

Time- 3 hrs

Special English  
Class – XII

M.M.-100

Introduction :-

- 1) All Questions are compulsory.
- 2) Read the Instructions carefully before attempting them.
- 3) Marks of each Question are indicated against it.
- 4) Answer must be complete and to the point.

QI A Read the extract carefully and answer the questions that follows:-

Human beings are made up mostly of water in roughly the same percentage as water is to the surface of the earth .Our tissues and membranes, our brains and hearts our sweat and tears – all reflect the same recipe for life in which efficient use is made of those ingredients available on the surface of the earth. we are 23 percentage carbon 2.6 percent nitrogen ,1.4 percent calcium ,1.1 percent phosphorous with tiny amounts of roughly three dozen other elements .But above all we are oxygen (61 percent) and hydrogen (10 percent) fused together in the unique molecular combination known as water, which makes up 71 percent of the human body.

Questions:-

- 1) How much oxygen hydrogen , carbon nitrogen and calcium a Human body contain .

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- 2) Give the adjective form of the word “rough” 1
- 3) Give opposite of “available using suffix or prefix? 1
- 4) Choose the correct alternative :- 1  
The Unique molecular combination of oxygen and hydrogen of the human body is known as –
- 1) hydrogen
  - 2) oxygen
  - 3) water
  - 4) carbon

QII (B) Read the extract carefully and answer the questions that follow :-

Let us above concord with  
our own people  
and concord with people who  
are strongers to us.  
Asvins, create between us and the strangers  
a unity of hearts  
May we unite in our minds ,  
Unite in our purposes  
and not fight against the divine  
spirit within us.  
amidst many slain  
nor the arrows of the war-God  
fall with the break of the day.

Questions :-

- 1) Find a word opposite to stranger . 1
- 2) Find a word from stanza which means killed in a war. 1
- 3) Write Noun form of the word create is----- 1

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4) Who are the Asvins ? 2

Q III. Answer any six out of seven of the following questions:-  
(Words limit is 30) 12

- 1) Who exhales a dirge like murmur and what reason?
- 2) What are the evil effects of hatred in mind?
- 3) Why should the youth form the vanguard in all activities?
- 4) What was Netaji's proposal during the annual session of the Indian National Congress?
- 5) Why the poet does say that he is done with apple- picking?
- 6) How do people who pick things belong to others satisfy their Conscience?
- 7) What was Mr. Newman's theory about the foot prints?

QIV Answer any two out of four Questions -2x4 = 8  
(Answer should be within 30 to 75 words)

- 1) What deveys the truth?
- 2) Why was Albert adamant on meeting a doctor?
- 3) How has Autumn been seen as a harvester?
- 4) What are the similarities between Alice the mother and Alice the daughter?

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QV Do as directed (any five)

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- 1) They cant call Pooja a teenager. she is ----- twenty  
(below/above/under). (Use the proper determiner)
- 2) -----person can cast a vote  
(Use the proper determiners) (Each/every)
- 3) The teacher hurries to the class.  
(change the sentence into the past tense)
- 4) 1)Rohit was reading a book .  
2) He fell asleep.  
Combine the sentence into one by using clause.
- 5) 1) She looks young.  
2) She is not so young.  
Combine the sentence by using the conjunction.
- 6) They do their duty.  
(Make an Interrogative sentence)
- 7) He was making paper flowers  
(change the voice)

QVI. Answer the following Questions :-

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- 1) Give syllable Division to the word  
Discipline

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2) Write phonetic transcription of the word.

“Mathematics”

3 Give syllable structure of the word

“ develop .”

4 A ----- is a man of -----(principle/principal) select words from bracket to fill up the blanks .

5 Give the American Variants for the words deference .

Q VII Answer any one of the following Questions:- 5  
(Answer must be written 120-150 words)

- 1) Describe swaminathan”s than feeling when his friends called him tail and stopped talking to him?
- 2) Why did Man go to the School clerks house? you approve of his behavior. Give argument in support of your answer.

QVIII Answer any five out of six Questions - 10  
(Limitation words – 30)

- 1) Write about the four persons who were swami s friends?
- 2) How did Rajam entertain his friend at his house?
- 3) What according to the Vedas, was the punishment for those whose foster enmity?
- 4) How did Swaminathan describe his little brother to the Pea?
- 5) How did Swaminathan solve the question paper.

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- 6) How did grandmother react when Swaminathan told her about Rajams visit ?What instruction did swami give her?

QIX Answer any one out of two Questions :- 5  
(Answer must be written 120-150 words )

- 1) Write a critical appreciation of the play ,The Silver Box.
- 2) Write a character sketch of Mr Barthwick.

QX Answer any five out of six Question:- 10  
(word Limit is 30 words)

- 1) Who was Snow?
- 2) What were the two charges made by the police against Jones ?
- 3) Write a note on the dramatic significance of the unknown Lady episode?
- 4) what transpires when Mr. Barthwick calls Mr. Jones for a talk ?
- 5) How does the case against Jones proceed in the court of Law?
- 6) What does Jones want to do with the money he has got? What does he want to do in his future life?

Q XI Read the unseen passage and answer the Questions that Follow :-

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You are a new entrant into the School or institution with all new hopes and inspiration, some how or the other ragging has been faced by many of us at one time or other in our life time .

“Introduce yourself” is all what my senior said when I entered my college. Another one shouted “give your intro” in a scornful voice. That was when I could smell ragging. The “very” Polite senior never gave them any room for thinking at the very beginning. How ever it is a fact that the senior denied there was ragging in the college .

The Senior took all of us in a big hall- where hundreds of seniors were already waiting for us. It seems that they all have been waiting for this grand day throughout the last year. Then the seniors enlightened us (junior) about the rules- do's and don't. First of all we were asked to address them as “sir and “madam” and to wish them every time we met. Then comes Our self introduction –names, school, qualification .when the time for hobbies comes –it is great fun for them while we are left to struggle

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We had to invent new hobbies and sing , dance ,play accordingly . During ragging we came across many kinds of questions- some general and some very private questions. It made us angry sometimes and many a time disappointed, as we could not please them with the right answer . In fact it broke the ice between us and our seniors. They conducted debates on burning issues, made us talk about our native state in our own dialects.

Though, except for the first few days every thing ran smoothly. They made us dance sing etc with different colourful dresses . There were however horrifying scenes sometime where senior – a few do uncivilized and uncultured things and get intoxicated themselves .As days passed the senior sponsored. A grand fresher” s day party and all the seniors and junior became friendly.

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Now I belonged to the privileged senior class with the right to conduct into as every one assumes .As a senior situation or people. it helps us to get to know of each others opinion and abilities It serves as a sort of foundation for co-operation and understanding between each other . The Juniors shed their shyness, once they start mixing with the senior.

A part from this we get a lot of assistance from them regarding studies. They come forward to help us with valuable books, instrument chart journals etc. This is possible only if there is a proper interaction between the seniors and juniors and it is during this time only that they get to know one another.

I do not admit and strongly condemn physical ragging.It is the most uncivilized and unnatural way of conduct which should be banned and if found guilty he or she should be punished.

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Question :-

- 1) Give the Adjective form of the word "eager." 1
- 2) Choosing from the given passage. 1  
Give antonym of the word "Civilized "
- 3) Make verb from the word. 1  
"Inspiration "
- 4) -----has been faced by many of us at one point of our 1  
Life time.  
(Ragging/Raging/Reging)  
( Use correct word to fill up the blanks)
- 5) How do seniors rag the new entrants ? Mention two ways ? 2
- 6) How does ragging serve a social cause also . 2
- 7) How can ragging be used as learning experience to benefit  
The juniors? **give two reasons . 2**

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Q XIII Read the following poem and answer the questions given below .

When I am dead, my dearest  
Sing no sad songs for me .  
Plant thou no roses at my head  
Nor shady cypress tree :  
Be the green grass above me

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With showers and dewdrops wet.  
And if thou wilt remember  
And if thou wilt forget.  
I shall not see the shadows.  
I shall not feel the rain  
I shall not hear the nightingale  
Sing on as it in pain .  
And dreaming through the twilight  
That doth not rise nor set,  
Haply I may remember  
And Haply may forget.

By Christina Rossetti

- 1) Give the opposite of the word . 1  
Remember
- 2) Find out a word from the poem similar in meaning to – 1  
Images/ forms of the tree
- 3) Multiple choice Question :- 1  
There is eternal darkness in  
a) hell                      b) the grave yard

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c) the grave      d) the burial ground .

4) What wishes the poetess have on her death ?      2

QXIII Write an essay on any one of the following topics :- 7

- 1) Importance of Games and Sports.
- 2) A Person whom I admire most
- 3) Any current problem of India.
- 4) Newspaper/the Power of the Press and Media.
- 5) Science and Computerization in India

QXIV Write an article on the following topic for your School Magazine. 4

- 1) Education for All. Need of the hour.
- 2) Tree Plantation

QXV You are Sonal residing at 75 R T S colony Bilaspur Chhattisgarh Lodge a report with superintendent of police about the bad characters roaming in your locality . 4

OR

You are Pawan Kumar you live in a rental house, which requires special repairs after monsoon. Write a letter to your land lord Mr Shamal Das asking him to undertake the repair work immediately.

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Model Answers

A Human body contains

Q1	Ans 1 Oxygen	- 61%	2
	2 Hydrogen	10 %	
	3 Carbon	23 %	
	4 Nitrogen	2.6 %	
	5 Calcium	1.4 %	
	Ans II	roughly	1
	Ans III	unavailable	1
	Ans I	water	1
Q2	Ans		
	1	Know some one known/Close one	1
	2	Slain	1
	3	Creation	1
	4	Asvins are the dual gods who symbolize unity of the native and the strangers .	2

Ans I In this poem the poetess personifies the big tree. She says that the tree was very much attached with the poetess 's family. When she lost her brother and sister, she felt the tree in a long mournful dirge her sorrow.

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Ans II In poet's opinion among all evils hatred is the worst kind of evil. It makes obstinate and vain. It brings ill luck, makes one stubborn and vain. By these words the poet refers to the weakness of Maud Gonne who acted foolishly due to her strong opinions. As a result she ruined her happiness, all her good upbringing proved to be useless.

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Ans III The youth should form the vanguard in all activities as they have capacity to resist aggression. It is necessary that at this critical juncture its power must be mobilized further to strengthen our integrity and our capacity to resist aggression. They must have idealism and energy to safeguard the great nation.

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Q IV In March 1939 during the annual session of the Indian National Congress at Tripuri in Jabalpur (Madhya Pradesh) he proposed that the congress should at once send an ultimatum to the British Government demanding independence within six months and should prepare immediately for a national struggle.

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QV The Poet describes the experience of an apple -picker who has been working through the day with his long two pointed ladder which is still looking towards the sky. He can see still some apples on the tree, But he is tired and he has spent sleepless nights.

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QVI People who pick things belonging to others satisfy their conscience by convincing themselves that they had not done it deliberately but by mistake .Sometimes they also say that they were just going to return it or they didn't know how it happened? Some times they satisfy their conscience by expressing an apology to themselves that they hadn't done it deliberately but, by mistake it happened. Such people if not caught wont brother to feel sorry.

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Q VII Mr. Newman's theory about the foot prints was that nearly all the evidence he has collected on behalf of his existence consists of footprints ,but if fingerprints can have a man. I see no reason why foot prints should not established the existence of one .He says either they belonged to the out laws or the ascetics.

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QIV Ans – Ans any Two :-

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Ans I- Here, the poet refers that now he is become physically matured but the time did not give him opportunity to acquire the ripeness in his poetic talents. He has lost career his appearance in deceiving. Times has deceived truth.

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Ans II Albert didn't like the school .it was only due to his father that he is attended the school .But finally he decided to leave the school As there was no other way , he decided to get a medical certificate from a doctor ,which would help him. Prove him sick for this he asked his friend Yuri to fix an appointment with a doctor who was known to him (Yuri) He was ready for any situation for this. Only his main aim was he would get rid of the school.

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Ans III The Poet has personified Autumn in various forms. All the forms are perfect and realistic. Autumn is seen as a harvester .He is sitting

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carelessly in the field during a winnowing operation .Here the poet uses all the images to make the picture more clear.

The Autumn is shown sitting carelessly on a granary floor. His hair is lifted by the winnowing wind. He is in sound sleep on a half reaped furrow. He is drowsed with the fume in poppies while he looks spare the next swath and all its twined flowers.

Ans IV As the writer was in dream about his family. He was lost in thought. He observed some similarities between Alice his daughter and Alice her mother the representment in her eye and her bright hair are similar .In fact the writer thought in imagination that Alice was his daughter and John was his son.

Ans V Do as Directed (Any five)

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1 They can't call puja a teenager. She is above twenty.

2 each

3 The teacher hurried to the class.

4 Rohit was reading a book when he fell a sleep.

5 She looks younger then she is.

6 Do they do their duty?

7 Paper flowers were being made by him.

QVI 1 dj – sci- pline

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2 Mathematics -/ mxomretics/

3 develop- CV- CV- CVC

4 A Principal is a man of principle.

5 defense.

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Q VII

Ans - 1 Swami was surprised at the behavior of his friends. He asked his place in game . No body paid attention to him .His friends were talking

amongst themselves. Again and again they were referring the word “tail” like what is a tail whether there was any one like tail etc. When they said that there was someone who was a tail Swaminathan could comprehend very little except that remark contained some unpleasant references to himself. He became very hot and wanted to cry. Then he asked about the remark and got confirmed that they were calling him, tail of Rajan.

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Ans - 2 There was the rumor that the school clerk had the secret idea about the Question papers. Mani was more concerned about it. So, one day he took a neat bundle of fresh brinjals and reached the clerk's house and laid the bundle at his feet. The clerk was pleased but he was a clever fellow. He talked all about can and other things, but he was not coming to the point of examination. Finally, Mani's patience broke down and he asked him directly about the question papers. The clerk replied vaguely about all the subject. However, Mani was satisfied. He came back and began preparing in the direction. What Mani did was absolutely improper in all ways for a sincere student. No one will call him a good student. A student's duty is to study and to do hard work honestly. Mani never paid attention to his study but wanted to know the Question using unfair means. I condemn such students who use such unfair means.

QVIII Any Five Ans :-

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Ans 1 Swami is a ten years old boy of Albert Mission School. Through he is not all interested in studies, still he is quite happy at the school. The reason for his happiness is that he has got four fast friends- Somu, Mani, Shankar and Samuel – the pea. Later on he gets another friend – Rajam. With these friends he jokes, plays pranks, quarrels and Laofs about. With Mani and Rajam his relations are personal and human. Whereas with Somu, Shankar and Pea his relations are Scholastic and impersonal.

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Ans 2 Swami and Mani together went to Rajam. A policeman tried to stop them, but when they told him that Rajam was waiting for them, he at once

become very polite and friendly .they were much amazed to see the large room of Rajam with his books arranged neatly on a big table, with a time piece Rajam kept them waiting for a few minutes for he had seen his father doing so- and then came to them .He showed them his almirah full of toys .They were surprised to see the toys.

Ans 3 Rajam gave an eloquent lecture on those who harbour jealousy and enmity with other. He cited instance and lines from the great religious book Vedas. He said that it is written there that a person who fostered enmity should be locked up in a small room after his death. He would be made to stand naked on a pedestal of red hot iron. He will be surrounded with bees as big as lemons. If he want to step down, he would have to put his fort on a number of scorpions and centipedes that were crawling there.

Ans 4 Swaminathan described his little brother to the pea that he is a funny looking creature .He shuts his eyes compressed his lips, folded his hands on his chest protruded his tongue and tilted his head from side to side , Further Swaminathan said that this thing has a wonderful pair of hands so small and plump, But his face is awful red like chilli.

Ans 5 Swami came out of the exam hall twenty minutes before the time ,out of six question set he had answered the first question to his satisfaction . the second question was doubtful, the third was satisfactory , The fourth question was clearly wrong, But the sixth answer was the best of all. It took only minutes to answer it.

Ans 6 It was Saturday and Rajam was to visit Swami wanted to create a good impression on his friend who was a VIP. He told his Granny that she was too old and so he wanted that she should not come in when Rajam was with him. He told her so quite frankly ,even though it must have been rather painful for her.

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Ans IX Any one out of two :-

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- 1) The Silver Box is a dramatic play in three parts .It is a Social Comedy. Here is a bogus liberal M.P. John Barthwick Who loves fine phrases and speaks as if he were addressing his voters, But he turns cool the moment his own interests are threatened . Then there is his foolish and self centered wife who would side with her good for nothing son at all cost . She regards Jones as a dangerous fellow. Their son Jack is thoroughly spoiled .He is a debauch a thief and a liar. For the likes of Barthwicks life is a comedy because they wield power position and contacts. But they are the real criminals for poor Mrs. Jones and her Children. The play is a “social tragedy’In spite of her complete innocence they become victims is a horrible miscarriage of justice. She suffers bashing by her own husband .She is arrested for the crime committed by him. Her children go hungry. Here employer accuses her of stealing . The Silver Box. Towards the end, she is left alone and without job only to starve strangely enough the dramatist calls his play a comedy, perhaps because we are left at the end smiling ironically at the unfairness of the world.

The central theme of a play is the operation of law as it affects the rich and the poor .There are two sharply contrasted groups in the play. One consists of a bogus liberal M.P, his foolish/wife and his spoilt son .He has got wealth and position and outward respectability. They guard their reputation jealously even by using unfair means. They can easily buy detectives, constables and magistrates. The Scales of justice are tilted in their favour.

The other group consists of Jones his wife and children. This family is poor miserable and defenceless. They are charged with theft and violence. Jones is found guilty of assaulting a public servant on duty he cant hire any advocate to defend him. He argues his own case, but his voice is muffled and he is sent to prison with hard labour,Jack who is equally guilty of stealing a prostitutes purse gets a clean chit in the court.

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Thus we find in the play police lawyers turning of the law and conviction of the weak .The law in our so-called civilized society has taken

the place of ancient tyrants. It crushes down the innocent. The silver Box is a penetrating study of life in Edwardian England .It is true and relevant today as it was centuries ago. The law in our so called civilised society has taken the place of ancient tyrants.It crushes down the innocent. The silver Box is a penetrating study of life in Edwardian England .It is as true and relevant today as it was centuries ago The law remain the handmaid of the rich and the ruling class.The poor somehow manage to keep breathing.

Ans II) Galsworthy's characters are neither glorious heroes nor out right villains .They are true to life .Most of them are ordinary men and women. we meet with around us everyday. Jack belongs to the aristocratic class. Although he himself is a spoilt and dissolute young man. His father John Barthwick is a member of the British Parliament. He is rich and influential. Jack has all the advantages of his father's status and purse. He becomes easy going and pleasure loving. He is pampered further by his mother. He is studying at Oxford where boys drink freely and mix with street women. And he admits this fact with shameless pride. Jack spends money recklessly . So he is always hard up and penniless. He issues a cheque which is dishonoured by the bank .he runs the risk of prosecution for cheating . He has just one shillings in his pocket when he seeks jones help, So he allows Jones to drink,smoke and even take away what ever he likes . He quarrels with his father about Money . He demands more money to spend recklessly on his pleasure hunting . he snatches away the handbag of a lady in a drunken fit of anger . The lady complains to his father who agrees to pay her 8 pounds .

Jack has no moral scruples. He mixes with women of easy virtues . He quarrels with one and snatches away her velvet handbag containing all her money in a purse. In the court he tells lies on inducement from his defence council Roper. He refuses to recognize Jones and pretends forgetfulness.

Jack happens to be guilty of the same offence as Jones . Both have the same weakness for wine and women Both steal and are

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made to stand in the witness box. But Jack is shielded by his father and the advocate.he goes scot-free while Jones gets one month rigorous imprisonment .

However Jack is not a down right wicked villains He is not a deliberate thief .He is a product of an unjust system and economic order. He is pampered chiefly by his mother.

Q X Answer any five out of six –

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1 Snow was a detective.

2 The charges of stealing of the silver box and assaulting on the police were made against Jones.

3 The visit of the unknown lady serves a useful dramatic purpose. It throws light on Jacks is a drunkard and a debauch. He associates with prostitutes. He is also a thief .In other words he is as guilty as Jones Thus the lady's visit is an Important links in plot construction.

Q 4 When Mr Barthwick found the box missing from palace he enquires from his servant Marlow asking about the responsibility of cleaning the room.

Barthwick then interrogates about the theft of silver box .This reveals several vital facts about her school going children whom she could not support. Her husband is still job less .as well as troubles her. He extracts money from her for drinking and harrases her .This reveals that she leads a highly miserable life .Thus Mr. Barthwick tries to investigate the whole affairs of the loss of silver box .

Q 5 Ans The Second case listed for the day is that of James ,Jones and Jane, Jones, Barthwick whispers to his solicitor Roper to avoid any reference to the purse. The two charges against the accused related to the theft of the silver Box and assault on the police. Jones denies that he stole the box. He admits that he attacked the police but he has to say many things why he did so .

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Q6 Ans Jones has stolen a silk purse along with seven pounds in it. He calls it a lost property with no name on it. As Mrs Jones is an honest. Lady She

doesn't look happy at it , But Jones has no sense of guilt . He says that he will go to Canada to change his luck. He would live a happy and carefree life with another lady.

QXI Ans.

1 eagerly	1
2 Uncivilized	1
3 inspire	1
4 ragging	1
5 First of all , we were asked to address them as .	1
“ Sir and Madam.” They ask names and some personal and General Questions about new Entrant some time they ask to speak on current problems .	2

6 When debates are conducted on burning issues we are made to talk about our native State in our own dialects. This helps to serve a society.  
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7 We get a lot of assistance from them regarding studies .Even some valuable books instrument, charts journals etc helps to the new entrant's proper interaction between the senior and juniors.  
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QXII Ans 1 Forgot	1
2 Shady	1
3 The Grave	1
4 The Poetess have wishes that there should be no sad song sung, no flowers should be kept on head side and no mourning.	2

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QXIII .Essay :-

Total -07

Marking Scheme.

- 1 Introduction - 2 marks
- 2 development of thought - 1 marks
- 3 body of the essay - 3 marks
- 4 Conclusion - 1 marks

Accuracy of the essay having no spelling errors can be allotted full marks.

QXIV Ans – short composition :-	4
Accuracy	- 2 marks
Perfect subject matter	- 2 marks

The understanding of topic with no spelling mistakes can be allotted full Marks

QXV Ans	4
Letter Writing	
1 Solution	- 1 marks
2 Body of the letter	- 2 marks
2 Subscription	- 1 marks

The understanding of topic with no spelling mistakes having Full contents can be allotted full marks.

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