Std. : 10 (Eng. Med.)
 Marks : 80

 Sub. : English (04)
 Time : 3 Hours

❖ Instructions:

- 1. Write in a clear, legible, handwriting.
- 2. This question paper has five sections A, B, C, D, E and question numbers from 1 to 57.
- 3. All questions are compulsory. Internal options are given.
- 4. The numbers to the right represent the marks of the question.
- 5. Draw neat diagrams wherever necessary.
- 6. New sections should be written on a new page. Write the answers in numerical order.

SECTION - A

❖ Read the following passage and select the appropriate answer from the options given below: [02]

Today, all of us do, by our presence here... confer glory and hope to newborn liberty. Out of the experience of an extraordinary human disaster that lasted too long, must be born a society of which all humanity will be proud.

We, who were outlaws not so long ago, have today been given the rare privilege to be host to the nations of the world on our own soil. We thank all of our distinguished international guests for having come to take possession with the people of our country, of what is after all a common victory for justice, for peace, for human dignity.

We have, at last, achieved our political emancipation. We pledge ourselves to liberate all our people from the continuing bondage of poverty, deprivation, suffering, gender and other discrimination.

Never, never and never again shall it be that this beautiful land will again experience the oppression of one by another.

The sun shall never set on so glorious a human achievement.

Let freedom reign. God bless Africa!

- 1. What were the people present in the amphitheatre doing?
 - (A) They are thinking about the international guests.
 - (B) They were happy about the end of Apartheid.
 - (C) They were confessing glory and hope to newborn liberty.
 - (D) They had come to attend the inauguration.
- 2. The line 'Let freedom reign' implies the meaning -
 - (A) The moment has come to bridge the chasms that divided them.
 - (B) They failed to comprehend liberty.
 - (C) The issue of Amnesty is addressed.
 - (D) There is no easy road to freedom.

❖ Read the following passage and answer the questions in one sentence each: [03]

"Anne Frank, as punishment for talking in class, write an essay entitled — 'Quack, Quack, Quack, Said

Mistress Chatterbox'." The class roared. I had to laugh too, though I'd nearly exhausted my ingenuity on the topic of chatterboxes. It was time to come up with something else, something original. My friend, Sanne, who's good at poetry, offered to help me write the essay from beginning to end in verse and I jumped for joy. Mr Keesing was trying to play a joke on me with this ridiculous subject, but I'd make sure the joke was on him.

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- 3. What proves Mr. Keesing was not too cranky?
- 4. Mention the speciality of Anne's friend.
- 5. Explain the phrase 'exhausted the ingenuity'.
- Fill in the blanks choosing the correct words given in the bracket. Write the answer only: [05] [full-length, trousers, longer, shirt, halfpants]

In our childhood we saw bakers wearing a __(6)_ and __(7)_ which were shorter than __(8)_ ones and __(9)_ than __(10)_.

- **❖** Answer the following questions in five to six sentences each: (Attempt any 3 out of 5) [06]
- 11. Why did Kisa Gotami say 'How selfish am I in my grief!' What did she realise about the fate of mankind?
- 12. 'Humanity still exists'. Explain in the light of the chapter 'A Letter to God'.
- 13. What is the Indian legend regarding the discovery of tea?
- 14. Do you agree that Anne Frank was far more intelligent, mature and witty than her age? Give reasons for your answer.
- 15. Elucidate 'The apartheid regime was one of the most inhumane and harshest societies the world has ever known.'

SECTION - B

Read the following verse and answer the questions given below: [03]

"Or if some time when roaming round A noble wild beast greets you

With black stripes on a yellow ground

Just notice if he eats you.

This simple rule may help you learn

The Bengal Tiger to discern."

- 16. What is the distinct mark of the beast?
- 17. The 'noble wild beast' here is
- 18. How is the identification mark of the beast portrayed hilariously?
- ❖ Select the correct figures of speech from the options given below: [02]
- 19. But presently up spoke little dog Mustard.
 - (A) Anastrophe and Personification
 - (B) Apostrophe and Pun
 - (C) Simile and Pun
 - (D) Metaphor and Pun

- 20. That young man in despair may love me for myself alone and not my yellow hair.
 - (A) Paradox and Assonance
 - (B) Consonance and Climax
 - (C) Tautology and Alliteration
 - (D) Oxymoron and Synecdoche
- **❖** Answer the following questions in five to six sentences each: (Attempt any 3 out of 5) [06]
- 21. The 'crow and the 'hemlock' are omnious symbols. Why does the poet use them so?
- 22. What humorous description you find in the poem 'How to tell Wild Animals'?
- 23. What changes can be seen in moon in the poem 'The Trees'?
- 24. Describe the characteritics attributed to the Dragon.
- 25. Do we love others because we like their qualities, whether physical or mental? Explain w.r.t. 'For Anne Gregory'.
- ❖ Read the following passage and answer the questions in one sentence each: [03]

Then she began to cry and tears flowed from her eyes in a helpless flood. She kept her head down as she sat in her corner, not daring to look up at the girls who, she knew, were still laughing at her.

- 26. Who is the girl in the passage?
- 27. What was the reason of the girl's sadness?
- 28. Why were the girls laughing at her?
- ❖ Read the following passage and answer the questions in one sentence each: [02]

Good afternoon. Welcome to our Museum of Ancient History, and to my department — curiosities of the good old, far-off twentieth century. The twentieth century was often called the Era of the Book. In those days, there were books about everything, from anteaters to Zulus. Books taught people how to, and when to, and where to, and why to. They illustrated, educated, punctuated, and even decorated.

- 29. What is the information about twentieth century?
- 30. What do you mean by 'Zulus'?

SECTION - C

Rectify the errors in the given passage. Each line has one error: [04]

	has one error:		[04]
		Error	Correction
	I followed by the storm	by	through
31.	Suddenly I came out of thee clouds		
32.	and saw two long straight lines in light		
33.	in front of me. It is a		
34.	runaway! An airport!		

Punctuate the following passage: [35 - 38] [02] hey lady said the conductor aren't you ready to get off this is as far as your thirty paise takes you.

*	Fill in the blanks using article(s), conjuc	tion(s
	and preposition(s) at the correct places:	[04]

[about, and, a, because]

I felt greedy <u>(39)</u> had <u>(40)</u> whole field cut, and at all pleased <u>(41)</u> it <u>(42)</u> I'm afraid my hay may rot. I ought to have waited a bit. But what's this?

- Convert the following into indirect speech: [03]
- 43. Anne said, "Grandma died in January 1942. No one knows how often I think of her and still love her. This birthday celebration in 1942 was intended to make up for the other."
- ❖ Do as directed: [05]
- 44. Never in his career as a postman had he known that address. (Change into Affirmative)
 - (A) Hardly in his career as a postman had he known that address.
 - (B) Seldom in his career as a postman had he known that address.
 - (C) Both (A) & (B) (D) None of these.
- 45. Although that day neither group knew the lyrics of the anthem, they would soon know the words by heart. (Compound)
 - (A) That day neither group knew the lyrics of the anthem, now they would soon know the words by heart.
 - (B) That day neither group knew the lyrics of the anthem, but they would soon know the words by heart.
 - (C) Both (A) & (B) (D) None of these.
- 46. The great expanse of sea stretched down. (Question Tag)
 - (A) The great expanse of sea stretched down, isn't it?
 - (B) The great expanse of sea stretched down, did it?
 - (C) The great expanse of sea stretched down, didn't it?
 - (D) The great expanse of sea stretched down, won't it?
- 47. I was dreaming of my holiday. (Change of Voice)
 - (A) My holiday was been dreamt by me.
 - (B) My holiday was being dreamt by me.
 - (C) My holiday was being dreamt of by me.
 - (D) All of the above
- 48. Valli would be too jealous to listen to their talks. (Remove too)
 - (A) Valli would be very jealous to listen to their talks.
 - (B) Valli would be so jealous that she can't listen to their talks.
 - (C) Valli would be so jealous that she wouldn't listen to their talks.
 - (D) All of the above.

SECTION - D

* Comprehend the passage and answer the following questions: [04]

Mahatma Gandhi has repeatedly called himself a truthseeker and has learned, in the course of his search, that truth is a condition of being, not a quality outside of oneself or a moral acquisition, that it is of the very essence of the divine in man. Though he saw deceit and falsehood all around him and knew that it was accepted as the standard of life by people occupying positions of authority and influence, he was never afterwards tempted to yield to it, even when to have done so, would have brought adantage and no condemnation.

For healing he always had a great love and some aptitude and when at the age of seventeen, his family in conclave suggested his going to England to study law, he begged to be allowed to study medicine instead. This, however, was not permitted for him and law was chosen for him. But the love of healing remained and though he could not study in the orthodox school of medicine, he gratified his desire by studying various forms of nature-cure treatment and by experimenting with these on his person, friends and relatives. Some of these experiements produced remarkable results possibly not only due to the treatment but also to his devoted and instinctive nursing.

- 49. What is Gandhiji's idea of truth?
- 50. On whom did Gandhiji practise nature-cure?
- 51. Write a word which is opposite in meaning of the word 'orthodox' as used in the passage.
- 52. What is the meaning of the expression 'his family in conclave'.

OR

❖ Read the poem and answer the questions given below it : [04]

Joy and Woe are woven fine A clothing for the soul divine Under every grief and pine Runs a joy with silken twine It is right it should be so;

Man was made for joy and woe;

And when this truth we rightly know,

Through the world we safely go.

- 49. What are interwoven in a man's life?
- 50. What is the truth of life?
- 51. Write the meaning of 'Joy' and 'Woe'
- 52. What are interwoven in a man's life?
- 53. A gang of terrorists attacked a school in a place and took few students as hostages. Write a diary entry on it. [04]

OR

- 53. You and your friend want to visit Dal Lake and want parent's permission. Write dialogues between you and your friend.
- 54. A new commercial complex 'Antila' is soon going to be launched. Put an advertisement for new employees. [04]

OR

54. There is an opportunity for budding artists of school to participate in a musical concert to be held in the townhall. Draft a notice informing the students.

OR

54. Design a poster for your school library on the value of books and good reading habits. You may use slogans.

SECTION - E

- 55. Your school invited a renowned person as Chief Guest at a special function 'Annual Day'. As the Editor of your school magazine, write a report on the event. [04]
- 56. You recently ordered a mobile phone from Amazon. However, the phone isn't getting charged and the screen light has gone. Write a letter to the Proprietor complaining about the sub-standard product sold to you. [06]

OR

- 56. You are staying at a hostel. Write an e-mail to your father informing him about the life, friends, ambience of the hostel.
- 57. Write an essay in about 200 words on any one of the following topics: [08]
- 1. Is Mass media a boon or a bane?
 - (Points: Define mass media role of media in shaping the personality of people - shortcomings of media like manipulation, polites - media bias - solution: to educate youth on the working of media)
- 2. Wonder of Science: 'Chandrayan 3'
 - (Points: Define lunar mission India's technological prowess support by Indian government mission and objectives of Chandrayan inspiration to youth and world)

OR

57. Complete the story and give it a suitable title :

(A boy who is into child labour has a dream - does something brave - wins recognition far and wide becomes famous - wins accolades and awards)