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J-311**(E)****ENGLISH (01)****Time : 3 Hrs.****(16 Pages)****Max. Marks : 80****Important instructions :**

- (1) Each activity has to be answered in a full sentence/s. One word answers will not be given complete credit. Just the correct activity number written in case of options will not be given credit.
- (2) Web diagrams, flow charts, tables, etc. are to be presented exactly as they are with answers.
- (3) In point 2 above, just words without the presentation of the activity format/design, will not be given credit. Use of colour pencils/pens etc. is not allowed. (Only blue/black pens are allowed.)
- (4) Multiple answers to the same activity will be treated as wrong and will not be given any credit.
- (5) Maintain the sequence of the Sections/Question Nos./Activities throughout the activity sheet.

SECTION - I : PROSE

(Reading for Comprehension, Language Study,
Summary and Mind Mapping)

Q. 1. (A) Read the extract and complete the activities given below : (12) [16]

Shaaz Jung is a wildlife photographer, cinematographer, big cat tracker, man-animal conflict resolution seeker and lodge owner - all rolled into one. When he's away from the jungles of Nagarhole, officially called The Rajiv Gandhi National Park, he's leading photography safaris in Africa or showcasing his work at Art Galleries in capital cities and speaking to those interested in conserving the planet's riches.

Shaaz recalls with great clarity the incident that ultimately leads to his answering the call of the felines over a career dedicated to finance. "It was somewhere around sunset. We were at a junction. The deer were calling," he says, "we went around a blind turn," he continues, "and up ahead on the path was this old leopard. You could tell he was past his prime. The jungle had taken a toll on him. He only had three canines. His eyes were sagging. Close to this leopard was another very young, good looking male who was soon to come into his prime. It was clear that there was going to be a fight. Unfortunately, the sun was setting, and we had to leave. But the next morning, I went back to the spot. Sitting on a high rock was that young leopard. Blood was dripping from a gash across his face. He sat there like he was, 'king of the jungle.' I knew right then that he had taken over, that it was the beginning of a new journey for him. And for me."

Photographs of that leopard, the victor, Scarface, as Shaaz named him, not only made Shaaz famous among

India's wildlife community, but also led to Shaaz's enviable reputation as a chronicler of the wild. "Through my journey of photographing Scarface, I have discovered other leopards, his mates and discovered his nemeses-tigers. I also discovered the current protagonist of my work-Saya-while tracking Scarface. This is the world's first black panther, the behaviour of which is being documented so intimately on camera, by tracking its movements. So far all the research on the animal has been done through camera traps." Through many months of toil, Shaaz has managed to collect precious footage, including that of the animal mating, to piece together the incredible landscape of a black panther's life.

A1. Read and rewrite the following sentences and state whether they are True or False : (2)

- (a) Jungles of Nagarhole is called the Rajiv Gandhi National Park.
- (b) Nearly at sunset, Shaaz was at a Junction.
- (c) Shaaz had collected precious footage very easily.
- (d) By tracking black panther's movements, its behaviour is documented.

A2. Complete the following web-diagram mentioning any four of Shaaz Jung's professional achievements : (2)



A3. Give reasons : (2)

The writer says, "It was like looking at the past and the present" because _____

A4. 'Wildlife photography is a thrilling hobby.' Write your views to justify the statement. (2)

A5. Do as directed : (2)

(1) You could tell he was past his prime.

(Choose the correct option where 'be able to' is used from the options given below and rewrite)

- (a) You are able to tell he was past his prime.
- (b) You will be able to tell he was past his prime.
- (c) You weren't able to tell he was past his prime.
- (d) You were able to tell he was past his prime.

(2) The Jungle had taken a toll on him.

(Choose the correct Passive voice from the given options and rewrite.)

- (a) A toll on him had been taken by the jungle.
- (b) A toll on him had taken by the jungle.
- (c) A toll on him has been taken by the jungle.
- (d) A toll on him was being taken by the jungle.

A6. Find out the synonyms of the following from the extract: (2)

- (i) closely
- (ii) exhibiting
- (iii) long deep cut
- (iv) drooping lags

(B) Language Study : (4)

B1. Do as directed : (3)

- (i) "What a melodious performance it is!" Mr. Swami said to his daughter. (1)

(Choose the correct alternative showing the Indirect narration of the given sentence.)

- (a) Mr. Swami said to his daughter that it was a very melodious performance.
- (b) Mr. Swami exclaimed that it was a very melodious performance.
- (c) Mr. Swami told to his daughter that it is a very melodious performance.
- (d) Mr. Swami surprised to his daughter that it was a very melodious performance.

(ii) The commander rapidly passed on the instructions. (1)

(Choose the correct – 'Wh' question from the given options to get the underlined word as the answer.)

- (a) How did the commander pass on the instructions?
- (b) Who passed the instructions on the commander?
- (c) What does the commander pass on the instructions?
- (d) How does the commander pass on the instructions?

(iii) You must attend the classes. You can qualify for the examination. (1)

(Choose the correct alternative to transform the sentence into a compound sentence.)

- (a) You must attend the classes so as to qualify for the examination.
- (b) You must attend the classes but qualify for the examination.

- (c) You must qualify for the examination and attend the classes.
- (d) You must attend the classes and qualify for the examination.

B2. Spot the error and rewrite the correct sentence : (1)

Dr. Dixit has being practising for twenty years in this city.

Q. 2. (A) Read the extract and complete the activities given below : (12) [18]

The moon is our inseparable companion in space. It is nearer to the earth than any other heavenly body. It is, in fact, a satellite of the earth.

Although it is called a satellite, it is much bigger than many of the satellites of other planets. Therefore, it is sometimes called the earth's sister planet and sometimes, the earth and the moon are together called a double planet.

The moon orbits the earth at a distance varying from 3,53,000 kilometers to 4,05,500 kilometers at a speed of 3,680 kilometers per hour. It takes 27 days, 7 hours, 11 minutes and 5 seconds for one complete revolution. But this duration varies, because the moon, like all the planets, is constantly under the gravitational influences of other planets, the earth and the sun.

The moon is also turning on its axis all the time just as the earth is. The length of the time the moon takes to rotate once is about the same as the time it takes to orbit once round the earth. The result of this is that from the earth we always see the same side of the moon. The unseen face is called the far side.

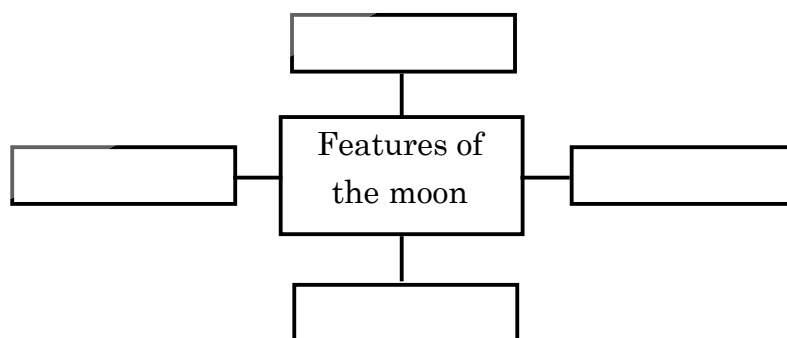
It seems to us that the moon rises in the east and sets in the west, just as the sun and the stars do. This rising and setting, however, are due only to the rotation of the earth. It is the earth turning round and round on its axis that causes the appearance of rising and setting.

The moon is light in weight and small in volume as compared to the earth. It has only one fiftieth (150^{th}) of the earth's volume and one eightieth (180^{th}) of its mass. Its diameter is only one-fourth that of the earth, being 3,456 kilometers. Its surface area does not exceed 7.5 percent of the earth's surface area, that is, it is only about the area of Africa and Europe put together.

A1. Find out two correct statements from the given options and rewrite them : (2)

- (a) The moon is light in weight and small in volume.
- (b) The moon is a smaller satellite compared to many other satellites of other planets.
- (c) The moon does not turn on its axis at all just as the earth does.
- (d) The moon takes 27 days, 7 hours, 11 minutes and 5 seconds for one complete revolution.

A2. Complete the web diagram given below: (2)



A3. Explain the reason for the variation in the duration for the moon's single complete revolution from the extract. (2)

A4. Describe 'Moon' - as a satellite in your own words. (2)

A5. Language study : (2)

(i) The moon is nearer to the earth than any other heavenly bodies.

(Identify and rewrite the correct positive degree form of the above sentence from the given options.)

(a) The moon is nearer to the earth than any other heavenly bodies.

(b) Very few heavenly bodies are as near to the earth as the moon.

(c) No other heavenly body is as near to the earth as the moon.

(d) The moon is the nearest to the earth of all heavenly bodies.

(ii) The unseen face is called the far side.

(Identify and rewrite the correct transformation of the above sentence beginning with , 'we.....')

(a) We called the far side as unseen face.

(b) We called the unseen face as far side.

(c) We call the unseen face as far side.

(d) We calls the unseen face as far side.

A6. Vocabulary : (2)

Match the words given in column 'A' with their meanings given in column 'B' –

'A'	'B'
(i) Surface	(a) the amount of space.
(ii) Volume	(b) a straight line that goes from one side to the other side of a circle.

(iii) Diameter	(c) Curved path taken by a planet as it moves around another planet.
(iv) Orbit	(d) Top or flat part of thing.

(B) Summarising : (3)

Write a 'Summary' of the above extract by using the following points –

Space companion — revolution — gravity — features.

(C) Mind Mapping : (3)

Prepare a mind map on the topic 'Benefits of English Language.' Frame/design using your ideas/thoughts/concepts to illustrate.

SECTION - II : POETRY

(Poetry and Appreciation)

Q. 3. (A) Read the extract and complete the activities given below : (10) [14]

The river has a soul.
 It knows, stretching past the town,
 from the first drop of rain to dry earth
 and mist on the mountaintops,
 the river knows
 the immortality of water.

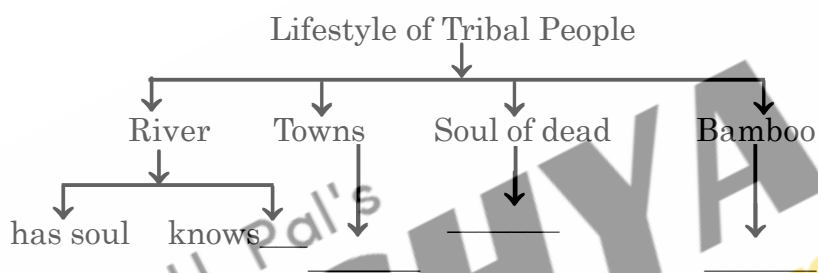
A shrine of happy pictures
 marks the days of childhood.
 Small towns grow with anxiety
 for the future.

The dead are placed pointing west.
 When the soul rises
 it will walk into the golden east,
 into the house of the sun.

In the cool bamboo,
 restored in sunlight,
 life matters, like this.

In small towns by the river
 we all want to walk with the gods.

A1. Complete the tree diagram about the lifestyle of tribal people : (2)



A2. Give reasons. (2)

The dead are placed pointing west because

- (i) _____
 (ii) _____

A3. Express your views on the importance of forests in about 2/3 lines. (2)

A4. Find out and explain the figure of speech used in the following lines : (2)

When the soul rises
 It will walk into the golden east
 into the house of the sun

A5. Compose 2/4 lines or a stanza on 'Childhood memories.' (2)

(B) Appreciation : (4)

Read the extract and write the appreciation of the poem given below :

Did you give a cheerful greeting to the friend who came along?
 Or a churlish sort of "Howdy" and then vanish in the throng?

Were you selfish pure and simple as you rushed along
 the way,
 Or is someone mighty grateful for a deed you did today?
 Can you say tonight, in parting with the days that's
 slipping fast,
 That you helped a single brother of the many that you passed?
 Is a single heart rejoicing over what you did or said;
 Does a man whose hopes were fading now with courage
 look ahead?
 Did you waste the day, or lose it, was it well or sorely spent?
 Did you leave a trail of kindness or a scar of discontent?
 As you close your eyes in slumber do you think that God
 would say,
 You have earned one more tomorrow by the work you
 did today?

SECTION - III

(Writing Skills)

Q. 4. Complete the activities as per the instructions given below : **[16]**

(A) Attempt 'Any One' of the following activities : **(4)**

(i) Drafting a virtual message :

Miss Lata wishes her classmate, Shubham, to bring his DSLR camera to college. She calls him but he is out for jogging. His father, Mr. Swami answers her phone call before leaving for his office.

Draft a virtual message in about 50 words by Mr. Swami for Shubham.

OR

- (ii) Statement of purpose :

Imagine, you have successfully completed your Higher Secondary Education (HSC) and wish to pursue your degree in, 'Interior Designing' in a reputed university in India or Abroad.

Prepare a 'Statement of Purpose' in about 150 words which will help you to get an admission in your dream university.

OR

- (iii) Group Discussion :

Imagine, your Jr. College has participated in a 'Tree plantation programme.' Write a group discussion in the form of dialogues associated with this tree plantation programme among 3/4 student participants.

- (B) Attempt 'Any One' from the following activities : (4)

- (i) E-mail :

Draft an e-mail as the incharge of the students' council to a celebrity singer requesting him/her to grace the 'patriotic group song competition' in your college as a judge.

OR

- (ii) Report Writing :

Your Jr. College celebrated "Teachers' Day" recently. Write a report on the happenings of this day in about 150 words.

OR

- (iii) Interview :

Imagine, you have to conduct an interview of a 'sports

personality' with the help of the format given below, draft questions on the given fields.

(Do not change the sequence of the questions)

Name of the interviewee :	
Field / Reputation :	
Date / Venue / Time :	
Duration of Interview :	
Questions based on :	Questions :
(1) Love for sports	
(2) Challenges	
(3) Preparation	
(4) Teachers / Guide	
(5) Hardwork	
(6) Achievements	
(7) Goals	
(8) Vision	

(C) Attempt 'Any One' of the following activities : (4)

(i) Speech :

Imagine, you have to deliver a speech in the college on "Travelling is the best experience."

Draft a speech in about 150 words on the above topic.

OR

(ii) Compering :

Imagine, you are one of the members of the cultural committee of your college and you are given the

responsibility of a 'compere' at a cultural programme.

You may take help of the given points.

- Welcome - lighting of the lamp
- Introduction
- Felicitation
- Cultural programme
- Presidential address
- Vote of thanks

Draft the whole programme script to decide the flow of the programme.

OR

(iii) Expansion of Idea :

Expand the following idea with the help of the points given below (100/150 words).

'Argument is the worst kind of communication.'

Points :

- Real values of life
- Creates conflict
- Spreads negativity
- Waste of time and energy

(D) Attempt 'Any One' of the following activities : (4)

(i) Review :

You have recently watched a documentary film. Write a review on the same with the help of the following points:

- Title of the film
- Subject / Story / Plot
- Presentation / Photography / Music
- Message

OR

(ii) Blog :

Write a 'Blog' in a proper format on 'Essentials of a diet plan' with the help of the following points: (100 - 150 words)

- Diet contents / Ingredients
- Diet schedule
- Stick up to the plan
- Measuring result and feedback

OR

(iii) Appeal :

Prepare an appeal on the topic, "Relishing Reading Habit" with the help of the following points (100 - 150 words):

- Building vocabulary
- Enhancing word power / rich language
- Facing the world with courage
- Confidence building

SECTION - IV

(LITERARY GENRE - NOVEL)

Q. 5. (A) Complete the activities given below as per the instructions : **(4) [16]**

(i) Match the columns : **(2)**

'A'	'B'
(1) Realistic Novel	(a) Mystery, horror
(2) Historical Novel	(b) An eccentric or disreputable protagonist
(3) Gothic Novel	(c) Set on a past period
(4) Picaresque Novel	(d) The effect of realism

(ii) Choose the correct alternatives and rewrite the sentences: (2)

(a) _____ was one of the major trio writers in Indian English.

(Vikram Seth, R.K. Narayan, Amitav Ghosh)

(b) _____ is an immigrant author.

(Salman Rushdie, Manohar Malgaonkar, Anita Desai)

(c) The phrase 'Stream of consciousness' was coined by _____.

(Harper Lee, Walter Scott, William James)

(d) E. M. Forster is well known for his _____.

(Novels, Essays, Stories)

(B) Answer in about 50 words to the questions given below : (4)

(i) Write about Miss Phillips from the point of view of his students in 'To Sir, with Love.' (2)

(ii) Explain the way the purpose of half-yearly report programme is fulfilled in 'To Sir, with Love.' (2)

(C) Answer in about 50 words to the questions given below : (4)

(i) 'Time' is treated as a character in 'Around the World in Eighty Days.' (2)

(ii) Give the reasons for apologies made by Detective Fix in 'Around the World in Eighty Days.' (2)

(D) Answer in about 50 words to the questions given below: (4)

(i) Describe the horse-driven journey upto Major Sholto's residence in your own words in 'The Sign of Four.' (2)

(ii) Write in short about the introductory meeting of Sherlock Holmes and Mary Morstan in 'The Sign of Four.' (2)

