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अंक / Marks: 40 दिया गया पाठ्यक्रम /Portion covered: A Tale of
Valour: Major Somnath Sharma and the Battle of Badgam

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SECTION - A (READING) – (10 Marks)

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below. (1 x 10 = 10 M)

Sachin Ramesh Tendulkar is India's and probably world's most admired and celebrated cricketer. He has an enabled fan following as large as that of rock stars or great movie stars. He truly is the wonder boy of India. Born on April 24, 1973, Sachin Tendulkar burst on the international cricket scene with his debut in a series in Pakistan, when he was merely a boy of 16 years. Before being selected for the national scene he had displayed his talent in domestic cricket at state and junior levels. In the very debut series, he made people take note of him.

Then, followed his long cricketing career, in which he crossed one milestone after another and piled up runs, half-centuries and centuries to become the highest centurion and the most run-getter. In his private life he remained cool, calm and dignified. No vulgar show of success and flamboyance he indulged in. His serene nature and temperament on the pitch amazed other stalwarts of past, contemporaries and sports analysts. For the sports lovers, he became a semi-god, for youth an icon

and for sponsors a virtual money-spinner. The success never went to his head. He continued to be soft-spoken, affable Sachin, a familiar face to all Indians. He is a team man and the interests of the team and the country remained uppermost in his mind. For a long time, he was the scourge of the bowlers of the world.

In the later years of their cricketing life, Sachin several times was waylaid by injuries. But every time he came back in style after treatment and rehabilitation to the delight of his fans. He has won so many national and international awards that to enumerate them will take a lot of space. He captained the Indian team for some time but it affected his batting. So, he was allowed to continue on as a batsman. He also bowls with good effect when the situation demands. Sachin is a star in both versions of the game —Tests and ODIs, who serves the team as batsman and bowler. In the gloomy scene of sports in India, Sachin shines as a brilliant star to provide a huge consolation.

Questions:

(1x5=5 Marks)

- i. Sachin is the most admired and adulated cricketer of _____ .
- ii. He burst on the international cricket scene when he was _____ .
- iii. Before coming on the international stage, he had shown _____ at various domestic levels.
- iv. In his long cricketing career, Sachin crossed _____ and accumulated _____ highest century-maker.
- v. Cool, calm and dignified, he remained in _____ .
- vi. He became a _____ for the sponsors.
- vii. Suggest a suitable title for the passage.
- viii. Give the synonym of “gloomy” in the passage.
- ix. Find out the antonym of “real” in the passage.
- x. Make a sentence with “success”.

SECTION - B (WRITING) - (10 Marks)

2. You are Muskan. Your father is on a tour. Today morning he called upon your mother. Your mother was not at home. You received the call and had the following conversation with him.

Father: Hello! Who is speaking?

Muskan: I am Muskan, Papa.

Father: OK Dear. I am now in Bengaluru. Where is your Mother?

Muskan: She has gone for the market and will be back in half an hour. Have you any message for her?

Father: Yes, I do. Please tell her that my meeting may prolong for two more days. In that case, I will be back on the 12th. Otherwise, I'll return as per scheduled programme. After coming back, we will go to Manali. So, be ready for that.

Muskan: How wonderful! I'll convey it to Mother.

As you are leaving for your dance class, leave a message for your mother. **(50 words) (4 Marks)**

3. Develop a readable story with the help of the inputs given below. Provide a suitable title and moral to the story. (100-120 words) (6 marks)

Tortoise and hare – good friends – tortoise – known for his slow speed – hare has fast speed – makes fun of tortoise – challenges him – referee selected – race starts – hare overconfident – takes a nap – tortoise wins.

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 in the blanks against the numbers. (1/2x4=2 marks)

Everyone likes the good mannered person. (a)
Here are the few for those who use telephone. (b)
Instead of saying 'hello', tell their name or telephone (c)
number pleasantly when you lift this receiver to (d)
answer a call. Greet a caller pleasantly.
When you are making a call, allow at least
a minute for the one called to reach the telephone.
In this way, you can show good manners.

5. Do as directed:

(3 Marks)

i) To flood or overpower someone or something emotionally (Select one word for the group of words given - Overwhelm / Overthrow)

(1 M)

ii) a) The members of the jury _____ their verdict to the court. (has deliver / have delivered) **(1)**

b) A pair of shoes _____ missing from the rack. (is / are) **(1)**

6. Rearrange the jumbled words and make meaningful sentences.

(1x2=2 marks)

a) petroleum / world / all / great / is / demand / the / in / over

b) the / sparrow / from / city / it / disappeared / house / has / seems / common / the / that

SECTION – D (LITERATURE)- (13 marks)

7. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow.

(1x5=5 Marks)

Born on 31 January 1923, in the picturesque town of Dadh in Kangra, Himachal Pradesh, Somnath Sharma belonged to a family with a rich military legacy. His father, Major General Amar Nath Sharma, had served the nation with distinction, and young Somnath was deeply inspired by the valorous tales of the Mahabharata, imparted to him by his grandfather.

a) What can be inferred about Somnath Sharma's early influences on his career?

i) He was primarily influenced by his father's achievements in the military.

ii) His inspiration came solely from the tales of the Mahabharata.

iii) His family and heritage inspired his bravery and sense of duty.

iv) He decided to join the military out of necessity rather than passion.

b) Identify whether the following statement is true or false:

Somnath Sharma belonged to a wealthy family.

c) What does the phrase 'served the nation with distinction' tell us about Major General Amar Nath Sharma?

(He performed his duties with exceptional dedication, honour, and excellence. / He was highly respected for his contributions to the country.)

d) Replace the underlined phrase with a word from the extract that has a similar meaning.

My family and I visited a popular hill station and stayed in an old but “visually charming” house surrounded by trees.

e) Make a sentence with “imparted”.

**8. Answer any two of the following questions. (30-40 words)
(2x2=4 marks)**

- a) What was the objective of Operation Gulmarg?
- b) Why was Major Somnath Sharma’s hand in plaster during the battle?
- c) What were Major Somnath Sharma’s last words before he was killed? Mention any two qualities reflected in his character.

**9. Answer any one of the following questions. (50-60 words)
(1x4=4 marks)**

- a) Why do you think Major Somnath Sharma’s story continues to inspire soldiers and civilians today?

OR

- b) Describe the events that led to the Battle of Badgam and Major Sharma’s role in it.

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