

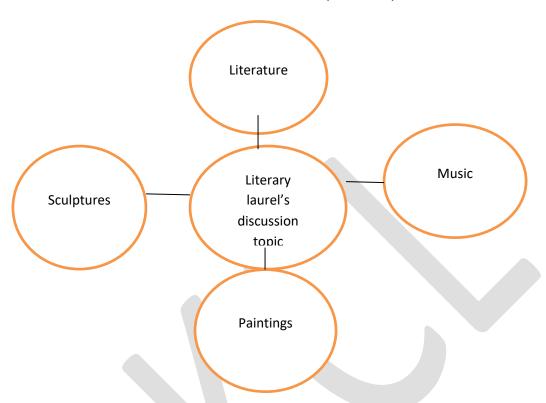
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SECTION I (PROSE)

Q.1.(A)



- (i)Achyut Godbole has a firm belief that all arts are equal because most of the great personalities who were coming at his house used to talk about literature, music, painting as well as sculptures. There he could listen their discussion about Van Gogh Mozart and Michelangelo. And this type of social environment around him made him believe that all arts are equal. (ii)Achyut Godbole developed interest in literature and music in his childhood days because in his childhood though his family was belonging to lower middle class, great literary personalities of then used to visit his house for hours and he could listen their discussion about poetry and literature. Also, Bhimsenjoshiji, pt. Jasraj and Kumar Gandharva used to visit and talk about music till late night sometimes up to dawn. And this developed his interest in literature and music.
- A3 It means in his childhood though his family was not financially affluent, he had socially and culturally rich background. In his house great literary and music fled personalities used to visit regularly and used to talk about music, literature, art, paintings and sculpture. As a result from his childhood only he developed interest in music and literature. Hence, he feels that he had culturally rich childhood.
- A4 I still remember the wonderful childhood which I had spent in my village in western Maharashtra. My village is surrounded by Sahyadri mountains and my family is also rich at heart like Sahyadri. My mom and dad were really great people who loved we all 8 children and educated us. When, we shifted Mumbai for job, our connection with close family decreased and artificiality came in our nature.
- A5 (i)They would talk about Keshavsut, Shakespeare, Charles Dickens and Thomas Hardy. (ii)Though, I did not fully understand their discussion in depth, I was immensely impressed.



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Column A		Column B	
(i)	Amenities	(a)	Facility/infrastructure
(ii)	Upbringing	(b)	The raising or training of a child
(iii)	Sculpture	(c)	Work of art created by shaping malleable objects or letting them harden
(iv)	Enriches	(d)	Enhance

- **B.1** (i) The little one grew in to **a** boy and **the** boy in to a robust healthy young man.
  - (ii)Rotorua lies **in** the centre **of** a district known as the Hot Spring District.
  - (iii) The others cannot make as good shoes as one of the ninety nine.
- **B.2** Our primitive community, **dwelling** at the foot of a mountain, has water.
- Q.2.(A) i) Dr. Abdul Kalam's message to the youths about being successful and unique.
  - ii) Youth is the most creative, confident and they have the capacity to achieve or to reach any height.
- A2 i) To ensure the preparation of about 2000 students of various schools to make them eligible to be engineers, doctors, scientists, qualified managers, civil servants, etc.
  - ii) About to become marine engineer and to travel in a ship, to be the captain of the ship and to build the ship and whether he will be able to do this or not.
- A3 According to Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam youth in the past has continuously contributed to the world of today in various fields. He believes that if the youth has a desire and has decided to achieve something in his/ her life. In that case their mind is the most powerful resource on the earth and they are born with Wings of Fire to achieve anything in their life.
- I would have been really lucky to be present for DR. APJ Abdul Kalam sir's speech. I would have been surprised the way he inspired us and finally he allowed us to ask our questions. After his speech, I too must have decided to be a scientist like him and work for our country's betterment. I would have got a clear-cut picture of my life's dream.
- A5 i) No other resource on the earth, under the earth, and above the earth is as powerful as the ignited mind of the youth.
  - ii) Being nervous, he was typical representative of the youth of India.
- **A6** i) Platform/stage = Dais
  - ii) Spread/promote = propagate
  - iii) To give confidence/strength = empower
  - iv) To include/initiate = inaugurate

#### Q.2.(B) Summary:

# Write a brief summary of the above extract with the help of the points given below and suggest a suitable title. Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam

Above extract is a speech delivered by former president DR. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam at the inauguration programme called 'Sasthrayan'. Meaning of sasthrayan is the 'propagation of science'. Kalam sir feels, ignited minds of the youth is the most powerful resource on the earth. Two thousand students were present for the programme which was going to empower these two thousand families. Many students wanted to ask him questions after the speech but due to lack of time he selected 12 students to ask the questions. A question asked by a student who was



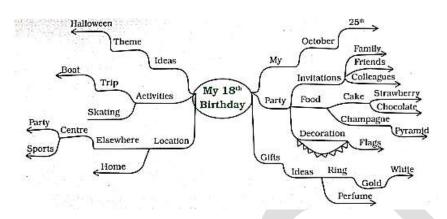
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nervous and had no confidence despite of education made Kalam sir feel concern. He wanted to be a marine engineer. Everybody was waiting in wonder for Kalam sir's answer.

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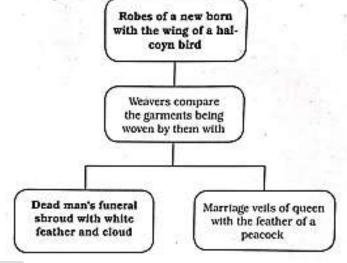


#### **SECTION II (POETRY)**

**Q.3.(A)** 

Time of the Day	Type of Garment	Colour of Garment	For whom
Early in the Morning	Robes of a new born child	Blue	New born child
During the fall of night	Marriage veils of Queen	Purple and Green	Queen
In the Dead Night	Dead man's funeral shroud	White	Dead Man

**A2** 



- Weavers come from poor and middle class family and the atmosphere in mills is always very dingy and bad. I will try to make it better and healthy. The other thing that since they are working with cotton there are chances of theirs suffering from respiratory disease so once in a fifteen days there has to be a medical check-up camp for them.
- A4 Rhyme scheme of the second stanza is 'ccdd' and third stanza is 'eeff' while rhyming pairs of the second stanza are night- bright, green -queen and third stanza are still -chill, cloud shroud.
- A5 Clothes are means to heighten your personality,

Clothes shows individuals vividity,

Clothing protects you from various elements,

Clothes are made of fabrics at textile mills.



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Q.3.(B) About the poet and poem: This poem is written by a very well-known American poet Walt Whitman (1819 to 1892). He is often called as 'The Father of Free Verse'. This poem first appeared in his poetry book names 'Leaves of Grass', published in July 1855. This poem is a beautiful blend of self-awareness, free will and tenderness of heart. It gives us poet's realisation that along the journey of life one will face a test of wisdom which is not tested in any school where we get formal education. The title of the poem indicates that the poet sets up out-of-door as a utopian in which all men can come together.

Theme: The theme of this poem is Freedom, when a person takes open road, you feel, "Healthy free, the world before me". Being free means being able to do anything you want to do. It means having no trouble upon you and wants nothing except to relax.

Poetic Style: This poem is written in four stanzas. First stanza is an exception as it contains only three lines of verse. The poet has used the free verse. The lines are unrhymed and each line is of different length. The speaker/ narrator of the poem is a poet Walt Whitman himself, who knows himself very well.

Language, Poetic Devices: the language used in the poem is very simple and easy to understand. Poetic devices like paradox, metaphor, alliteration, repetition are used in the poem. "Old delicious burden" is an example of paradox. The word 'Road 'in the title of the poem is an example of metaphor. Figure of speech repetition is also used in the poem as the word 'no more' is repeated

Message/ Moral: The moral of the poem is that along the journey of life one will face a test of wisdom which is not tested in any school or college. Rich as well as poor all uses road and on the road all are associated with one another. Here the road symbolises mobility or progress. We should take road as a starting point of our life. We should not stop or stuck at one place, it results in stagnation is what the poet feels.

My opinion about the poem: For me this poem is a map of progress and it reveals the road of inner or self- happiness in life. It is a poem which inspires me to take the life positively. I like the following line of the poem. "Hence forth, I whimper no more, postpone no more, and need nothing"

# **SECTION III (Writing Skills)**

Q.4.(A) 1)

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OR

I still remember the day when my maternal uncle had gifted me a toy house a type of bungalow on the occasion of my 10th birthday. Like every other child, I loved to play with that toy house with my friends around the house. But I was different from all others that made distinct was my curiosity which drove me to open each and every part of it as I wanted to know how it is built.



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My father realised my interest early and directed me to go and visit his cousin who is an architect and had an idea about construction work. While working with my uncle my inclination for construction work grew. My uncle not only taught me tricks and logic of designing in construction work but directed me about the basics in construction work and guided about the various career opportunities in Construction Engineering. When I went in 10th standard my decision to become construction engineer become sure and my belief also got strengthened and I decided that I will make my career as a construction or civil Engineer. From this time, I started reading all well-known and popular magazines in engineering

Such as Construction and Buildings, interiors etc. I got good marks in my SSC examination and was able to get an admission for science stream in Mumbai's reputed college named Ruia College, Matunga. Getting an admission in an institution named after M Vishweshwarrayya, a well-known Engineer of India at Dharwad is always my dream. The chance of getting admission and be a part of rigorous syllabus designed to suit the good students of the country would certainly lead me in right direction to serve the common people of the country through civil engineering.

#### OR

3) Ankit: Hello Ajay why are you so quiet today? Do you have any problem?

**Ajay:** You know our school friend Sanjay has secured really very good marks in SSC Board examination but we all know his financial condition. We also know that his parents are working om construction site and hardly able to meet both ends.

Smriti: Yes, true, they are very poor. Can we do something about him?

**Parth:** I think, we can certainly do something for his college education. Higher education needs a lot of money.

**Ankit:** I think we can tell this thing to our parents too and take their help in raising fund for him

Ajay: Yes, Ankit, I do agree with you. I think they will certainly find out some solution.

**Smriti:** we must say that whatever money I have saved in my piggy bank we will donate to him and set an example.

**Parth:** but how much it will be? It will not be more than 5 thousand rupees. It will not be sufficient for his admission in science stream.

**Ankit:** No problem, I feel when we will talk to our parents, they too will help us.

**Ajay:** Yes. It is really a very nice idea! Besides, this we can talk to our teachers and they too will give us a positive response.

**Smriti:** yes. Really best thing you said. Today only we will approach our teachers and talk with them about our plan to help him.

**Ankit:** Thank you all of you for your quick support and coming forward to help him and giving some more ideas. It will help our friend Sanjay overcoming the financial problem and continuing his education.

**Q.4.(B) To:** managerskylarkhotelmumbai@gmail.com

1) **Sub:** Poor facilities provided to guests in your hotel.

Dear Sir,



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I had come on a business trip to Mumbai and had checked in your hotel on 1st May 2020 in room no. 1001. I found the overall service of the hotel quite poor that belied your claim of offering three star facilities. I had brought this to your notice during my one-week stay in your hotel. The room given to me was humid with poor ventilation. The sheets were dirty and shabby. When I requested the bearer to replace them, they arrogantly told me that they were changed in the morning. I had to remind them daily to change the sheet that properly reflects on the quality of housekeeping. The room service was atrocious and required several reminders before what was ordered finally arrived.

The quality of food was not in keeping with the star status, though it was priced exorbitantly. On a few occasions I had to return the food, as it did not seem fit for cating. The staff at the reception counter was insensitive to the needs of guests. I would have to remind the operator a number of times, before I could get my number. With all these shortcomings, one would have expected a reasonable tariff. On the contrary the tariff charged for the single room was Rs. 3,000 per day, which is unreasonable taking into account the amenities available.

I would therefore, request you to kindly investigate the shortcoming, so that guests are not put through the ordeal that I had to face. I would also suggest that you take immediate steps to improve the housekeeping, catering and room service in your hotel. There seems to be an immediate need for training the existing staff, on matter of etiquette. You should also pay personal attention to the guests, so as to make their stay comfortable. This will improve the goodwill of your hotel and justify your claim of three star hotel, offering five star amenities.

Regards,

S Sawant

#### BLOOD DONATION CAMP BY V. J. COLLEGE

Pune, May, 1: NSS unit of V J College pune organised a blood donation camp on the occasion of Maharashtra Day on Friday, 1st May in the college campus. The camp was organised in association with Sassun Hospital, Pune. Whole Maharashtra and country is suffering from pandemic Corona and thousands of patients are desperately in need of blood. In the call of Corona, the NSS Unit of college came forward and arranged the blood donation camp.

The president of the college Mr. Vishwasrao Patil and the Principal of the college Dr. U D Pradhan inaugurated the camp and also donated their blood. The president in his speech reported the importance of blood donation and congratulated NSS students for their sense of social responsibly.

The principal sir in his address assured students that all blood donor students will be given a card which in case of emergency can be used to obtain blood with priority if they need it.

Students were motivated and they queued for blood donation. After blood donation students were given 20 minutes rest, a coffee and Parle biscuits. As token of Blood Donation each donor was given a Mug with the emblem of Indian Navy. 20 technicians, 15 doctors and 20 nurses rendered their service at the camp without charging any amount. The camp which had begun at 11.00 am closed at 6.00 pm in the evening with the national anthem. A vote of thanks was proposed by college NSS Programme Officer Prof. Mr. Vikas Nanaware.

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**B3** 

roadcasted by Colours Marathi Channel. earty congratulations for winning the all - Ir tain attraction of the show.	ndia Talent Hunt show with a very high margin, you were		
Name of the interviewee (distinguished personality)	Sagar Acharya		
Area of Success/Reputation	Singing / dancing		
Date/Venuc/Time	1st April, P. L. Deshpande Academy, Matunga		
Duration of Interview	45 minutes		
Questions :			
(1) Personal reaction	How do you feel on winning the show?		
(2) Family feelings	How does your family feel about it?		
(3) Changes after success	How has your life changed after winning the Indian Idol?		
(4) Handling success	It's believed that you've achieved a huge female fan fol- lowing, how do you handle it?		
(5) Dream from the beginning	Whether it was your dream from your child hood to be a singer? If yes how?		
(6) Support in nurturing dream	Who nurtured and nourished this dream as the years went by ?		
(7) Bad phase / struggle period	It is believed that every artist has a struggling phase in his life. What would you say about this phase from you life?		
(8) Future plan	What are your future plans? Are you looking forward to join main stream Bollywood?		
(9) Essentials of success	In the world of Changing values and priorities, what do you think is the most essential quality for success?		
(10) Message	What message you would like to give to all your fans and aspiring singers?		

Honourable judges, president, teachers, my dear student friends, good morning to you all. **Q.4.(C)** Friends, why should we save animals and birds and not be cruel with them? This question is often asked by people and remain unanswered to common people. However, it is definitely important to save the animals and birds from conservation point of view. It is more important to understand the importance of animals and birds in the environment. If we won't protect animals and birds there will be ecological imbalance. Animals, birds are greatest indicator of climate change. Their behaviour and disappearance gives us an alarming signal of natural disasters, cyclone etc. In the food chain insects are eaten by birds, birds by animals, grass eating animals by other animals and this food chain is very important of our survival. Insect outbreak is reduced by the birds. Don't we say Peacock is a friend of farmer? It eats insects on crops and keeps snakes at bay and so in some part animals and birds are worshipped. Not only that many people derive great pleasure and fulfilment and inspiration from watching birds and animals and listening to them. Birds and animals carry seeds from their stool and works as pollinisers. We need to protect natural sites for them. We need to keep trees and forest for them otherwise in future we will see them only in pictures and not even zoos. We have to ban all those activities which threatens their life. Law should be made stricter. We must stop deliberate killing of animal and birds, the destruction of their nests, eggs and homes.

Friends, if we fail to create awareness in the society about the animals and birds, they will remain only in pictures. So let's start a movement of protecting animals and birds. Stop cruelty with them. I conclude my speech thanking all of you for your patient listening.

Introduction: Good afternoon to all present here. We all know that our most liked teacher of our Jr. college Mr. A.D. Patel is retiring today after a long service of 37 years in this alma matter. We all have come together to give sir a grand farewell on his retirement day. To say good bye to sir is really a very sad moment for we all. I am quite sure that he will always continue to guide his students and will help them and solve their problems. as we all are going to miss his



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wonderful teaching tomorrow onwards. Though, sir won't be there to teach us I am quite sure that he will always continue to guide his students and will help them and solve their problems. Welcome Speech: We all are really very honoured to have Mrs. Gita Thakur an honourable minister of Maharashtra state who was his student as a chief guest for the farewell function. Mr. Shankar Narayan, the president of our college management is going to preside over the function. On behalf of the students, I request our dear Principal sir to felicitate our chief guest and college president with token of love a bouquet.

Thank you very much sir.

Thank you, very much chief guest. Our chief guest has always kept herself in touch with our college and has tendered her help in all ways. The spacious auditorium where we all are sitting is built up because of her and alumni association of our college. We all are really grateful to them for all this.

Lighting of the lamp: now we will commence our official farewell function by lighting lamp and invoking Goddess Saraswati. I request our Principal sir to escort our chief guest Ms. Gita Thakur Madam and guest of honour our college president sir on the dice to inaugurate the function by lighting lamp. Thank you very much to you all respected dignitaries.

Main Event: Now we will start our main function. I just would like to tell you that today our beloved Patel sir is retiring on his superannuation at the age of 58 as per government norms. Patel sir doesn't need any introduction. Sir we were really lucky as we learned Book Keeping & Accountancy from you. Sir. You have made we all of us proud by your expertise and skills and potentials. Some of the students of 12th and 11th have prepared small speech and poem in your honour. I request our 12th standard student Vinay to read his speech.

Thank you Vinay. It was really very nice to listen your emotions about sir.

Now I request our 11th standard Dipti Patil to read the self-composed poem written for sir.

Thanks a lot very nice poem. Through your poem we can understand your feelings and love and affection for sir. Let's give a big applause to Dipti for poem.

Now I request our Secretarial Practice teacher Ms. Savita madam to tell us something more about sir and express her views.

Thank you, madam, you have told many unknown things which are remarkable about sir. We really appreciate your speech with a big applause.

We all students of 11th and 12th standard have decided to felicitate our sir with our token of love by giving him an idol of Goddess Saraswati as a memory from us. I request our student representative Hardik Pandya to felicitate sir with Shawl, shrifal and the gift. Let's give him big hands to the sir.

Sir, we are really indebted to you for accepting our token of love.

Now I request our chief guest to speak few word s about our sir.

Thank you very much madam for reviving memories of our college and sirs teaching.

I request president of the college to say few words about sir.

Sir thank you very much. Yes, as you said he was an asset to our institute.



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Now we all are very much eager to listen to our sir. I request Patel sir to come forward and speak few words. Sir your speech will be a guiding star for we all. Please welcome sir with big hands.

Thanks a lot sir for your words. I can understand your emotional attachment to this institute as you too are an alumnus of this college. Sir, you are great, I assure you that we will try our best to walk on the path shown by you and follow your suggestions.

Thank you.

Vote of Thanks: You all know. Any programme is incomplete without vote of thanks. I request our college girl representative to come forward to give vote of thanks.

#### C3 "Fortune Favours Brave"

Meaning of the proverb: it means the people who come across difficulties with courage and confidence can achieve success in their life. One who does not dare to do something new can never do great deed. This proverb 'Fortune Favours the Brave' suggests that person has to take risk in his day today life. An individual does not get success because of his/hers good luck but because he/she has dared to face the challenges and have got victory over the obstacles that the come across. Things which we get without any struggle or easily are taken very lightly by us whereas the prize/award which we win after great struggle is worth having. People who are bold by nature show lot of courage. They are strong will powered people. We all know Columbus started great voyage lost his way. Even his own people revolted against him but because of his bold nature, courage only he was able to reach to his destination. Look at the example of Vasco Da Gama how he also reached to India's Calicut Port

This proverb inspire us to face the challenges with courage and bravery. People with courage get victory over the difficulties and reach the success. In the end we can say another proverb "There are no gains without pains".

### Q.4.(D) Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

Name of the characters: Huck Finn is the protagonist of the novel, His father, a slave named Jim. This novel is written by Mark Twain. This novel is published by Macmillan and it is available in both handout as well as paper back. For a price of one hundred and fifty only in India.

About the story: it is a real life story of a young boy named Huck Finn, who at the age of 14, is torn between what he is taught to do by the upright town people and what he wants to do. This novel gives us vivid picture of the lifestyle and customs of the people of the 19th century living the small town of Hannibal an American city, on the bank of the river Mississippi. The protagonist of the novel is tormented by his father and therefore after a lot deliberations he leaves Hannibal to experience the life on his own. In this adventure he is accompanied by a slave named Jim who is his man Friday and stands by him throughout the ordeal. Huck helps Jim to escape from the clutches of his master. Those were the days where slave was treated like an animal. Slaves had no right and very bad fate always wait for then if caught. Huck felt compassion for him and agreed to help him to go to Ohio far away from his merciless master. They ran away in a raft and sailed down the river Mississippi. On their way they came across variety of people some of them were good and humble and broadminded while some were narrow minded, bad.



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Opinion about the book: it is a must read for teenager to learn the power of observation. At the same time, it enhances one's ability to see the humorous side of life, by observing the actions and behaviour of ordinary people around us.

#### **COMMUNICATION SKILLS**

What is communication skill: It is always said that for to be successful in life one need to have two skills- communication skill and conflict resolution skills. In this blog I am not restricting or talking about listening, reading. Speaking and writing skills. They are no doubt important in our formal education but for our life skills for survival we have to have other skills too. For me communication skills and conflict resolution skills are very important in our friendship, business, and customer relationship and at many other places. Here communication skills we will talk are about study related.

Types of communication skills: There are four different types of study related skills which are mentioned in our books they are Listening skill, Speaking skill, Reading skill, Writing skill and Study skills. As a student in our formal educational system right from our childhood we are taught these skills in different standard and as we go to the higher class there level too increases. Actually these are competencies that we improve. Unless and until we don't improve our pervious standards competencies we won't learn the new competencies. In the beginning our parents start communicating with us and before going to school we learn speaking though nobody knows how it is written. Child understand and express this communication. In schools we are introduced letters and sounds and here we start understanding association between the two. Then slowly we learn reading these symbols means alphabets putting them in to words. And after all this we start expressing ourselves using those words is called writing. Gradually our understanding increases and we are able to dealt with deep or symbolic or hidden meanings, shades behind them.

Communication in the past: In the ancient time when we were nomadic and were not living in community we were using signs and symbol as a means of communication. Man used even pictures to communicate with each other. Gradually man learnt to use gestures and signs and finally language come in to existence when we started living in society.

Present or modern scenario of communication skills: Today a drastic change has come in the field of communication. Now along with face to face communication even long distance communication is also more popular. We have modern means of communication like email, Instagram, What's app, Facebook, twitter, telephonic communication and so on. We have zoom app and google drive and Facebook live for meetings. With these in a fraction of second we are able to contact, communicate with the people who are away from us. World has literally come close and walls of nation, caste, creed religion are getting demolished.

Advantages and disadvantages: There are many advantages of these communication facilities. It saves our time, money and energy. It saves our travelling and government's lot of money can be saved. Diesel. Petrol is getting saved. We can see as well as talk with a person through this. At the same time there are some disadvantages today's youth is becoming a slave of this new gazettes and constantly looking, using it. It has gifted some new diseases related to eyes and back pain etc. today's young generation have no time to family or friends. They don't sit together in family and no social get together only they meet online. Even family members are not meeting though living in same house.

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Conclusion: In the conclusion we can say that it is a two edged weapon. It depends on how we use it. We must use it in balanced way or it may become a cause of our extinction. We will only meet online and not face to face.

YOU ARE INVITED **D3** Swach Bharat Ek kadam swachata ki or Team "We Serve Humanity" Be Rotaract Club of Lal Bahadur Shastri College Malad (W) Are proud to hold BLOOD DONATION CAMP 2020 In association with Sir J.J. Hospital Mumbai (Blood Bank) Date: Sunday May 23,2020 Time: 9.00 am to 4.30 pm Venue: Lal Bahadur Shastri College, Gymkhana Malad (W) Help save a Life! GIVE THE GIFT OF BLOOD Support us, Be a Volunteer Remember: You are not just Donating for a cause, you are Morping HOPES ALIVE Contact: Kul deep (We Serve Humanity) 022-10000100 Serve Humanity AI Q.5(A)A B Geoffrey Chaucer (c) The Canterbury Tales (2) Herman Melville (d) Billy Budd (3) Frances Burney (b) Evelina Samuel Richardson Clarissa (a) (1% mark each) A2 (1) Setting includes place, period, time, climate or weather and lifestyle. (1/2 mark) (2) The German word 'bildungsroman' indicate growth. (1/2 mark) (3) The realistic novel is also called a novel of manner. (% mark) (4) Science fiction is a genre of speculative fiction flourished in the second half of the 19th

Q.5(B)

- century. (1) The novel 'To Sir with Love' and chapter 17 which is given for our study, most of the incidents or rather all the events in the extract are taking place in and around London city. The novel has a background of Second World War and how people were discriminated on the colour of their skin. One important aspect in the setting of this novel is time. This is quite significant in the case of this autobiographical novel "To Sir with Love'. This novel as it stated above has set in the late 1940. Here it follows the actual life of Mr. Braithwaite who out of work seek employment in the school system of London's East End school. While getting job also he faced social/racial discrimination another setting is school and half yearly report presentation, where each class and their representatives. We can see how the students of his class represented themselves. Miss Joseph and Denham both students of his class preside over the meeting. At the end of the question answer session Braithwaite is immensely satisfied with the progress of the students of his class. In the novel after the war Braithwaite was unable to find a job as he was a black person. Luckily he got job in a school as a teacher. Though Braithwaite considers himself British and has served in British Royal Air Force (RAF). The English do not consider him to be one of them. This setting, of this novel is contributing or going side by side with the theme of this novel which is student teacher relationship, prejudice and racism.
- (2) Chapter 17 of the novel "To Sir with Love' is specifically dealt with Half Yearly Report presented by students of Braithwaite's class. But before that we should know narrator who was



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an engineer and was unemployed after Second World War. He also had worked in British Royal Air Force but still was not considered equal and discriminated on the colour of his skin. Finally he managed to get job as a teacher in the West End of the London city. Even when he joined as a teacher he was bullied, harassed, mentally and physically harassed. He did not lose his patience and continued implementing his novel ideas and techniques. Braithwaite with his novel and creative ideas, innovative techniques and understanding the student's psychology and as a result, he wins the hearts of his students in a very short time. Therefore, Braithwaite was really very anxious when it was a turn of his class to represent themselves and their progress in study in the half yearly report. eg. "I had heard a quite deal about the occasions and became as excited as the children as the day approached. It was entirely their day, arranged, presented and controlled by them. I observed the qualities of my class as they prepared for it noting with pride the business-like in which tasks were allocated and fitted in to a neat programme." There is another example, "I felt terribly pleased and proud to see the confident courtesy with which Denham used the term "Miss" in addressing each of the senior girls; I felt sure that this would in itself be something for the younger ones to aim at, a sort of badge of young adulthood."

- **Q.5**(C)
- (1) Chapter 37 of the novel is mainly dealing with how Phileas Fogg make it on time to reach the Reform Club. We get shocked when Passepartout is asked to arrange for the marriage of Aouda and Fogg. When he reaches the clergyman's place he realizes that the marriage cannot take place the next day as it is Sunday and not Monday. Here they realises that they have reached a day before than what they had thought. Passepartout immediately rush to his master and forcefully sends him to the club. Luckily Fogg manages to reach there in a stipulated time. Here we understand how a mistake of day had taken place and how Fogg and team had gained a day while travelling eastward. Fogg is a large hearted person. Even though Fogg had no enough money, he had now only one thousand pounds he divided it in to Passepartout and Aouda. On the next day Aouda and Phileas Fogg get married the next day. Later on Passepartout tells Fogg if they would have not gone India, they would have gone around the world in just seventy eight days. He immediately answers him that in that case he would have not met Aouda and she would have not been his wife. The chapter 37 ends on a striking note. Verne preaches a moral at the end, that love and its attainment is more important than all the challenges and money in the world. Fogg is extremely happy to be with Aouda. The novel and chapter ends with happy notes.
- (2) In the final chapter of the novel Around the World in Eighty Days we come across many incidents. But one thing is true that Phileas Fogg who had accepted challenge and had reached London on 78th day after going all over the world felt that he has lost the wager as he had reached five minute late than his scheduled time. He was so nervous that he shut himself inside the house for near about a day. Next day in the evening when he went to see Aouda and asking her to forgive him as he is responsible for him to bring in London. She said him forgive her too as she followed him and probably it was she who delayed his arrival in London and indirectly she was responsible for his ruin. He told her he has no friends, no relatives. Aouda felt pity on Fogg saying solitude is a sad thing, with no heart to which to confide your griefs. They say, though, that misery itself, shared by two sympathetic souls, may be borne with patience. Later she asked him will he accept her as his wife. He happily accepts her proposal. Passepartout is called to inform the father of the church. There he realises that tomorrow is not Monday but the Sunday. And he immediately pushes him and takes to the Reform Club. There he reaches in time and win the wager. In this way finally we can say that he had got justice. He met his love as well as he wind the bet of reaching the London in just 78 days before what he had decided.



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of the world he went. But finally justice is served to him.

His journey is an adventure journey and he had taken all measures train, walk. Ship and all parts

**Q.5(D)** 

(1) In the novel 'Sign of Four', Mary Morstan is one of the important character. In the beginning of the chapter we see Mary Morstan brings the case to Holmes and Watson's attention. She was searching her father but was not successful. For last six years she has received a precious pearl in the mail. Without fail she was receiving it but the sender was mysterious. Mary is described as blonde, with pale skin. She was 27 year old. She was working as a governess when she contacted Holmes. Mary's mother had died immediately after her birth and she was educated in England. At very first time when Watson saw her, he got attracted towards her. At the end of the story, Watson proposes to Mary Morstan and she accepts it. Mary's father was a captain within his group and was disappeared when he had returned to London from India to visit his daughter who was studying in England. He was a good man, who felt guilty about his actions in the war. (2) Thaudeus Sholto is a son of Major Sholto. He is the one who was sending those precious pearls to Mary Morstan from past six years. He does this to try to share his wealth when he found that his father Major Sholto was involved in Mary Morstan's father's death. In the later part of the novel he contact Holmes when he finds that his brother has located the treasure chest. He is not at all happy in his father's actions. He is not in good health and twitchy and nervous. In the course of the novel Thaudeus is arrested as a suspect in his brother's murder because it was known that they fought, the night before the murder.

