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| 1. | B | 21. | B | 41. | A | 61. | D | 81. | A |
| 2. | A | 22. | C | 42. | A | 62. | B | 82. | A |
| 3. | C | 23. | C | 43. | C | 63. | C | 83. | C |
| 4. | B | 24. | A | 44. | B | 64. | A | 84. | D |
| 5. | D | 25. | A | 45. | C | 65. | C | 85. | C |
| 6. | B | 26. | C | 46. | D | 66. | B | 86. | A |
| 7. | B | 27. | D | 47. | A | 67. | A | 87. | B |
| 8. | A | 28. | C | 48. | A | 68. | C | 88. | C |
| 9. | A | 29. | B | 49. | C | 69. | C | 89. | A |
| 10. | A | 30. | A | 50. | C | 70. | C | 90. | D |
| 11. | C | 31. | D | 51. | C | 71. | D | 91. | D |
| 12. | A | 32. | B | 52. | B | 72. | C | 92. | A |
| 13. | A | 33. | C | 53. | A | 73. | A | 93. | C |
| 14. | A | 34. | D | 54. | A | 74. | A | 94. | C |
| 15. | B | 35. | C | 55. | B | 75. | A | 95. | B |
| 16. | C | 36. | C | 56. | D | 76. | C | 96. | D |
| 17. | C | 37. | D | 57. | A | 77. | A | 97. | C |
| 18. | D | 38. | D | 58. | C | 78. | A | 98. | C |
| 19. | B | 39. | D | 59. | A | 79. | B | 99. | D |
| 20. | C | 40. | D | 60. | D | 80. | B | 100. | B |

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- SECTION - B
(Descriptive Type Questions)

1. Write an essay on any one of the following in about 150-200 words; 1 x 8 = 8
- a) The Indian Culture
 - b) Global Terrorism
 - c) Importance of Labour
 - d) Value of Friendship
 - e) Education should be free for everyone.
2. Explain any one of the following : 1 x 4 = 4
- a) At what stage language began is not known, but we may be pretty certain that it began very gradually.
 - b) In no part of the world, and under no civilization, have all men attained perfection.
 - c) Mother was waiting on the doorstep, her face wreathed in smiles.
 - d) The ways of managing childbirth in traditional societies are many and varied.
3. Explain any one of the following : 1 x 4 = 4
- a) Once strolling at dawn past river-bank and ghat
We saw embers losing their cruel redness ...
 - b) And when I crumble, who will remember
This lady of the west country ?
 - c) If in thine my life thou waste,
Thou art the best of men.
 - d) That there's some corner of a foreign field
That is for ever England.
4. Write a letter to your friend describing him about your visit to Shimla

OR

Write a letter to your Headmaster asking him for extra classes in Mathematics and English in order to finish the syllabus before

5. Answer any five of the following in about 40-50 words each : 5 x 2 = 10
- a) What did Benji understand about the business of hens ?
 - b) How did Nanukaka impress Sohanlal Rattian ?
 - c) What does Gundhi ...

5.

Answer any five of the following in about 40-50 words each :

5 × 2 = 10

- What did Benji understand about the business of hens ?
- How did Nanukaka impress Sohanlal Ratiram ?
- What does Gandhiji prefer to materialism ?
- Should the press enjoy complete freedom ?
- In what way, according to John Donne, will the lovers remain united ?

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- f) Why is Macavity called a criminal ?
 - g) Why did the house, according to Kamala Das, go into silence ?
 - h) What did the fire-hymn say to the poet ?
 - i) What led English to borrowings ?
 - j) How can we improve our English ?

Answer any *three* of the following in about 100-120 words: 3 x 5

a) Write the summary of any *one* of the following poems :

i) My Grandmother's House

ii) An Epitaph

iii) Ode to Autumn.

b) Write the summary of any *one* of the following prose-pieces :

i) The Earth

ii) A Marriage Proposal

iii) How Free is the Press.

c) Write a short note on Global English

OR

Write a short note on Indian English poetry.

OR

Write a short note on the future of English.

d) Match the names of the poems given in List-A with their poets:

List-B:

List-A

- i) To Autumn
- ii) The Soldier
- iii) Snake
- iv) Fire-Hymn
- v) An Epitaph

List-B

- a) D. H. Lawrence
- b) John Keats
- c) K. N. Daruwala
- d) Walter de la Mare
- e) Rupert Brooke

e) Translate any *five* into English :

- i) राजा पढ़ाई में मेरी मदद करता है।
- ii) खेलना एक प्रकार का व्यायाम है।
- iii) क्या तुमने खाना खा लिया ?
- iv) भारत के लोग क्रिकेट प्रेमी हैं।
- v) उसके पिताजी कल मुंबई गए।

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- vi) मैं संजय से मिलकर बहुत खुश हूँ।
- vii) राधा कल रात घर देर से लौटी थी।
- viii) मेरे दिल में अपने दादाजी के लिए बड़ा आदर है।

f) Match the names of the prose-pieces in **List-A** with their authors in **List-B** :

List-A

- i) A Marriage Proposal
- ii) I Have a Dream
- iii) The Artist
- iv) A Pinch of Snuff
- v) The Earth

List-B

- a) H. E. Bates
- b) Manohar Malgaonkar
- c) Shiga Naoya
- d) Martin Luther King, Jr.
- e) Anton Chekhov

Answer the questions that follow :

v) The Earth

e) Anton Chekhov

7.

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

$4 \times 1 = 4$

Discipline teaches us self-control, self-restraint and respect for laws. It produces a sense of duty. There is discipline in celestial bodies like stars, planets, etc. The ordered growth and decay show that there is discipline everywhere in nature. The schools and colleges cannot run without discipline. Discipline makes us civilized. We learn to respect the views and rights of others. Games and sports make the players disciplined. Discipline stands for law and order. A well-disciplined person always does his duty honestly. Without order and discipline there can be no peace in the society. Discipline keeps us within limits.

Questions :

- What does discipline teach us ?
- What shows that there is discipline everywhere in nature ?
- How do games and sports help players ?
- What will happen if there is no discipline in the society ?

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OR

Write a précis of the following passage and give a suitable title : 4

Being social animals, human beings have their actions and desires bound up with society. In matters of food, clothes, knowledge and belief they are interdependent. They use language created by others. Without language their mental power would not grow. They are superior to beasts, because they live in human society. An individual life left alone from birth would grow utterly beast like. So human society and not individuality guides man's material and spiritual existence.

Descriptive Type Questions (Section – B)

1. Write an essay on any one of the following in about 150-200 words: ¹

(I will provide an outline and key points for a chosen topic)

Topic Chosen: Value of Friendship ²

- **Outline:**

- **Introduction:** Define friendship (a relationship of mutual affection) and state its importance.
- **Body Paragraph 1 (Support and Companionship):** Friends offer emotional support, help in times of need, and provide companionship. They share joys and lessen sorrows.
- **Body Paragraph 2 (Personal Growth):** True friends encourage self-improvement, offer honest feedback, and help develop social skills.
- **Conclusion:** Friendship is a valuable treasure; it enriches life and is necessary for well-being.

2. Explain any one of the following: ³

(I will explain the first one)

1. a) **At what stage language began is not known, but we may be pretty certain that it began very gradually.** ⁴

- **Explanation:** This statement highlights the mystery surrounding the **origin of human language**. While scientists and linguists don't have a definitive "start date" or single event for its creation, the key idea is that language did not suddenly appear in a complete form. Instead, it is theorized to have evolved **slowly and progressively** over a very long period, perhaps starting with simple sounds and gestures that gradually became more complex and structured.

3. Explain any one of the following: 5

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d) That there's some corner of a foreign field. ⁶That is for ever England. ⁷

- **Explanation:** This is from the poem "The Soldier" by Rupert Brooke. It expresses the deep patriotism of a soldier. The lines suggest that if the soldier were to die and be buried in a foreign country, the small plot of land containing his grave would become a **piece of England forever**. The soldier's death and burial sanctify that foreign soil, making it permanently a part of his homeland due to the sacrifice made there.

4. Write a letter to your friend describing him about your visit to Shimla. ^{*}

(This is a descriptive letter-writing task. I will provide the formal structure/format)

- **Format:**

1. **Sender's Address:** (Your Address)

2. **Date:** (e.g., November 20, 2025)

3. **Salutation:** Dear [Friend's Name],

4. **Body:**

- **Opening:** Ask about their well-being and state the purpose of the letter (to describe the Shimla trip).

- **Description:** Talk about the journey, the beautiful scenery (mountains, snow, Mall Road), memorable moments (e.g., Kufri), and the pleasant weather.
 - **Closing:** Express a wish to meet soon.
5. **Subscription:** Yours affectionately/sincerely,
 6. **Sender's Name:** (Your Name)
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OR

5. Write a letter to your Headmaster asking him for extra classes in Mathematics and English in order to finish the syllabus before examinations. ⁹

(This is a formal letter. I will provide the formal structure/format)

- **Format:**

1. **Sender's Address:** (Your Address / Class and Roll No.)

2. **Date:** (e.g., November 20, 2025)

3. **Recipient's Designation & Address:**

The Headmaster/Principal,

[School Name],

[School Address].

4. **Subject:** Request for Extra Classes in Mathematics and English.

5. **Salutation:** Respected Sir/Madam,

6. **Body:**

- **Introduction:** State the problem: the syllabus for Math and English is incomplete.
- **Request:** Politely request that extra classes be arranged, preferably after school hours or on weekends.
- **Justification:** Mention the impending examinations and the students' desire to perform well.
- **Conclusion:** Thank the Headmaster in anticipation.

7. Subscription: Yours obediently,

8. Sender's Name: (Your Name, Class, Roll No.)

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5. Answer any five of the following in about 40-50 words each: ¹⁰

*(Note: Question 5 has two parts, the letter (above) and the short answers.
Assuming the user meant to answer the short-answer questions as well)*

a) What does Gandhiji prefer to materialism? ¹¹

Gandhiji preferred spiritualism or a focus on the soul and mind over materialism. He believed that while machines and wealth could be useful, prioritizing them over moral values would lead to a loss of morality and ultimately, unhappiness. He advocated for simple living and high thinking.

b) What did Benjy understand about the business of hens? 12

Benjy had a simple, factual, and very practical understanding of the business of hens: that hens were for laying eggs, and eggs were for selling to make money. He was obsessed with the sheer number of eggs and the profit they generated, reflecting his single-minded, literal approach to life.

c) How did Nanukaka impress Sohanlal Ratiram ? 13

Nanukaka impressed Sohanlal Ratiram by pretending to be a wealthy and influential person with high-level connections, specifically mentioning his alleged close relationship with the Ambassador of the Nizam of Hyderabad. This subtle show of perceived power and status was enough to awe Sohanlal.

d) Should the press enjoy complete freedom? 14

According to the prose-piece "How Free is the Press," the press should not enjoy complete, unfettered freedom. While freedom is essential, it must be used responsibly and judiciously. A responsible press needs certain restrictions to prevent it from misusing its power for sensationalism or personal gain, thereby maintaining its credibility and serving the public interest.

f) **Why is Macavity called a criminal ?** ¹⁸Macavity is called a criminal because he is the **Master Criminal** who consistently breaks the law¹⁹. He is known as the "Hidden Paw" because he commits various crimes—from theft and breaking rules to defying the law—but he always manages to evade capture, leaving no evidence at the scene.

6. Answer any three of the following in about 100-120 words: ²⁷

a) Write the summary of any one of the following poems: 28

(I will provide key points for An Epitaph)

- **An Epitaph (By Walter de la Mare):**

- **Theme:** The transience of beauty and the pain of forgetfulness after death.
- **Focus:** The poet mourns the passing of a beautiful lady from the West Country.

b) Write the summary of any one of the following prose-pieces: 30

(I will provide key points for How Free is the Press)

- **How Free is the Press (By Dorothy L. Sayers):**
 - **Main Argument:** The press, while theoretically free, is practically constrained by two major factors: the **Proprietors** (owners) and the **Advertisers**³¹.
 - **Proprietors' Influence:** Owners have the power to suppress or highlight news that serves their own interests or political biases.

c) Write a short note on Global English OR Write a short note on Indian English poetry. 32

(I will write a short note on Global English)

- **Global English (World English):**

- **Definition:** Refers to English used internationally as a lingua franca (a common language) by people who may or may not be

d) Match the names of the poems given in List-A with their poets in List-B: ³³

| List-A (Poem) | List-B (Poet) |
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| | iii) क्या तुमने खाना खा लिया? ³⁷ |
| | iv) भारत के लोग क्रिकेट प्रेमी हैं। ³⁸ |
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