

Section A: Reading

1. Comprehension

Answer the followings :

I. Choose the correct options:

i. The first commercial Christmas and New Year's card was designed:

c. In 1843 by John C. Horsley

ii. Sir Henry Cole was the first director of:

d. The Victoria and Albert Museum

iii. Why was the concept of printed greeting cards so successful in the 19th century?

b. The penny post made delivery affordable.

iv. Why was the introduction of the penny post significant for the greeting card industry?

b. It made the delivery of cards inexpensive.

v. How did the ancient Chinese and Egyptians greet one another on special occasions?

I gathered that while Greeting each other on special occasions, like the advent of a new year, the Chinese sent the messages of goodwill and cheer, and the Egyptians dispatched their salutations by means of papyrus scrolls

vi. Who suggested the idea of greeting card and who invented it?

The first commercial Christmas and New Year's card was designed in 1843 by John C. Horsley, a British narrative painter at the suggestion and request of his friend Sir Henry Cole.

vii. It was an ideal marriage (para 3). In this sentence 'it' refers to.....?

Printed cards bearing sentimental message inexpensively delivered.

viii. In the European Middle Ages **wood engravers** were producing prints with religious themes. (Complete the sentence)

ix. Which types of messages were delivered by printing cards?

Printed cards bearing sentimental messages.

x. Write the word from the passage which means same as- 'clever'(para-2), 'greetings' (para-1)

clever – **shrewd**

greetings – **salutations**

Section: B (Writing)

Answers may vary.

Section C: Grammar

Do as directed:

a) **violence**

b) **brighter**

c) **Tina works efficiently.**

d) **an , the**

e) **is repairing**

f) **Mine, hers**

g) **iii. A loud noise is made by the lion.**

h) **Do they play the cricket in the ground?**

- i) in, near
- j) Harry Potter and his friends get along well together.
- k) Wow!
- l) iv. He told me that he had been working on this project.
- m) have not seen
- n) iii. very noticeable or important
- o) i. She does not speak politely to everyone.

Section D: Literature

1. Read the extract and answer the following questions.

What fun it would be To look right down,
Over the park And the rooftops of town.
The people below Would stand and stare,
And wish they were me High, high in the air.

i. What is the main theme of the poem?

(c) Flying high in the air

ii. What would the people below do according to the speaker?

(b) Stand and stare

iii. What does the speaker wish to see from above?

(c) The park and rooftops of the town

iv. How does the speaker feel about being high in the air?

(c) Excited and happy

2. Surprisingly, Prabhat could not sleep well that night. He had won the game but he did not feel as happy as he usually did. What was surprising was that Surya did not feel bad about losing. What was more surprising was that Prabhat saw Surya playing basketball the next day.

i. Why could Prabhat not sleep well that night?

c) He did not feel as happy as he usually did after winning.

ii. What was surprising about Surya?

c) He did not feel bad about losing.

iii. Which option tells us about the way Prabhat was feeling that night?

b) unhappy

3. Then, we carve the fine details on the wax. After that, we cover the figure with clay, and put it in the fire. The wax melts and comes out of small openings.

i. What is the first step after carving the fine details on the wax?

The figure is covered with clay.

ii. What is done after the wax melts?

The melted wax came out of small openings, leaving a hollow mould.

iii. How does the liquid metal take shape?

The liquid metal is poured into the hollow mould, taking the shape of the carved

figure.

4. Answer the following questions in about 30- 40 words.

i. How do we know that natural cures are passed from one generation to another?

Daadi was the oldest member of the family. She was not a doctor, therefore she must have learned their uses from her parents and grandparents and must have successfully used them in her lifetime. Now she was sharing with her grandchildren.

ii. Why do you think Prabhat cheated in the beginning to win the badminton match against Surya?

Prabhat cheated in the beginning to win the badminton match against Surya because he was afraid of losing and wanted to maintain his winning streak to feel good about himself.

iii. Give one reason why the grass is cold.

The grass is cold because it is evening time and the temperature typically drops as night approaches.

iv. Why was the first state exhibition an important event in Ila's life?

The first state exhibition was a pivotal moment in Ila's life as it not only showcased her talent but also opened doors to new opportunities, enhanced her reputation, and contributed to her personal and professional growth.

v. Why does Akansha's family make Aipan?

Akansha's family makes Aipan because this is their folk art, and they draw on family functions and festivals.

5. Choose the correct option.

i. Who is known as 'Frontier Gandhi'?

c) Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan

ii. _____ was the writer of Arthashastra which was a treatise on administration.

c) Kautilya

6. Discuss the benefits of yoga for physical and mental health.

Yoga offers numerous benefits of physical health by improving flexibility, strength and balance through different postures. It also aids in pain relief such as lower back pain and promotes weight loss through calorie burning.

Mentally, yoga reduces stress and anxiety, enhances sleep quality and boosts concentration and awareness through meditation and breathing exercises.