INSTRUCTIONS:
A. Answer the questions in all the sections.
B. Follow the prescribed limit while answering the questions.
C. Write the correct question number as it appears on the question paper.
D. For multiple-choice questions (MCQs), choose the correct answer and rewrite it. MCQs attempted more than once, will be awarded zero.
E. Answer to the question number 30 (a-i) should be in sequence and at one place.
F. For question numbers 31, 32, 33, 34 and 36, internal choices are there. Hence, answer either A or B.

PART A

I. Answer the following questions by choosing the right option.   10X1=10

1.   What phrase did the man use to express his belief about being fooled?
     a "You can fool some of the people all the time."
     b. "There is nothing that treads on the earth that cannot be trapped."
     c. "Peace is worth the expense."
     d. "Animals are fair to all."

2.   What does the schoolboy fear losing due to sorrow and care?
     a) His intelligence
     b) His creativity
     c) His youthful spirit
     d) His friendships

3.   The narrator wears a _____ in ' Oru Manushyan'
     a) Suit   b) Uniform   c) Traditional outfit   d) Robe

4.   What solution does the speaker offer for money madness?
     a) Increase wealth
     b) Avoid spending
     c) Regain sanity about money
     d) Become richer

5.   In the poem, the "sacred cow"represents _____.
     a) Pollution   b) Hard work   c) Religious purity   d) Modernity

6.   What role does Mara take on at the end of the story?
     a) A king   b) A fisherman   c) A guardian of the lake   d) A traveller

7.   The poet portrays the wife as a symbol of _____.
     a) Submission   b) Wealth   c) Strength and resilience   d) Fragility

8.   The purpose of Douglass's writings was to expose the _____.
     a) Joys of plantation life   b) Economic benefits of slavery
     c) Horrors of slavery   d) Political rights of slaves

9.   The narrator felt that the boys' selfless actions brought a new _____ to human life.
     a) Level   b) Nobility   c) Disappointment   d) Joy

10. What did the beauty of the speaker's love give to Spring?
     a) A reason to exist   b) Everlasting youth
     c) New beginnings   d) Endless sorrow

11. **Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles** $2 \times 1 = 2$

When _____ huts were already occupied by the jungle Lords, he went out and built_____ bigger and better hut a Little distance away.

12. **Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions given in the bracket** $3 \times 1 = 3$

Long ago Mara and a friend of his laid a trap and caught a deer as they had _____ divide it equally_____ them. They wrapped their portions _____ some leaves.

(between, to, into, in)

13. **Match the expression under column A With its corresponding language function under B** $5 \times 1 = 5$

A	B
Expressions	Language Functions
a. She is my friend vidya	Complementing
b. You are looking pretty!	Expressing sympathy
c. That's a pity	Giving direction
d. I am Grateful to you	Introducing
e. Take a right turn	Gratitude

PART B

II. Answer any three of the following in one or two sentences each. $3 \times 2 = 6$

14. What does the poet mean by "buds are nipp'd"?
15. Why did the Englishman offer his entire estate to Mara?
16. How does the village headman view Mara?
17. What is the farmer's wife lamenting about at the beginning of the poem?

III Answer any four of the following questions in about 60 words each. $4 \times 3 = 12$

18. Describe the incident involving the barking deer that Mara and his friend caught in'Around the Medicinal creeper'?
19. Describe Babar Ali's daily routine.
20. What does the "sacred cow" symbolize in the poem 'If I was a Tree', and why is it significant?
21. How does the old woman's statement, "What else can an old woman do on hills as wretched as these?" reflect her worldview?
22. Describe the role Nicola and Jacopo played in the resistance movement.
23. How does the speaker's attitude towards love evolve throughout the poem 'Do Not ask of me my Love'?

IV Answer any three of the following questions in about 100 words each. $3 \times 4 = 12$

24. How does "The Gentlemen of the Jungle" reflect the resilience of the oppressed?
25. What happens in the restaurant that leads to a critical moment in the story 'Oru Manushyan'?
26. How does the poet describe the collective attitude of society towards money in 'Money Madness'?
27. Explain the challenges faced by the children in Babar Ali's village.
28. How does the theme of nature vs. human authority manifest in the play ' Watchman of the Lake'?
29. Describe the relationship between Douglass and his mother and its impact on him.

V. 30. Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it   **9 x 1 = 9**

One day, I hopped in a taxi and we took off for the airport. We were driving in the right lane when suddenly a car jumped out of a parking space right in front of us. My taxi driver slammed on his brakes, skidded and missed the other car by just inches! The driver of the other car whipped his head around and started yelling at us. My taxi driver just smiled and waved at the guy. I mean he was really friendly.

So I asked, 'Why did you just do that? This guy almost ruined your car and sent us to the hospital!' This is when my taxi driver taught me what I now call the 'The law of the Garbage Truck.' He explained that many people are like garbage trucks. They run around full of garbage, full of anger, and full of disappointment. As their garbage piles up, they need a place to dump it and sometimes they will dump it on you. Do not take it personally. Just smile, wave, wish them well, and move on. Do not take their garbage and spread it to other people at work, at home or on the streets.

The bottom line is that successful people do not let garbage trucks take over their day. Life's too short to wake up in the morning with regrets, so 'Love the people who treat you right. Forgive the ones who don't'. This attitude will help you sail through life. There will be fewer jerks and bumps. Learn to take the bad with the good, for life can never be perfect. Acceptance of what is, is the solution. Don't react, just accept and you will be a lot happier.Life is ten percent what you make it and ninety percent how you take it!

(a) The narrator boarded a taxi to _____.
(b) How did the taxi driver avert an accident?
(c) How did the taxi driver respond to the yelling?
(d) The term 'garbage trucks' in the context of the passage means_____.
(e) What attitude will help us sail through life?
(f) Find the synonym to 'move briskly' in para 1.
(g) Find the synonym to 'feeling of defeat' in para 2.
(h) Who learnt a valuable lesson from the driver?
(i) Who do not let garbage trucks take over their day?

VI 31.A. Choose the correct form of the verb that agrees with the subject.   **4 x 1 = 4**

Every student in the class ____ (work/works) hard to achieve their goals. The team of teachers ____ (has/have) planned a special session to guide them. However, neither the students nor the teacher ____ (seem/seems) worried about the upcoming exams. In fact, a positive attitude ____ (help/helps) everyone to perform better.

OR

B. Fill in the blanks with suitable form of verbs given in the brackets.   **4 x 1 = 4**

Barber Ali_____(give) Lessons just the way he_____(have) heard them from his teachers.He_____(taught) his Students under the open sky. Some children_____(sat) in the mud, others on rickety benches under a rough homemade shelter.

32. **Rearrange the segments to form a Meaningful sentence.**   **1 x 1 =1**
    A. a tree/should/ each individual/his/on/birthday/plant.

OR

    B. begins/soup/switch off/the/when/to/boil/stove.

33. **A. Correct the following sentences and rewrite them.**   **4 x 1 = 4**
      I. My uncle is a M.P
      II. They have violated against all rules.
      III. The Commission sat in take the evidence.
      IV. The teacher gave him a advise.

<div align="center">**OR**</div>

B. Rewrite as directed   4 x 1 = 4

    I. The boys likes to sit in the school.(Change into question beginning with right form of 'do')

    II. The elephant obeyed the command of the lion.

       (Frame a question so as to get the underlined word as answer)

    III. They are ruthless,_____?(Add a question tag)

    IV. They couldn't do it better,_____?(Add a question tag)

34. **A. Refer to the following list of events and answer the question set on it.**   3 x 1 = 3

Period	Subject	Teacher	Time
1	Physics	Mr. Ramesh	9:00 AM - 9:45 AM
2	Chemistry	Ms. Kavya	9:50 AM - 10:35 AM
3	Mathematics	Mr. Naresh	10:40 AM - 11:25 AM

    I Which subject is held at 9:50 AM?
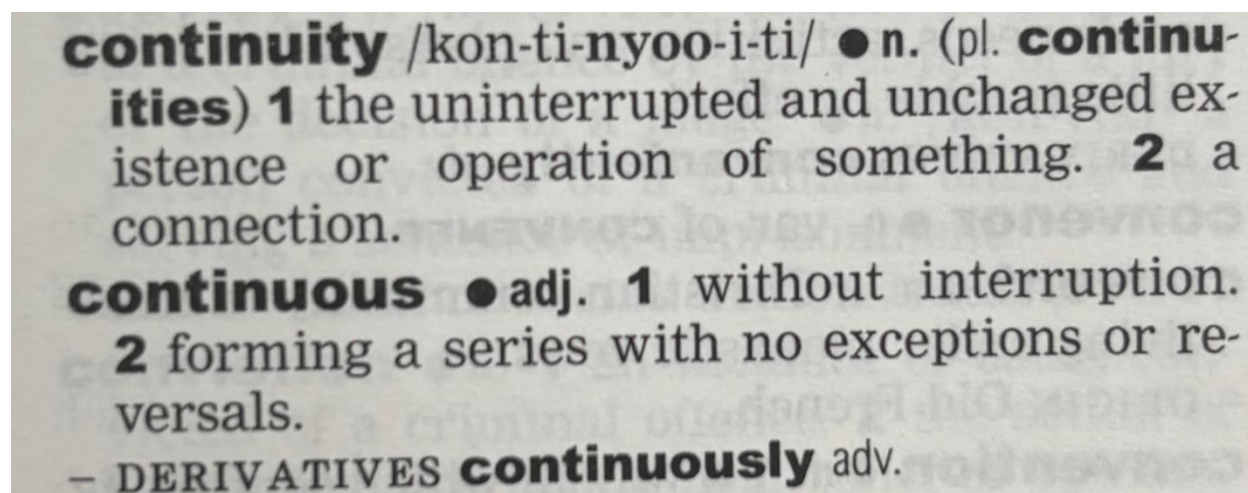
    II What is the duration of Mathematics class?

    III Which teacher teaches the physics class?

<div align="center">**OR**</div>

B. Refer the following extract from a dictionary and answer the following questions: 3 x 1 = 3

continuity /kon-ti-**nyoo**-i-ti/ ● n. (pl. **continuities**) **1** the uninterrupted and unchanged existence or operation of something. **2** a connection.
continuous ● adj. **1** without interruption. **2** forming a series with no exceptions or reversals.
– DERIVATIVES **continuously** adv.

    I. What is the noun form of the word given?
    II. What is the adjective form of the word given?
    III. What is the plural form of the word given?

35. **Imagine you are the Cultural Secretary of your college. Your college is planning to host an inter-college cultural fest. Write a letter to the Principal of a neighbouring college inviting their students to participate in the fest. Include details such as:**   **5**

    1. the name of the fest,
    2.date, venue, events,
    3.how to register.

PART - E

Vll 36. A. Ramesh is a tourist interested in visiting the famous historical place Hampi in Karnataka. He calls a tourist operator to know more details about his visit. Write a dialogue between him and the tourist operator. 4 x 1 = 4

OR

B. Complete the dialogue 4 x 1 = 4

Teacher: Amar, what does your father do?

Amar: _____

Teacher: Does he work in Bangalore?

Amar:_____

Teacher: okay. When will he come home next time?

Amar:_____

Teacher: I just need to discuss with him regarding college trip.

Amar: _____

OR

C. **Rearrange the following dialogue between Ravi and his friend Rahul to make a meaningful conversation and rewrite it.** 4 x 1 = 4

Can I borrow your notes for a day?

Sure, but please return them by tomorrow.

Thank you so much! I'll make sure to return them on time.

Of course! Here you go.