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English Compulsory
(New & Old Courses)

Time : 3 Hours] [Max. Marks : 70

Notes : (1) Mention clearly the options you attempt.
(2) Figures to the right indicate marks.

1. (a) Discuss ‘As You Like It’ as the sweetest and happiest comedy of Shakespeare. (15)

OR

(b) “Shakespeare has no heroes ; he has only heroines.” Comment with reference to Rosalind in ‘As You Like It’.

OR

(c) “Love is the keynote of ‘As You Like It.’” Discuss.

2. (a) Write short notes on any three of the following : (15)
   (1) Orlando
   (2) Celia
   (3) The Wrestling Match
   (4) Adam
   (5) Seven Stages of Life
   (6) The Forest of Arden

OR

(b) Answer in brief any five of the following :
   (1) Where and how does Duke Senior live after his banishment?
   (2) What disguises are taken by Celia and Rosalind before going to the forest?
   (3) Why does Adam tell Orlando to leave his brother’s house?
   (4) Why is Corin not able to help Rosalind, Celia and Touchstone?
   (5) How does Duke Senior react to Orlando’s threat? What does he offer to Orlando?
   (6) How does Orlando express his love for Rosalind in the forest?
   (7) What advice does Rosalind give to Phebe?
   (8) How does Orlando save his brother Oliver in the forest?
   (9) How does Rosalind react to the news of Orlando’s injury?
   (10) What does Oliver wish to do after marrying Aliena?
3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

The history of civilization shows how man always has to choose between making the right and wrong use of the discoveries of science. This has never been more true than in our own age. In a brief period, amazing discoveries have been made and applied to practical purposes. It has become a platitude to say we are living in an age of revolution.

It would be ungrateful not to recognise how immense are the boons which science has given to mankind. It has brought within the reach of multitudes the benefits and advantages which only a short time ago were the privilege of the few. It has shown how malnutrition, hunger and disease can be overcome. It has not only lengthened life but it has deepened its quality. Fields of knowledge, experience and recreation open in the past only to a few have been thrown open to millions. Through the work of science the ordinary man today has been given the opportunity of a longer and fuller life than was ever possible to his grandparents. Most thankfully we must acknowledge all that science has done and is doing for the welfare of our race.

Questions :
(1) What does history of civilization show?
(2) What have been applied to practical purposes?
(3) What would be ungrateful for mankind?
(4) Which three things can be overcome with the benefits of science?
(5) Which opportunity can an ordinary man get through the work of science?
(6) What should man acknowledge?

4. (a) Write an application for the post of a librarian.

OR

(b) Write a letter to the Superintendent of a public hospital complaining about lack of cleanliness in the hospital.

OR

(c) Write a letter to your employer asking him for a month’s leave on account of your illness.

5. Write a short composition of about 150 words on any one of the following:
(1) Failures are the stepping stones to success.
(2) Natural Disasters
(3) Elections
(4) Generation Gap
(5) My Favourite Newspaper.

6. Translate the following passage into Gujarati or Hindi :

Experience is the best teacher. Experience does not teach everything. It does not teach history, geography, chemistry. What it teaches is the art of living. No one can teach this subject as well as experience. She is a strict teacher. She charges very high fees. She punishes faults very severely, but she teaches her lessons thoroughly. We should learn much from other people’s experience but as a rule we prefer to learn from our own. You warn a child against playing with fire, but the child does not believe you till he burns his fingers. He learns from his own experience.

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