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F. M:- 80

Reading (Section-A)

[20]

Q.1 Read the following passage carefully.

Nainital is a glorious hill-station in Uttarakhand. It is 336 kms from Delhi which was discovered by Lord Barron, a Britisher in 1841. It is surrounded by mountains on three sides. The first one is Naina (2615 meters) the second is Deopatha (2438 meters) and the third is Ayarpatha (2278 meters). Naina is the highest mountain among the three.

From the sea-level, Nainital hill station is located at a height of 6350 feet. In winter Nainital has freezing cold temperature falling below zero degrees centigrade. Every year during December to February Nainital hill station gets its annual snowfall. Summer season is also very cool in Nainital. The highest temperature is not more than 26 degrees centigrade. So most tourists prefer to come at summer to explore Nainital tourism.

Nainital is named after its beautiful lake Naini and it is the base for tourism here. The lake is called Naini because it looks like eye shape. This Lake is famed among the visitors, tourists and nature lovers for yatching and boating.

The southern end area of the lake is called Tallital and the northern end area is called Mallital. Both the areas have pretty cottages, Luxurious hotels, villas, restaurants, food zones, shopping centres, game parlours and luxury shops.

Naina peak, which is also known as Cheena Peak is the most favourite picnic spot of Nainital. Its height is 2612 meters. It is 6 km far from Nainital. We can view the snow garbing Himalayas, plane areas, Nainital city and its locality. Naina Devi Temple is situated on the northern shore of Naini lake. The presiding goddess of this temple is "MaaNaina Devi"

1.1 QUESTIONS :-

[2X4=8]

On the basis of the reading of the passage, answer the following questions in brief:

1. "Nainital is surrounded by mountains on the three sides". Give a brief description of these mountains.
2. When does Nainital hill station get its annual snowfall? When do tourists prefer to visit this hill station and why?
3. Why is Lake Naini so called? Why is this lake very popular among the tourists?
4. Mention some of the features of Naina Peak.

1.2 VOCABULARY

[1X 4=4]

1. The word '**explore**' means.....

(a) travel to learn new things	(b) enjoy visiting new places
(b) spend time leisurely	(d) praise
2. Another word for '**famed**' is

(a) Renowned	(b) Common	(c) Beautiful	(d) Suppressed
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3. The opposite of '**prefer**' is.....

(a) Select	(b) Choose	(c) Dislike	(d) Praise
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4. Beautiful is an adjective, it's noun
(a) Beautifully (b) Beauty (c) Beautify (d) Beautified

Q.2 Read the following passage carefully.

Pahom was a hard-working, honest peasant, but he had no land of his own. "Even though, we have tilled mother earth since childhood," he would often say to his family, "We peasants will always die as we are living. If only we had our own land, it would be different."

Very close to Pahom's village, there lived a lady who owned an estate of about three hundred acres. One winter Pahom came to know that she was going to sell her land. He also heard that a neighbour of his was buying fifty acres and that the lady had agreed to accept one half of the price in cash and to wait a year for the other half.

"We must also buy at least twenty acres," he said to his wife. "Life is becoming worthless without land of our own".

So Pahom and his wife put their heads together and thought of a way to buy it. They had laid by one hundred roubles. They sold a colt and borrowed some money from a relative and thus scraped together half of the money needed to purchase the land. Having done this, Pahom chose a farm of forty acres and went to the lady and bought it.

Now Pahom was a hard-working peasant. It was not difficult for him to raise a good harvest that season. Within a year, he managed to pay off his debts. So, he became a landowner, ploughing and sowing his own land, making hay in his own land and feeding his cattle on his own pasture. Whenever he went to plough his field his heart would fill with joy. The grass that grew and the flowers that bloomed there, seemed to him unlike any that grew elsewhere.

Then, one day, Pahom happened to meet a peasant who had come from beyond the Volga river where he was working. One word led to another and the man went on to say that much land was for sale there. "It was so good," he said, "that the rye sown on it grew as high as horse and so thick that five cuts a sickle made sheaf."

Pahom's heart was filled with desire. "Why should I suffer in this narrow hole" he thought, "if one can live so well elsewhere?" So Pahom sold his land and homestead and cattle, all at a profit and moved his family to the new settlement. Everything the peasant had told him was true and Pahom was ten times better off than he had been -He bought plenty of arable land and pasture and could keep as many heads of cattle as he liked.

2.1 Answer the following Questions briefly.

[1+1+1+1=4]

1. Who was Pahom ? What was it that he always regretted ?
2. What did he come to know one day ? What did he decide?
3. How did he manage to buy a farm of forty acres?
4. Why did Pahom sell his land and homestead? Was it a wise decision?

2.2 Vocabulary:

[1+1+1+1=4]

1. Pick out a word from the above passage that means the same as 'grassland for grazing cattle'.
2. Give the opposite of 'accept' in para 2.
3. Give another word for 'peasant'
4. Give the noun form of 'high'.

Q.3 Read the following outlines and develop them into readable story [7]

A rich man with many servants -----finds his cash box missing ----- searches for the missing box but in vain ----- suspects one of his servants - - -----thinks of a plan-----calls his servants-----gives each a stick - - - - - says the thief's stick will grow longer by an inch - - - - - asks the servants to bring the stick the next day for inspection - - - - - the thief cuts an inch off the end of his stick----- caught the next day - - - - - admits his guilt.

Q.4. Write a newspaper report on the National Film Festival Awards function organised in your city. You may use these guidelines [4]

- ❖ date and venue
- ❖ organisers
- ❖ the presiding guest and invitees
- ❖ highlights of the awards presentation ceremony
- ❖ special performance
- ❖ viewer's comment

Q.5 Complete the dialogues given below by filling the gaps- [4]

- Neeraj : You are busy packing. (i)_____?
- Dheeraj : Yes, I am going to Delhi tomorrow.
- Neeraj : (ii)_____?
- Dheeraj : I shall be back next week.
- Neeraj : (iii)_____?
- Dheeraj : Definitely My old clothes are worn out. I need to buy new ones.
- Neeraj : Ok then, Please buy a pair of Jeans for me also.
- Dheeraj : (iv) _____?
- Neeraj : My waist is 30 and I want a royal blue colour.

Grammar

Q.6 Fill in the blanks with correct modal:- [1/2x4=2]

There are many things which (i)_____ (would/will/can/must) not be sold or bought. Mother's love is such a thing. Mother (ii)_____ (can/will/would/might) sacrifice her comforts so that the child (iii)_____ (will/may/shall/can) not be disturbed. Therefore a child (iv)_____ (can/will/should/could) respect the emotions of his mother.

Q.7 Change the following into indirect speech [1x2 =2]

- (a) My mother said to me, "Have you completed your work" ?
- (b) He said to her, "Yesterday I gave you my story book".

Q.8. Insert the adverbs given in the brackets in their correct places. [1x2 =2]

- (a) They arrive on time (never)
- (b) He makes a mistake (rarely)

Q.9 Fill in the blanks with prepositions [1x2 =2]

- (a) The land was distributed _____ the two sons.
- (b) Nisha is confident _____ her success.

Q.10 Fill in the blanks with conjunctions: [1x2 =2]

- (a) You will get success _____ you are honest.
- (b) Make hay _____ the sun shines.

Q.11 Choose the adjectives and write their kinds: [1x2 =2]
 (a) Mr. Singh is an industrious person.
 (b) These apples are fresh

Q.12 Rearrange the following words/phrases to make meaningful sentences : [1x2 =2]
 (a) was a / about twenty/ childhood/ delight/years ago
 (b) Work and play/ different things/they see / as two

Q.13 This following passage has not been edited. There is an error in each line.
Write the incorrect and correct words. [1/2x8=4]

	Incorrect	Correct
Stainless steel who is a very useful	(a)_____	_____
metal contain 18 % chromium, 8 % nickel	(b)_____	_____
apart by steel. In India, for making stainless	(c)_____	_____
steel, manganese is use instead of nickel	(d)_____	_____
because availability to nickel is rare in our	(e)_____	_____
country. Stainless steel have some special	(f)_____	_____
characteristics---chromium stops it by rusting	(g)_____	_____
and it is also not affecting by acids and alkalies.	(h)_____	_____

VOCABULARY

Q.14 Make sentence with these phrasal verbs [1x2 =2]
 (a) See off (b) Hold up

Q.15. Do as directed [1x5=5]
 (a) Popular (change it into verb form)
 (b) Sufficient (write opposite of it)
 (c) Prefer (from noun form)
 (d) Slender (write synonym)
 (e) Vice (write antonym of it)

Section C-Literature [20]

Q.16 Read the following extract and answer the questions. (any one) [4]

- (a) "But he can't resist going through a locked suitcase".
 (i) Who is speaking to whom?
 (ii) Who is 'he' here?
 (iii) According to the speaker, with which disease was 'he' suffering from?
 (iv) Why did the speaker say so?

OR

- (b) All things that love the sun are out of doors;
 The sky rejoices in the morning's birth
 The grass is bright with rain-drops on the moors.
 The hare is running races in her mirth.
- (i) Why are all things out of doors?
 (ii) Which poetic device has been used?
 (iii) Write the rhyme scheme of these four lines?
 (iv) Name the poem and the poet.

Q.17 Answer these Questions. (30-40 words)

[2X3=6]

- (a) Describe the manner of the stranger's arrival at the inn.
- (b) Who was Manuel? Why did he kidnap Buck?
- (c) Explain these lines:-

'The friends, so link'd together,
I've seen around me fall,
Like leaves in wintry weather.

Q.18 Write the character sketch of Hamlet. (40-50 words)

[3]

Q.19 Wilfrid the snatcher was unwelcomed and snubbed when he was poor and an orphan because he had a serious problem. But now that he is wealthy, the problem does not seem serious anymore. Do you think our opinion of others is determined by wealth and social standing, how?

(40-50 words)

[3]

Q.20 We have seen ill treatment meted out to animals by human being while they are used for different works. With reference to the text 'Leaving the valley' suggest, how can these animals be protected from human atrocities? (60-70 words)

[4]