

SECTION – A: READING COMPREHENSION

**Questions (1-5) Read the following passage carefully.**

I looked at father's bare feet. Never having worn shoes, his feet had developed cracks and somehow resembled those of an elephant. I noticed this for the first time. I hadn't noticed that the road was uneven. I didn't have to since I was wearing a pair of hunting boots. I checked my wallet and saw I still had around Rs.40 with me. A pair of canvas shoes would cost around Rs.12 and the remaining amount would be enough for me to get to Bomdila.

My father protested. 'Give me an old pair. You don't have to spend money on new shoes.' I couldn't convince him to buy a new pair. Reluctantly I gave him the hunting boots I was wearing. I then took out my pair of leather shoes from the trunk, and noticed my father's face lighting with contentment. Suddenly he looked at me and said, 'Take care. Write to us...'

[The Journey]

**Now answer the following questions.**

5x1=5

- How was the narrator's father's feet?
- Why didn't the narrator notice the uneven road?
- Narrator's father protested to get a new pair of shoes because \_\_\_\_\_
  - they were very expensive.
  - he didn't want to make his son to spend money for him.
  - he thought his son won't give sufficient money.
- The father's feet resembled those of an elephant because \_\_\_\_\_
  - those were as big as elephant's feet
  - he imagined that they became elephant's feet
  - father's feet had developed cracks like on an elephant's feet
- Find the correct statement among the following.
  - The father was not interested to wear canvas shoes.
  - The destination of the narrator was Bomdila.
  - The narrator reluctantly gave him hunting boots because he didn't want to miss them.

**Questions (6-8): Read the following stanza. [Or will the dreamer wake?]**

Deep in the Ocean South the whale swims	Her song of birthing fills the seas
Thousands of creatures wait the moment	The solemn birth that they will see
This child could sing the final whale song	The last to make the oceans shake.
Our grandchild never hears its mystery	Or will the dreamer wake?

**Now answer the following questions.**

3x1=3

- This stanza is about .....
  - the extinction of whales.
  - the size of whales
  - huge oceans.

- 'Birth fills' means.....
  - celebrating birthday
  - the process of giving birth to a baby.
  - baby whales filling the seas.
- 'Our grandchild never hears its mystery' What is the mystery mentioned here?
  - The song of the whale shaking the oceans.
  - Whales singing together.
  - Whales coming to the shore.

SECTION – B: GRAMMAR

*Note: Answer all questions in the same order at one place in your answer book.*

**16. Edit the following passage correcting the underlined parts. 4x1/2=2**

It was Emperor Akbar's court. Akbar announce (A) in the court that someone has (B) hit him on his cheek and pulled his beard but (C) asked courtiers how he should punished (D) that person.

- A)..... B).....  
C)..... D).....

- Combine the following sentences using 'who'. 1**  
Nick's father taught his son how to type. He was a computer programmer.
- Combine the following sentences using 'a perfect participle'. 1**  
Raghu has finished his homework. He went to bed.
- Change the following sentence into passive. 1**  
Roberge arranged most of the initial funds.
- Change the following exchange into reported speech. 2**  
**Mrs. Slater:** What is it, child?  
**Victoria:** Grandpa is getting up.

Section – C: Creative Expressions

- (A)** You have read in the lesson 'The brave potter' that the king ordered the potter to lead arm in the battle. He was nervous and worried as he did not know how to ride a horse. Now write a possible conversation between the potter and his wife on this topic. **5 (OR)**  
**(B)** In the lesson 'The dear departed' you know how the two daughters behaved for the things of their father. Imagine you are the father and write a description on your agony.
- (A)** In the lesson 'I will do it' you have read about the pioneer of the India's software Industry Mr. N.R Narayana Murthy. Even though he passed his IIT entrance exam his father expressed his helplessness to send him to IIT. Imagine you are Narayana Murthy and write your feelings as a dairy entry. **5 (OR)**  
**(B)** In the lesson 'Attitude is altitude' Nick Vujicic faced many challenges in his life and overcame them. Imagine that you are going to introduce Nick to your colony people in an occasion. Now write a script for speech on this topic.