

	<p>6. Why does the writer say that it is too late for those who attain only partial success? Because after achieving partial success, they realize they lack proper knowledge and training, but, by then, the learning phase is over, and it becomes difficult to correct their weaknesses.</p> <p>7. Why does the author consider it good to make mistakes during learning? The author believes that making mistakes while learning helps students identify and correct errors under guidance, which leads to perfection and true understanding of their art.</p> <p>8. The desire to sing in public overcomes the need to train. Elaborate. Desire to sing before audience is innocent / perfectly alright to have such a genuine desire; music helps bring out deep emotions and reduces stress – a highly refined art which requires systematic, prolonged and strict training.</p> <p>9. What is best described as ‘Crash Courses’? Crash courses - hurried shortcuts and half-hearted attempts to gain some knowledge and training.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p>
<p>2.</p>	<p>1. What are the main causes for the decline of Asian bear populations? The main causes are habitat destruction and fragmentation due to timber harvesting, agriculture, and human settlement.</p> <p>2. How does the commercial trade in bears threaten their survival? Bears are captured and killed for trade as pets, gourmet food, and for use in traditional medicine, leading to their declining numbers.</p> <p>3. State whether the following statement is true or false. As of 1986, tropical Asian countries with bear populations had lost about 46% of their wildlife habitat. FALSE</p> <p>4. For what illnesses do traditional Asian practitioners prescribe bear gall? Bear gall is prescribed for treating liver diseases, heart ailments, hemorrhoids, and many other serious or painful conditions.</p> <p>5. What connection does the passage make between wealth and wildlife exploitation? The passage suggests that increasing wealth in some Asian nations has intensified wildlife exploitation, as demand for costly traditional medicines made from bear parts continues to rise.</p> <p>6. In which countries is keeping bears as pets mentioned as popular? A. Japan, China, and Korea B. Thailand, Malaysia, and Taiwan C. India, Nepal, and Bhutan D. Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia</p> <p>7. What happens to bears when they outgrow being household pets? A. They are released back into the wild. B. They are trained for zoo exhibitions. C. They enter the food and medicine markets. D. They are sent to wildlife rescue centers.</p> <p>8. Find a word from the passage (para 5) that means “a revival or renewed interest in something.” RESURGENCE</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>

<u>SECTION B – (WRITING SKILLS) (22 Marks)</u>		
3	Format –1 Content -1 Accuracy -1	3
4	Content -2 Organisation -1 Accuracy -1	4
5	Format -1 Content -3 Organisation -2 Accuracy -1	7
6	Format -1 Content -3 Organisation –3 Accuracy-1	8
SECTION C- GRAMMAR (10 Marks)		
7	Complete the tasks from A to D as directed. Fill the blanks (I) -(III) with the appropriate option from those in the brackets (a) could (b) a (c) stay	3
8	Error Correction (a) on in (b) of to (c) for of (d) threw thrown	4
9	Rearrange the following jumbled words/phrases in the given dialogue to create a meaningful sentence.	1
I	It’s more than clear from your swollen eyes, Bryan.	
II	Report the dialogues to complete the paragraph that follows. a) What he was doing that night. b) that he had to prepare for his exam. So he would study for it.	2
<u>SECTION D - LITERATURE (26 Marks)</u>		
10	Read the following excerpts and answer the questions briefly, for any two excerpts, of the given three a, b and c.	4+4=8
(a)	(i)Complex relationship with nature, experiencing both admiration and fear towards its power (ii) Depths of the earth where it is hot and dark (iii) How do we know that the guest's thirst was quenched? The words like depart peaceful, pacified etc show that the guest’s thirst was quenched (iv) thankless	1 1 1 1
(b)	(i) Antony’s speech shows his mastery of persuasion. By appealing to the emotions of the crowd and pretending to be grief-stricken, he wins their sympathy and turns public opinion against the conspirators. (ii)My heart is in the coffin there with Caesar’ (iii) Their remarks show that they are beginning to question the justice of Caesar's assassination, suggesting that the speaker's emotional appeal is having an effect.	1 1 1

	(iv)The line -Caesar has had great wrong- indicates that they began to view Caesar's assassination as an act of injustice.	1
(c)	<p>(i)People always wondered how she could manage to buy such a costly cottage, for she was not very well off and was merely a paid servant.</p> <p>(ii) Mrs. Packeltide learns that vanity and pretence can lead to humiliation and loss, as her attempt to outshine her rival ends up costing her heavily.</p> <p>(iii) The name 'Les Fauves,' meaning 'the wild beasts,' symbolizes her cunning nature and hints at how she used the tiger-shooting incident to her advantage and personal gain.</p> <p>(iv) She did so, for she knew that she was not a good hunter and had to spare a lot of money (incidental expenses) to Mrs. Mebbin to keep the secret intact.</p>	1 1 1 1
11	Answer any five of the following six questions in about 30-40 words each.	5x2=10
(i)	Mr. Pakrashi was the force behind Patol Babu's brilliant performance as an absent-minded pedestrian. Substantiate with reference to 'Patol Babu, Film Star'. Value points: Mr. Pakrashi/ his mentor- remembers his words- gets inspired/thinks no role is small or big/it is an actor who makes the role successful/performs the role with sincerity and enacts in the best possible way/at first disheartened when he realized that his dialogue was only a monosyllabic word, then remembered the words of his mentor	2 2
(ii)	How do Nicola and Jacopo's physical attributes stand in contrast with their inner mettle? (Two gentlemen of Verona) The two brothers in their early teens lived in war damaged humble shelter in extreme poverty, yet instead of making others pity them – they through their inner strength – show their true mettle and undertake odd jobs to have money to save their ailing sister.	2 2
(iii)	What will the poet's friend learn when he arises on the 'Judgement Day' in the poem, 'Not Marble, nor the Gilded Monuments'? The poet's friend will realize that the written words or the poems that are passed on from one generation to another will last till judgement day/ he has been immortalized	2
(iv)	What were the blessings the albatross brought with itself in 'The Rime of the Ancient Mariner'? Value Points: Christian soul / iceberg split / good south wind blew / brought clear weather /ship out of danger / gave hope	2
(v)	Did the sculpture of Ozymandias fulfil the purpose for which it had been built? Give reasons. No. Ozymandias wanted to immortalize himself in his statue but his great work is in ruins and history has completely forgotten him because time is more powerful, no evidences left of his empire.	2
(vi)	In what sense can we call Michael a true gentleman? (Virtually True) Value Points: Good Samaritan – helps a stranger Doesn't give up – keeps trying to rescue him	

	Plays 4 games to rescue him	
12 (a)	<p>Answer any one of the following two questions in about 150 words.</p> <p>Their greed can be distinguished:</p> <p>Motivation: The frog's greed is motivated by a desire for personal gain and success, whereas Abel's children are motivated by a desire for material possessions and inheritance.</p> <p>Actions: The frog takes advantage of the nightingale's talent and exploits her, while Abel's children scheme to acquire their father's belongings through deception.</p> <p>Relationship: The frog and the nightingale have a business relationship, while Abel's children have a familial relationship with their father.</p> <p>Consequences: The consequences of the frog's greed result in the nightingale's demise, while the consequences of Abel's children's greed result in a family dispute and moral dilemma.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>(b) You are Miriam who on returning to your hometown learn that your father is no more. Overwhelmed by grief you wish to share your thoughts with a friend. As Miriam, write a letter to Sahira, in not more than 150 words, expressing your feeling of guilt and regret.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Format -1, Content- 3, Organization- 2, Accuracy-2</p>	1x8=8