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दिया गया पाठ्यक्रम/Portion covered: Unit-1 Wisdom Paves the Way

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SECTION A- (READING-10 Marks)

1. Read the following comprehension passage and answer the questions briefly:

A 92-year-old lady, who is fully dressed each morning by eight o'clock with perfect make-up, even though she is blind, moved to an old age home. Her husband recently passed away. She didn't even have children too. After many hours of waiting patiently in the lobby she smiled sweetly when she was ready. She was provided a visual description of her tiny room.

"I love it," stated with the enthusiasm of an eight-year-old having just been presented with a new puppy.

"But.....but Mrs. Jones, you haven't seen the room," said the attendant. "That doesn't have anything to do with it," she replied. "Happiness is something you decide, I have already decided to love it. It's a decision I make every morning I wake up. I can spend the day in bed, recounting the difficulty I have with the parts of my body that don't work., or get out of bed and be thankful for the ones that do. Each day is a gift, and as long as I am alive I'll focus on the new day and all the happy memories I've stored away, just for this time in my life. 'The attendant was touched by the elderly woman's sense of cheer and boundless enthusiasm.

A.1 On the basis of the reading of the passage, answer the questions:

2X4 = 8m

Q 1) Why did the old woman move to an old age home?

Q 2) How did she react when the attendant gave a description of the room she had to live in?

Q 3) What resolution did she make when she woke up every morning?

Q 4) What does the story tell about the old woman?

A.2 From the passage, find out the one-word substitute for the following explanations:

2m

1) Give an account of

2) Unlimited

SECTION B- (WRITING-10 Marks)

2. You are Amrita/Amit, the Co-Curricular Activities Head at DAV Public School, New Delhi. Write a notice informing the students about an upcoming inter-college dance competition. **4m**

3. You have observed that the Kutcha road leading to your colony is in a very bad condition due to heavy rains. The potholes are dangerous for people and can lead to accidents. They also serve as a breeding ground for mosquitoes as there is stagnant water all around. Write a letter of complaints to the Municipal Commissioner to look into the matter and take necessary action. **6m**

SECTION C- (Grammar-7 Marks)

4. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correct word as given in the example. **$\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2m$**

	Error	correction
(i) Reena and her friend was playing in the park.	-----	-----
(ii) They seen a small puppy under a bench.	-----	-----
(iii) The puppy look weak and hungry.	-----	-----
(iv) Reena tell her friend to bring some milk.	-----	-----

5. Do as directed: **$1 \times 3 = 3m$**

(i) We need to make close ----- of animals in order to understand their behaviour. (observe) **Use the noun form of the word given in the bracket.**

(ii) It is advisable for you to think before you speak. **(Rewrite the sentence using appropriate modal verb.)**

(iii) ----- your wisdom shine upon Ujjain and guide us to prosperity. **(Fill in the blank using suitable modal verb)**

6. Rearrange the following words/phrases to form meaningful sentences: **(Any two)**
 $1 \times 2 = 2m$

(i) as you listen / to note down / points / It is important

(ii) most important / of his career / match / This was the

(iii) The old / honest individual / man / was an

SECTION D- (Literature -13 Marks)

7. Read the extract given below and answer the following questions:

$1 \times 5 = 5m$

Shiv Datt: Look there, friends. A camel has passed this way. The tracks are fresh.

Ram Datt: (Studying the tracks) Yes, let us observe them as we continue. They may tell us more than meets the eye.

(The four men continue walking, occasionally stopping to examine the camel's

tracks. They scrutinise every detail, exchanging glances but saying little.)

Ram Datt: I have discovered something peculiar about this camel.

Shiv Datt: So have I.

Har Datt: I, too, have noticed a strange detail.

(i) Identify the false statement from the two given below and rectify it.

a. The young men ignored the camel's tracks as they were in a hurry.

b. Ram Datt believed that the camel's tracks could reveal useful information.

(ii) What does the dialogue "They may tell us more than meets the eye" reveal about Ram Datt?

(iii) Fill in the blank correctly.

In the line "They may tell us more than meets the eye," the phrase "more than meets the eye" refers to _____

(iv) What can be inferred about the young men from their silent observation and glances?

a. They are uncertain and nervous about what they see.

b. They are secretly planning to steal the camel.

c. They are independently analysing the situation and thinking deeply.

d. They are afraid to speak to one another.

(v) What do the four men talking about?

8. Answer the following questions: **(Any two)**

2x2=4m

(i) Why were the four young men travelling to Ujjain?

(ii) What made Shiv Datt think the camel was blind in one eye?

(iii) Why did the merchant think the young men were thieves?

(iv) What does the play teach us about wisdom?

9. Answer the following questions in detail:

4m

(i) Why is wisdom considered more powerful than physical strength?

OR

If you were in the place of the wise character in the story, how would you handle the situation?

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