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Language — Part B — ENGLISH — Paper I
(New Syllabus)

Time Allowed : 2½ Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 100

- N. B. : i) Answer *all* the questions in the answer-book given separately.
ii) Read the questions carefully and try to understand them fully before answering them.
iii) Write down the question numbers correctly in the margin in your answer-book.

SECTION - A

(Prose)

- I. Answer any *five* of the following questions in about *three* lines each : $5 \times 3 = 15$
1. Who is Sachin compared to ? Why ?
 2. Which milestone did Sachin cross on September 5, 2002 ?
 3. What kind of a person was the Bishop ?
 4. Describe Sambu.
 5. Write a few sentences on the experiences of travelling by the old locomotives.
 6. What made Gandhi think that Geometry was easy ?
 7. What did Tom find ? Where did he find it ?
 8. What is multimedia ?
- II. Answer any *one* of the following questions in a paragraph of about *ten* lines : $1 \times 5 = 5$
1. Describe the sufferings of Jean Valjean.
 2. Compare the three modes of travel and highlight the advantages of each type.
 3. Discuss how the computer can be a good friend today.

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III. Answer in about *twenty* lines on any *one* of the following : $1 \times 10 = 10$

1. The Master Blaster.
2. The adventure of Sambu in London.
3. Margie and the old schools.

IV. A) Choose the correct synonyms for the *italicized* words from the given options : $5 \times 1 = 5$

1. But you don't *disclose* that.
 - a) conceal
 - b) hide
 - c) reveal.
2. The story is quite good but some parts are to be *changed*.
 - a) revised
 - b) altered
 - c) reduced.
3. A satisfied *gleam* appeared in his eyes.
 - a) expression
 - b) shine
 - c) look.
4. First, there is the *bedlam* of the station.
 - a) puzzle
 - b) confusion
 - c) disorder.
5. The book left an *indelible* impression on my mind.
 - a) temporary
 - b) confusing
 - c) permanent.

B) Choose the correct antonyms for the *italicized* words from the given options : 5 × 1 = 5

1. Computers have *revolutionised* our lifestyle.
 - a) hardly changed
 - b) totally changed
 - c) partly changed.

2. With the *advent* of floppies and compact discs

 - a) approach
 - b) departure
 - c) arrival.

3. making him the fourth Indian to reach that *prestigious* milestone.
 - a) ordinary
 - b) rare
 - c) remarkable.

4. I was *sentenced* to nineteen years in the galleys.
 - a) punished
 - b) penalised
 - c) acquitted.

5. He had made gymnastics and cricket *compulsory*.
 - a) regular
 - b) optional
 - c) difficult.

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C) Form *five* new words from the root words listed below using the given 'prefixes' or 'suffixes' in brackets : $5 \times 1 = 5$

1. violence
2. channel
3. legible
4. logic
5. fashion
6. break.

(*il, al, able, out, multi, non*)

D) Supply the full forms for any *three* of the following *abbreviations* : $3 \times 1 = 3$

1. IAS
2. WHO
3. TNPSC
4. BCCI.

E) Match the following *idioms* with their meanings :

$5 \times 1 = 5$

Idioms	Meanings
1. Good Samaritan	a) in close association with
2. pull one's legs	b) get irritated
3. let the cat out of the bag	c) one who helps others
4. get on one's nerves	d) tease
5. hand in glove	e) reveal a secret.

F) Split the following words into *syllables* :

$2 \times 1 = 2$

1. Ability
2. Communication.

SECTION - B**(Poetry)**

V. A) Quote from your memory : 6 + 4 = 10

1. "The Road Not Taken" — 6 lines.

From : Then took

To : lay.

2. "The Tables Turned" — 4 lines.

From : Books !

To : in it.

B) Answer any *four* of the following as directed : 4 × 2 = 8

1. The pitch was only smooth in parts.

a) What served as a pitch ?

b) What was wrong with the pitch ?

2. I will repay thee : all this thou hast done

Into that Ibrahim who slew thy son !

a) Who killed Youssouf's son ?

b) Did Youssouf get angry ?

3. Every family must have black sheep.

a) Who says this ?

b) Give the meaning of the phrase, 'black sheep'.

4. And sorry I could not travel both.

a) Why couldn't the poet travel down both roads ?

b) Is the poet sure of taking the other road some other time ?

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5. Who God doth late and early pray
More of His grace than gifts to lend ?
- When does the happy man pray ?
 - What does he pray for ?
6. This excellent machine is neatly planned,
A child, a half-wit would not feel perplexed :
- Who is a 'half-wit' ?
 - Why is there no chance to commit a mistake ?
- C) Explain with reference to the context any *three* of the following :

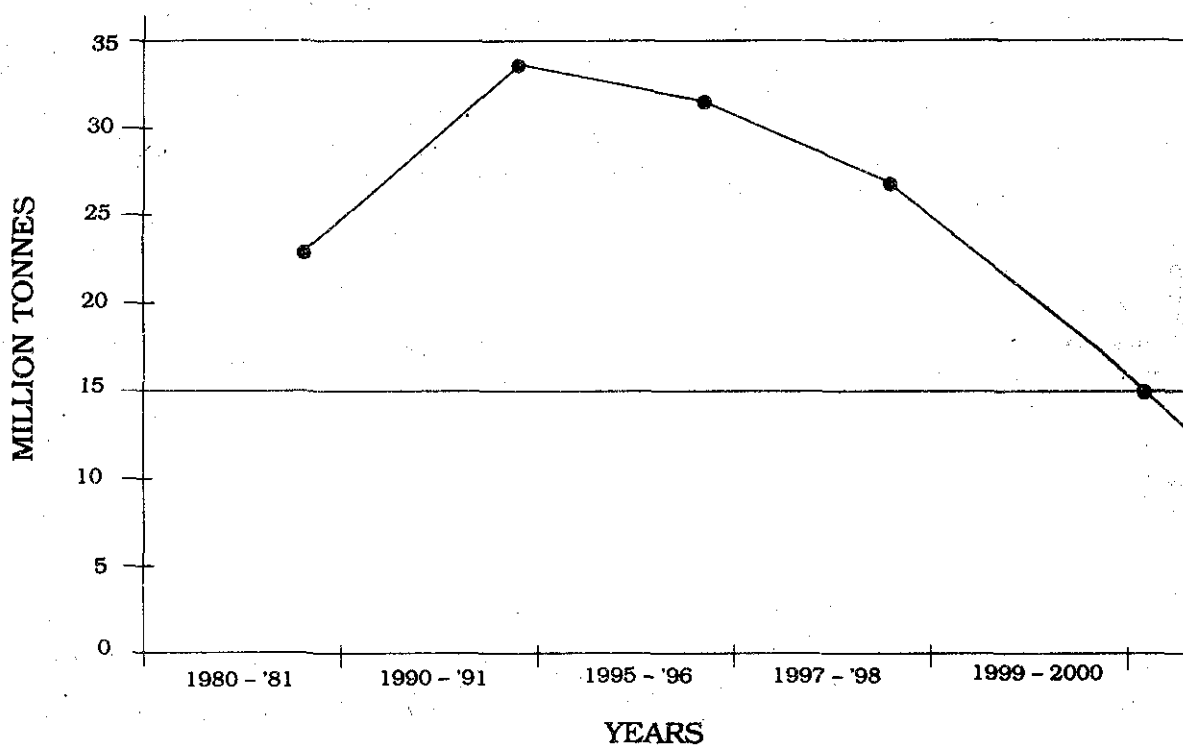
3 × 4 = 12

- Harsh circumstance oft made the rule,
And not the M.C.C.
- Balanced and just are all of God's decrees ;
- One is Sales Manager
One is Bank Manager
- Enough of Science and of Art
Close up those barren leaves.
- And very few are asking, 'Why not scrap it ?'

SECTION - C
(Other Competencies)

VI. A) The following line-graph represents India's Export of Iron Ore. Looking at the graph write a paragraph using the following tips : 5

- export of iron ore in 1980 - '81
- increased to the highest in 1990 - '91
- crossed 32 million tonnes
- decrease from 1995 - '96
- lowest, 15 million tonnes
- fall in export likely to continue.



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B) From the picture answer the following questions :

5 × 1 = 5



1. Name the celebration going on in the picture.
2. What is the child going to do ?
3. Who, do you think, is the old man seen on the left of the child's mother ?
4. What is the girl in the forefront holding in her hands ?
5. What else do you see on the table ?

C) Develop the following flow-chart into a short paragraph :

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