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**SECTION – A**

**Q.1. Chose the correct answer and rewrite the sentences. [1]**

- (1) Where did the mother go to meet her son ?  
[a] to the village [b] to America [c] to the moon.
- (2) After taking the bottle of milk, women in grey went without...  
[a] taking it [b] being happy [c] paying or-speaking

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

The post office one of the most uninteresting buildings in the world, became his place of pilgrimage. He always occupied a particular seat in a particular corner of the building and when people got to know his habit they laughed at him. The postmen began to game with him. Even though there was no letter for his they would call out his name for the fun of seeing him jump up and come to the door. But with boundless faith and infinite patience he came every day, and went away empty handed.

**Questions :**

- (1) What became the pilgrimage for Ali ?
- (2) What did he do ? What was people's reaction ?
- (3) What did the postman do ? How ?

**Q.3. Answer the following questions in 8 or 9 lines. [6]**

- (1) "The author says that Gandhiji's service to his country has not been much less great than his service to India." Justify this line.
- (2) Which recording is played ? Why ?
- (3) How did Yuri help Einstein ?

**SECTION – B**

**Q.4. Read the following stanza and answer. [2]**

This life is so abundant, so full, so vigorously joyous,  
Its signature spread wide and unhindered, in earth and atmosphere  
through light and air, that it does not look as if  
it can be contained within the little fence we call 'time'.

**Questions :**

- (1) Where did the signature of life spread ?
- (2) What does the poet call the little fence ?

**Q.5. Answer the questions in 6 to 7 lines. [4]**

- (1) What does the poet remember about his beloved ?
- (2) Why do you think the poet says that travelling on the less travelled way has made all the difference" ?

**Q.6. Answer the questions in 7 to 8 line. [4]**

- (1) Describe the character of Helen's Stepfather ?
- (2) What made Sherlock Holmes come to the conclusion that a snake was involved in the death of Helen Stoner's sister ?

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**SECTION – C (GRAMMAR)**

- Q.7. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate form of the words given in the brackets. [3]**
- (1) He could not \_\_\_\_\_ the lines (memory)
  - (2) It was a \_\_\_\_\_ act. (coward)
  - (3) I have \_\_\_\_\_ him for his greatness. (friend)
  - (4) Sandhya paid no \_\_\_\_\_ to all that (attentive)
  - (5) The flow was not \_\_\_\_\_ yet, it was quite severe (torrent)
  - (6) Mr. Pandit is a \_\_\_\_\_ star in his own right (legend)
- Q.8. Rewrite into indirect speech. [3]**
- (1) He said to me, 'what are you doing ?'
  - (2) Where do you live ? asked the stranger.
  - (3) The policemen said to us 'where are you going ?'
- Q.9. Do as directed. [4]**
- (1) Let it be forgotten (Change the voice)
  - (2) Your work is terrible (Change it to exclamatory)
  - (3) The shopkeeper was so touched by her great sad eyes that he didn't have the heart to go after her. (use 'too')
  - (4) Prevention is \_\_\_\_\_ than Cure.

**SECTION – D**

- Q.10. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. [5]**
- Senapati Bapat was affectionately called Tatyā by the members of his family and by all political workers. He laughed heartily and played with his grand children. He was simple in habits and dress. He was a great believer in God and whenever anything unexpected or untoward happened, he just shrugged his shoulders and said that it was all shreeharis' play. But inspite of this senapati was not fatalist. He always acted according to his inner voice and always threw himself into some struggle or the other for liberty and equality. Senapati Bapat passed away at the age of eighty seven.
- Questions :**
- (1) How did Bapat behave with his grand children ?
  - (2) How did Bapat react to unexpected or untoward happening ?
  - (3) What was Bapat's attitude towards fate ?
  - (4) For what did Bapat always fight ?
  - (5) Mention any two virtues of Bapat ?

- Q.11 Write an application to the superintendent of police about the noise pollution created by the temple microphone. [5]**

**SECTION – E**

- Q.12. Write a report on the celebration of 15<sup>th</sup> August in your school. [3]**
- Q.13. Write an essay of about 250 words on any one of the following topics using the following points given. [7]**
- (1) Wonders of Science :  
[Points : we live in an age of science – glittering civilization – transformation of daily life – electricity, communication and transportation, entertainment, medicine, demerits of science.]
  - (2) Cell phones : it advantages and disadvantages.  
[Points : fastest medium of communication internet access, inquiry of ticket bookings, hazard for health]