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Time: 10 .00 am to 1.00 pm

Instructions: 1) Figures to the right indicate full marks. 2) All questions are compulsory.

SECTION A (READING COMPREHENSION)

Q. 1 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (10)

Recycling is the process of converting waste materials into reusable products. This is a crucial step in reducing the amount of waste we produce and conserving natural resources. Instead of throwing away items like paper, plastic, and metal, recycling allows these materials to be transformed into new products, which helps save energy and reduces pollution. Recycling also plays a major role in preserving the environment by decreasing the need for raw materials.

One of the main reasons recycling is important is because it helps reduce the amount of waste in landfills. Landfills are places where trash is stored, and they can take up a lot of space. The more waste that ends up in landfills, the less room there is for other necessary services, such as farming or construction. Recycling helps minimize this problem by reusing materials, therefore reducing the demand for more space.

Another benefit of recycling is its impact on energy conservation. For example, producing new products from recycled materials generally requires less energy than making them from raw materials. This means that recycling helps save resources like electricity and fossil fuels. Additionally, recycling reduces greenhouse gas emissions, which contribute to global warming and climate change.

In conclusion, recycling is an essential activity that helps reduce waste, conserve energy, and protect the environment. By making small changes in our daily habits, such as recycling paper, plastic, and glass, we can make a big difference in preserving the planet for future generations.

1. What is the main purpose of recycling? (1)
 - a) To create new materials
 - b) To reduce waste and conserve natural resources
 - c) To increase the size of landfills
 - d) To make money for businesses
2. Why are landfills a problem? (1)
 - a) They help conserve energy
 - b) They take up space needed for other services
 - c) They recycle materials
 - d) They provide energy
3. Which of the following is a benefit of recycling mentioned in the passage? (1)
 - a) It requires more energy
 - b) It helps create more greenhouse gases
 - c) It reduces the need for raw materials
 - d) It increases the size of landfills
4. Find words that are similar in meaning to: a) waste b) important c) effect (3)
5. Give a word from the passage that is opposite in meaning to: a) maximize b) increase (2)
6. Apart from recycling, mention two other ways to protect the environment. (2)

SECTION B (LANGUAGE SKILLS/STRUCTURES/COMPOSITION)**Q. 2 A) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions:****(10)**

- 1) He died ____ a chronic illness.
- 2) The two brother fought ____ themselves.
- 3) The teacher distributed sweets ____ the students.
- 4) She was informed ____ the situation by her assistant.
- 5) It is necessary to abide ____ the rules of the institution.
- 6) Around a hundred candidates appeared ____ the exam.
- 7) There weren't many takers ____ the subject.
- 8) The children were bored ____ sitting at home all day.
- 9) She looked ____ the word in a dictionary.
- 10) You must speak ____ for yourself.

(B) Complete the following table:**(20)**

NOUN	VERB	ADJECTIVE
friendship		
management		
pollute		
comfort		
forgiveness		
care		
capability		
terror		
speed		
weight		

Q. 3 (A) Choose the correct option:**(10)**

- 1) You will need to ____ (alter/altar) the dress since it is big for you.
- 2) She can run ____ (farther/ further) than anyone else in her class.
- 3) The detective solved the ____ (serial/cereal) crimes one by one.
- 4) The tree couldn't ____ (bear/bare) the weight of the heavy snow.
- 5) They decided to ____ (adapt/adopt) a puppy from the shelter.
- 6) She is taller ____ (then/than) I am.
- 7) He stood by his ____ (principal/principle) of honesty.
- 8) Everyone ____ (accept/except) Priya was invited to the party.
- 9) I can ____ (here/hear) the birds singing outside.
- 10) The doctor ____ (proscribed/prescribed) a different medicine this time.

(B) Fill in the gaps with appropriate tense of the verbs given in brackets:**(10)**

- a) They ____ (know) the answer to the question.
- b) The children ____ (run) in the playground every day.
- c) We ____ (not have) lunch yet.
- d) She ____ (not understand) what I mean.
- e) Right now, I ____ (read) a very interesting book.
- f) He ____ (write) a letter to his friend at the moment.
- g) By the end of the week, I ____ (complete) the assignment.

- h) She _____ (prepare) dinner when I got home.
 i) I _____ (never see) such a beautiful sunset.
 j) He _____ (arrive) at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow.

Q. 4 A) : Complete the following table:

(20)

BASE VERB	PAST TENSE	PAST PARTICIPLE
swim		
charm		
learn		
sleep		
decide		
commit		
teach		
try		
go		
bind		

B) Make sentences of your own using the phrases given below (Choose any five):

(10)

in front of, again and again, in spite of, on behalf of, in the event of, in no time, in contrast to

C) Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 300 words:

(10)

- 1) The importance of a healthy lifestyle
- 2) Your favourite childhood memory
- 3) The habit of reading
