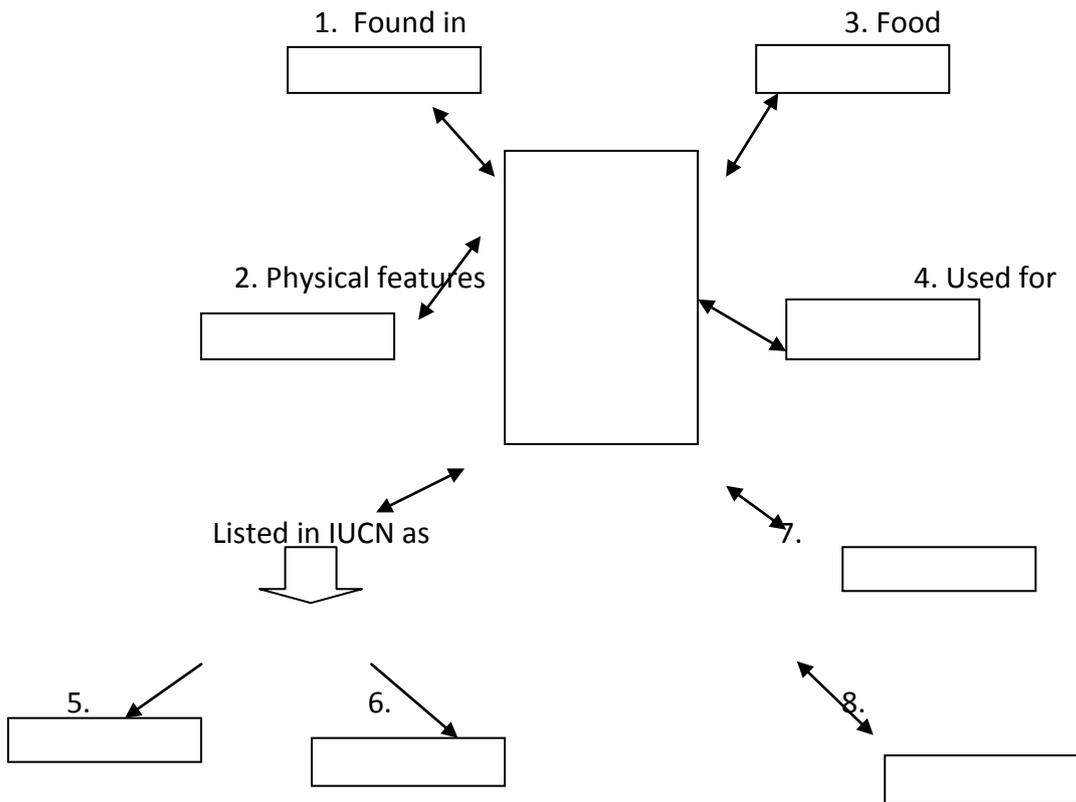
Look at any waste garbage dump \_\_\_\_ vegetable waste, paper and broken glass, you will find a considerable amount of plastic material \_\_\_\_ shampoo bottles, bags \_\_\_\_ worn out shoes. Vegetable scraps and paper are biodegradable \_\_\_\_ glass and plastic continue to accumulate and harm the environment.

**34. Read the following passage and make notes by drawing and filling the boxes given below.**

**8 X 1/2 = 4**

Now that the mammoth is extinct, the elephant is the largest of all animals living and the strongest. It is a strange- looking animal with its thick legs, huge sides and backs, large hanging ears, small tail, little eyes, long with tusks and long nose called trunk. Elephants are found in India and Africa. They live entirely on leaves of trees, grass, roots. It is a very intelligent animal and very useful to man. They are trained for tiger hunting and in olden days they were used in battles. In

Africa, they are mainly hunted for tusks. Many elephants are caught alive to be trained and tamed. The IUCN listed African elephant as vulnerable and Asian elephant as endangered. They perform tasks as moving logs into trucks, transporting tourists around national parks. They are represented in arts since Paleolithic times.



**35. Write a letter of application in response to the following advertisement which appeared in "The Hindu", dated 21<sup>st</sup> January 2015. 5 X 1 = 5**

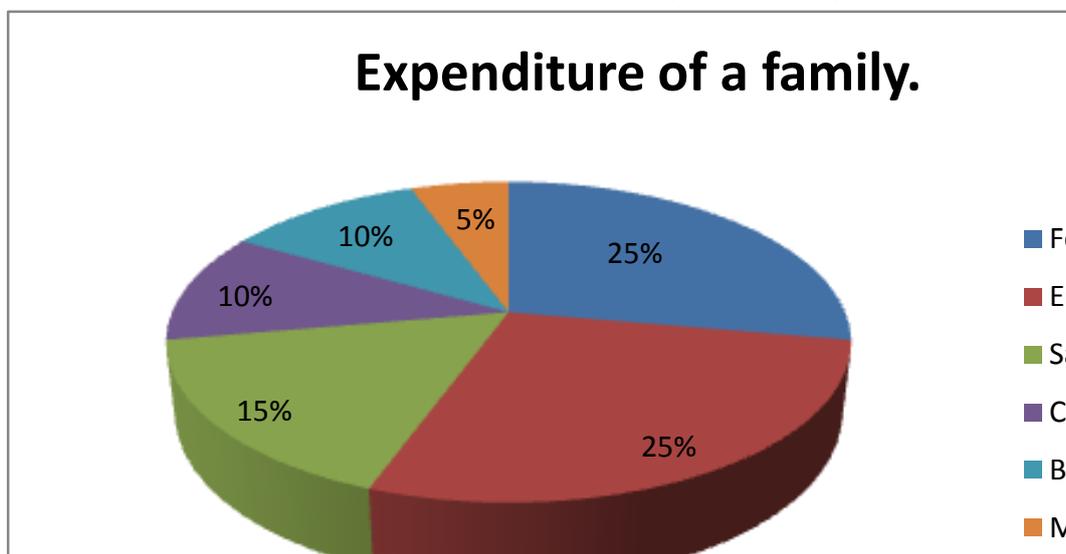
**WANTED**

Leading Multinational Company is looking for dynamic MCA graduates for their new unit in a new locality. Eligible candidates apply within a week with all the details to CISCO SYSTEMS, #91, Electronic City, Bangalore 090.

**36. Imagine you are the Secretary of the student union and on the occasion of the " World Literary Day" , you are required to give a speech on the need to cultivate reading habits and the need to improve writing skills. 5 X 1 = 5**

**OR**

The following pie chart represents the information on the expenditure of a family in a month. Use this data to write a report on the nature of consumption and expenditure in about 120 words.



**VII. 37. What do the underlined words in the following extract refer to ?**

**4 X 1 = 4**

The floods had destroyed the whole village. Parents lost their children and vice-versa. Ravi searched for his son everywhere but there was no hope for him. He digged through the debris and those who were with him pleaded him to go back to his home but he did not give up as he had great assurance that his son will be there, in the heaps of all the debris.

1. Their : \_\_\_\_\_

2. His : \_\_\_\_\_

3. Those : \_\_\_\_\_

4. There : \_\_\_\_\_

**38. Rearrange the jumbled segments to form a meaningful sentence**

**1 X 1 = 1**

Morning/this/today/l/man/about/talked.

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