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**ENGLISH**

**Paper - I**

**Time : 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks : 50**

**Section - A**

1. Answer **ANY TWO** of the following questions in about 100 words each.  $2 \times 4 = 8$
- (a) As an eight-year-old boy, Kalam took the job of a newspaper delivery boy. Explain the reasons in a paragraph.
- (b) 'We have a whole kingdom in which we rule alone ....' Mention the areas in which we can rule alone without curtailing the liberty of others.
- (c) Narrate two memories of Kalam, related to eating.
- (d) Liberty is an accommodation of interests. Elaborate with examples from the essay.
2. Answer **ANY TWO** of the following questions in about 100 words each.  $2 \times 4 = 8$
- (a) How does the poet sing the glory of Golconda Kings?
- (b) The wise say, "We reap what we sow". Does the poem, 'A Little Grain of Gold' support the saying? Explain.
- (c) Describe the feelings of the poet when she sees the Royal Tombs of Golconda.
- (d) Why did the beggar weep bitterly that night?

3. Answer **ANY ONE** of the following questions in about 100 words each. 1 × 4 = 4

- (a) Write in a paragraph Suren's experiences on his way to the village and at Vrindavan's house.
- (b) How did Suren spend that night at his home in the village?
- (c) What did Suren find out at Sudhir's home about the medal?

### SECTION - B

4. Read the following **passage** carefully and answer **ANY FOUR** questions given after it. 4 × 1 = 4

Vrindavan's house was across the river. As I walked along the bridge, I noticed that the river was in floods. I stood there, watching the river for a long time. It was growing dark. The bats were flapping around. Not a soul was in sight.

All of a sudden there was a strong compulsion within me. A desire to jump into the river. As I stared at the swirling water, the feeling grew stronger. I didn't know how to swim. If I jumped in it, it would be the end of me. My legs were heavy and it was not easy to move.

1. Where was the narrator going?
  2. It was morning. Say true or false.
  3. What did the narrator notice while he was walking along the bridge?
  4. " ... .. the feeling grew stronger." What was the feeling?
  5. Why would it be the end of the narrator if he jumped into the river?
  6. Write the word (used in the passage) that means 'looked closely'.
5. Read the following **passage** carefully and answer **ANY FOUR** questions given after it. 4 × 1 = 4

Once a 4 year old girl asked her mother, "Why do you keep your ornaments in the locker even though the maid is in our house for 24 hours?" Mother said, "These ornaments are very precious. So I can't keep them with our maid."

Daughter felt very sad about it and asked, "Why do you keep me with that maid when you go to office? Am I not as precious as ornaments?"

1. How old was the little girl?
2. Where do they keep their ornaments?
3. Why did the girl feel sad?
4. Who looks after the little girl at office hours?
5. Pick out the word from the passage which means 'valuable'.
6. The little girl asked her mother some questions which the mother couldn't answer. Say 'true' or 'false'.

### SECTION - C

[**NOTE:** ANSWERS of this Section - C must be written at one place in the same Serial Order.]

6. Fill in **ANY FOUR** blanks with **a, an** or **the**.  $4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2$ 
  - (a) I have studied in ..... (i) government school.
  - (b) Mary is ..... (ii) European.
  - (c) Srilanka is ..... (iii) island.
  - (d) Birbal narrated ..... (iv) interesting story.
  - (e) King Solomon is ..... (v) wisest king.
  - (f) ..... (vi) earth is round.
7. Fill in **ANY FOUR** blanks with suitable **prepositions**.  $4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2$ 
  - (a) He is weak ..... (i) mathematics.
  - (b) Suresh goes to college ..... (ii) foot.
  - (c) He is good ..... (iii) English.
  - (d) He prefers coffee ..... (iv) tea.
  - (e) We cut fruits ..... (v) a knife.
  - (f) Walking is good ..... (vi) health.