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- N.B. :** (1) This question paper contains FIVE sections
(2) Figures to the right indicate marks.

SECTION – A : PROSE

[1] Choose the correct option and complete the following sentences. [3]

- (1) The name of Charlie Chaplin's publicity man was...
[a] Jack Coogan
[b] Carlisle Robinson
[c] Roscoe Arbuckle
- (2) The system of medicine based on the theory 'like cures like' is known as ...
[a] Homoeopathy
[b] Naturopathy
[c] Siddha
- (3) Paw Sense was invented by...
[a] George Goble
[b] Chris Niswander
[c] Troy Hurtubise

[2] Read the passage and answer the questions given below it. [3]

My departure must have coincided with a break in the clouds for it wasn't until I was again at my desk that I realized I had left my umbrella at the cobbler's. For all the years I had been going there, I could not remember its name and the ticket divulged neither name nor telephone number. There was nothing to do but wait until the following day, for I could not leave the office before the shop closed.

Questions :

- (1) When did the writer realize he had forgotten his umbrella ?
(2) Why did he have to wait, till the following day to get back his umbrella ?
(3) Give the synonym of – divulged

[3] Answer the following questions. (any 3) [6]

- (1) What happened when the rains failed ?
(2) What did the match girl see when she struck the second match ?
(3) Describe how the monster was defeated by Pegasus and Bellerophon
(4) Describe Bristol Brabazon and its first flight.

SECTION – B : POETRY AND SUPPLEMENTARY READING

[4] Read the lines and answer the questions given below it. [3]

This plot of orchard ground is ours
My trees they are, my Sister's flowers
Here rest your wings when they are weary
Here lodge as in a sanctuary

Questions :

- (1) To whom does the orchard belong ?
(2) What does the poet ask the butterfly to do when it is tired ?
(3) Name and explain the figure of speech in the last line.

(P.T.O.)

- [5] **Answer the following questions.** [4]
 (1) When was Agnes most beautiful ? Why ?
 (2) What is the attitude of the people towards the patriot after a year ?

- [6] **Answer the following questions.** [4]
 (1) Describe the Avu Observatory
 (2) Describe Woodhouse's first encounter with the strange creature.

SECTION – C : GRAMMAR

- [7] **Do as directed.** [5]
 (1) The news electrified us all (Change the voice)
 (2) If the cut is big, bandaging makes sense. (Use 'unless')
 (3) I had no influence in these matters (Make it Affirmative)
 (4) Could I be sure it was mine ? (Make it Assertive)
 (5) The monster was so mad and wild with pain, that it did not guard itself well.
 (Use 'too')

- [8] **Rewrite in indirect speech.** [2]
 (1) "Don't frighten or hurt the boy," I said guiltily.
 (2) "Grand mother !" exclaimed the child "Oh, take me with you !"

- [9] **Give the adjective forms of the following words and make sentences using the adjective forms.** [2]
 (1) energy (2) tradition.

SECTION – D : Reading

- [10] **Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it.** [4]
 At last Napoleon made a terrible mistake. He led his army into Russia. The Russian people fled before him burning their corn and carrying off their cattle so that he and his men might have nothing to eat. They even set fire to the city of Moscow rather than let the French find a refuge there. The soldiers were half-starved, and with starvation came sickness. Yet Napoleon stayed into the autumn. At length in October, he decided to return to France. Snow fell day after day and it was biting cold. The men were in rags. Their shoes fell off their feet as they marched. Five hundred thousand French boys and men died in that terrible march home. The Russians by their flight and the cold of the winter had defeated Napoleon.

Questions :

- (1) What was the mistake made by Napoleon ?
 (2) What did the Russians do when they were attacked ?
 (3) How long did Napoleon stay in Russia ?
 (4) What was the condition of the French soldiers on the march back home?

SECTION – E : WRITING

- [11] Write an e-mail to your friend inviting him/her to spend the Diwali vacation at your home. [4]
 [12] A robbery took place in one of the houses in your locality. Write a report on it for your local newspaper. [4]
 [13] Write an essay on anyone of the following topics. [6]
 (1) The Day When Everything Went Wrong.
 (2) Three Inventions or Discoveries that Changed the World.